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Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club

PRESS RELEASE

Future Rotarians: Rotary Wheelettes & Interact Club Members

Each week the Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club invites as its guests, students from Choctaw High who are members of the Interact Club. The Interact club is composed of Interact Members (young men) and Wheelettes (young women). This past week Danielle Fowler, Riley Giardrosich, Mykal Bailey and Brooke Ray were our special guests.

Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 14 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting.

Club membership varies greatly. Clubs can be single gender or mixed, large or small. They can draw from the student body of a single school or from two or more schools in the same community. Each year, Interact clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill. Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs and learn the importance of

- Developing leadership skills and personal integrity
- Demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others
- Understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work
- Advancing international understanding and goodwill

As one of the most significant and fastest-growing programs of Rotary service, with more than 10,700 clubs in 109 countries and geographical areas, Interact has become a worldwide phenomenon. Almost 200,000 young people are involved in Interact. A major goal of Interact is to provide opportunities for young people to create greater understanding and goodwill with youth throughout the world.



Pictured above from L to R: Danielle Fowler, Riley Giardrosich, Mykal Bailey and Brooke Ray

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