



April 22nd-April 25th, 2010
(1:00 PM Thursday-12:30 PM Sunday)

To be held at:
The Salvation Army's
"Heart O' The Hills" Campground and Conference Center
Tahlequah, OK

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Dear RYLA Camper:

Congratulations on being selected to attend the upcoming Rotary Youth Leaders Awards (R.Y.L.A.) camp on April 22nd- April 25th, 2010 at Heart O' Hills Camp in Welling, OK near Tahlequah, OK. I hope each of you is as excited by your inclusion as I am. You represent the best of your school, and community, and thus get the opportunity to join us for this most exciting, challenging, and fun filled weekend.

First, let me assure you that your time at camp will be filled, from morning until evening with activities that will challenge you not only physically, but mentally as well. You will be taken out of your comfort zone, to a degree, and intermingled with individuals from other schools, communities, and social backgrounds. Our intent is to bring out the 'leadership' qualities each of you has inside of you, and let you build on them in a format that will let you take what you learn back to your school and community.

But, enough about what camp will be like. I know that you would like to know what to bring, and what NOT to bring.

Please bring the following:

- 1) Sleeping Bag/Bed Roll
 - a) Sheets/blankets or
 - b) Sleeping bag
 - c) Pillow
- 2) Toiletries
 - a) Toothbrush/toothpaste
 - b) Soap
 - c) Shampoo
 - d) Towels/washcloths
 - e) Deodorant
 - f) Cologne/perfume
- 3) Clothing
 - a) Jeans
 - b) T-shirts
 - c) Sweatshirts/fleece, in case it cools off during the day, or at night
 - d) Tennis shoes/hiking boots—something comfortable
 - e) Windbreaker/Rain coat
 - f) Umbrella, if rain is in the forecast
- 4) Other
 - a) Flashlight
 - b) Bug Repellent
 - c) Sunscreen

Please do NOT bring the following:

- Alcohol
- Firearms/knives
- Fireworks
- Tobacco
- CD or MP3 Players/Radios
- Cell phones, they won't work out in the woods anyway.



Again, take note of the weather for the week, yes watch The Weather Channel, and plan accordingly. If it looks like it might be cold, or rainy, then pack some warmer clothes or a rain coat. I would suggest that even if it looks like the weather is going to be exceptionally nice that you bring a jacket or sweatshirt to wear at night, as it does get chilly.

That should just about cover it on the 'brings and not to brings'. One thing to remember is there will be a time for socializing and fun on Saturday evening, which will include a talent show, movies & games, but that this is a camp, so no need to bring out your finest attire, just come to have fun.

As you prepare to come to camp make sure that you communicate with your local Rotary Club as to how they plan to transport you to camp. They may have arranged to bring you themselves; or your parents may bring you; or some of you may drive yourselves. Either way, just make sure that you are in communication with the local Rotarians so they can help make sure that everything is coordinated. I am enclosing detailed driving direction, and a map, such as it is, as it never fails that someone doesn't have one that needs one, on how to get to the camp. Also, the phone number to the camp, in case your family needs to get in touch with you are: 918-456-9882 or 918-453-2807.

If you have any last minute questions, please drop me an e-mail at ryla@ccmore.com and I will be glad to get back to you with an answer.

In closing, let me just again say how excited I am that you were interested enough to express a desire to come and that you were then selected to attend. I look forward to seeing you at camp on April 22nd, 2010.

Let's have some fun.

Sincerely,

Mike Rogers
District 6110 RYLA Chair



Driving Directions to Heart O' Hills Camp

From the East

Go West on HWY 62, out of Arkansas and into Oklahoma, to Welling Rd, there is a Speedy's Phillips 66 at the intersection, turn left (south) go about 3 miles, there is a sign marking the entrance to the camp, you will turn left, follow signs.

