

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BLACK POWDER SHOOTING CLASS

KEN HARRIS' HOME

SEPTEMBER 19-20

Become NRA – Black Powder Certified.

COMMANDERS CAMPOUT

LAKEVIEW CAMP

SEPTEMBER 26-27 FROM 4PM-2PM

Good fellowship with other Commanders.

FCF FAMILY DAYS

LAKEVIEW CAMP

OCTOBER 25-27

Fine fellowship with FCF families and others.

DIVISIONAL WINTER CAMPS

CHECK WITH YOUR DIVISIONAL COMMANDER FOR LOCATION

NOVEMBER 14-15

FCF CHRISTMAS BANQUET

HARVEST ASSEMBLY OF GOD – FT. WORTH

FORMERLY SEMINARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD

DECEMBER 16

SEE ARTICLE FOR DIRECTIONS.

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The Long Tom

September 1997

From the President

Greetings All

This has been a really fine summer for FCF activities, but wait.... There's more! This year still has plenty of activities for all! Please attend as many as you can and support your local FCF chapter.

There will be a black powder class for all you workaholics this month! Yes, all you guys and gals that are always helping with activities and cannot take the class when it is given ...this class is for you. The class will be held at Ken Harris's place, which is south of our campgrounds a bit. The class will be held September 19-20, 1997. If you are interested in taking this class, please call Ken Harris as soon as possible to pre-register. His pager number is (214) 804-3398.

Our family Days camp will be October 24-26. The speaker will be our Territorial Rep, Cecil Pruitt. We have a lot of different things planned, so come out and ~~we~~ have fun! The location will be Lakeview Camp in Mayperl in our FCF Village-by-the-Lake. There will be a blue-grass band!

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Hog Hunt

. Our first primitive hunt for our group will be a HOG HUNT! These festivities will take place at Ken Harris's place on Thanksgiving weekend, Nov 28-30. We have a whole lot of things planned for this special camp. Please bring your whole family and make a weekend of it. We will have hunting, visiting, music, praising, story telling (I hope Cannon Ball will be there!), trading (might be a good place to pick up a Christmas present or two for your FCF person...) and maybe even some games! We will cook a hog on a spit (if someone gets lucky...) and have a REAL Thanksgiving Feast! Ken has been baiting these hogs with corn and he tells me there are some that will tip the scales at 400 pounds! This will be a primitive camp, so bring your smoke pole or bow. Ken said make sure you bring a pistol for a back up. If you have never been hog hunting before, you don" know how mean these puppies can be if they are not dropped with the first shot. Sometimes when hog hunting, the hunter becomes the hunted. The cost of this camp will be \$25.00 with the proceeds going directly in to the FCF account. Ken has been gracious enough to do this fund raising for FCF. Next time you see him or his family, give him a hug and say thanks! Here are the directions to Ken's place from Dallas: Take I35E towards Hillsboro. Take exit 377/FM934. Go left and go 1 mile. At Hwy 77, turn left and proceed for 2 blocks. Turn right at FM 4358 and proceed for 1 mile. At the "T" take a right and proceed 3/10 mile. Ken's driveway will be on the right. We will have signs all along the way ... just look for the FCF with an arrow pointing the way; this is what FCF is all about. ♦

Don't miss the "Hog Hunt" in November! Ken Harris says he has some 400-pound wild hogs he needs to harvest! The problem is ... you have to hunt them. Wild hogs are like polar bears ... sometimes the hunter ends up being the "hunted". This will be a primitive hunt so bring a smoke pole or a bow (primitive or recurve) and plan on having the best time of your life! The dates for this camp are the Thanksgiving weekend, Nov 28-30. Families are welcome to come and camp primitive for the weekend. There will be all kinds of things planned including praise meetings at night and even a hog feast (if someone gets lucky...) cooked on a spit! Please call Ken Harris or Gary Bierschwale if you are interested.

