

## **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**

### **Mission and Objectives Statement**

#### **MISSION**

RYLA – “ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS” is a program designed to shape leadership skills in High School Sophomore and Junior Students who already possess and demonstrate outstanding leadership characteristics in their high school and community. RYLA Camp is a youth retreat with the main objective being to expose students to the many phases of leadership by learning from individuals who are already leaders in their community and businesses. Students attending the RYLA camp should leave the seminar with a better understanding of how to assume a positive leadership role in their school and community.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of a Rotary Youth Leadership Awards program are:

1. To encourage and assist selected youth leaders and potential leaders in methods of responsible and effective voluntary youth leadership by providing them with a training experience.
2. To encourage continued and stronger leadership of youth by youth.
3. To publicly recognize the high qualities of many young people who are rendering service to their communities as youth leaders.
4. To further demonstrate Rotary’s respect and concerns for youth.