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Look Ahead!

- Today, **August 18th**, President's Meeting! Welcome all!
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Interact?

If tested, could you stalk down all the DC members? Do you know all their names and how many of them there are?! No, you don't. Why? Because you haven't checked out our site yet! Visit us at www.interact5170.com, created by our very own Raymond Chou, for info, contacts, DC Members, dates, etc. Visit us today!

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Hello President's Meeting! !

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Uh, Governor Asha?

Hello, hello Interact District 5170!

I'm so grateful that another Interact year has commenced. Every year, our love, our passion, our drive to change the world manifests itself in enough good deeds to last us many lifetimes, but to me the ultimate rewards for my involvement in Interact are the relationships I have forged, the good times we have shared, and the constant emergence of so many opportunities to touch so many lives.

As the largest Interact district in the world, we essentially defy the laws of physics. For every action we make, there will not be a simple reaction; there will be a reaction with a magnitude 23843279fold what we've done. Interact clubs from Kenya and New Zealand and the Trinidad and Tobago and Argentina are watching us, and they're waiting to join in on the fun.

A wise DC member once asked, "We take so much from the tree of life, but who stops to water it?" Why, we will of course. While we generally do service in our local communities, and a lucky few of us have been blessed enough to travel abroad, now we really have the chance to traverse the corners of the world. Our aid reaches far and wide, and this year Interactors will be going as well, to physically leave their imprints on communities in places like Ghana and Panama and see the sweet fruits of our labor. District 5170, I'm expecting greatness from you all, from Dynamite DC to the passionate Interactors that drive our successes. This is our lucky year!

The prospect of being connected to such a huge international network is amazing, but hopefully you'll still strive to play with those a little closer to home, like me! So allow me to forewarn you like the many that have come before: I am slightly crazy, but I do have a high pain threshold, so it all works out beautifully in the end. Don't be afraid to human wall, chest bump, or simply say hi to me. Let the good times roll.





Lt. Governor—Pauline Nuth

Welcome Interactors to the beginning of a BRAND NEW year! A new year fueled with excitement, ambition, passion and dedication. As we “pitched” the start of a new year with Day at the A’s, we anticipate this new journey to be nothing short of dynamite! With all that excitement rallied up from RYLA and the A’s game, you know this year’s going to be mind-blowing! As we take on the shoes of Past Governor Janet Chau and Past Lt. Governor Jennifer Yee, Governor Asha and I hope to not only meet their extraordinary success, but we hope to create an 07-08 legacy that’s unforgettable! There’s definitely a whole lot to do. But when you got “DYNAMITE DC” working, you’re going to have to take breather and ask yourself “Is this fo’ real? Or, am I buggin’?” I can’t wait to officially start the new year. I’m so excited; I think I just peed in my pants! The name’s Pauline Nuth and thrilled to be your Lieutenant Governor! I’m a senior (‘08 Represent!) at Independence High. Go Area 6! I was hooked on Interact since I was freshmeat. This past year I served as Co-President of my club, as well as the Area 6 Rep on DC. I attended RYLA ‘06, Cool Crew Represent! One in a million, you’ll see me at the mall... never been a big shopper, with the exception of Fry’s Electronics and Costco! You can find me at school from the hours of 7am to 6pm, either in the classroom, in a meeting, or, on the tennis courts. If I’m not doing something Interact-related, then it’s home + laptop + food + TV + homework = all at the sometime. When I can find the time and friends to play with, I never cease to get tired of tennis, basketball, Powderpuff football, movie nights, and game nights!

Secretary—Sophia Wang

HELLO INTERACTORS, I am honored to be your Super Secretary for this year. I’m also the President of Area 5’s amazing Mission San Jose High School’s Interact Club. I am to Interact as Starbucks is to coffee. Coffee fascinates me not only because it tastes absolutely delicious, but because it makes it makes one’s pee smell like coffee too. Totally unexpected! Speaking of, would you rather drink pee that tastes like your favorite beverage or eat an exotic bug everyday?

P.S. : I apologize for not being able to make it to the President’s Meeting, but I am here in spirit. DID YOU KNOW that hummingbirds are the only birds that can fly backwards?!

