



Friday, April 15, 2011

Dear Club Presidents,

We are excited to announce that District 5470's RYLA Leadership Retreat Weekend is scheduled for Friday July 15 – 18, 2011. (Note: This has been a change!) It will be held at the Colorado Mountain College Spring Valley Campus near Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) is a district-sponsored program that facilitates club service to youth in the community by providing a leadership training retreat for young people who are starting to show leadership potential. To make participation as easy as possible we have drafted a recommended club RYLA chair manual explaining the program, recommended club practices, schedule, deadlines, and sample documents. The Club RYLA chair manual is available in the RYLA5470 website.

For us to organize a successful program, we are asking for club commitments to sponsor students by April 30, 2011. Please send us an e-mail at RYLA@RYLA5470.org letting us know how many students your club will sponsor this coming July.

As the current club president, please review the RYLA Chair Manual and appoint a RYLA chair in your club to spearhead this effort to work with local youth. The manual provides a simple outline for operating a powerful, inexpensive, program in your club to work with local youth.

RYLA is your district program – if anyone in your club is interested in being more involved in organizing and leading this retreat weekend please have them contact me at the e-mail address above.

In Rotary Service,

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