



WINTER 1991



COMMANDERS CORNER



District Commander Ollie Henley

Dear Rangers,

It looks like another good year is winding down. We had some high points and some low points. One high was the large groups of Rangers at the Pow-Wows and International Camporama with large number to respond to the call of God on their lives. Also a high point certainly was nine young men receiving their Gold Medal of Achievement this year. Your District Commander was privileged to present a number of these at Pow-Wows, Banquets, etc., and at special services at their church. The low points were few and far between but there was one. We missed our Commander and friend Don Lanoue as he spent time in the hospital and now is recovering in a rehabilitation home. Please continue to PRAY for Don.

Commanders, GOD has blessed us with many good working Commanders and fine young men in our District. Let us work together and reach out and touch the many lives who need the LORD in 1991.

Commanders, <u>THANK YOU</u> for your LOVE offering you gave your Commander at the Winter Camp. It was greatly appreciated. We had an increase in monthly support for your District Ranger Ministries as a result of your prayers and our letter sent out in September. We have an average of 130 CHARTERED outposts a year and each outpost should send some kind of monthly offering to support their District Rangers. After all, we should support our own group, right?

Commanders, we plan to start our first Royal Ranger rest room at Lakeview Camp after the first of the year and we NEED YOUR help. We will talk more about it at our January 5th, 1991 District Wide Commanders Conference. (See more on this in this newsletter). We need carpenters, plumbers, electricians, brick masons, etc. to help with this project. If you can do none of these, we can still use your help by mixing mortar, sawing boards, or giving an offering for supplies.

OUR thoughts and PRAYERS go with you and your family at this special time of the year, from your District Staff:

> Ollie Henley - Dist Commander Clifford Hathaway - Dep Dist Comm Dwain Klopfenstein - Dep Dist Comm Jamie Eitson - Aid-de-Camp Wayne Klopfenstein - Chartering Randy Woods - Training Coordinator Sherman McDaniel - FCF President J.C. Spence - FCF Vice President Steve Landers - Gold Corps

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

1	Austin Sect Staff Mtg	5
3	Denton Round Table	
5	Dist. Wide Comm. Conf.	
8	N.F.W. Round Table	7
	W.F. Round Table	9
	Tyler Round Table	
12	W.F. BR/SA LTC	13-15
	S. Dallas JR Leaders Service Award Banquet	15-16
14	S. Dallas Round Table	22-23
19	Waco Book IV	23
25-26	Reg. Seminar - Tulsa	26
31	Deadline for Outpost Testing for R.R.O.Y.	30

FEBRUARY

1	Waco R.R.O.Y. Test
2	Waco Pinewood Derby
5	Austin Section Staff Mtg
	Tyler Round Table
8-9	FCF Brushpoppin/Lakeview
14	Austin Sect Valentine Party
	North Dallas Round Table
15	Austin R.R.O.Y. Test
	S. Ft. Worth R.R.O.Y. Test
16	W.F. R.R.O.Y. Test
	N. Ft. Worth R.R.O.Y. Test
	Tyler R.R.O.Y. Test
	Waco Book V
23	S. Dallas R.R.O.Y. Test
	S. Ft. Worth Leader Camp
	Denton R.R.O.Y. Test
	N. Dallas R.R.O.Y. Test
28	Deadline for Sectional
	Testing for R.R.O.Y.

MARCH

5	Austin Section Staff Mtg
	S. Dallas Round Table
	- Tyler Round Table
7	Denton Round Table
9	B.R.T. & District SA/BR
	Workshop
3-15	National R.R. Council
	- Springfield, MO
5-16	N. Ft. Worth Backpack
2-23	Waco LTC Camp
3	Austin F.C.F. Stay
6	N. Ft. Worth Round Table
0	Dist. R.R.O.Y. Testing

APRIL

1	FCF Application Deadline
2	Austin Section Staff Mtg
	Tyler Round Table
5-6	Austin Spring Campout
9	W.F. Round Table
12-14	N. Ft. Worth Round Up
18	N. Dallas Round Table
20	Austin SA/BR Day Camp
	Camp Work Day/Lakeview
26-28	S. Dallas Round Up
	Waco Round Up
	Denton Round Up
	N. Dallas Round Up
	W.F. Round Up

In Memoriam

Our condolences go to Joe Luna whose fatherin-law and mother have recently passed away.

