

National Frontiersmen Camping Fellowship

RENDEZVOUS



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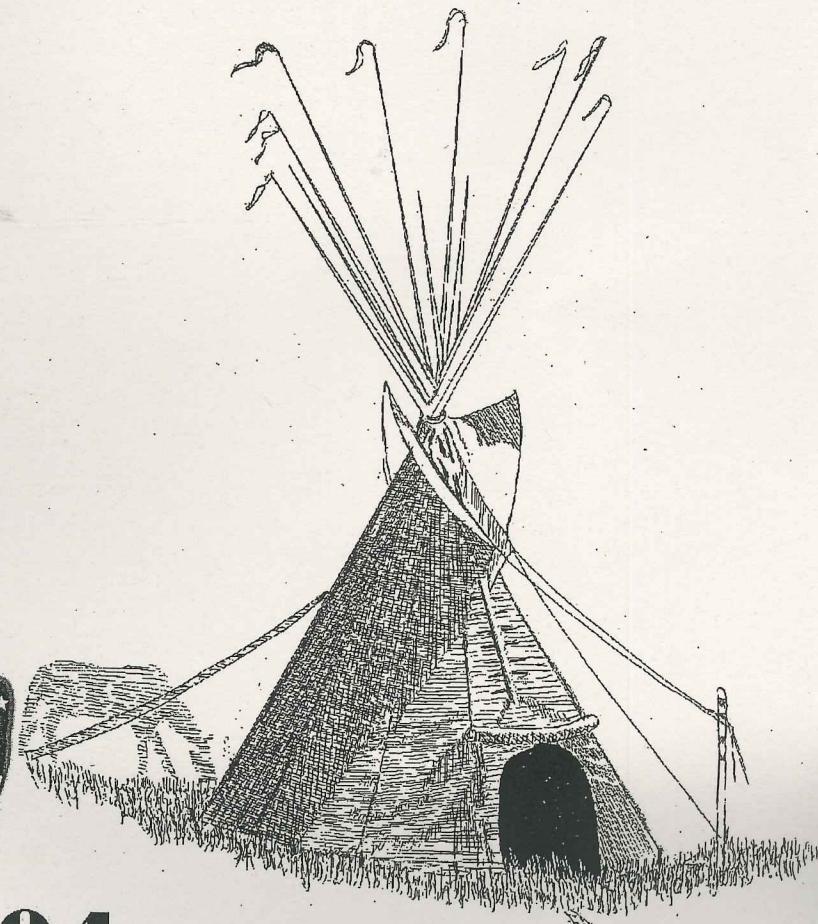


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National Rendezvous 2004

CAMP SCHEDULE

PRE-CAMP: SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2004

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED BEFORE SETTING UP CAMP!

12:00 noon Early Registration—open
National HQ—open

1:00 p.m. Trading Post—open

5:00–7:00 p.m. Dinner—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open.

9:00 p.m. Registration—closed
Trading Post—closed

MONDAY, July 12, 2004

6:30–8:30 a.m. Breakfast—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

8:00 a.m. National HQ—open
Registration—open
Trading Post—open

12:00–2:00 p.m. Lunch—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

10:00–5:00 p.m. Visiting Hours

5:00 p.m. Registration—closed
Trading Post—closed

5:00–7:00 p.m. Dinner—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

6:30 p.m. Territorial FCF Reps orientation at the
FCF Amphitheater

7:30 p.m. **Evening service—FCF Amphitheater**
Praise and worship
(Presentations must be cleared through Jim Rounsville)
Speaker—Fred Deaver,
National FCF President Emeritus

11:00 p.m. Quiet time. Turn your lanterns down low.

TUESDAY, July 13, 2004

6:30–8:30 a.m. Breakfast—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

9:00 a.m. **Morning Assembly—FCF Amphitheater**
Songs
National Ranger of the Year recognition—Steve Schultz
Speaker—Sonny Green,
National FCF Vice President Emeritus

Note: Exception to visiting hours for July 13 only.
Parents and commanders of the National Rangers of the Year are permitted on the campground at 8:45 a.m. to participate in the National Rangers of the Year recognition during the morning assembly. Following this time period, all visitors must abide by the set visiting hours as noted below.

