

North Texas District ROYAL RANGERS “Signal Fire”

April 1995

From the District Commander

Get ready, Commanders, for our annual Commander's Conference on April 28 & 29, at First Assembly of God in Waco. This conference will be bigger and better than before, and you will be able to choose classes to attend. We want to use all this time to help you in your outpost. (Note: Be sure to mail in your pre-registration so we will know how many meals to prepare. The cost of \$15.00 includes three meals.)

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE: The child care for Saturday is \$1.00 **per child**. This amount is due at the time your children are left for care. Thank you for your help.

The Awards Service will be Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. Come and enjoy the spirit and fellowship of other Royal Ranger leadership.

The Pow Wow will be BIG!!! We have the drama ministry of **MASTER'S COMMISSION OF DALLAS** coming for all the council fire times and devotions. I know you and your boys will enjoy their ministry.

We would like to see each of you and your boys down here at the property for work days. We will be working every weekend from now until July 16th for this camp.

This is **our** campgrounds. We **get** to set it up for **our** use and for our needs. Come and see what is going on and get involved. You will feel better spiritually and physically after you have seen for yourself.

This dream has come true and now it is a deadline. **We need your help.**

In His Service,
Commander Paul

1995 District Calendar

Apr.	28-29	Commander's Conference/Awards Service
May	13	Work Day for Pow Wow - Lakeview
June	2-4	District Pow Wow - Lakeview
July	16-22	JLTC Sarge Sellers Training Academy
	19-21	Territorial FCF Rendezvous, N.M.
Aug.	26	Sectional Commander's Conference
Sept.	9	Instructor Certification Seminar
	29-30	Commander's Campout - Lakeview
Oct.	27-29	FCF Family Days
Nov.	17-18	Winter Camps Divisional
Dec.	2	District Staff Christmas Banquet
	9	FCF Christmas Banquet

POW WOW

To assist you, the cost for Pow Wow has been left blank on the enclosed POW WOW insert.

The District registration for Pow Wow is \$10.00 per person but this does not include food, gas, traveling expenses, etc. As Senior Commander, you may fill in the cost to cover these additional charges, if needed, and then send a copy of the form home with your boy(s).

FREE PHYSICALS are available on Work Day, May 13, from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. You may drop us a note or call Margaret on Tuesdays or Thursdays if you or your boys want to take advantage of this great offer. The details and forms needed are in the Pow Wow packet for you to copy.

Physicals are recommended but not required for Pow Wow. Physicals **ARE** required for Camp Sarge Sellers!!!!

Ranger of the Year Pins

Merle Price (214-218-6033) and Ken Johnson (214-223-3569) have name tags and Ranger of the Year Pins available. Please call them for pricing information.

NEEDED If you are interested in assisting with Camp Sarge Sellers, please contact the District Office as soon as you can. Please contact the District Office if you are interested.

District Ranger of the Year

Congratulations to the following boys:

Caleb Ambrose	Austin Section	Straight Arrows
Jordan McKnight	Denton Section	Buckaroo
Joshua Teel	Wichita Falls Section	Pioneer
Jeremy Haynes	Austin Section	Trailblazers
Franco Wright	South Dallas	AST

These boys will represent the North Texas District at the Regional Ranger of the Year on May 20th.

OUTPOST PATROL FLAGS

At the Pow Wow this year, we would like to encourage your outpost to make or purchase an **OUTPOST PATROL FLAG**. There are a couple of options:

- 1) Make your own! This can be a project for your outpost. See order form for size and color requirements. You can also make your own staff (it needs to be 7 ft. to be seen above head level.) Fabric glue can be used to attach letters and numbers.
- 2) These flags are available from **ABC FLAG, 913 N. FREEWAY, FT. WORTH, TX 76102, METRO 817-429-0070 or 1-800-288-9625**. Be sure to talk to **PAM**. The cost is \$10.00 for the flag itself and \$4.00 for each letter and/or outpost number. (The letters and outpost numbers are sewn on.) See enclosed order form.

Additional points will be given at inspection for those outposts that have a **PATROL FLAG**.

A sample of the Outpost Patrol Flag will be at the Commander's Conference in Waco on April 28 & 29.

MEET ME OUTSIDE

A family was sitting around the dinner table one evening, arguing and teasing each other. This went on for a while, but when it got out of hand, all Dad had to say was, "Alright! Meet me outside". All the arguing and teasing stopped.

While Jason was at his friend, Matt's house, the same thing was happening there. Jason thought he would do the same thing his dad did at home.

Jason said, "Alright! Meet me outside." Matt took him up on his request.

Matt ask, "Now what are you going to do?" Jason suddenly realized this had never gone this far.

Jason drew a line on the ground and said to Matt. "I dare you to step across that line!" Matt stepped across the line and said, "Now what are you going to do?"

Jason said, "Now you are on my side. Let's be friends!"

Many of us Royal Ranger leaders need to be like Matt and step across the line. In doing that it means I want to be a part of the team working together. Spending the amount of time necessary to win boys for Jesus Christ. Whether it is on a local outpost outing, a Sectional Round-Up, or a District Pow Wow. This may be the MESSAGE that would touch that boys heart. It's time to go forward with the Royal Ranger message.

I believe it's time to say, "YES, LORD, HELP ME TO MAKE THAT CHANGE IN MY PHILOSOPHY, THAT I MAY DO MY PART TO WIN BOYS FOR CHRIST." Let's update our training skills to deal with boys in these situations.

Several years ago, I began to see a change in boys attitudes and personalities. Now we deal with boys from single parents, divorce parents, remarried parents, working parents, exposure to sex, drugs, child abuse, and violence, along with sport activities, video games, and school activities.

With this in mind, lets do our best to Reach, Teach, and Keep boys for Christ.

