



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Youth to benefit from Rotary's Leadership Residential**

"Youth today are the community leaders of tomorrow" and that is why some 70 young men and women will be given an all expenses paid, away from home, week of intensive leadership training by local Rotary Clubs during January 2011. The program of Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) has benefited nearly 2000 young people in the local Rotary District since its inception in the late 1960s.

All the Rotary Clubs in District 9690 (an area bounded by Burwood, Parramatta, Lithgow and Liverpool) are at present seeking nominations from young people between 18 and 25 years of age who have an interest in youth work or have the potential to develop as future business or community leaders.

Do you know someone who might fit this profile?

In the past candidates have come from a range of backgrounds including local business, larger companies and organisations, universities and industry employers.

The Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) residential seminar week is an opportunity for young women and men from different backgrounds to work together, to exchange experiences and to develop their leadership skills. The program includes a series of seminars presented by industry leaders in their field on a range of topics including; leadership, public speaking, communication, conflict management, personality profiling, motivation and pushing through your barriers. The seminars are supported by opportunities for the awardees to practice their new found skills in a team environment with group activities held each evening (including a campfire, a bush dance and a formal dinner) and an outdoors day to break up the week.

This year the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards residential seminar will be held from Saturday 8th January until Saturday 15th January 2011 at Blue Gum Lodge, located in Springwood in the Lower Blue Mountains.

Are you aware of a young person over the age of 18 years who could benefit from a Rotary leadership seminar?

Maybe its you!

For a week jam packed with activities, learning and development, the opportunity to meet like minded people your own age and have it all paid for, this is the opportunity of a lifetime. A pathway to the future.

Rotary International, whose phone number is 9635 3537, can tell you the name of your local Rotary Club's Youth Director and how to make contact.

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