

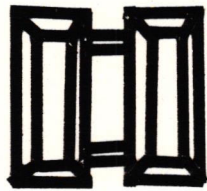
**A**

**Handbook**

**For**

**Senior**

**Commanders**



## A GUIDE FOR SENIOR COMMANDERS

- I. DEFINITION: The SENIOR COMMANDER fills a vital role in the Royal Ranger Ministry. He is a servant (Romans 1:1), a leader (I Peter 5:2), a teacher (Col. 1:28), an example (I Timothy 4:12), a helper (II Corinthians 1:24), and a problem-solver, not a problem (Romans 12:18).
- II. PURPOSE: When a local church has two or more Outposts, one of the Royal Ranger leaders can be appointed to the position of SENIOR COMMANDER. The purpose of a SENIOR COMMANDER is to help those working with him to "Reach, Teach and Keep Boys for Jesus Christ" by being a coordinator for their activities in the local church. He is the liaison between the Royal Ranger Outpost Council, Royal Ranger leaders, local, District and National ministries.
- III. QUALIFICATIONS:
- A. A SENIOR COMMANDER must be a born-again Christian. He should be filled with the Holy Spirit according to Acts 1:8.
- B. A SENIOR COMMANDER must have a burning desire to "Reach, Teach and Keep Boys for Jesus Christ," our Master Ranger. He must bear in mind that any who do not receive Jesus Christ as their Savior are lost for eternity. He must also have a desire to reach other men to become Royal Ranger leaders.
- C. A SENIOR COMMANDER must be knowledgeable concerning the Word of God and have a constant dedication of giving himself to God in prayer, fasting, and meditation for the Royal Rangers of his Outpost and the Royal Ranger Ministry. He must be faithful to his local church, supporting it with his faithful attendance and tithes and offerings.
- D. A SENIOR COMMANDER should have completed all four sections of the Leadership Training Course and earned the Leaders' Medal of Achievement. He should endeavor to attend a National Training Camp.
- E. A SENIOR COMMANDER should have served as an Outpost Commander so he will have a knowledge of the problems and responsibilities of the Outpost Commander. He should have a good knowledge of the local, sectional, District and National Ministry and be able to explain them.
- F. A SENIOR COMMANDER must be dedicated to the point that nothing will stand in the way of him fulfilling his responsibilities and duties to the boys and men in his

Outpost. He must be dedicated yet flexible, able to change as the Spirit directs him. He must be able to teach and be teachable at the same time.

- G. A SENIOR COMMANDER should be an outdoorsman and have a love for God's creation. He must be willing to help the Outpost Commanders with their plans and go along to help with the boys on outings.

IV. QUALITIES: It is the qualities a person possesses that qualifies them for a particular job. So it is with a SENIOR COMMANDER. Qualities such as: Dedication, consistency, vision, love, determination, knowledgeable, willingness, ability to plan ahead, and being "Ready" in season and out of season. These are the qualities a SENIOR COMMANDER must possess to minister as God has called him to:

- A. DEDICATION: A life dedicated to God and the ministry he is called to. If a family man, first his family and then Royal Rangers.
- B. CONSISTENCY: Living a consistent Christian life, faithful to Sunday School, Church and Royal Ranger meetings.
- C. VISION: A burden to reach the lost everywhere, starting with the boys in his community.
- D. LOVE: A love for God and His creation; a love for lost souls. A love that really cares and does something to "Reach" and "Teach." This is the kind of love that "Keeps boys for Jesus Christ."
- E. DETERMINATION: Not easily discouraged, determined but will listen to others.
- F. KNOWLEDGEABLE: A working knowledge of God's Word and will in his life. An understanding of the Royal Ranger Ministry above the local Outpost and how to enhance his local program with that knowledge.
- G. WILLINGNESS: Willing to help wherever and whenever needed. Willing to teach, to lead, to listen to leaders and boys alike. Willing to be used by God to "Reach, Teach and Keep Boys for Jesus Christ."
- H. PLANNING: Not just next week or next month, but next year. He must be able to plan a program so that it becomes a ministry to and for those in it.
- I. READY: "Ready" and willing at all times to carry out plans that have been made. At all times "Ready" to let the Holy Spirit lead him in his dealings with boys and leaders. "Ready" to hold a meeting if only himself

and one boy are in attendance. "Ready" to help where his help is needed. Above all a "Ready" example in: Spirituality, punctuality, reliability, dedication and consecration.

V. DUTIES: A SENIOR COMMANDER has many duties and responsibilities, both spiritually and in the normal course of running an Outpost. This first duty is to be praying without ceasing for his Outpost. A man praying for the men and boys in his Outpost will be a constant inspiration to them. With this thought in mind, the following duties and responsibilities will be easier to carry out:

A. A SENIOR COMMANDER coordinates the activities of the Royal Ranger Ministry in his local Assembly. He is responsible for the following:

1. Planning

a) Hold an annual planning meeting with the Outpost Commanders and the Outpost Council to make plans for the forthcoming year. (See Exhibits A-1 and A-2). At this meeting they will set annual:

(1) Goals:

- (a) for the year
- (b) for each quarter

(2) Themes:

- (a) for the year
- (b) for each quarter

(3) Activities:

- (a) for the year
- (b) each quarter
- (c) an activities calendar for the year, filling in as many firm dates as possible, is to be made up at this meeting.

b) Hold quarterly planning meetings with the Outpost Commanders to make plans for the coming quarter, (see Exhibits A-2 and A-3). At this meeting the Outpost Commander will determine how they will meet their:

(1) Goals for the quarter:

- (a) be sure of what the goals are
- (b) best way to reach the goals



- (2) Themes for the quarter:
  - (a) determine what they are
  - (b) break them down into subjects for each month.
  
