

**DEADLINE:  
DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> 2010**

## Camp Rotary

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July 2010

Dear

Thank you for your interest in our *Leader-in-Training* program. The Leader-in-Training (LIT) program is an exciting, new adventure for our older campers who would like to remain a camper, yet also be exposed to new challenges and be presented with opportunities to learn and hone their leadership skills. In order to apply for the program you must have completed at least grade 9 by June of 2011.

The overarching goal of the program is to take teenagers who have displayed the prerequisite foundation of strong values, good character and cooperative behavior and teach them to be leaders and role models. Although one of our hopes is that the program be very fun, we expect that there will be times when it will be hard. We also are confident, however, that the life lessons learned from the program will only help to prepare the LIT for future challenges.

LITs will participate in some programs during the day as regular campers, while other parts of their day will be filled with helping out at a specific area (program, cabin, office, infirmary, kitchen and maintenance on a rotating basis) and a third part of their day will be meeting together as a group to build camaraderie through group activities and lessons. The goal of the program is to give the LIT a wide range of experience that will allow them to develop an appreciation for the entire camp operation and allow them to be a leader in all aspects of the camp.

The LIT program is a three week program that will be limited to 10 girls and 10 boys each session. Session 1 will tentatively run from July 10 through July 30. Session 2 will tentatively run from August 7 – 27. The LITs will be housed in camper cabins for their three weeks. Their program will be designed to allow them to continue to participate in several camper programs each day, but also be brought together as a group daily to work on teamwork, role modeling, leadership and program skills. In an effort to help to build a positive group identity, the LITs will be heading out of camp once a week on a field trip to various local attractions.

The cost of the program is one week of camp tuition. The cost of the three week program is tentatively \$600.00 (not including field trips and registration). You should expect that field trips will cost approximately \$30/week and you will likely spend about the same at the camp store. All LITs will be provided with a Camp Rotary LIT T-shirt (at no cost) that will identify them to the campers and staff as a Leader in Training.

Although there is no guarantee that successfully completing the LIT program will lead to a CIT position the following summer at camp, being an LIT allows you to develop leadership qualities that are important in a CIT, and this gives the LITs the perfect opportunity to impress the CIT Director with their hard work and positive attitude!

As I mentioned, space is limited and there is a competitive application process. If you are interested in applying, you should complete the enclosed application and return it as soon as possible, **but no later than DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010**. We're hoping to make the majority of decisions this fall. You will also need to include two letters of reference, a copy of your most recent school report card and a recent photo of yourself. When you have your packet complete, please forward it to me at the winter address above.

Please **DO NOT** send any money at this time. If your application is successful and you are selected as an LIT, you will be able to pay for the program at that time.

**IMPORTANT:** If, in the event that you are **NOT** selected, you are planning on attending camp as a camper, then we encourage you to register **NOW** as a camper (as a backup). If you are lucky enough to be selected to be an LIT, we will allow you to transfer any money that you have paid to be a camper to your LIT account and cancel your camper weeks out. Don't wait to hear if you have been accepted as an LIT, because your favorite camper weeks may be sold out by then. Unlike CIT, there is no restriction regarding being a camper and an LIT in the same summer. So a camper can attend for a week as a camper and then be an LIT or vice versa. (This is different than our CIT program...once someone becomes a CIT, they are ineligible to be a camper).

If you have any questions about the program, please write to me at my home e-mail address above.

Keep smiling!

Rich Cowdell  
Director

Please return to:  
 Dr. Rich Cowdell  
 Director Camp Rotary  
 122 Woodland Ave.  
 Lynn, MA 01904

# Leader-in-Training

Camp Rotary  
 Summer Season, Year 2011

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Area Code \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

(Please print clearly because this is our primary method of communication)

Current School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade September '11 \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended Camp Rotary? \_\_\_\_\_ What year(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Any other camp(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

## Work History

Please list any jobs that you have had in the past (paid or volunteer).

| Employer Name and Address | Starting Date | Ending Date | Job Title | Supervisor | Reason For Leaving |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|------------|--------------------|
|                           |               |             |           |            |                    |
|                           |               |             |           |            |                    |

## Availability:

- Consider me for the first session only. (Tentatively July 10 – July 30, 2011)
- Consider me for the second session only. (Tentatively August 7 – August 27, 2011).
- Consider me for either the first or second session. (BEST CHANCE OF SELECTION)

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Camp Rotary  
LIT Application  
Summer Season, Year 2011  
Autobiographical Essay

LIT Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_

In an effort to allow the LIT Selection Committee the opportunity to get to know you a little better, we have developed this essay procedure. In this essay, use **PARAGRAPH ONE** to introduce yourself, explain a little about your background....who you are, where you are from, a little about your family and your development up until now. **PARAGRAPH TWO** should explain why you want to be an LIT and what you hope to get out of your time spent as a LIT. Please attach a current photo of yourself (last year several members of our selection team did not recognize applicants by name, but by sight only and suggested that we ask for a photo!).

Use the space below and on the reverse side. If necessary attach any additional sheet of paper.

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Camp Rotary  
LIT Application  
Summer Season, Year 2011  
Reference Letter

CIT Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Reference \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you known the candidate? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

*Dear Reference Writer:*

*Thank you for taking the time to write a brief summary of the qualifications of the above listed candidate. He/she has applied to be a Leader-in-Training at Camp Rotary for the upcoming summer. Our LIT program is very competitive and only the top candidates are chosen. In writing your reference we would especially like to hear about this candidate's strengths and weaknesses. As an LIT, he/she will be expected to demonstrate leadership skills, maturity, teamwork, and a capacity to learn new skills. It is a program that is intensive in nature. Please also indicate if you have any questions or concerns with this candidate supervising young children in a residential setting. Please use the space below and on the opposite side for your response. Thank you in advance for your assistance!*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Reference Writer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Leader-in-Training

LIT Program Application Checklist (Keep this sheet for your own records):

| TASK  | DATE  |
|---|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Application form completed   | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Autobiographical Essay completed   | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reference # 1 completed  | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reference # 2 completed  | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Current photo  | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of most recent report card  | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mailed to Rich at 122 Woodland Ave. Lynn, MA 01904<br>Before DECEMBER 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2010 | _____ |

Thank you for your application. Whether you are selected or not, we hope to see you again this summer at Camp Rotary!

Keep smiling!

Rich