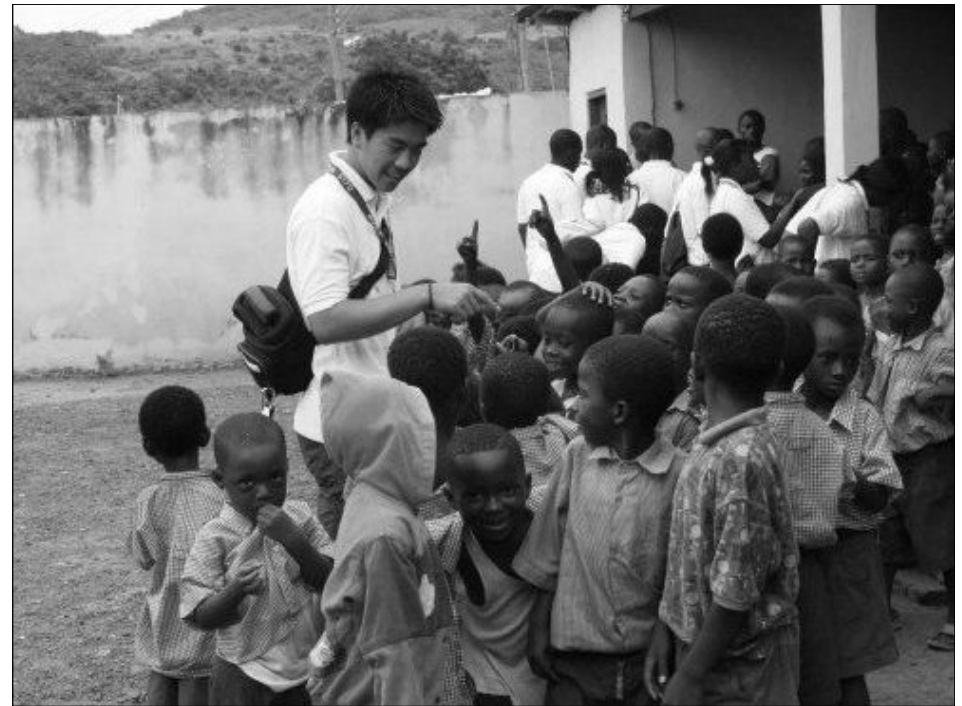


Treasurer—Jonathon Sunada

Hey, I’m Jonathon (with an o) and I’m your 2007-2008 Treasurer. I’m going to be a Senior at Mission San Jose High School where I am the senior class representative for MSJ’s Interact club. I have a passion for pole-vaulting (though I’m not very good at it). Usually, I drink way too much water and end up peeing at least 5 times a day. I also have an EXTREME phobia of birds, but I’m pretty impartial to

bugs.

DC trip to Ghana, delivering \$5000 worth of medical supplies and mosquito nets to a village.



Who’s Dynamite DC?

(As in, who said what line?)

- 1: Last summer a bear ran into my car & I also have webbed toes!
- 2: I like Lilo and Stitch.
- 3: I have a fetish for taking peoples watches and wearing them.
- 4: I am way to organized, that I even set up the dates for when I would start and finish each of the books I read this summer; I organize my closet by color, size, and type of clothing; and lastly I have a binder for everything.
- 5: I have a pet chicken.
- 6: I went hiking at Mt. Hamilton today; the park ranger called me out on my age and "illegal" relationship with my boyfriend.
- 7: Although I spend a lot of time with Interact, I also play sports; I’m co-captain for my tennis and swim team.
- 8: I love Curious George and teddy bears.
- 9: I am slightly allergic to milk.
- 10: I can put my fist in my mouth.
- 11: Oh, motherpizza.
- 12: Eww, you’re yuckie.
- 13: I love coffee.
- 14: I am short and small and stress a lot, just like my buddy Pauline!

Area 12: Stephanie Zau



Hey everyone! My name is Stephanie and I'm a senior at Homestead High School. I'm the Area 12 Rep on DC. Yeee Ivory Elephants Represent. I definitely have a passion for Interact. I'm really excited to be part of something this big and to contribute to making a difference. I love helping people, love watching the world change for the better, and I love seeing people happy. When I'm not doing stuff for Interact, I'm being a nerd with Future Business Leaders of America, studying, and pretending that I'm hella gangsta. And yes, I say hella. Oh yeah, and baking is definitely my love. So is singing. But cookies, cakes, muffins, brownies. YUM. I'm also a food fanatic. Malaysian, Chinese, Italian, Greek. I love trying new types of cuisines and experimenting with food mixing. And I have a huge fetish for CHEMISTRY. Bugs are gross. And I have a really cool poop in my car. Too bad I don't have pee to match it. Anyways, this year is going to be totally awesome.