- (3) Break down into weekly meeting features. (NOTE: This has been accomplished in the Meeting Feature Guide, available from the Ranger Supply Store and is designed to take a boy from Recruit to Master Ranger.)
  
- c) Activities for the quarter:
  - (1) What kind of activities.
  - (2) Determine where, when and how the activity will take place, and who is responsible.
  - (3) See that announcements and permission slips are given out in plenty of time.
  - (4) Who will be in charge of different phases of the activities.
  - (5) What equipment will be needed and who is responsible to obtain it.
  
- d) Keep in mind the SENIOR COMMANDER is a Coordinator, NOT a Dictator. A true leader will listen for and solicit ideas from those he is working with.
  
- e) When the annual calendar is completed, submit this to the Pastor. Make changes as necessary so as not to conflict with the local Assembly program.
  
2. Hold short meetings after the Outpost meeting has been dismissed. Review and evaluate meetings and get suggestions for improvements.
  
3. Call special meeting with Commanders as necessary.
  
4. Include Junior Leaders in planning sessions. There are several reasons why the Junior Leaders should be asked to help plan activities of the Outpost. Some of these are:
  - a) They will know what the boys would like to do.
  - b) It helps develop the boys in planning.
  - c) It helps give boys a feeling of belonging.
  - d) It trains the boys for when they will become Commanders.
  
5. Constantly evaluate your Royal Ranger Ministry so as to make improvements. Some examples are:

- a) Finding new time and activities.
  - b) Improving presentation of meeting feature.
  - c) Planning new premeeting activities.
  - d) Make sure meeting features are up-to-date.
  - e) Review the nine-point plan of a successful meeting, with the Outpost Commander.
6. Assist any of the Commanders who are having trouble conducting their Outpost meetings. Some of the problems are caused by:
- a) Lack of planning.
  - b) Not counseling with the boys.
  - c) No followup on new boys.
  - d) Advancement not being passed.
  - e) Records not being kept.
7. Keep the Outpost Commanders and Outpost Council informed of what is happening in the District and National Ministries in the following areas:
- a) Uniform changes.
  - b) Policy changes.
  - c) National Training Program.
  - d) Sectional Leadership Training classes.
  - e) District-Division-Section Programs, dates and places.
8. Meet with the Outpost Council at least once a quarter, preferably after you have had your quarterly planning meeting with the Commanders. You can then advise the Outpost Council of plans, themes, activities, etc.
9. Keep the Outpost Council aware of the needs of the Outpost Commanders.
10. Encourage the Outpost Council to take an active part in the local ministry by having them bring devotions, help pass boys in their advancement requirements, counseling with boys in their various needs: Mental, spiritual, physical, social.
11. A SENIOR COMMANDER must be a good public relations man. He must keep the people of the Church aware of what the boys in the Royal Ranger Ministry are doing. He can do this by:
- a) Asking the Pastor to let him make a report to the congregation on a monthly or quarterly basis;
  - b) Asking the Pastor to let the Royal Rangers put on a short program during one of the services, approximately 15-20 minutes unless the Pastor turns over the whole service to you.

In this case, try to get outside speakers such as the District Commander, Mens' Ministries President, Division Commander, Section Commander or Area Commander.

- c) Have displays in some conspicuous place in the Church with several Royal Rangers in uniform to explain the displays. These could be:
- (1) Crafts;
  - (2) Nature;
  - (3) Camping;
  - (4) First Aid;
  - (5) Hobbies.
- B. The SENIOR COMMANDER must keep his Pastor informed of all activities planned. These dates must be cleared with the Pastor before they are finalized. No Royal Ranger activity should be planned or held that will conflict with the local Church program without the approval of the Pastor.
- C. The SENIOR COMMANDER must inform the Pastor of all District, Division, Section or Area activities that the local Outpost may wish to participate in. In this way, these activities can be coordinated with the local Church activities.
- D. The SENIOR COMMANDER should encourage his local Assembly to attend any special Royal Ranger activity on the local, Area, Section, Division or District level and support their Outposts in these activities. The SENIOR COMMANDER should enlist the aid of the Pastor in making special announcements and by encouraging the members of the Church to attend.
- E. The SENIOR COMMANDER also has the responsibility of seeing to the following:
1. That each Outpost is rechartered annually. (See Exhibits C, C-1, C-2.)
  2. Make an annual report that should be attached to the recharter blank. (See Exhibit D.)
  3. Encourage his Church to support the Royal Ranger District Program. Also support the District Program with monthly contributions to be directed to the Royal Ranger Ministries.
  4. Make sure the Outpost Commanders are keeping accurate, up-to-date records of attendance, dues/offerings and advancements.
  5. Encourage and help, if necessary, the Outpost Commander in visiting the boy's homes on a regular

