Greetings to all those F.C.F. members of the Shawnee Trail Chapter!!!

By now you have gotten yourselves started off to a good year, I hope. Last year was good in many ways and not so good in other ways, but all together it's good to see a brand-new year to work for the Lord.

Now is the time to bury the past and all those things that did not work out but turned out rather badly for us. Hang'um high on the scaffold and get a new vision from the Lord. The greatest way to obtain a vision from God is to seek after His wisdom, His favor and His faith. Solomon was blessed because he asked for wisdom instead of riches and long life. Jesus increased in favor with God and man, in wisdom and stature. As you grow Spiritually; ask God for His Wisdom, Favor and Faith. He has equipped us to be winners, not losers. We might lose a battle but the war is already won. Jesus never did say that we would be ahead at the half, but He did say that we would win.

1986 saw several of our Frontiersmen accomplish what did seem impossible at the first, but succeeded in producing a grand and glorious effort for the Shawnee Trail Chapter. We can start with **Brush Poppin** put together by Jimmy Shipman. A great effort, Jimmy, and a lot of hard work on the part of those who helped out.

Next on the schedule would be the BRT ( basic ranger training ). We can surely say that Randy Woods did a fantastic job. Looking forward to this  $BRT.\ \ Do\ it\ again\ Randy!!!!!$ 

Family Days came along and gave us all a lot of excitement. This was a family event and Sammy Kellum and Sherman McDaniel, and of course their lovely wives, certainly made us all enjoy ourselves with family oriented games, contests and Spiritual services. Saturday morning Sunrise service was a blessing to all those attending. And, of course our speaker from Springfield, Paul Stanek did a superb job in the word of God.

Another great happening was the **F.C.F.** Christmas Banquet. J.C. and Faye Spence set a good-looking table and it tasted just as good. Thanks to Sis. Faye for the long hours working on the F.C.F. quilt for auction at the banquet. If your family, your totem and FCF name did not make it on this quilt, be determined this year it's going to be there.

Another important event was the **Phase II** initiation at Po-Wow. James Kemp led the critters through an awful lot sweat and maybe a few tears as some of the best completed their initiation into FCF. Thanks James for a wonderful experience.

We couldn't finish without saying something to those hard working Frontiersmen who carried on the **Phase I** portion of FCF. Brethren you are a marvelous bunch of guys, and a man would be proud to have each of you represent the state of manhood. A terrific response. Your a credit to the entire male race. Christian man-hood is designed to be strong and stedfast.

Before we get away from last year, I would like to express my thanks to all the brethren of the Chapter in showing an overdue appreciation to one of our own members for all his contributions to the FCF Chapter. Frank Berry.

Frank Berry was given a Life Time Member Status by the Chapter at the Christmas banquet. Well deserving. You have done a lot for us Bro. Berry, and I know that until Jesus comes you will continue to contribute much to the Royal Ranger Ministry and to FCF as well. God bless you.

Do not forget what is happening this year: ( just look )



Brush Poppin Feb.20,21
BRT March 20,21
Family Days Oct.30-Nov.1
Phase I April 25
Phase II May 15

Territorial Rendezvous July 31-Aug.2 Christmas Banquet Dec. 12

and many Council fires on the sectional level as well as the Summer Pow-Wow and the Winter Campout.

If you haven't participated in any FCF events for awhile, come on, get it started up again. Many of you were a blessing to me when I entered FCF in 1981. You were great at N.T.C. Council Fires District Council Fires, but I haven't seen you in quiet sometime now. Whatever has kept you away <code>isn't</code> good enough to disappoint a boy. He does need you. With all the cutt'en up and careing you guys are good at, and sometimes just acting a little crazy. Hey, the "little guys" love it. But didn't it feel akward out in front of that blazing council fire. Then it all was worth it as the invitation was given and boys from all over the North Texas District came forward to accept Jesus into their hearts. We need you, Brother, in FCF, in those old buckskins or whatever you wear, hoopin it up at the Council Fire and believing God for souls.

If you are inactive, take a moment to fill out the enclosed application and send it to the scribe along with \$10.00 plus this years \$5.00 dues to make you active once again. The Chapter voted to give our Brethren until March to accept this invitation to become active.

# APPLICATION TO BECOME AN ACTIVE FCF MEMBER IN THE SHAWNEE TRAIL CHAPTER

NAME
ADDRESS
PHONE
If transferring from another chapter
Name of Chapter
Date you became member
Proof of membership
How long have you been inactive
Have you been in college or military

Mail to Chapter Scribe

Randy Woods 718 N. Hunters Glen Cir. Arlington, Texas 76015

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#### FULL QUIVER'S CACHE

#### SHIRTS

I'm going to try to keep this short and on one side so that i can put a list on the back of this. I have been trying to come up with something catchy or new about shirts, but there just isn't anything special about them. I guess the best I can do int the catchy dept. is to say that Custer wore "arrow" shirts.