National HQ—open after devotional
Trading Post—open after devotional
Registration—open after devotional

10:00–12:00 p.m. Rendezvous events

10:00–5:00 p.m. Visiting hours

12:00–2:00 p.m. Lunch—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

2:00–5:00 p.m. Rendezvous events

5:00 p.m. Registration—closed
Trading Post—closed

5:00–7:00 p.m. Dinner—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

7:30 p.m. **Evening service—FCF Amphitheater**
Praise and worship
(Presentations must be cleared through Jim Rounsville)
Speaker—Freddie Espinosa,
Southwest Regional Coordinator

11:00 p.m. Quiet time. Turn your lanterns down low.

WEDNESDAY, July 14

6:30-8:30 a.m. Breakfast—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

9:00 a.m. **Morning Assembly—FCF Amphitheater**
Songs
(Presentations must be cleared through Jim Rounsville)
Speaker—Rick Dostal,
National FCF President
National HQ—open after devotional
Trading Post—open after devotional
Registration—open after devotional

10:00-12:00 p.m. Rendezvous events

10:00-5:00 p.m. Visiting Hours

12:00-2:00 p.m. Lunch—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

2:00-5:00 p.m. Rendezvous events

5:00 p.m. Trading Post—closed
Registration—closed

5:00-7:00 p.m. Dinner—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

7:30 p.m. **Evening service—FCF Amphitheater**
Praise and worship
(Presentations must be cleared through Jim Rounsville)
Speaker—Rev. Robert Crabtree,
Ohio District Superintendent

11:00 p.m. Quiet time. Turn your lanterns down low.

THURSDAY, July 15

6:30-8:30 a.m. Breakfast—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

9:00 a.m. **Morning Assembly—FCF Amphitheater**
Songs
(Presentations must be cleared through Jim Rounsville)
Speaker—Jim Rounsville,
National FCF Vice President
National HQ—open after devotional
Trading Post—open after devotional
Registration—open after devotional

10:00-12:00 p.m. Rendezvous events

10:00-5:00 p.m. Visiting Hours

12:00-2:00 p.m. Lunch—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open

2:00-5:00 p.m. Rendezvous events

5:00 p.m. Trading Post—closed
Registration—closed

5:00-6:30 p.m. Dinner—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open
Awards Service: Rendezvous events awards will be presented. Must be present or have a delegate present to receive any awards won in the events.
Awards will not be mailed or delivered by National Office.

6:30 p.m. **Evening service—FCF Amphitheater**
Praise and worship
(Presentations must be cleared through Jim Rounsville)
Speaker—Rev. Thomas Trask,
General Superintendent

7:30 p.m. Quiet time. Turn your lanterns down low.

FRIDAY, July 16

6:30-8:30 a.m. Breakfast—on your own or *Rendezvous Café* open
9:00 a.m. Break camp. Pack up the wagons and hitch up the mules, it's time to head on back to the home ranch.

All campsites must be inspected and cleared for release before leaving.

Please take time to verify that the area around where you have been camping is thoroughly clean. Take the time to make sure all trash is picked up and thrown into a dumpster. Check to make sure all of your gear and personal items have been loaded and secured inside or onto your vehicle.

For those who have volunteered to stay afterwards and help minimize the work that is necessary for camp clean up is greatly appreciated.

There is always the need for volunteers to stay a day or two after the Rendezvous is over to assist with putting the camp back into order. Please contact the National office if you are available for this service.

I. WELCOME

Welcome to Rendezvous 2004. You have the privilege to attend the ninth National Rendezvous. We are anticipating this will be the largest national FCF gathering ever. To fully enjoy this camping experience of a lifetime, it is important that you carefully read the entire contents of this booklet.