- basis and letting parents know how their boys are progressing. As the opportunity arises, lead any unsaved parents to Christ.
6. The SENIOR COMMANDER should encourage the Outpost Commander, Councilmen and his Pastor to take Leadership Training.
  - F. The SENIOR COMMANDER must notify the District Office through his Area, Section or Division Commanders of any change(s) of positions in his organization structure.
  - G. The SENIOR COMMANDER will evaluate each Outpost as to their advancements and spiritual growth. He must discuss any area of weakness and offer helpful suggestions to the Outpost Commander. DON'T BE A DICTATOR!!
  - H. The SENIOR COMMANDER must be the first to arrive at the weekly Outpost meetings. He must see that the meeting place is clean and in order before the Outpost meeting is dismissed.
  - I. The SENIOR COMMANDER must check to see if the Outpost Commanders are visiting the homes of the boys that have been absent more than one week. Also, to visit the homes of the new boys after they have attended their first meeting of Royal Rangers.
  - J. The SENIOR COMMANDER should attend all:
    1. Week-night services of the local Assembly;
    2. Area Commanders conferences;
    3. Section Commanders conferences;
    4. Specially-called meeting in the District.
  - K. When an Outpost Commander takes his Rangers on a camp-out, hike, etc., the SENIOR COMMANDER should go along. The SENIOR COMMANDER should give guidance to the Outpost Commander in all Royal Ranger functions, activities, and projects.
  - M. The SENIOR COMMANDER should see that the Chaplain gives out Bible Study Courses to the boys and take up the Bible Study Courses that have been returned by the Royal Rangers and grade them. (NOTE: If the Outpost does not have a Chaplain, the Outpost Commander should perform this duty.)
  - N. The SENIOR COMMANDER should see that the Outpost Commanders are giving the Royal Rangers a chance to advance along the Advancement Trail during the Outpost meeting(s) and encourage and assist the boys in their requirements.
  - O. The SENIOR COMMANDER should help the Outpost Commanders to coordinate the Ranger-of-the-Year Program.

P. Keep in mind that Royal Rangers is a Ministry.

#### VI. UNIFORMS:

- A. A SENIOR COMMANDER must have a complete Royal Ranger uniform and wear it with pride.
- B. A SENIOR COMMANDER must have all emblems, awards, medals and insignias placed correctly on his uniform, thus setting an example for the other Royal Ranger leaders and boys. He should have a copy of the Royal Ranger uniform booklet, #02MR0721. All leaders and boys must wear their uniforms correctly.
- C. His uniform should be neat, clean and pressed. His shoes should be shined.
- D. The SENIOR COMMANDER must wear his uniform to all Outpost meetings and Royal Ranger activities and functions.
- E. The SENIOR COMMANDER must encourage his Outpost Commanders and boys to obtain and wear uniforms. He should bring to the attention of the Outpost Council any boy who is unable to obtain a uniform so they might make it possible for him to acquire one.
- F. It is suggested that the SENIOR COMMANDER wear his uniform to Sunday School and/or Church on a Sunday at least once a month. This would advertise Royal Rangers to new boys of the Sunday School and Church and would encourage more boys to come into the Ranger Ministry.

#### VII. OTHER AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY:

- A. A SENIOR COMMANDER must not make promises he cannot keep.
- B. A SENIOR COMMANDER must not ask any commander or boy to do anything that he would not do himself.
- C. A SENIOR COMMANDER should not try to do everything himself but learn to delegate authority.
- D. Do set a good example to the Outpost Commanders and boys, such as speech, courtesy and respect.
- E. A SENIOR COMMANDER must insist on respect from Commanders and boys. Teach the boys to address all leaders by "Commander." The Commanders should also address each other in this manner.
- F. Check frequently with the Pastor and Church Secretary for any and all mail for the Royal Rangers.
- G. Always be on the alert for new men for the Royal Ranger Ministry. Recruit, recruit, RECRUIT, R E C R U I T ! ! !

- H. Check on all the Commanders progress in regard to the Leadership Training Courses.
- I. A SENIOR COMMANDER should plan fund-raising campaigns with the Outpost Council and supervise the function throughout its duration.
- J. A SENIOR COMMANDER should make arrangements for award presentation ceremonies for Royal Rangers with the Pastor and Outpost Council.
- K. A SENIOR COMMANDER should help in planning events for public appearances with the Outpost Council.
- L. A SENIOR COMMANDER must be "ready" at all times to give devotions to the Royal Rangers. If the one who is supposed to give the devotions is not able to attend the meeting, then the SENIOR COMMANDER can step in and give the devotions.
- M. The SENIOR COMMANDER should have the Outpost Chaplain change off with the other Commanders or special guests to bring the devotions to the Royal Rangers.

VIII. IDEAS:

- A. When a SENIOR COMMANDER or any Outpost Commander, Councilman, Pastor or Chaplain walk into the room where the Rangers are present, the first Ranger to see the Commander, etc., calls the other Rangers to attention. The Commander then says, "Be at ease," or "As you were," or "Carry on." The Ranger who called the other Rangers to attention also salutes the officer who entered the room.
- B. It is a good thing for the SENIOR COMMANDER to have the Pastor speak to the Royal Rangers at least once a month. This is so new boys can become acquainted with and know who the Pastor is. This will also show the Pastor how the local Outpost is growing spiritually, as well as in number, and how the Royal Ranger program is helping the local Church.