Big deal, huh? The main thing to say about shirts is that they were roughly produced then the same as now. I have never been to a camp where a shirt was really "disqualified". I've been with a couple of groups who would chew you a little bit if you didn't hand sew it. (Which I have.) The funny thing is, none of them really got to the nitty gritty when talking about "Calico". 150 years ago, calico was the term for plain old unbleached muslin. The prints we see today didn't exist. The few prints which did show up were mostly for Indian trade (here we are dressing Injun again) and had a very sparse single color print, usually flower, leaves/ivy. Most any print would have shown up though, and in the later days of Rondezvous the bright colors did show up. It wasn't much in demand by the trappers or settlers though because a yard of "print" would cost you a buffal hide. Pretty expensive. In the end, get the color that suits you or just go with the muslin. Usually you can find either one on a sale table for under a buck a yard. About 3 1/2 to 4 yds. will do.

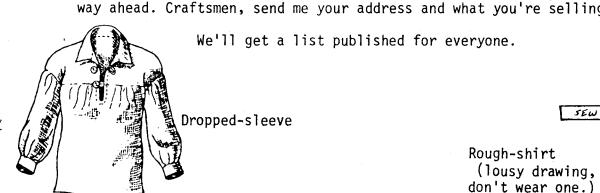
Don't worry too much about style. Get the simplest pullover shirt patter you can find with no frills. If in doubt, Tandy Leather has patterns for \$4.95, but you can get on that is just as good for \$1.89 if you look. Shown below on the right is what a real backwoods shirt would have been like. Straight peice of cloth with a "T" cut for the neck, pinch it together on the sides and stitch it. Simple tube sleeves fit in the hole that is left. It wouldn't do for a party but then there weren't too many of those. On the left is a dropped sleve shirt which is popular now. I have three of them with ribbons to make them fancy. They are not as comfortable as the other and are binding in the shoulders. They are also rather hard to make. Dont get fancy, plain tube sleeves that you can roll up and you don't have to make button holes. If you want the neck pulled together you can get two big brass bent wire safety pins at yardage stores for about 70¢.

I have steered away from the shirts that button down the front for a purpose. 90% of the shirt shown in museums (originals) are pullovers. The button fronts would have been seen mostly around the settlements. If you are going to dress "city" you might consider the colonial style like is shown in the F.C.F. handbook. Men the sewing (if you are capable) is an excellent winter activity for your outpost. I have never had a boy complain, they love it. Get the women to help if need be. If you still want a button front shirt and don't want to make it, Bro. Barry sells a beautiful that is priced right. The same shirt will cost you about \$30 to order from supply shops.

In summation (Ilike that phrase), dont get carried away, and if you are going to be wearing red flannel union suit, dont even worry about a shirt. The men in the hills sure didn't. (Union suits sell for \$16-27 so shop around.)

Now, if you aren't at all interested in making your gear, please try to buy or prefferably trade from our brothers in the Fraternity. You will come out way ahead. Craftsmen, send me your address and what you're selling.

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You just thought the outfit was the hard part !!!!! Work on these for your camp.

THESE ITEMS SHOULD ALL BE RESEARCHED FOR AUNTHENTICITY. MUSEUM PEICES OR DRAWINGS IN RESEARCH BOOKS ARE GOOD PLACES TO START. THE PROPER TIME PERIOD: 1800-1840.

RIFLE CLEANING EQUIPMENT POWDER HORN SHOOTING POUCH POWDER MEASURE PATCH KNIFE CAPPER OR FLASH HORN BALL BAG BULLET BOARD SHORT STARTER BULLET MOLD LEAD LADLE MELTING POT LEAD PATCHING MATERIAL POWDER

FIRE STARTING ACCESSORIES

FIRESTEEL
FLINT
CHARCLOTH
TINDER
TINDER BOX

TINDER TUBE AND CORD

KNIFE WITH SHEATH RIFLEMAN'S KNIFE OR BUTCHER KNIFE OR SKINNING KNIFE ETC.

CLOTHES
SHIRT
TROUSERS OR
LEGGINGS AND BREECHCLOUT
HAT
BELT
MOCCASSINS (WARM AND COLD WEATHER)
CAPOTE OR
LONGHUNTERS FROCK
MITTENS OR GLOVES
PONCHO (WATERPROOFED CANVAS) OR
OTHER RAIN GEAR
LONG UNDERWEAR (RED WOOL PREFERABLY)

CANTEEN TIN WOOD GOURD

COMPASS

SPYGLASS

WHETSTONE AND CASE

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POSSIBLES BAG

BEDROLL
CANVAS
BLANKET (WOOL PREFERABLY)
BUFFALO, BEAR HIDE ETC.

