



ROYAL RANGERS

NATIONAL UPDATE BULLETIN

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SUBJECT:

Highlands Merit Now Available

SITUATION:

The need was realized to develop a new merit award to recognize boys for their work in learning about and supporting the ministry of Highlands Child Placement Services.

SOLUTION:

The following requirements have been adopted for the Highlands merit (green border):

Visit the Highlands website at www.highlands.ag.org to help you fulfill the requirements for this merit award.



1. Answer the following questions about Highlands. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper and insert it into your workbook.
 - a. What is Highlands?
 - b. Where is Highlands located?
 - c. What is the "Path of Life" at Highlands?
 - d. There are 3 main groups of people who are helped by the ministry of Highlands. List them and tell how they are blessed through the Highlands ministry.
2. Find and list three people in the Bible who were adopted. Choose one of the three people to use as a short devotion. Write out the devotion and have it reviewed by a commander or pastor. Schedule a time with your commander to present this devotion to your group.
3. Guided by your commander or pastor, plan a fundraising event for Highlands. Promote the event throughout the entire church. Refer to the Highlands Web site for fundraising ideas. Contact Highlands for pro-life materials to distribute at your event. The fundraiser will fulfill this element for each member of your group. Send your offering to the national Benevolences Department with a paragraph describing what you did.
4. Find out what your church gave to the national Benevolences Department last year, and how much was sent to Highlands. List 2 ways you can help the people in your church become more aware of the needs and testimonies of Highlands. Provide this information to your commander and pastor.

NOTE: Boys in Discovery, Adventure, and Expedition Rangers can earn the Green merit awards.

RECOMMENDED INSERTION POINTS:

It is recommended that this update be printed and inserted in the following Royal Ranger publications at the following locations:

- *Leader's Green Merit Reference*— page 347