GOALS	SPRING	SUMMER	FALL	WINTER
THEME				
Spiritual Emphasis				
Achievement Promotion				
Venture Magazine				
Summer Camp				
Junior Leader Training				
Crafts or Project				
Extra Activities				
Council Action				
Promotion				
Leader Training				

OUTPOST QUARTERLY OUTLOOK

Season \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_\_

	MONTH	MONTH	MONTH
Aims to Accomplish			
Themes			
Crafts			
Regular Meetings			
Other Activities			
Looking Ahead			
Council Action This Quarter			

OUTPOST MONTHLY PLANNING

Month \_\_\_\_\_ Theme \_\_\_\_\_ Craft \_\_\_\_\_

SCHEDULE	1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week	5th Week
Pre-Meeting Activities					
Opening					
Patrol Meetings					
Patrol Report					
Program Period					
Outpost Games					
Commander Devotion					
Closing					
Leaders Huddle					
Other Activities					

ROYAL RANGERS OUTPOST STAFF MEETING REPORT

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Church)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City and State)

Ranger Outpost No. \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting  
Report \_\_\_\_\_  
(number)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Outpost Commanders Present:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Opening Prayer By: \_\_\_\_\_

Items Discussed: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Resolved as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Closing Prayer By: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

## M E M O R A N D U M

To: Johnnie Barnes  
 From: Don Franklin

Subject: Chartering suggestions and observations

1. Every District leader should have a District calendar of events for coordination of Royal Rangers activities. "District" includes Section leaders.
2. District leaders should contact every Outpost at least once per year.
3. District leaders should check with Section Presbyters for ministerial changes. Each "new" minister should be contacted regarding Royal Rangers.
4. District leaders should utilize all District, Sectional, and local publications and events to promote the Royal Rangers program.
5. District leaders should express a continuous attitude of "You are required to charter annually with the National office...chartering is not optional...there is no other plan..." always tactfully expressed.
6. District leaders should make sure every church has a charter application and is given opportunity to charter.
7. Use of obsolete charter forms is discouraged. Their use creates complications requiring time-consuming correspondence and, sometimes, misunderstandings. Replicas of official charter forms could be placed in DISPATCH, with appropriate clarifications.
8. It should be brought to the attention of participating churches that chartering concepts and guidelines are scripturally correct. James 2:9 explicitly forbids "...having respect to persons..." It implies a rule that affects everyone equally. James 4:17 states, "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is sin." Again, the application is clear. This indicates the Royal Rangers' National office is on safe scriptural ground regarding its rules and regulations. The National office honors Scripture and expects others to do likewise. This is integrity in action.
9. Research indicates that, for every currently chartered Outpost, there are approximately two-and-one-half Outposts operating unofficially without benefit of charter! Every effort should be put forth to charter all interested groups.
10. Groups who use the Royal Rangers program without chartering are like...
  - people who hope to live without paying taxes...
  - people who hope to operate cars without obtaining licenses and tags...
  - people who hope to own homes without paying real estate taxes...

It would be advisable to remind such groups that freedom is not cheap...programs to reach, teach, and keep boys for Christ require operating funds.

## Chartering suggestions and observations (continued)

11. It should be remembered that 17 years of continuous public service has been rendered by the Royal Rangers National office. It has operated below the budgets of comparable service organizations. This may become economically unfeasible, due to spiraling costs and the unparalleled growth of this ministry to boys that now reaches 40 nations. And increasing growth will also increase budget demands. The cash inflow to the National office must be increased above present levels.
12. When a more firm attitude toward chartering becomes a reality, it is suggested that a "grace period" be adopted, fully announced as to intent and purpose, in all available Royal Rangers publications/mailings, as well as District publications. The announcement could include the new requirements regarding mandatory chartering and the consequent "grace period" being extended to all Districts.
13. The Royal Rangers National office should include in its publications the following statement (similar to the Pentecostal Evangel's statement of faith): "Royal Rangers Outposts are required to charter with the Royal Rangers National office each year."
14. General clarification should be expressed regarding the wording found on recent and current charter forms. Specifically, line 5 (older charter) should read and is intended to mean "boy" instead of "member" or "person." Also, line 3 (new charter) should read and is intended to mean "boy" instead of "person." Page 6 of the Leader's Manual further clarifies chartering requirements. All leaders are required to pay the full annual fee. Only families in which two or more boys are involved are eligible for the option of \$1 fee (or Straight Arrows). It is suggested that this clarification be included in DISPATCH.
15. It is suggested that, at an appropriate time and place, such as National Council, or District/Sectional/local conferences, a question & answer series (Q & A) be conducted regarding important facts of chartering. Examples:

Q: How does the National office go about instituting controls to bring uncooperative Outposts into our ranks?

A: Some individuals are geared to free services, coming from Springfield, and have come to expect them. They still seem to believe this practice is economically possible. "Free materials indefinitely!...they assume. But we are endeavoring to re-educate them as strongly, yet tactfully, as possible.

Q: Did the Royal Rangers program operate, at one time, as a "free service" to our constituency?

A: In our earliest beginnings, we were literally compelled to get out the information on a "free-gratis" standpoint. Yes, we were generous with our promotional materials and



## Chartering suggestions &amp; observations (continued)

training aids. But, material increases and other rising cost factors have come our way. Our budgetary considerations brought about changes in our abilities -- "How much can we do with what our budget provides?"

Q: How many dollars flow into General Headquarters from sales of Royal Rangers merchandise?

A: Now, that is a very good question!

It is suggested that all Royal Rangers District personnel enlist the interest, assistance, and participation of District, Section, and local ministers. This would include the District Superintendent on down to the local minister.

It is also suggested that these ministers be included in planning and participation of Royal Rangers activities as much as possible. This would maximize the Royal Rangers penetration into every possible area of each District.