DISTRICT COMMANDERS CONFERENCE

The District Commanders' Conference will be held at First Assembly of God in Colleyville, Texas; January 5th, 1991. The conference will start at 9:00 a.m. and end at approximately 1 p.m. All commanders, outpost council, and pastors should plan on attending this conference.

The agenda will include the following:

Training and Dates Ranger of the Year Testing Frontier Camping Fellowship Chartering District Involvement Straight Arrows/Buckaroos Randy Woods Jamie Eitson Sherman McDaniel Wayne Klopfenstein Ollie Henley Dwain Klopfenstein

Topic for Discussion:

Dwain Klopfenstein will be coordinating the discussion of campsite guidelines. Praise the LORD for growing pains! The District is wanting your input so we can establish some guidelines.

CHARTERING

Many churches are getting on the band wagon and chartering their outposts. If you have not chartered your outpost for the 1991 year please do so now. This is how you will receive the Signal Fire newsletter and other correspondence. Chartering is a way you insure full participation in District events and activities.

1989-1990 Information

	Amt	National Ranking
Admin Offering	\$79	09
Charter Fees	\$12475	06
NRRTC Dev. Fund	\$250	24
NRRTC Sustaining Fund	\$1002	02
No of Churches	239	01
Members	4911	06

POUNDING

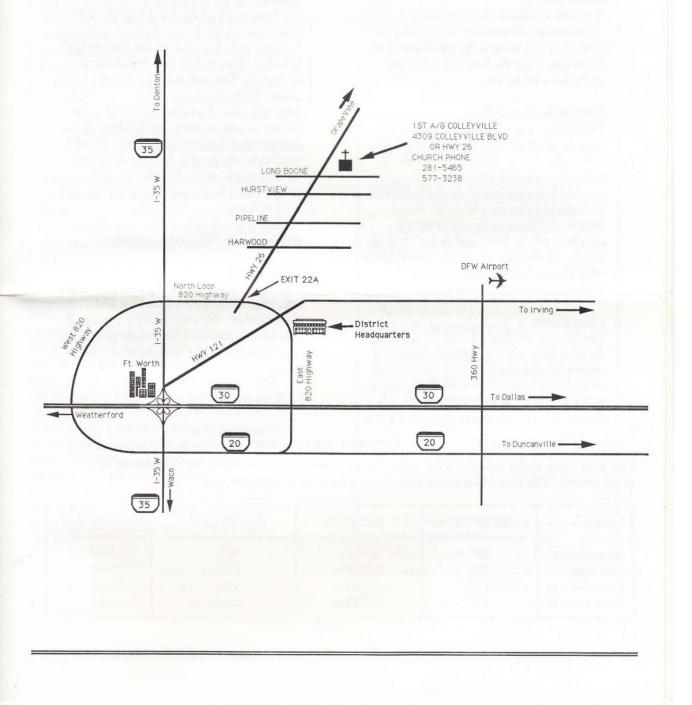
The Pounding at Winter Camp for the Pleasant Hills Childrens' Home resulted in a total of 125 lbs of donated goods valued at \$150. Thanks to everyone who joined in this ministry to the children. We must constantly remember those who we have an opportunity to serve through our giving.

"share your food with the hungry..and provide the poor with shelter..then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard." Isaiah 58:7-8

PATCHES

Winter Camp patches were put on order and we hope to have them in the mail to you by January 1, 1991.

MAP TO COMMANDERS CONFERENCE



DISTRICT NEEDS

Thank You

A special thanks to all of you that responded at winter camp concerning the need of personnel to help the District put on camps. This will certainly make the staff's job a lot easier.