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DC 2007 at Rotary International Convention in Salt Lake City



Webmaster—Raymond Chou



HEY!!! It's your most awesome webmaster, with the most awesome redesign of our district website! Check it out at interact5170.com! (YOU BETTER!!!) Okay, so Crissy wants me to go into detail about this jungle she runs through (if you are clueless right now that means you haven't checked out the website! FOR SHAME!)...well that jungle is the world we live in! (not really but good analogy, no?) Filled with diseases and hardships, it is up to us Interactors (you should've gone to the website by now!) to save the world! And we all know the king of the jungle is the AREA 5 NINJA TURTLE! Haha, see you all at FbugLpeeC!



New Clubs—Yliana Chan

Hello everyone! If you don't know who I am, I am Yliana Chan. I am the New Clubs Coordinator. Know any schools that want to start a wonderful Interact Club and is in need of help? Get at me! Outside of the Interact world, you can find me at Albertsons bagging your parents' groceries and playing tennis at the tennis courts. I'm currently a senior at Arroyo High School. I have one more year of high school and

I'm out! I would love to attend any So Cal UC which has been my dream since I've been a freshman. Outside of school, I like to party like a rockstar! Having fun is always a plus, duh. I'm open to meeting anyone anywhere. My favorite bug is a ladybug because they are tiny like me. I also like to pee with my bathroom door open when no one is home. Don't tell me none of you do that too! My first blurb journey has come to an end; find me on Myspace or Facebook, guys! No me, no fun; Know me, know fun!

Historian — Yuanyu Chen



I haven't done a blurb in 3 months! Sigh, back to life. So about me....old DC was damn cool, and so is new DC! I hope you're all looking forward to the new 5170 year, because I sure am. Random facts: **1:** I don't care all that much about academics, and I have no clue how to study because I straight up don't. **2:** I spend lots of time getting lucky with your mother and her flowers. Taking pictures, of course! **3:** I <3 Robots, like that shirt. Machines and metals are yummy. Delrin comes close too. **4:** I'm addicted to Jamba Juice, Odwalla, and pearl milk teas from almost anywhere except Q-cup. **5:** RYLA '07 Jurassic CREW <3

6: Oh and I'm joining Rotaract at De Anza with Hieu, because I can (and I'm cool).
THE END! If you have questions, ask away :) (Oh, and the usual stuff...uh, I'm gonna be a senior at Homestead High in Area 12, love Interact, wannabe gangster, blah blah blah.)



Cinematographer—Mahita Penke

Hello This is Mahita, your DC cinematographer! Besides watching Dutch films, promoting interact, and playing tennis, I volunteer at the lab at Kaiser where I get a few “you’reonly16youdon’tknowanythingaboutlife” remarks from pregnant women that come in. OK - I don’t have a closet full of maternity clothes, but I feel their pain! MY baby is 6 months old and I love it...but I have to turn down

EVERYTHING because the BABY needs a new case, and the BABY needs a new tripod (because my old one is currently at the bottom of Lake Elizabeth) - tragic story involving a duck which I'll save for later! I hate bug pee!

Public Relations—Kelly Du

I’ve always wanted to be like Dr. Seuss, so now’s my chance. My name is Kelly Du, I want to meet Interactors like YOU! I need to take my dog to pee, but Crissy keeps on telling me, “Kelly Du, do your blurb!”. I love the Oprah Winfrey Show, I always want to watch mor’-n- mo’. I’m excited for this Interact year, I think I’m going to tear. I’m not a bug, so don’t be scared, come give me a hug. I’m your Public Relations, I love to talk without any hesitations. So if you see me please say hi, you’ll never want to say good-bye. Go Area 6, we in the mix!



Rotaract—Andrew Nguyen*

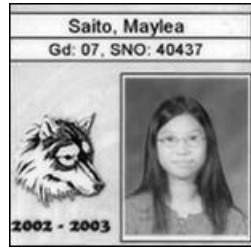
(Now, I assure you all, these words are LEGIT; straight from THE Andy Nguyen, and not just some 2AM fabrication from Maylea’s bored mind!) A-hem. HI, I’M ANDY NGUYEN, Dynamite DC’s Rotaract Coordinator. I have one of the coolest jobs on District Council because I get to stalk college students and bake them Funfetti cakes! I was last seen at camp RYLA, reppin’ as a SUH-WHEEET Mutha Dunka from the