The Royal Rangers program is now being used in 17% of our 9,140 Assemblies of God churches. It is a fervent hope that this percentage representation increases in great measure in the days of opportunity that lie ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Franklin  
Chartering Coordinator  
ROYAL RANGERS DIVISION

ROYAL RANGERS

OUTPOST ANNUAL REPORT

Church \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ Outpost No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ report for the year ending \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Rangers at beginning of year \_\_\_\_\_ Number of advancements \_\_\_\_\_

Number of new members \_\_\_\_\_ Number of advance awards earned \_\_\_\_\_

Present total membership \_\_\_\_\_ Number promoted to next age group \_\_\_\_\_

Number of prospective members \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Rangers who became 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Royal Rangers save this year \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Rangers who moved away \_\_\_\_\_

Number filled with the Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Ranger "Drop-outs" \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED

(Camps, hikes, field trips, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS, IDEAS, ETC.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(If additional space is needed, use the back of this report)

This report was completed by \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(name) (position)

Mail this report with your application for charter renewal to: Royal Rangers Division

OUTPOST OF THE YEAR

- Award Eligibility:
1. Chartered during the year of competition.
  2. Must average two meetings monthly.
  3. One year from January 1st through December 31st.

## Grading:

## 1. Attendance:

<u>Percent</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Percent Attendance</u>
100%	30	Actual attendance
95%	25	divided by number of
90%	20	members in Outpost.
80%	14	Example - Outpost has
70%	10	10 members, and 7
		attend meeting.

Chart on separate sheet  $\% = 7/10 = 70\%$

## 2. Leadership Training:

Ten (10) points if all Commander and Lt. Commanders enroll or completed the Leadership Training Course. Ten (10) additional if all Outpost Councilmen enrolled or completed Leadership Training Course.

## 3. Advancement:

Twenty-five (25) points if 50% of Outpost advance. Fifty (50) points if 100% of Outpost advance.

## 4. District Pow-Wow:

Twenty (20) points for Outpost attendance in District Pow-Wow.

## 5. Balanced Program - 20 Points:

Bible Study Course	Program feature each
Recreation	meeting
Four local Outpost "outings"	Devotions
per year	

## 6. Outpost in Complete Uniform - 20 Points:

Complete uniform: Shirt, pants, tie, cap, proper insignia. (Must have complete individual uniform one month before end of contest date.)

**BONUS:** 100 POINTS FOR SPONSORING THE START OF A NEW OUTPOST IN ANOTHER CHURCH, OR ASSISTING OUTPOST THAT HAS DROPPED OUT OF PROGRAM TO RESTART. THIS MUST COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS OBTAINED FROM THE DISTRICT COMMANDER.



## RANGER OF THE YEAR

1. There will be a Section, Division and District RANGER OF THE YEAR in each of the five age divisions of the Royal Ranger Program.
2. The selection of Section RANGER OF THE YEAR will be the result of the reviewing of evaluation reports submitted by the Outpost Commander. The Division RANGER OF THE YEAR will be selected from the Section RANGERS OF THE YEAR. The District RANGERS OF THE YEAR will be selected from the Division RANGERS OF THE YEAR.
3. Final judging for the honors of District RANGER OF THE YEAR will be done by the District Royal Ranger Executive Council.
4. The presentation of these awards will be made to the Rangers at any type of gathering or ceremony that the presiding officer feels appropriate.
5. All Rangers in every chartered Outpost are eligible for the competition and each Commander has the right to submit the Rangers for nomination that are best qualified.
6. Please pay close attention to the qualifications for RANGER OF THE YEAR from the Outpost and District that are set forth in the following pages.

COMMANDER OF THE MONTH EVALUATION SHEET

The following is a list of categories in which points may be earned for COMMANDER OF THE MONTH. These points are earned on a monthly time period. After filling in points, sign and give to your Sr. Commander.

POINTS

- |                                                                                                                                                         |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 1. Registered Member of an up-to-date Chartered Outpost: 25 points.                                                                                     | _____ |
| 2. Attendance at Outpost Campout: 10 points per campout.                                                                                                | _____ |
| 3. Attendance of Outpost Outings: 5 points for each outing other than campouts.                                                                         | _____ |
| 4. Use of Nine Point meeting outline: 10 points each meeting.                                                                                           | _____ |
| 5. Advancement Participation: 5 points for each boy in the unit having completed an advancement step. 10 points for each outpost recognition conducted. | _____ |
| 6. Use of a Bible Study during Outpost Meetings: 5 points for each meeting.                                                                             | _____ |
| 7. Have a Devotion at each meeting. 10 points each meeting.                                                                                             | _____ |
| 8. Boys led to Christ: 10 points for each boy personally led to Christ.                                                                                 | _____ |
| 9. New Members and Visitors visted: 5 points for each new member personally enrolled. 5 points for each home visited.                                   | _____ |
| 10. Attendance at Outpost Meetings: 10 points for each meeting.                                                                                         | _____ |
| 11. Arriving at least ten minutes early at Outpost meetings: 10 points each meeting.                                                                    | _____ |
| 12. Wearing of proper uniform at Outpost activities: 10 points for each meeting and activity.                                                           | _____ |
| 13. Attendance of Monthly Commanders' Outpost Planning meeting: 50 points.                                                                              | _____ |
| 14. Completion of Leadership Training Course: 5 points for each section completed.                                                                      | _____ |
| 15. Attendance with Outpost at District activities: 10 points.                                                                                          | _____ |
| 16. Attendance with Outpost at Division activities: 10 points.                                                                                          | _____ |
| 17. Attendance with Outpost at Section activities: 10 points.                                                                                           | _____ |
| 18. Attendance with Outpost at Area activities: 10 points.                                                                                              | _____ |
| TOTAL POINTS                                                                                                                                            | ===== |

