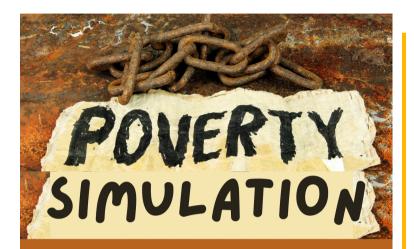


### **MARCH 2025**



Join us on Thursday, April 10, 2025 The Lamplighter Restaurant in Delmont From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Just a reminder that registration for the Poverty Simulation on Thursday, April 10 at the Lamplighter in Delmont from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. is now open! You can find the registration link on the District's website: rotarydistrict7305.org and follow the Interact tabs.

The Poverty Simulation is less than six weeks away and already 20% of the 80 spots are gone. Don't be disappointed, get your registration and payment submitted today!





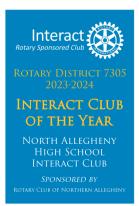
The Laurel Highlands Interact Club recently organized a successful coat drive in support of the Uniontown City Mission-Living Stones Emergency Shelter. With the winter weather



and below freezing temperatures, we wanted to make sure that those in need had warm coats to help them through the cold season. The response was overwhelming, and there were many generous donations of gently used coats. The collected items were delivered to the shelter, where they will provide comfort and warmth to men, women, and children facing hardship. It was a rewarding experience for our students to see how small acts of kindness can make a big difference in the lives of others.



The 2024-2025 Interact Club(s) of the Year Nomination Form for Rotary District 7305 is now available on the District's website under the "Interact" tabs.





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### **MARCH 2025**

INTERACTCLUB Next Meeting: In BPHS Cafeteria on February 5th 2:45 to 3:30 February is Random Acts of Kindness Month • We will be planning/preparing for an appreciation party • We will also be creating a kindness calendar



We recently received two Interact Certification forms, one from the Ferndale Area High School in Johnstown and the other from Charleroi High School. Ferndale is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Johnstown and Charleroi is sponsored by the newly formed Mon-Yough River Valley Rotary Club.

This is the third new Interact Club in our District in the past several months! They join Mothers of Sorrows School. Dear Friends,

On behalf of our Brotherhood and the children who received your wonderful gifts, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your generosity! The joy and happiness on the children's faces were truly great!

Your kindness has brought them not only beautiful presents but also a sense of warmth and love. The gifts were amazing, and the children were absolutely delighted! We have shared many special moments and captured them in photos, which we are happy to share with you.

May God bless you abundantly for your generosity and kindness!

With love and prayer, Br. Bogdan

Articles and pictures for the April 2025 District 7305 Interact Newsletter are due no later than Tuesday, March 25. Items can be sent to: mbarnhar@verizon.net



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### **MARCH 2025**

In January and February, North Allegheny Interact stayed busy with meaningful activities that



reflected our dedication to service, peacebuilding, and sustainability!

In January, Interactors at the Senior High wrote peace poems and created peace-related artwork for the Students Rebuild Challenge's Sparking Peace Project. For every work of art we created, a monetary donation was made on our behalf to support peace-building organizations--totaling \$1,670. To honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Interactors at the Intermediate High created posters for the hallway, sharing dreams for the future and ways we can serve our community.

In February, we learned about HEARTH, an organization that provides transitional housing to mothers and their children who do not have homes. For the moms, we created spa-in-a-jar kits to bring them joy and self-care on Valentine's Day. For their children, we assembled treat bags including hot chocolate packets, Hershey's Kisses, and festive bookmarks.

Throughout the past two months, we've also participated in the District 7305 Trivia Challenge; we served as writing contest judges for a middle school writing contest; we embraced sustainability with a Winter Bingo Challenge where members completed eco-friendly tasks to earn points; we completed environmental projects such as the Great Backyard Bird Count and the Fairchild Challenge. Interactors are excited to continue making a positive impact with more great projects in the months ahead!



The Peace Pole People









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### **MARCH 2025**

We had a blast volunteering at this years Chili Cook Off benefiting the Bethel Park Fantastic Four Charities!













Thank you to everyone who donated! Our Interact Club's Sock Drive for California wildfire survivors was a success. Your generosity brought warmth & comfort to those in need!







To spread love and cheer, the Jeannette Interact Club partnered with the Art Club to create Valentines Cards for those in need.

They had over 50 students volunteer to help make cards and they were able to create hundreds of cards that were given to multiple organizations.





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### **MARCH 2025**

In February for Valentine's day, members made over 200 Valentine Cards over a two week period and donated them to the elderly in



Senior Life Ebensburg and Westmont Woods. We were told that they were a "Big hit," at the Centers!



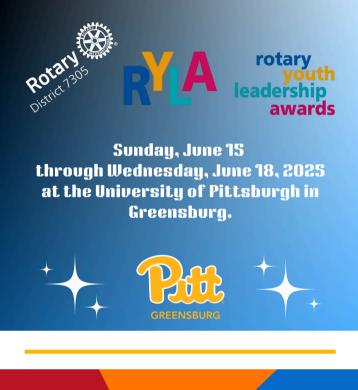


JHS Interact Officers attended the World Affairs Institute at Carnegie Mellon University. Through the series of speakers and workshops, we became attentive to the issues surrounding Pittsburgh and how we can do our parts to make Western Pennsylvania a better place!





In March, JHS Club Will be doing Female Teacher highlight interviews for Women's History Month. They will be broadcasted on the schools TV's and posted on Instagram, as well as shared on social media. With this project, we plan to give the female teachers and staff in our school a voice, and let their stories be heard.





## Mark your calendars

2025 District 7305 Interact District Conference will be on Thursday, October 9, 2025



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### **MARCH 2025**

We celebrated Random Acts of Kindness month by thanking the BPHS custodial staff with a pizza party. We partnered with Best Buddies Party included handmade decorations and thank you cards from our members.









### You are invited!!

The International Service Impacting Women and Children Rotary Club has invited our Interactors to take part in a Trivia Night on April 17 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. This is an individual tournament vs. a team tournament. The cost for Rotarians to participate is \$20 per person but for Interactors it is only \$5 per person. There will be prizes for the winners.