Dreeeeeeam Team! It was at this camp where I spent five days getting hyphy in the woods, swatting bugs, and dressing up as a girl. Yes, it was more than just a gender-bender dare, I BECAME Andrea Nguyen. I squeezed my size-34 badonkadonk into size-four capris, ran around in pink flip-flops, and peed sitting down; I’ve never felt so beautiful in my life. And of course, doing her part of the dare, Maylea became Marklea, a wife-beater-wearing beefcake with sweaty pits who became RYLA ’07’s hottest camp crush among the ladies (unfortunately, she couldn’t pee standing up because it’s not biologically possible for her...even though the girls’ bathroom were blessed with urinals). All the chicks thought Marklea was dreamy, mainly because of her macho stubble. But alas, camp is over, so I must continue saving the world, b-boying, and giving Stephanie Bui her pedicure. This is Maylea - I mean, Andy, signing off!

*Andy is currently at ROTC Leadership Camp so he’s unavailable for the production of this blurb...so I (Maylea) am filling in for him!

Area 8: Maylea Saito

Hi, it’s MAYLEEEEEAAA; your excited Area EIGHT Rep, representing the some of sweeeetest Interact Clubs in District 5170, yee. I’m ecstatic to be part of this year’s DYNAMITE DC crew, a group of 29 cool kids who make sure that Interact doesn’t go up in flames like a marshmallow that was in the campfire for too long. Haha! [I just came back from a camping trip with a handful of my friends; a craaaazy-fun experience with too many bugs and guys peeing on trees!] I’m not talented in describing myself, but no worries, you have this WHOLE year to get to know me and the crazy things I tend to do (lucky you); for example, I like to make outlandish statements and abuse Ebonics late at night. I also use Post-Its as toilet paper whenever I go hiking and I am usually first remembered by the unorthodox pictures I draw or by the neon factor of my shoes. Excited? I am. GO AREA 8, gotta catch ’em all.



Area 9: Shelly McCune



Hello!!! My name is Shelly McCune!!! Go Area 9! I really am the coolest person you will ever meet. I am president of many Live Oak things such as FBLA and ASB, but most importantly I am your Area 9 Rep!!! Yeah! That’s right, Area 9... White Whales!!!! Go area 9! One of my greatest hobbies is searching for bugs, which reminds me of a great story! I picked one up once, and it went pee on my hand! Yep. I told you the story was great! ... Now for some truths. I have lived in Morgan Hill my entire life and have a great Mom and Dad and an interesting little sister. We have lots of pets and my dad has lots of trees. My favorite color is green! I love Interact! I like playing video games and board games. I play badminton. I have great friends, and area nine is the best! Did I mention: GO AREA 9!!!!

Area 10: Bijal Patel



Area 13: Kelsey Feeley

Area 11: Tasmin Singh



Hey Guys, looks like you found me, Tasmin Singh. For those of you who were wondering (and you obviously must have been if you landed up here) who I am, let me tell you. I am one of the most hilarious and certainly one of the most witty people you will ever meet. I can even make things as mundane as bugs and pee very interesting. I love to laugh, sing, write, and be an awesome person when I am not busy doing Interact stuff (I <3 Interact very much). I guess, scarily enough, you can find out about more of my interests if you Google me.

Area 4: Erica Low

HELLO fellow Interactors! My name is Erica, and I have had a bug pee on me once. I am also your new Area 4 Representative; an extremely excited one at that. Interact and I go way back; from a member in freshmen year, to being co-President both my junior and senior year, and now DC! Interact has been my homeboy (girl?), and I love it dearly. When I'm not donating my time to goodwill and better friendships, I enjoy being a two-headed dementor and hiking up Mission Peak in Fremont. My goal as your Area 4 Rep is not to raise the most money out of all the other areas; it's to raise awareness and compassion out of every single one of you, so that each of you will understand how one person truly can make a significant difference in the world (and THEN raise the most money out of all the areas)! I love hugs because they symbolize togetherness and unity; something I also wish to establish within my area. I'm also very cheesy, but I bet you already had that figured out.

With that being said, COOL CREW REPRESENT. Eskimo Cutie Pies. RYLA 2006.



Area 5: Charlene Nguyen

HEY HEY my fellow INTERACTORS! I'm Charlene Nguyen, AREA 5 REP, and it's the start of another great INTERACT filled year, so watch out for them AREA 5 GREEN NINJA TURTLES!! I reside at Mission San Jose High School, I'm going to be a Junior [OH no 09!], and you all are probably going to pee in your pants if I told you how many APs I'm taking, so I'll just save you all the embarrassment. I have the esteem privilege of being MSJ's Interact secretary, on the girl's tennis team, Friday Night Live's treasurer, a MUNer, and at times WILD&COOKY, but don't stress, I get it done. Don't bug out if all of this is a new/old experience for you because I'm here if you have any questions. BE GOOD, BE FUN, and BE GREAT Interactors! AREA 5! GREEN NINJA TURTLES!