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MONTH & YEAR \_\_\_\_\_



RECOMMENDATION FOR THE  
G O L D M E D A L O F A C H I E V E M E N T

1. Name and address of person being recommended. (Please type or print)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_  
CHURCH ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

2. Please list the awards this individual has earned: (Also advancements, recognitions, etc.)

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|-----|-----|
| 1.  | 11. |
| 2.  | 12. |
| 3.  | 13. |
| 4.  | 14. |
| 5.  | 15. |
| 6.  | 16. |
| 7.  | 17. |
| 8.  | 18. |
| 9.  | 19. |
| 10. | 20. |

3. Name of individual completing this form (should be Outpost or Sr. Commander)  
(Please type or print)

I hereby recommend \_\_\_\_\_ for the Royal Rangers Gold Medal of Achievement. He has read the Leader's Manual, earned the above awards, and I have enclosed his 500 word theme on "The Value of Royal Rangers to Me."

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
POSITION \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE

M E D A L O F V A L O R

1. Name and address of person being recommended. (please type or print)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PASTOR'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

2. (a) If this applicant is a leader, what is his present position in Royal Rangers?

\_\_\_\_\_

How long has he been in Royal Rangers? \_\_\_\_\_ OUTPOST \_\_\_\_\_

What is his occupation? \_\_\_\_\_

(b) If this applicant is a boy, what is his rank? \_\_\_\_\_

How long has he been in Royal Rangers? \_\_\_\_\_ OUTPOST \_\_\_\_\_

Name of school and grade \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name and address of person whose life was saved. (Please type or print)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

4. How was the individual's life endangered? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

5. How was he/she rescued? (Give as many details as are known) \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

6. In what way did the applicant risk his life? \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

7. Individual completing this form \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

LETTER OF TRANSFER

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

BOY'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

OUTPOST: \_\_\_\_\_ RANK: \_\_\_\_\_

(Straight Arrows/Buck-AORoo/ Pioneer/Trail-blazer/Air-Sea Ranger)

FROM

CHURCH NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ OUTPOST # \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TO

CHURCH NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ OUTPOST # \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Senior Commander

ROYAL RANGERS

RECORD

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

BIRTHDAY: \_\_\_\_\_ ATTENDED FIRST MEETING: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

OUTPOST: \_\_\_\_\_ RANK: \_\_\_\_\_

REQUIREMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

RANGER OF THE MONTH: \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PROBLEMS: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

CHECKED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

4. There must be a signed and dated statement on this evaluation sheet, from the Pastor of the local church or the Senior Commander, stating in 50 words or less, why the Outpost Commander should receive the Outpost Commander's Award.
5. A minimum of 200 points are needed to qualify. (175 points for Buck-A-Roo and Straight Arrow Outpost Commanders).

All Outpost Commanders who meet the above qualifications will be eligible to receive and wear the Outpost Commander's Award. Time period is, January 1 of the current year through December 31.

EVALUATION SHEET MUST BE SUBMITTED TO YOUR DISTRICT COMMANDER BY JANUARY 30

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Outpost Number \_\_\_\_\_

If all the Outpost Commanders of the outpost earn this award, the Senior Commander may wear an Outpost Commander's Award also.

OUTPOST COMMANDER'S AWARD

The Outpost Commander's Award is a special achievement award for Outpost Commanders who have demonstrated outstanding service in achieving the goals of the overall Royal Rangers Program. The following is a list of categories in which points may be earned for this award. Except for the Leadership Training Course, National Training Camps, and other National Training Events, all points earned must be earned for service rendered during the current calendar year.

	<u>POINTS</u>
1. <u>REGISTERED MEMBER OF AN UP-TO-DATE CHARTERED OUTPOST:</u> 25 points.	_____
2. <u>COMPLETED LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE:</u> 25 Points (or 5 points for each completed section).	_____
3. <u>ADVANCEMENT PARTICIPATION:</u> 25 Points if at least 50% of boys in your outpost receive an advancement. 5 points if four Councils of Achievement were conducted.	_____
4. <u>ATTENDANCE OF FOUR OUTPOST CAMPOUTS:</u> 10 points; 2 points for each additional campout.	_____
5. <u>ATTENDANCE OF OUTPOST OUTINGS:</u> 2 points for each outing other than campouts.	_____
6. <u>ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL TRAINING CAMP:</u> 10 points.	_____
7. <u>ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL TRAINING TRAIL:</u> 10 points.	_____
8. <u>ATTENDANCE OF ANY OTHER NATIONAL TRAINING EVENT:</u> 10 points for each event. (List events on reverse side.)	_____
9. <u>ATTENDANCE WITH OUTPOST AT DISTRICT POW WOW:</u> 10 points	_____
10. <u>BOYS LEAD TO CHRIST:</u> 5 points for each boy personally lead to Christ.	_____
11. <u>NEW MEMBERS IN THE OUTPOST:</u> 2 points for each new member personally enrolled.	_____
12. <u>RANGER OF THE YEAR PROGRAM:</u> 10 points.	_____
13. <u>WEARING PROPER UNIFORM AT ROYAL RANGER ACTIVITIES:</u> 5 points each activity.	_____
14. <u>ATTENDED OR CONDUCTED OUTPOST MEETING:</u> 1 point for each meeting.	_____
	TOTAL POINTS
	=====

REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARD

- The Commander must be a member of an up-to-date chartered outpost.
- The Commander must have completed at least Sections I & II of the Leadership Training Course.
- The Commander must be faithful to his local church in attendance and support. His personal life and Christian example must be above reproach.