II. REGISTRATION

Mandatory registration is required PRIOR to setting up camp. All campers are required to wear a Registration Medallion at all times.

III. MORNING DEVOTIONALS

Each day will begin with a spiritual challenge. National FCF staff members will share thoughts for the day as we enjoy God's Holy Word and bask in the beauty of His creation at beautiful Camp Eagle Rock, Missouri.

Morning Devotional Speakers:

- Tuesday, July 13: Sonny Green, FCF Vice President Emeritus
- Wednesday, July 14: Rick Dostal, FCF President
- Thursday, July 15: Jim Rounsville, FCF Vice President

IV. EVENING SERVICES

The National Rendezvous will highlight four evening services. Special music, nationally recognized guests, and key speakers will make the evening services the highlight of the Rendezvous. Services will be held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings.

Evening Speakers:

- Monday, July 12: Fred Deaver, National FCF President Emeritus
- Tuesday, July 13: Freddie Espinosa, Southwest Regional Coordinator
- Wednesday, July 14: Rev. Robert Crabtree, Ohio District Superintendent
- Thursday, July 15: Rev. Thomas Trask, General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God

V. CLOTHING

FCF attire is appropriate during the entire Rendezvous. Now is the time to shine.

VI. INFORMATION OF INTEREST

1. **Council Fire Services**—Scripture Theme—Philippians 3:14: “I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.” (KJV)
2. **Evening Music and Special Speakers**—Lively frontier-style music will accompany each evening service. Special presentations will be given during some of the evening activities. You will be challenged to give to world missions, so come prepared to follow the leading of the Lord.
3. **Contests**—Contest prizes will be awarded for various activities, so give your best presentation in whatever you do.
4. **Auction**—There will be great handmade and unique-to-FCF items available for purchase at the auction. Our very own members and other vendors who have chosen to bless the FCF ministry have donated many of these items.

VII. CAMPGROUND RULES

1. *Security*: Security officers will be present before, during, and after the Rendezvous to ensure the safety of all campers and visitors. These individuals are professional law officers who serve in their local outposts as commanders. Please give them the highest respect. They are here to serve you, so live up to the Ranger Code.
2. *Trash Policy*: Trash maintenance is a must in order to keep the camp clean and sanitary. Cooperation by all participants is requested to help ensure trash is disposed of properly. Trash dumpsites will be designated.
3. *Traffic Safety Policy*: Vehicles will be permitted on the Rendezvous camping area only during registration hours, or as indicated by the camp commander. All vehicles must be cleared from the campsite and secured in the parking lot following registration and camp setup. Approved motor vehicles must be used on occasion to transport materials and supplies.

The purpose of the following guidelines is for the best interest of all participants.

a. Pedestrian

- Walk on the left shoulder of the road, single-file facing traffic, carrying a flashlight or lantern at night.

- Stay off roadways and bridges when footpaths are available. Cross roadways only at established crossings.
- Give emergency vehicles the right of way.
- Obey traffic signs.

b. Motor Vehicle

- If commanders wish to move their vehicles off the campsite during Rendezvous, they must park in the north parking lot.
- Vehicles parked in the south and west parking lots cannot be moved until Friday morning, July 21.
- Use of motor vehicles on the Rendezvous site is possible only during registration/camp setup.
- Always buckle up your seat belt—passengers too.
- Travel slower than the posted speed limits, as this is a highly-congested area.
- Truck beds/tractors may not be used for transporting passengers.
- Give right of way to emergency, security, and service vehicles.

4. Lake front areas are off limits. All areas other than designated camping are off limits.
5. Do not cut live trees. Be careful not to damage small seedling trees.
6. Remain on existing pathways and roads at all times. Do not take shortcuts.
7. Every individual must notify security officers when entering and exiting the campground. Each outpost leader will be responsible for the care and liability of the boys and leaders in his group and must fill out the *Leaving Site* form at the security checkpoint before departing the Rendezvous campsite.
8. Use only biodegradable soaps and shampoos.
9. Open fires are permitted but must be maintained as specified in the *Adventures and Camping* handbook.
10. Every person 17 years or younger must remain with another individual at all times—use the buddy system.
11. Old Timers must respect privacy of Young Bucks while boys are showering or dressing. One-on-one activity between a leader and a Royal Ranger is discouraged. There are separate shower facilities for the Young Bucks and Old Timers, please use the designated facilities accordingly.
12. The following are not permitted on the campground: smoking, drinking of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, firearms, indecent literature, fireworks (see firearms and knives policy below).