Dwain Klopfenstein, Deputy District Commander

*** ATTENTION ALL GOLD MEDALISTS ***

Bryant Wray, Gold Corps Coordinator, is developing a mailing list for all boys and men who have earned their Gold Medal of Achievement in our District. Please let us know your current address and phone number! You may sent it here to the District Office or directly to Bryant. His address is 631 Ricky Canyon, DeSoto, TX 75515, phone: 214-223-3543. **THANKS!**

LAKEVIEW AVAILABLE FOR OUTPOST USE!

If you were not aware of it, your outpost may use Lakeview for an outpost campout, Father/Son Campout, etc. as long as you are chartered. All you need to do is fill out the LAKEVIEW WEEKEND CAMP APPLICATION and send it to the District Office at least **30 days in advance**. If you do not currently have a copy of this form, please contact the District Royal Ranger office. After Commander Paul has approved it, the application will be forwarded to Bro. Savage's office. His office will send verification to you for the date requested. (If there is a conflict of schedules, you will be notified.) Ken Harris will also be sent a copy of the schedule so he knows when your Rangers will be at Lakeview.

Be sure to check with Ken Harris (214-244-9651) about a conservation good turn project! If you have a question, call the District Office at 817-284-4856 or Commander Ken Harris.

Signal Fire

Ever wonder why you are either not receiving the Signal Fire or receiving it from another address besides your home address? The Signal Fire mailing list is captured from the yearly charters received from each outpost. When your outpost does not charter, the commander in your outpost do not benefit receiving the newsletter. If your Signal Fire is being mailed to your church, your address was either incomplete or missing from the charter form. Please send any corrections to Mark Oliver (see back for address).

Materials Needed for Lakeview Camp (as of January 7, 1995)

Welder for tractor cage
Roofing materials (white)
30# tar paper
1/2" plywood (as much as possible)
Telephone poles (any length, and trailer to carry poles)
Dump truck
Old cement truck
Pea gravel
Crushed rock
Sand
Swimming pool pumps (need the sand filters and water pumps)
Wire (12 - 2 wire ground; 14 - 2 wire ground)
3000' rebar 3
#3 1/2" and #5 1/2" rebar 30/70 split
10 - 500 gallon septic tanks
1000 - 92 5/8" studs
45 rolls of insulation 16 1/2 by 3 1/2
25 qts. of PVC glue
25 qts. of PVC cleaner

PVC ITEMS

1000 ft. 4" drainage pipe
700 ft. 4" schedule 40 PVC pipe
The following fittings for 4" PVC pipe:
40 - 90 degree L's
60 - T's
25 - 45 degree L's
14 combination T's
10 - Y's
10 - Test T's with plugs
12 - combination Y's
50 - couplings
10 - CT adapters
10 - roof flanges

4000 ft. 2" PVC pipe (schedule 40)
The following fittings for 2" PVC pipe:
60 - 2" T's
60 - 90 degree L's
45 - 45 degree L's
45 - 22 1/2 degree L's
125 couplings
20 - Y's
10 - combination Y's
10 - combination T's
15 - test T's with plugs
20 - female adapters with plugs
10 - male adapters
20 - moveable P traps

Before donating supplies, please contact Ken Harris (214-244-9651) for a current status of what is still needed.

D i v i s i o n a l R e p o r t s

Greetings in Jesus' name! God has been moving by his Spirit in the North Division of the district through men and boys in Wichita Falls, Greenville, North Ft. Worth, and Denton. From January to March, 1995, these sections have been actively involved in outpost, sectional, and district events where boys lives are touched and changed by the power of the Holy Spirit! As Divisional Commander, I commend for a job well done and I look forward to the rest of the year. Here is a breakdown of sections and what is happening within each:

Greenville - Commander John Vaught continues to do an excellent job in the Greenville Section. The section recently competed the first LTC in several years for 6 men from Greenville and Sulphur Springs. In January, the section has a Winter Round-Up in which several boys were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit! February brought a Pinewood Derby to Central A/G in Greenville with over 40 cars participating. The Sectional Rangers of the Year for 1994 were Austin Vaught, Straight Arrows; Ben Watts, Buckaroos; Jason Tipton, Pioneers; John Tipton, Trailblazers; and David Watts, Trail Rangers. Congratulations to these boys. Plans for April include Buckaroo/Straight Arrow Day and a Trail Ranger Survival Campout. In May, look for a sectional FCF Info Day and several men are going to the NTC in Tennessee from the section.

North Ft. Worth - Commander Jack Woods and his staff put out a great newsletter frequently and have many activities to keep the boys busy. The section plans to go in with the South Part of Ft. Worth and conduct an LTC course in the Spring. The RR of the Year Testing was held on February 11 and had a good turnout of boys. A backpack trip is scheduled for the end of March and a Buckaroo/Straight Arrow Day Camp meeting in May.

Wichita Falls - The April Sectional Round Up will feature District Commander Paul Patterson as the special speaker. Sectional Commander Tom Hankins said the group is looking forward to the event. RR of the Year results were Jordan Teel, Straight Arrows; Jared Teel, Buckaroos; Joshua Teel, Pioneers; and John Jemison, Trailblazers. Commander Tom said he is please with the events so far this year and is anxious for the coming months.

Denton - The Denton Section is in the process of finding a new commander at the time. Pray that God will send his man for the job. As you can see, the Division has been busy and according to the calendars, more wonderful things will happen as the Division continues to Reach, Teach, and Keep Boys for Christ!

In God's Will,
Commander Joe Watts, North Division Commander (Division One)

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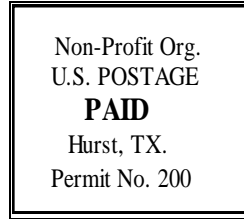
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NEWS NEEDED

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