LEADER'S SERVICE AWARD

The Leader's Service Award is a special achievement award for Outpost Leaders other than Outpost Commanders and Outpost Chaplains (Lieutenant Commanders, Senior Commanders, and Outpost Councilmen) who have demonstrated outstanding service in achieving the goals of the overall Royal Rangers program. The following is a list of categories in which points may be earned for this award. Except for the Leadership Training Course, National Training Camps, and other National Training Events, all points earned must be earned for service rendered during the current calendar year.

	<u>POINTS</u>
1. <u>REGISTERED MEMBER OF AN UP-TO-DATE CHARTERED OUTPOST:</u> 25 points	_____
2. <u>COMPLETED LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE:</u> 25 points (or 5 points for each completed section).	_____
3. <u>ADVANCEMENT PARTICIPATION:</u> 5 points for each boy personally assisted through an advancement rating. 5 points if four Councils of Achievement were conducted.	_____
4. <u>ATTENDANCE OF FOUR OUTPOST CAMPOUTS:</u> 10 points; 2 points for each additional campout.	_____
5. <u>ATTENDANCE OF OUTPOST OUTINGS:</u> 2 points for each outing other than campouts.	_____
6. <u>ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL TRAINING CAMP:</u> 10 points	_____
7. <u>ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL TRAINING TRAIL:</u> 10 points	_____
8. <u>ATTENDANCE OF ANY OTHER NATIONAL TRAINING EVENT:</u> 10 points each event. (List events on reverse side.)	_____
9. <u>ATTENDANCE WITH OUTPOST AT DISTRICT POW WOW:</u> 10 points	_____
10. <u>BOYS LEAD TO CHRIST:</u> 5 points for each boy personally lead to Christ	_____
11. <u>NEW MEMBERS IN THE OUTPOST:</u> 2 points for each new member personally enrolled.	_____
12. <u>WEARING PROPER UNIFORM AT ROYAL RANGER ACTIVITIES:</u> 5 points each activity.	_____
13. <u>ATTENDED OR CONDUCTED OUTPOST MEETINGS:</u> 1 point for each meeting.	_____
TOTAL POINTS	=====

REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARD

1. The Leader must be a member of an up-to-date chartered outpost.
2. The Leader must have completed at least Sections I & II of the Leadership Training Course.
3. The Leader must be faithful to his local church in attendance and support. His personal life and Christian example must be above reproach.
4. There must be a signed and dated statement on the reverse side of this evaluation sheet, from the Pastor of the local church or the Senior Commander, stating in 50 words or less, why the Royal Ranger Leader should receive the Leader's Service Award.

(OVER)

5. A minimum of 200 points are needed to qualify.

All Outpost Royal Ranger Leaders who meet the above qualifications will be eligible to receive and wear the Leader's Service Award. Time period is, January 1 of the current year throu December 31.

EVALUATION SHEET MUST BE SUBMITTED TO YOUR DISTRICT COMMANDER BY JANUARY 30

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
District \_\_\_\_\_ Outpost Number \_\_\_\_\_

EVALUATION SHEET MUST BE SUBMITTED TO YOUR DISTRICT COMMANDER BY JANUARY 30

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
District \_\_\_\_\_ Outpost Number \_\_\_\_\_

OUTPOST CHAPLAIN'S AWARD

The Outpost Chaplain's Award is a special achievement award for Outpost Chaplains who have demonstrated outstanding service in achieving the goals of the overall Royal Rangers program. The following is a list of categories in which points may be earned for this award. Except for the Leadership Training Course, National Training Camps, and other National Training Events, all points earned must be earned for service rendered during the current calendar year.

	<u>POINTS</u>
1. <u>REGISTERED MEMBER OF AN UP-TO-DATE CHARTERED OUTPOST:</u> 25 points	_____
2. <u>COMPLETED LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE:</u> 25 points (or 5 points for each completed section.)	_____
3. <u>BIBLE STUDY:</u> 25 points if at least 50% of boys in the outpost have completed assigned Bible studies.	_____
4. <u>ATTENDANCE OF FOUR OUTPOST CAMPOUTS:</u> 10 points; 2 points for each additional campout.	_____
5. <u>ATTENDANCE OF OUTPOST OUTINGS:</u> 2 points for each outing other than campouts.	_____
6. <u>ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL TRAINING CAMP:</u> 10 points	_____
7. <u>ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL TRAINING TRAIL:</u> 10 points	_____
8. <u>ATTENDANCE OF ANY OTHER NATIONAL TRAINING EVENT:</u> 10 points each event. (list events on reverse side.)	_____
9. <u>ATTENDANCE WITH OUTPOST AT DISTRICT POW WOW:</u> 10 points	_____
10. <u>BOYS LEAD TO CHRIST:</u> 5 points for each boy personally lead to Christ	_____
11. <u>VISITORS VISITED:</u> 2 points for each visit.	_____
12. <u>WEARING PROPER UNIFORM AT ROYAL RANGER ACTIVITIES:</u> 5 points each activity.	_____
13. <u>ATTENDANCE OF OUTPOST MEETINGS:</u> 1 point for each meeting.	_____
TOTAL POINTS	=====

REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARD

1. The Chaplain must be a member of an up-to-date chartered outpost.
2. The Chaplain must have completed at least Sections I & II of the Leadership Training Course.
3. The Chaplain must be faithful to his local church in attendance and support. His personal life and Christian example must be above reproach.
4. There must be a signed and dated statement on the reverse side of this evaluation sheet, from the Pastor of the local church or the Senior Commander, stating in 50 words or less, why the Outpost Chaplain should receive the Outpost Chaplain's Award.
5. A minimum of 200 points are needed to qualify.