Areas of Requested Help

The following is a list of just a few of the areas in which the District Staff could use some help. Camp setup, camp clean up, publicity, First Aid, Security, Games/Activities/Recreation, electricians, photography camera and VCR, sound people, maintenance people, Pageant people to put on plays, and Song/Musical people. If you or your outpost would like to offer your services please contact Ollie Henley or Dwain Klopfenstein.

Other Needs

The camp is needing a Large PA system, cordless Microphones, and speakers. The system needs to have enough Microphone connections to accommodate those who are in the pageants. If your know where this kind of system is please contact the District.

Rest Rooms

We have received the Go Ahead to build a rest room for the camp. As soon as the soil is tested and approved we can start on the building. Target date to start is February or March. This will really be an asset to the camp. If you know any contractors who have this kind of equipment and would be willing to help us erect this building, please contact the District Commander. We will need masonry people, electricians, tractors with back hoe, water line ditcher, and people to set forms and pour concrete, and a lot of helpers.

"I know you will rally and help us out on this project." - Commander Henley

Future Goals

To put electricity at the rest rooms, pageant site, District Staff Headquarters, and Registration. We are making progress. If you have expertise or have some people in your church that can help us, please let us know.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the following boys and to their commanders for attaining the Gold Medal of Achievement. This distinction comes only through hard work, discipline, and dedication.

NAME	OUTPOST	SECTION	DISTRICT #	NATIONAL #
Jason Braley	207	Denton	96th	1852
Sam King	265	S. Dallas	98th	1847
David Kellum	137	S. Dallas	99th	N/A
Jesse Lowe Jr	137	S. Dallas	100th	N/A

NEWS BRIEFS

THANK YOU

A <u>BIG THANK YOU</u> goes to OUTPOST 41 -WICHITA FALLS for their help at Lakeview. They picked up the trash, etc. and pulled the porta-potties out to the road after the Winter Camp. Let's all be sure to follow their example and pitch-in to help out at the camp. Everyone doing a little adds up to a lot.

OFFERING

A special thanks to all of you that rallied together for the support of our District Commander. His support only comes from the churches that send a monthly offering. If your church is not doing this, Please do to help us out.

DAYCAMP

Straight Arrow/Buckaroo DayCamp was a big success. Our theme, Gods lit'l Prospector, set the tone for the camp. Everyone seemed to enjoy being a prospector for 1 day. The **BIG BIG** ATTRACTIONS were panning for gold; pulling the wagon train, wheelbarrowing up and down the trail; plus all the excitement of throwing those water balloons at the commander. The council fire devotion was the finding of gold nuggets. Many boys came forward to receive Christ or rededicate their lives to God. A special thanks to everyone who had a part in making this camp a big success.

WINTER CAMP

Whaaoowee-ee!! We sure enjoyed a beautiful camp. Over 375 attended the Winter Camp. Missionary Hunt from South America inspired us with his challenging message. Thanks to all of you who helped around the council fire with skits and song.

TRAINING

"... be qualified to teach others" 2 Tim 2:2

Instructors serve as a link between the District and the Outpost enabling all to remain current with recent changes. Training provides unity, purpose, direction, and encouragement.

Instruction Certification Seminar will be required for Straight Arrow/ Buckaroo instructors and will take place in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area the first weekend after Labor day. The District currently has two Straight Arrow/ Buckaroo instructors and needs additional men to serve in this important area.

Also, Certified First Aid instructors are needed for L.T.C. training. If you are available to assist in the area or know someone who may be available be sure to let us know.

For more information on any of the above training opportunities or any other question you may have about training contact Randy Woods, District Training Coordinator at (817) 465-0412.

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NEWS NEEDED

Commanders, we need news of what's happening in your outpost/section on special events, ideas for fund raisers, achievements, etc. Send your news to: **ROYAL RANGERS #55**

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