The Christmas Banquet is in December. Check the add in this newsletter for the location and date. This year we will have an even better quilt to auction off! So please come and be a part of this special event!

Keep praying for our local, district and national Royal Ranger staff. Things are happening and I know it is because of your prayers! We have people in other countries praying at this same time also. With all this concentrated prayer ... I am sure we are giving the devil a black eye!

Thanks for all your support and please attend as many activities as you can. I love y'all!

Gary Bierschwale

NTD FCF President ♦

Family Days Camp

Yes, it's about that time again! We have some great plans for the Family Days camp this year! The date is October 24-26 and the location will be at Lakeview Camp (FCF Village) in Mayper! We will have a friendship stew waiting on you as you come into camp on Friday night (while it lasts!). Our annual pie auction will be Friday night and we will also have a Talent Show after the pie auction! Please brush up on your family talents and compete for a prize! The talents you show us are up to you. Saturday we will have all kinds of activities (Wilderness Walks, Shooting, Tomahawk and Knife Throwing, Bow and Arrow, and more...) for the family along with fellowship and trading (this might be a good place to start your Christmas shopping!). We will have quilt blocks already made, for you to put

your totems and names on with markers (so have your design ready for copying to the quilt block). We will have a bluegrass band at our camp to provide some great music for fun and worship! The cost of the camp will be \$10 for members and \$5 for non-members. If you have a trade (if you are a buckskin or better ... you are supposed to have a trade!) Please come prepared to show off to other members and maybe even do some trading! Please come and be a part of this great camp! ♦

FCF Christmas Banquet

This years FCF Christmas Banquet will be held at Harvest Assembly of God (formerly Seminary South Assembly of God) at 501 West Seminary Drive in Ft. Worth on December 13 1997. At the Seminary Drive exit off I 35 W, go approximately ½ mile to the west and the Church is on the south side of Seminary Drive. You may call the Church for further directions at (817) 927-2541. ♦

News and Congratulations

Congratulations to Matthew – Howling Wolf – Holder age 6 on earning the Medal of Courage and Hayden – Two-Feather – Duty age 7 on earning the Medal of Valor. Both boys attend The Potter's House in Plano and saved a little girl, Emily Burch, age 3, from drowning in a swimming pool on April 13 1997.

Congratulations to Jeff Cotton and Jeremiah Miller of Outpost 266, Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, who received their Gold Medal of Achievement on July 20 1997.

Congratulations also to David Lund and Malachi Russler of Harvest Time Assembly of God in Sherman on earning their Gold Medal of Achievement. ♦

For Sale

A Light Buckskin Outfit Bone Color, asking price \$175.00. Please contact Jerry "Frog" Rogers at (972) 620-2620. ♦

Articles for Future Issues

Please send them to me either by email RangerJJB@worldnet.att.net or postal mail

John J. Baumann, 1957 E. Irving Blvd, Irving, TX. 75060-4555 ♦

Dear FCFer,

I would like to take the time to introduce to you a new program that the district Frontiersmen Camping Fellowship (F.C.F.) is offering. The program is called Junior Field Advisor (J.F.A.). The program is designed to further establish the goals of F.C.F. with placement and involvement of young men, 17 through 24 years of age who are F.C.F. members. J.F.A. also provides practical training under close supervision that will build leadership qualities using the Royal Ranger pre-college and college age young men to promote the F.C.F. program to local outposts. If you would like to be involved with this program, send the following application and two letters of recommendations (One from your commander and one from your Pastor) to:

Jimmie Brooks Jr.
210 Kingsbridge Dr.
Garland, Texas 75040
(972) 530-8242 (jbrook23@airmail.net)

Junior Field Advisor
Application

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____ Outpost #: _____

Rank: _____ Frontiersmen _____ Buckskin _____ Wilderness

Church/City: _____

What section are you from?: _____

What kind of leadership training have you been through?: _____

What ideas could you contribute to J.F.A.?: _____

If you are interested in this program, send the application and two letters of recommendation to:

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or you can call me at:

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