

2006 Royal Rangers International Council Summary Costa Rica, April 25-27, 2006



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: Jeff Cooper, Latin American & the Caribbean Assistant Regional Coordinator; Andy Whitman, RRI Communications Coordinator; Richard Mariott, USA National Commander; Doug Marsh, RRI Director; Robert Crabtree, RRI Field Advisor; JoAnn Butrin, Director of International Service Ministries for Assemblies of God World Missions; Mark Broberg, Eurasian Regional Coordinator; Jukka Piirainen, European Regional Coordinator; Jim Guneratnam, Asia Pacific Auditor

The third annual Royal Rangers International (RRI) Council meeting was held in Costa Rica, Central America, April 25-27, 2006 at the Latin American and Caribbean regional Royal Rangers center, called Camp Summit. The RRI Council meets each year to conduct business, exchange information and ideas between regions, and to build camaraderie and teamwork among the members. Here are some important outcomes of this years meeting:

National Leadership Award: The Council approved an annual recognition program exclusively for National Commanders. The program is called the National Leadership Award (NLA). It is designed to honor National Commanders for their commitment to personal and ministerial growth. The recipients will be awarded a medal, a ribbon, and a handsome certificate to proudly display. Ideally, National Commanders will earn the distinction year after year beginning in early 2007 for points accumulated in 2006.

RRI Global Leaders Encounter: The RRI Council is planning an exciting worldwide gathering of Royal Rangers July 14-18, 2010 near Springfield, Missouri, USA. It will be called the RRI Global Leaders Encounter, and the theme of the event will be "One Family." Attendance will be limited to National Commanders and their top national staff members, organizational leaders, presidents, superintendents, bishops, missionaries from around the world, and invited guests. The RRI Global Leaders Encounter has been scheduled immediately before the U.S. Camporama so that you and your delegation can enjoy both of these events on the same trip to America.

Global Curriculum and Training Resources: The new Global Curriculum and training resources have been completed and given to the Regional Coordinators for regional adaptation and contextualization. These fresh and excit-

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ing resources will be helpful for established nations and for those recently implementing Royal Rangers.

Fifth Anniversary: In 2007, RRI will celebrate its fifth anniversary! Plans are underway to properly celebrate God's faithfulness to Royal Rangers all around the world. Did you know that Johnnie Barnes started Royal Rangers in 1962? It was pioneered by William Thorne in Asia Pacific in 1966, by George Davis in Latin America and the Caribbean in 1967; and by Hanspeter Neck in Europe in 1982. Many others, too, have been faithful pioneers. As RRI prepares to celebrate, we invite you to share with us your ideas on how we might focus the attention of church leaders, parents, and youth on Royal Rangers in such a way that it would build the ministry worldwide.

Camp Summit Dedication: The Council officially dedicated Camp Summit for the work of the Lord in a special ceremony led by Jeff Cooper, the camps director. JoAnn Butrin prepared a dedicatory message, and the members concluded by earnestly praying for the emerging camp ministries, the director and his family, and the staff. The fully functional camp is the result of Doug Marsh's vision for a facility to serve the needs of Latin America and the Caribbean. With God's help, similar facilities may emerge in each of the regions of the world.

Camporama 2006 Summary



International delegates from around the world greet the 5,000 US Rangers at National Camporama.

stated on the official National Camporama website, "Camporama 2006 has come to an end and thousands of campers have now returned to their homes challenged to live the life of a champion for God. This week (July 17-21, 2006) will be remembered for it's hot and dry weather, loads of fun activities and competitions, exciting worship music and inspiring and challenging evening messages."

Royal Rangers International had the pleasure of hosting the international delegates from around the world. Approximately 80 Rangers attended from many countries including Germany, Mexico, Australia, Norway, Finland, England, Sweden, and the Dominican Republic. American Rangers got to meet the foreign delegates at the RRI booth, while competing in a soccer tournament known as the Ranger Cup and learning more about the ministry of Royal Rangers International. Mike King, the president of Pathfinder Missions, was on hand to tell leaders and boys how they could actively advance the kingdom of God through a Pathfinder trip.

To learn more about the results of National Camporama and see the great photos and streaming videos, visit the RRI website and use the Camporama link at: http://royalranger sinternational.com





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