(OVER)

## RANGER RECRUIT CEREMONY

COMMANDER: "Senior Guide, bring the recruits forward."

COMMANDER: (Calls Rangers Names) "you have presented yourselves before this Outpost and asked to be made Royal Ranger Recruits. Is this your wish now?"

RECRUITS: (Respond)

COMMANDER: "In this ceremony you will be received into this Outpost and into the world brotherhood of Royal Rangers.

Before you stands a single, lighted candle. It represents the spirit of Royal Rangers which is the Holy Spirit.

The Code of this Outpost is the Royal Ranger Code. It is known and followed by thousands of Royal Rangers. You will learn and follow this Code too. Listen to them closely, for I will soon ask you whether you accept this Code as your own."

JUNIOR COMMANDER: (Grasps pilot candle and lights the first candle on his right. As he does so he recites the first point of the Code.) Ranger off stage recites meaning. Continue until all eight candles are lit.

## ROYAL RANGER CODE

A ROYAL RANGER IS:

### ALERT

He is mentally, physically, and spiritually alert.

### CLEAN

He is clean in body, mind, and speech.

### HONEST

He does not lie, cheat, or steal.

### COURAGEOUS

He is brave in spite of danger, criticism, or threats.

### LOYAL

He is faithful to his church, family, outpost, and friends.

### COURTEOUS

He is polite, kind, and thoughtful.

### OBEDIENT

He obeys his parents, leaders, and those in authority.

## SPIRITUAL

He prays, reads the Bible, and witnesses.

COMMANDER: "You have heard the 8 points of the Royal Ranger Code. Do you accept this Code as a Royal Ranger and do you promise with God's help to do your best to live by this Code?"

RECRUITS: "We do."

COMMANDER: "Rangers also live by another code; it is the Royal Ranger Pledge. The Pledge describes three duties that every Ranger must accept; his duty to God, his Church, and his fellowman. I want you to make this Pledge publicly for the first time. Repeat after me the Royal Ranger Pledge as our Jr. Commander lights three candles to represent these three duties."

JUNIOR COMMANDER: (Uses pilot candle to light candles.) "With God's help, I will do my best to serve God (light center candle), My Church (light left candle) and My Fellowman (light right candle) to live by the Ranger Code and to make the Golden Rule my daily rule."

"You have heard the words of the Royal Ranger Pledge. Do you accept the three duties it describes and do you pledge yourself to learn and to follow the Royal Ranger Pledge"

RECRUITS: "We do."

COMMANDER: "Rangers we begin in almost total darkness. Now in the light of these candles, we can see one another well. So it is that the Spirit of the Royal Ranger Pledge and the Royal Ranger Code lights our steps."

"Ranger Recruits, please turn about and face the Outpost."

(At this point the Commanders of the Rangers come and stand behind their boys)

Prayer for the new Recruits.

COMMANDER: "We welcome these boys as Royal Rangers and as new members of Outpost #\_\_\_\_\_. We will now present them with their certificate."

(Commanders present certificates)

Commander: "Commanders, I commend these boys to your care and charge you with the responsibility of their development, mentally, physically, socially and and spiritually. Take charge of these Rangers and welcome them into your Outposts."

Royal Rangers

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**SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

To \_\_\_\_\_

Of \_\_\_\_\_

For \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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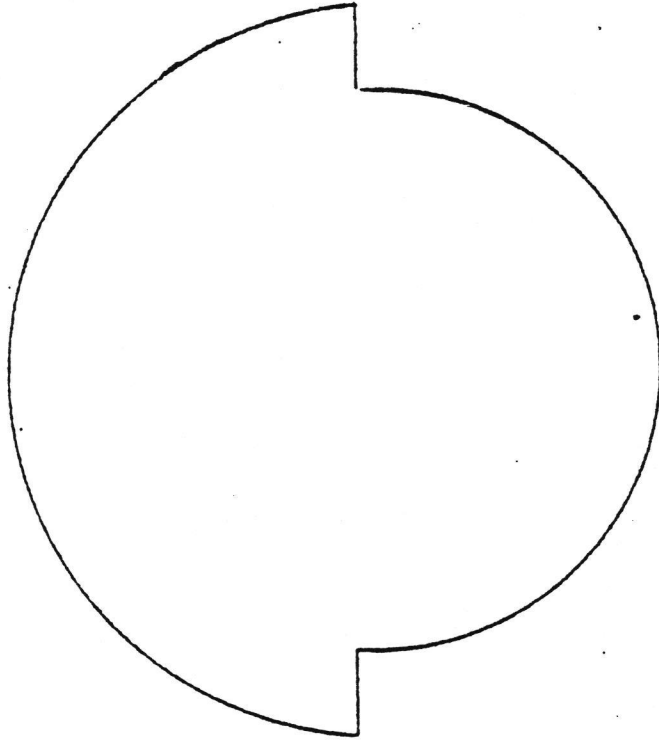
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"Render therefore...honor to whom honor is due."  
Romans 13:7

# ROYAL RANGERS

## Certificate of Achievement



In recognition of Achievement, on this day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
this certificate is hereby awarded to \_\_\_\_\_  
for having successfully completed all necessary requirements  
for \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Commander

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pastor