



Rotary Youth Leadership Awards 2008

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RYLA FACTS for Parents & Teens

WHO: High school sophomores and juniors, and any Rebound Exchange student currently in high school. Interested participants may apply to their local Rotary Club to participate in RYLA. Participants are selected and sponsored by their local Rotary.

WHAT: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), is a leadership event that promotes development and understanding of leadership principles. The RYLA program consists of a combination of experiential activities, group discussion, personal reflection, guest speakers/panels and group team building and problem solving activities. Participants learn about the qualities of leadership, what makes an effective team and apply what they learn in challenging activities.

WHERE: Anchorage, AK - RYLA 2008 activities will take place at Elmendorf Air Force Base. Participants will stay overnight at a hotel on base and all activities will take place on base. Transportation from the airport will be provided to/from Elmendorf, and ALL participants (including Anchorage area youth) must remain on base during the entire four days of RYLA. Leaving the base for side visits during the RYLA event is not permitted for safety and security reasons.

WHEN: March 27 - March 30, 2008. Participants will arrive Thursday, March 27th, by 10:30 AM, and depart Sunday, March 30 after a morning brunch and final session ending at 11:00 AM. Air departure no earlier than 1:00 PM. You will need to arrange your own absences from school on Thursday and Friday.

APPLICATIONS: Are available from your local high school counselors or Local Rotary Club. Parent/Guardian permission is required for all participants who apply to attend RYLA 2008. All applications must be received by the Rotary club no later than February 22nd.

SELECTION AND ORIENTATION: Applications are screened by Rotary Clubs and may involve a brief interview and orientations for those selected to attend RYLA 2008. Contact the individual below for more info.

COST: Transportation and Registration Fees are paid by the local sponsoring Rotary Club. There is no cost to applicants for participation. However, pocket money for incidentals is advised.

REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION: Because this event occurs on a secure military installation, all attendees, youth and adult, must possess a valid Photo ID on base. US Residents need a valid State ID or Drivers License; Non-US Residents need a passport.

WHO DO I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION? Contact your local Rotary Representative below. If you can not reach them with-in four days, please feel free to contact the phone numbers listed at the top of this page. Please note the contacts above are in Fairbanks and Anchorage. Do NOT fax your application directly to the number above. You must submit your application via your local Rotary Representative listed below:

Name	_____
Rotary Club	_____
Phone	_____
E-mail	_____