13. In the event you are injured, notify your commander immediately. All injuries should be reported first to the regional first aid stations.
14. Drink water often. Extreme heat can cause a heat stroke. If you drink large amounts of soda without the proper water intake, you can become constipated.
15. *Use of Appliances and Other Equipment:* Because of a limited supply of gas and power, participants will be permitted to bring only such items as electric razors and hair dryers. No large household-size electric or gas appliances will be permitted. Generators are not permissible unless authorized by the camp commander.
16. *Power Outlets:* There will be no power outlets for use by campers with the exception for grooming purposes inside the shower houses. No alteration of electric systems will be allowed. All power outlets are for Rendezvous operations only.
17. No laser pen lights during day or evening hours.
18. Keep a flashlight or lantern with you during the evening hours. However, flashlights may not be used while the evening services are underway. This is a major distraction and can hinder both the activities and move of the Holy Spirit.
19. All registered campers must attend the evening services. Appointed staff workers and invited guests are permitted to attend the evening services with camp commander approval.
20. Do have lots and lots of fun!

VIII. FIREARMS AND KNIVES POLICY

1. Use of Black Powder Firearm

To participate in any of the FCF activities that include black powder loading and shooting and knife throwing, minors must have obtained the signature of his parent or legal guardian on the *Knife & Black Powder Form* and must have submitted the form prior to or at registration. Failure to complete this form will disqualify the minor from participating in any of the above-mentioned Rendezvous activities.

Note: All black powder firearm users must have a state, district, or national recognized Black Powder Shooters Safety card such as a NRA or NMLRA Muzzle Loading Education card.

2. Knives and Firearms Policy

a. PROHIBITED USE AND SALES OF FIREARMS

The national Royal Rangers Office of The General Council of the Assemblies of God has adopted the following policy regarding the use and sale of firearms at any Royal Rangers activity: Firearms, including black powder firearms, may not be sold, awarded, traded, or conveyed by any means as personal property to anyone under the age of 21. This policy, however, will not prevent the person under age 21 from being in possession of black powder firearms at a Royal Rangers activity if the individual is properly supervised.

b. PROHIBITED USE AND SALES OF KNIVES

The national Royal Rangers Office of The General Council of the Assemblies of God has adopted the following policy regarding the use and sale of knives at any Royal Rangers activity: Knives, including folding knives, may not be sold, awarded, traded, or conveyed by any means as personal property to anyone under the age of 18 who does not have written parental consent. The possession or sale of any knife that opens by spring action or centrifugal force (i.e., switchblades, butterfly knives, etc.) is expressly prohibited at any Royal Rangers activity.

IX. ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Registration Medallions must be worn at all times.

Individual Vendors

Individuals located at the Traders Row will offer numerous items for purchase. Each person selling items must acquire a vendor's license from the national Royal Rangers Office. The items being sold cannot be similar in nature to those being sold by Gospel Publishing House or the national Royal Rangers Office. All spaces are \$50. (Every item vendors sell must be pre-approved.)

Traders Row: An area or areas will be designated for trading items. Boys will be allowed to "swap" (not related to money exchange) items of interest with other boys or with Old Timers if he has an adult present considering his best interest—such as patches, novelty items, craft items, and state souvenirs.

X. ITEMS TO KNOW

1. Disabilities

Any special accommodations required for a disabled person must be made known to the field hospital doctor and the National Rendezvous

staff. A person with certain physical disabilities may not be able to participate in or attend the Rendezvous.