Area 6: Sabrina Wong

So Crissy bugged me to turn in this blurb, but I'm procrastinating on the day of deadline and I just happen to love pee-you-are-pee-elle-ee! Oh...Hey Interactors! This is Sabrina Wong, your Area 6 Representative! I am currently a senior at Independence High School, so it is my fourth year LOVING this club. I have met and experienced a ton through Interact and I look forward to meeting and working with even more people this coming year. A future lays ahead of us and DYNAMITE DC '07-'08 is going to work with everyone to change the world! Spread the Interact love! Go Area 6!



Area 7: Alex Daily

Hello all, I'm Alex, as you probably already know. Ok, I can't believe its time to start writing these news letter things again! This school year is already getting hectic and busy. So far I'm not really looking forward to leaving the lazy summer days. Yet at the same time as much as we say this the last few weeks before getting back to work are the hardest, it always feels just as good to see our friends and getting back into the groove of the school year. So if you're a little reluctant like I about the early mornings and late nights, just remember all the wonderful people that you've missed the past couple months and invest in an espresso machine. Good luck!

Youthact—Heidi Chan

Good morning everyone, my name is Heidi Chan! I am well aware that by the time you read this, it probably won't be morning, but pretend because for me right now, it is. Okay well I'm a junior '09 at American High, Area 4!!! I am going to be serving on district council as your YOUTHACT coordinator & I also work as Interact Co-President, ASB fundraising commissioner, and API activities commissioner at AHS. Okay, let's go back to the pretending part: Once upon a time in a far away land (like Fremont), there was a little BUG and the BUG was really hungry so he went into the kitchen; it was a he. The hungry BUG ate and ate and drank every thing in the kitchen then he had to PEE. He walked all the way to Erica Low's house to PEE in front of her lawn. I LOVE INTERACT!!!



International—Lawrence Choi

Hey guys, I am Lawrence. I will be this year's International Coordinator for our Dynamite DC 07-08. My love and admiration for this program reaches to the skies, and I am so honored to be part of DC. Honored as well very excited, cause I feel this year will have a lot of "BIG Things poppin". I will be a senior at Saratoga High School this fall. I am also excited to serve as a co-president for the Interact club at my school because I feel it is important to impact the community you are in. Some other things that I do at my school is being drum major for the band, Board Rep for ASB, co-pres for inter-act, and co-pres for business class. I love playing my saxophone and am learning the guitar. I absolutely love music, and I feel music just keeps the world together. I also play basketball at my school, and my passion for basketball is over the roof. I take each day at a time, and live in the present and get excited for the future. I just know that District 5170 is just going to do amazing things. Other than that, I'd just like everyone to know I am single: I enjoy long walks on the beach, watching sunsets; **just playing!**

Special Events—Justin Hamady

I love to sing, speech and debate, soccer, talking a lot, smiling, I and making lame jokes; my friends tell me that I do each one of these things exceptionally, and that makes me feel good about myself. I love to be organized, but it doesn't always work out for me. I am teaching myself to play the drums, the piano and the guitar, but I suck at all of them at the moment. I am also teaching myself French, whenever I get the chance, but I can barely carry a conversation. I am trilingual, I speak Arabic, Spanish and English. I love to write lyrics: whenever I am sad, happy, mad, confused, or relaxed, I write songs. I do take on more than I can handle, but it always works out for me at the end of the day. My favorite things in life include: being part of DC, playing a soccer game in the rain, finishing a song that I have been working on for a long time, singing in front of a lot of people, speaking in front of a lot of people, making my friends laugh, and being done with a school year. People make me smile, and I try my best to do the same for them!





