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TO: HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE DIRECTORS
FROM: THADDAEUS HILL
REFERENCE: DIRECTIONS FOR RYLA APPLICATIONS
DATE March 25 – 27, 2011

In 2002, Rotary District 7260 started a special leadership program for high school students called RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards). We are pleased to again make the program available to 10th grade students. RYLA has continued to grow every year since its inception, and past participants return each year to implement the leadership skills that they developed during their RYLA experience. **Please read the entire e-mail as there are several changes to the procedure this year.**

Enclosed please find the 2011 RYLA Applications for your students. Should you have any questions about the activities or events please follow the link to Rotary District 7260 RYLA at <http://www.clubrunner.ca/portal/SitePages/SitePage.aspx?did=7260&pid=2651>. You will find a PowerPoint presentation that will answer many questions about the RYLA event.

Please note, this program involves a two night stay and it will held on **Friday, March 25 through Sunday March 27, 2011 at Camp De Wolfe in Wading River, New York.**

As a reminder, this program is for two tenth grade students. We are looking for students who would best be served by the development of leadership skills; these students need not be your top academic students. Rotary defines best leaders as meaning students who have shown leadership potential, have demonstrated outstanding ability in public speaking or are regarded by their peers as having leadership qualities. This leadership potential may be demonstrated in any activity in or out of school.

Please have your counselors distribute the brochures and applications to all of their tenth students they feel meet these criteria. **Please select four students for this honor. Two students will be selected for participation and two students will be waiting listed. Students from the wait list will be invited on a first come, first serve basis.** Once the applications are completed, please forward them to Jackie Merriweather no later than 1-14-11. **This program is funded by individual Rotary Clubs who reserve the right to make the final selection of candidates.** Please indicate which students are being recommended for the honor and which students are recommended for the wait list. The District 7260 RYLA committee will notify all applicants directly once the selection process is complete.

This program has increased its popularity each and every year. We are operating the camp at full capacity. It is extremely important for you to comply with all date deadlines. The waiting list will be opened on January 21, 2011. We cannot guarantee that schools will be accommodated if they submit applications past the deadline dates. All late applicants will be added to the waitlist.

Thank you for your help in this very worthwhile program for your tenth grade student leaders.

**PLEASE E-MAIL JACKIE MERRIWEATHER AT
MERRIWEAT3@AOL.COM UPON RECEIPT OF THIS RYLA
PACKET. INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND HIGH SCHOOL AND
CONTACT NUMBER.**



ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS
ROTARY DISTRICT 7260 March 25 - 27, 2011

Application for Student Participant
(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name: _____ Name on name tag _____

Gender: Male ___ Female ___ Date of Birth: _____

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____
(If different from street address)

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone # _____ Sweatshirt size: S M L XL XXL (CIRCLE ONE)

High School: _____ Grade: _____

Your confirmation letter and any RYLA notices will come to you via e-mail, please print your whole E-mail address below. **Remember to check your e-mail.**

E-mail: _____

Please look for e-mail from merriweat3@aol.com with RYLA Confirmation Letter or RYLA Notice in the subject. All confirmations and notices will be sent out with blind copies so that your e-mail address will remain private.

List of school and extra-curricular activities:

Please list all leadership positions that you have held or are currently holding:

Signature of student applicant:

X _____ Date: _____

This event will be an overnight event. If find you are unable to attend the entire event after submitting this application, please notify your school as soon as possible so that they may select another student.

This section is to be filled out and signed by the applicant and parent/guardian.

My son/daughter _____ has permission to attend the RYLA event on **March 25 – 27, 2011**. During the event, I may be reached at (phone #) _____.

If I cannot be reached in the event of an emergency, the following person is authorized to act in my behalf. Name: _____ Their phone number _____

Please list all food allergies: _____
_____. There will be physical activities during this event.

Please list any physical constraints: _____

I am aware of the dates and am committed to see my child attend RYLA. I understand while there is no fee to my child or myself if they are selected. However, if for some reason your child cannot attend, it is the responsibility of my child to contact Jackie Merriweather at (631) 969-9570 *prior to the event*. If your child fails to do so, the undersigned agrees to be responsible for any fees associated with your child attending the event.

Parent/Guardian Signature: X _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian E-Mail Address _____

PHOTO RELEASE FORM

I, being the Parent/Guardian of _____, hereby consent that his/her name, image and likeness, as shown in the video-tapes, photographs and/or electronic images for which he/she posed, and/or audio recordings made of his/her voice may be used by Rotary District 7260 for the promotion of RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards.)

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

This section is to be filled out by the High School

Name of Person responsible for RYLA selection: _____

Signature: _____

Position: _____

Phone #: _____

The completed application must be sent to the address below no later than
January 14, 2011

P.O. Box 29
Bay Shore, NY 11706

Space is limited, please apply early.

To all Students applying for RYLA 2011:

In order for the RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) committee to become better acquainted with your leadership qualifications, please answer these questions and submit them with your RYLA application.

Name _____ School _____

What is your present role as a leader in your community?

Would you classify yourself as a passive or dominate leader? Please give examples.

What do you believe are the qualities that a leader must have?

Please briefly explain why you believe that this leadership conference will help you as a leader.

Where did you hear about the RYLA program? _____

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RYLA DATE: March 25 – 27, 2011

PLACE: CAMP DE WOLFE, WADING RIVER, NY

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact anyone on the RYLA committee.

If using e-mail, please put "RYLA question" in the subject.

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PLEASE REMEMBER TO CHECK YOUR E-MAIL AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK FOR NOTICES FROM RYLA.

YOUR CONFIRMATION LETTER WILL BE SENT BY E-MAIL.

CONFIRMATION WILL COME FROM Jackie Merriweather