From the West

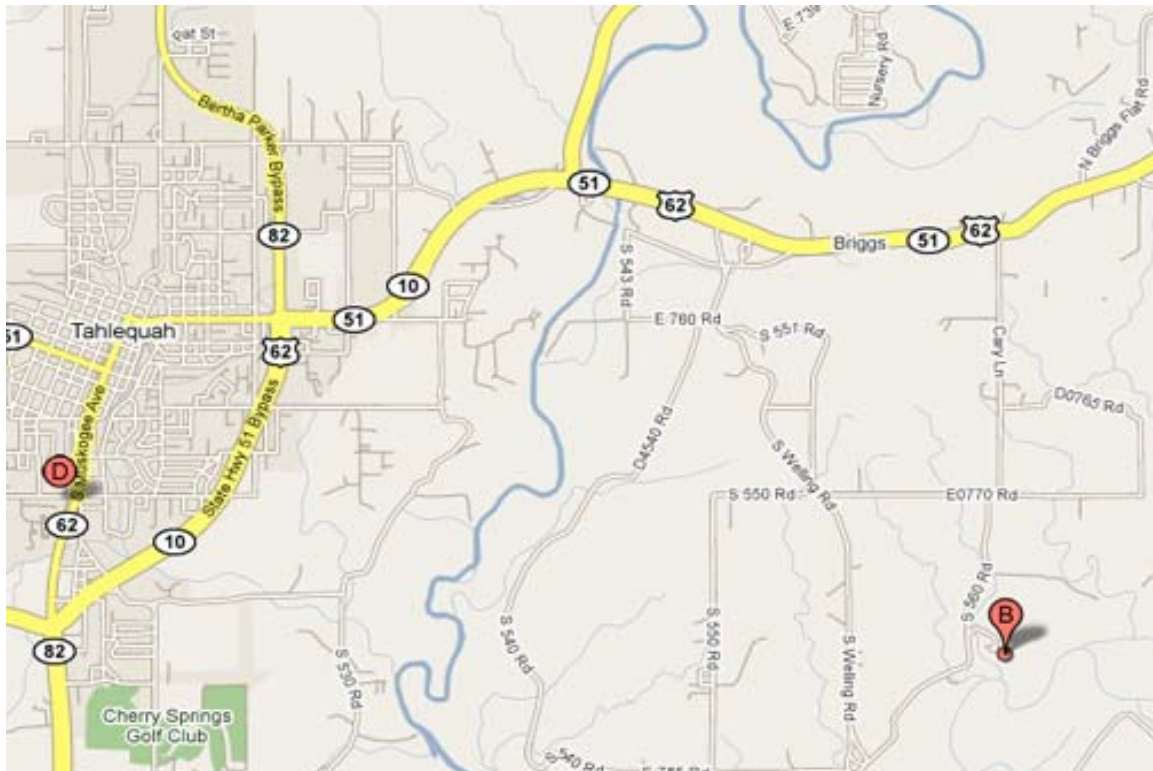
Go East on HWY 62, out of Tahlequah, to Welling Rd. there is a Speedy's Phillips 66 at the intersection, turn right (south) onto Welling Road and go about 3 miles, there is a sign marking the entrance to the camp, you will turn left, follow signs.

From the North

Come South on HWY 10 out of Kansas, OK to HWY 62, turn left (East) and proceed approx, 1.5 miles to Welling Rd. (County Rd. N4560), there is a Speedy's Phillips 66 at the intersection, turn right (south) onto Welling Road and go about 3 miles, there is a sign marking the entrance to the camp, you will turn left, follow signs.

From the South

Go North on HWY 51, out of Stilwell until you get to HWY 62 proceed west, to Welling Rd., there is a Speedy's Phillips 66 at the intersection, turn right (south) onto Welling Road and go about 3 miles, there is a sign marking the entrance to the camp, you will turn left, follow signs.



Camp Heart O' Hills is one mile east of Welling Road and South of 560 Road. South 560 Road will carry you into camp. We are near Tahlequah, but are in Welling, OK, only four miles southeast of Tahlequah.