Fundraising—Stephanie Bui

Want to know what the best kind of computer bug is? Well, it's spiders, because they make the best **websites**. Haha, well now that the mood has been lightened... can you believe summer vacation is over already? It's blasphemy! Well, I guess with every door closed, another one opens. So if summer's over, school will soon begin which means... I, Stephanie Bui (Junior @ Independence High; AREA SIX, woo woo!), am officially your

first-ever Fundraising Coordinator. Evidently, my job is to organize fundraising events and put money in the bank! I may be perky and bubbly, but I am a very hard working individual with plenty of ambitions. I know DC is going to kick butt this year in everything we take on 'cause we're oh so 'gankster' like that. So generally, I'm your average teen with excessive extra curricular activities (ASB, Tennis, Interact, Etc.) that stresses out too much and loves to be in good company of friends and family. I am extremely proud and honored to be on DC for 5170 and I can't wait to save the world with your help. So c'mon pee-pole, let's open some doors for opportunity and "MAKE THINGS HAPPEN" because the world isn't going to save itself!

Editor—Crissy Widjaja

Well, I have lots of extra space to fill here, so I guess it's my turn! My love for DC and Interact is more than I can put in words, so I won't even try. I have but ONE complaint: MANY PEOPLE DON'T TURN IN THEIR BLURBS ON TIME. I suppose I now know how Michael Lee felt...

What surprised me most out of all of this was how so many people ended their blurb with "I love Interact" or "Go Area (insert here)". Doesn't just show how much you all mean to us? I think it's absolutely fabulous!

I'm not inclined to speak about myself through a blurb, so please come up and talk to me! Don't worry, I stick out like a cornstalk in a watermelon patch. See you all next month!



Area Representatives!

Area 1: Nora Gordon

Hi, I'm Nora Gordon, your Area 1 Rep---SO if you're in Area 1 I'm the person you should BUG for help, info, updates on DC, etc. This summer I went to RYLA (and had a great time), and this year I'll be on DC and be co-president-ing our wonderful Interact club in Alameda! (Go Alameda!) I am very very excited for this coming year because I know that it will be amazing, BUSY but amazing...So, about me...I like traveling, reading, finding, thinking and talking, running, PEEing when I have to, and trying to incorporate buzzwords

into my blurbs. J'aime parler francais very badly y espanol un poco mejor. I watch way too many movies. I'm also in drama at my school and am very excited for this fall's production of *Twelfth Night!* So, I look forward to meeting everybody (or as many of you as possible!) in District 5170 and supporting what I'm sure will be a very worthy international cause this year--I'm optimistic that we can make a real positive difference! GO silver seals!



Area 2: Janelle Cataquiz

Janelle: MY BLURB!

Ryan: ah yes!

Ryan: so, what exactly do i say again?

Janelle: just explain me

Janelle: and use the words bug and pee somewhere

Janelle: just give me 9 things about me

Janelle: don't think about anything else, but me... like always =]

Ryan: 1. cutie!

Janelle: OKAY, seriously.

Ryan: 2. really big smile,3. Super persistent, 4. Likes bugs? 5. Act now, think later, 6. Determined when it's something you're actually passionate about, 7. Loud, sometimes too much

Janelle: take out four...I don't like bugs, i tolerate them

Ryan: 9. shy and doesn't wanna talk about herself so she makes Ryan do it

Janelle: state who you are, because they don't know who you are.

Ryan: *4. Ryan is her boyfriend and sometimes she bugs him

Janelle: OKAY give me like two more things, and I'm cool homeo!!

Ryan: working lady

Janelle: where do I work?

Janelle: and say I'm a good worker. ^-^

Ryan: You work at Lucky's

Janelle: okay, I'm done with my blurb

Ryan: likes guys with nice teeth

Janelle: I'm going to send in this whole conversation. =]

Ryan: too lazy to write out a blurb so she sends a conversation

Janelle: shut up.

Ryan: wants her boyfriend to stop talking =]

Ryan: but he misses her. and if you add that I'll be really embarrassed.



Area 3: Manika Talati

Hi District 5170!!! My name is Manika Talati and I am your Area 3 Representative for this year!! I absolutely LOVE Interact-- I have really enjoyed being part of it each and every year. This coming year I am going to be a senior in high school. Woot woot for senior activities!!!

Let's see...about myself...My goal is to have a balanced life made up of equal amounts of studying, participating in extra activities, socializing with others, and most importantly---having FUN! I love talking to people and finding out about other cultures and customs. On my free time I hang out with my friends, am part of Interact-related activities, and do random stuff with my family. I love enjoying nature, whether through jogging through the beautiful greenery of Pleasanton, hiking uphill mountains, or simply gazing at the sunset. In terms of school, I can probably say that I am a nerd from within because I spend a good portion of my time studying and doing homework. I always try to maintain a positive attitude despite the circumstances so you can look forward to me smiling a lot. I am really looking forward to being part of DC this year. Together, we can all make a difference in the world!!!