2. Transportation and Personal Vehicles

North Parking Lot: For buses, large vehicles, campers taking group tours of camp, or campers leaving early.

West & South Parking Lot: Campers assigned parking according to camping area. Note: Campers parked in either the west or south parking lots will not be permitted to move their vehicles until late Thursday, July 15.

- Official Beginning: Monday, July 12, at 8:00 a.m., vehicles may be driven to assigned campsites for unloading gear.
- Those driving vehicles will be given two hours to unload and take their vehicles to the assigned parking lot.
- All personal vehicles must be parked in the assigned parking area. For safety factors all personal vehicles—including any motor propelled unit—will not be permitted for transporting people or equipment on the campsite during Rendezvous.
- All drivers must obey road signs and follow routes. Flow routes will be marked. Security staff workers will be present to enforce these regulations.

3. Water Use

Excellent water. Please be conservation minded. Careful supervision must be maintained. Do not drink water from the creeks, only from authorized water areas.

4. Family Campgrounds

Family members (non-Rendezvous participants) may wish to camp or stay in the resort areas near Camp Eagle Rock. For information contact the following: Mike's Hideaway (417-271-4215), Branson Chamber of Commerce (417-334-4136), Roaring River State Park (417-847-2539 or 417-847-2330) Cassville Chamber of Commerce (417-847-2814). For individuals staying in Springfield, Missouri, call the Springfield Chamber of Commerce (800-678-8767).

5. Visiting Hours

All visitors must check in and check out with security at the camp-ground entranceway.

Visitors Hours:

Sunday: 12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Monday through Thursday—10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Remember that the campers' privacy must be maintained. Visitors wishing to remain on the campsite from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m. must

remain in the visitor's area, which is located at the Johnnie Barnes Lodge, where the *Rendezvous Café* will be located. Visitors will not be permitted to participate in Rendezvous events or to attend the evening services. However, appointed staff workers and invited guests who are approved by the camp commander are permitted to attend the evening services.

6. Postal Service

Letters from the Rendezvous can be mailed at a convenient box at the national headquarters.

7. Telephone Communications

Because of the limited facilities for telephone communications at the Rendezvous site, all incoming calls to participants will be handled on an emergency basis only as follows:

- All emergency phone calls must be made to 417-271-3900. Messages will then be delivered to the Rendezvous participant.
- If a return call is necessary, the requested party must phone from one of the public phones located outside the Johnnie Barnes Lodge.
- Collect calls or Reverse charges to Camp Eagle Rock (National Royal Rangers Center) will not be permitted.

8. Portable Toilets

Portable toilets will be selectively placed through the campsite. These toilets will be serviced daily. When one has been filled to its capacity, kindly move to another so overflow will not occur.

9. Safety Precautions and Procedures

Missouri can be known for its extremely hot temperatures. Drink sufficient amounts of liquids to avoid heat-related injuries. Frequent drinks and rests in a shaded area are necessary during extremely warm temperatures. **Be sure to drink plenty of water.**

10. Insects

Precautions need to be taken to avoid ticks and chiggers (red bugs). The use of insect repellent and avoiding high weeds and wooded areas will help prevent infestation. Every camper should take precaution to avoid infestation. In the event ticks or chiggers infest a person, he should immediately go to the regional first aid center for treatment.

11. Snakes and Wildlife

Do not confront or touch snakes and animals. We are visitors to their environmental home. If a snake or animal bites a person, he should report immediately to the Rendezvous field hospital.

12. Injuries

Injuries should first be reported to the regional first aid station—the

seriousness of each injury will determine if the patients should or should not be transferred to the Rendezvous field hospital. The medical staff, in the event someone becomes injured, will take appropriate action. An adult leader must accompany sick or injured boys from his district to and from the regional first aid station, Rendezvous field hospital, or local community medical center.

13. Emergency Evacuation

In the event of a forest fire, tornado, flood, or other unexpected hazards, all delegates should quickly return to their district campsites. All headquarters staff will report to the lodge for evacuation direction.

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