ROPE VARIOUS LENGTHS AND SIZES

CAMP EQUIPMENT TOMAHAWK/BELT AXE SAW SHOVEL NEW MEXICO SKEWERS FORK AND CRANE TIN CUP TIN PLATE WOOD BOWL SPOON (HORN?) FORK (THREE TINE) SALT AND PEPPER HORNS CHAIN AND "S" HOOK SKILLET (TIN OR IRON) DUTCH OVEN CANVAS OR COTTON SACKS CANDLE LANTERN AND CANDLES KETTLE, PAIL OR COFFEE POT

We will try to cover all this sooner or later. Meanwhile, if you need it, trade with a friend. If you make any of these items, send me your address and info. so we can let the others know.

Arlan Williams Rt. 1 Box 98-B Como, Tx. 75431 (214) 629-7873

GOD BLESS YOU AND

GET INVOLVED !!!!

SEWING/REPAIR KIT
AWL (BONE OR STEEL)
NEEDLES " "
SINEW OR ARTIFICIAL SINEW
RAWHIDE

RIDING GEAR
SADDLE PROPERLY RIGGED (SANTA FE OR INDIAN TYPE)
SADDLE PAD OR BLANKETS
BRIDLE

PICKET ROPE 30-40 FT. 5/8 MANILLA SADDLE BAGS

HOBBLES

BELL

PACKING EQUIPMENT
PACK SADDLE AND RIGGING
SADDLE PADS
LASH CINCH
PACK BOXES OR BAGS
SEVEN FOOT SQUARE CANVAS
PLENTY OF ROPE

TRAPS AND TRAPSACK BAITS AND TOOLS

THIS IS A PARTIAL LIST. SOME OF THIS WILL NOT APPLY. SOME THAT YOU WILL NEED IS NOT ON HERE.

THIS LIST ORIGINATED BY THE AMERICAN MOUNTAIN MEN ORGANIZATION

#### SHAWNEE TRAIL CHAPTER

#### NORTH TEXAS DISTRICT

### APPLICATION FOR NAME AND TOTEM

When Frontiersmen become eligible for Buckskin and proceed to go through the Buckskin Ceremony and step up to Buckskin, they are expected to have a name and totem appropriate to themselves. The F.C.F. name should be consistent with the names and activities of the early ' frontiersmen whom we pattern ourselves after. It should not be used previously in the Shawnee Trail Chapter. The names are approved by the F.C.F. staff on a first come basis. In the following space write your choice for an F.C.F. name.

A Totem should be a simple sign which can be used in the place of your F.C.F. name, yet easily recognized as standing for you and your name. In the square below send us a copy of your Totem.

Your name below

Below are some names and Totems used by the Shawnee Trail members:

Skimmerhorn

Tinker Bell

Broken Arrow

Friertuck

0x

Wink

ROADRUNNER











Dwain Klopfenstein Bill Harrison

Randy Trammell

Dave Mauser

Daniel Villanueva

Ed Winkelseth

SHERMAN MCDANIEL

With God's Help,



A time to demonstrate skills, develop friendship and renew old-acquaintances.

Opportunities for both the Old-Timer and Young Buck to bring home to rewards of competition.



#### LOCATION: MOUNTAINVIEW CAMP, JACKSONVILLE, TEXAS

Our Brush Poppin Trace will begin on Friday, Feb.20 and finish up on Saturday the 21. Plan now to attend. Hope to see all of the Brethren for a good time of fellowship, showing off all the craft made this winter or past year and to demonstrate all those skills developed since the last Trace.

This year we will encourage those taking care of all the skilled events to hold a small class for our new members in order to help them to become better skilled. Do not be afraid to ask one

of these Ole Timers to help you with any part of FCF.
You should find them more than willing to help.
Load up that Teepee or lean-to and bring it on. Let's keep our Trace as primitive as possible.

Several events are being planned for this Trace so you have an opportunity as a Young Buck or an Old Timer to take home some awards for your efforts.

We will be having a Buckskin Ceremony Friday night, beginning at 9:00. Be sure to let your sponsor know of your intentions so that he can be prepared to work with you.

Also, you must have a <u>Buckskin</u>

Prerequisite Study Course prior to
your Buckskin Ceremony. If you do not have this
Study Course, write or call the scribe and he will
send it to you.

If you have men or boys planning on entering FCF, remember, April 11, is the deadline for the applications. We are hoping for a lot of men and boys will be ready for Phase I. Last year was a bumper crop of Critters made into FCF'ers. Praise the Lord.

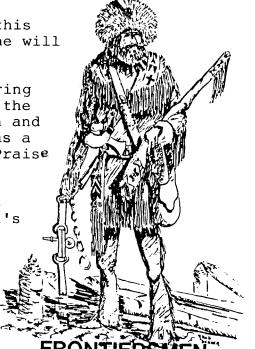
One more word, Thanks to Full Quiver for his articles on the FCF outfit. Thanks Arlan, it's appreciated.

Also, enclosed is an aplication to register your totem and FCF name. The scribe will need this information if you are going up to Buckskin.

With God's Help,

Jamie Eitson

Dull Knife



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