



ROYAL RANGERS LEADERS

DISPATCH



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Commander's Corner

Dear Commander:

With the approaching of summer, there is a camping fever in the air. Boys are eager to pack their gear and head out into the great out-of-doors for a camping adventure. Be sure to provide several opportunities for your boys to participate in outdoor activities during the summer months.

Many of you are making plans to attend one of the eight National Training Camps. This is a must for Royal Rangers leaders. If you have never attended an N.T.C. may we encourage you to join us in an outdoor experience you'll never forget.

We're very pleased that the first issue of our High Adventure magazine is now in circulation. We're excited about the potential of this publication. We believe it will go far in perpetuating the spirit of Royal Rangers. If you have not subscribed for your group, please do so now!

On page 15 you will note a proposed change in charter fees. Be assured this change is necessary, and has come about only after careful study and deliberation. We would deeply appreciate your cooperation in this change. Our registration fees are our only means of underwriting the promotional materials for the program.

As you read this letter, I will have returned from an exciting trip to Australia, New Zealand, and Hawaii. Please pray that God will continue to bless the Ranger program in other countries. If your group would like a special missionary project, let us know. There are many overseas groups that would appreciate your help!

Have a great summer!

"READY" in His service,

ROYAL RANGERS DIVISION

Johnnie Barnes

Johnnie Barnes
National Commander

PLANNING GUIDE

SUMMER 1971

MONTHLY THEME	WEEKLY PROGRAM FEATURE	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	SPECIAL PROJECTS
J U N E (To coordinate with Royal Rangers Week)	1. HISTORY (including outpost) 2. OUTPOST ORGANIZATION (including duties) 3. SPECIAL ROYAL RANGERS ACTIVITIES 4. OUTPOST GOALS	ATTEND CHURCH AS A GROUP IN UNIFORM FATHER-SON CAMPOUT, PICNIC, OR BANQUET	TAKE PHOTOS OF FATHER-SON EVENTS AND OTHER ROYAL RANGERS WEEK FUNCTIONS - DISPLAY IN MEETING ROOM
MONTHLY THEME	WEEKLY PROGRAM FEATURE	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	SPECIAL PROJECTS
J U L Y	1. ADVENTURING IN CAMPING 2. ADVENTURING IN NATURE STUDY 3. ADVENTURING IN THE WILDERNESS (woodlore and backpacking) 4. ADVENTURING IN SURVIVAL (equipment, food, etc.)	EXTENDED CAMPOUT PACK-TRIP	MAKE A PACKBOARD FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE OUTPOST
MONTHLY THEME	WEEKLY PROGRAM FEATURE	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	SPECIAL PROJECTS
A U G U S T	1. SWIMMING SAFETY (personal and group) 2. SWIMMING TECHNIQUES 3. LIFESAVING (without entering water) 4. WATER GAMES & SPORTS	SWIMMING TRIP SWIMMING MEET (with neighboring outposts)	MAKE LIFESAVING AND SWIMMING SAFETY EQUIPMENT MAKE A WATER SAFETY POSTER FOR MEETING ROOM

DEVOTIONAL GUIDE



GOD'S GREAT OUTDOORSMEN

*(Submitted by Rev. L. L. St. Clergy, Jr.
Laurel, Mississippi)*

Take your Rangers on a stroll down Hebrews 11, the portrait gallery of the Bible. Point out these different heroes of the faith who experienced great victories for God in the out-of-doors—men like Abel, Enoch, Abraham, Moses, Gideon, David, and others.

Conclude by reminding them that the Master Ranger, Jesus Christ, was an outdoorsman. Much of His ministry was connected with the mountains, the wilderness, the plains, the sea, and the countryside. Let your closing remarks present a challenge that each Ranger can do a work for God wherever he may be or whatever field of endeavor he may choose to enter.

MATCHES

*(Submitted by Vern Rouley
Fallbrook, California)*

Equipment: Two wooden matches, one waxed and one plain; water glass, $\frac{1}{2}$ full of water.

Story: These two matches represent two lives—one without Christ (the plain match), and the other with Christ and filled with the Holy Spirit (the waxed match). Holding the two up together, they start out looking the same. Oh, if you look closely the one looks a little different from the other, but they are the same except for one small important thing, the Holy Spirit (covered with wax).

Now this glass of water represents the world and our journey through it. I will put these two lives into the world (the matches into the glass of water). (Put your hand over the mouth of the glass and shake the matches violently in the covered glass of water.)

This is the violent, stormy world. Notice that both lives are going through the same trials.

(Stop shaking the glass and pick out the plain match.) This is the life without Christ, and now his life ends. (Strike the match against the striking plate on the match box and get a little smoke with a fizzle burn. Now, take the waxed match out of the glass.) This is the life filled with Christ. It strikes, lights, snaps, pops and burns brilliantly. What a difference. The Christian ends with a brilliant light as a witness to others. The non-Christian just fizzles and never shows a light.

Which match would you rather be?

ANSWER YOUR CALL

*(Submitted by Warren Bebout
San Luis Obispo, California)*

Scripture Reading; Mark 3:13-19

Introduction and Story: There are many different kinds of calls. Maybe someone will call you long distance to wish you a happy birthday or to tell you some news, either good or bad. Businessmen make many calls in order to take care of their business. Hunters use game calls to lure animals to them by calling them in their own call.

When the house is on fire, the firemen are called. When there is sickness in the home, the doctor is called. When the plumbing doesn't work, the plumber is called. If there is an accident, an ambulance is called. If you are having a big dinner, company is called. These are all different kinds of calls.

Jesus gave some calls too. He saw Matthew sitting at his work and called him to follow.

He saw some fishermen, James and John, in a boat mending their nets. He called to them, and they followed Him. Andrew saw Jesus, and then he went and called his brother Peter. Together they followed Christ.

Jesus calls in many ways. Those who have not accepted Him, He calls to come

and have their sins washed away. To those who do know Him, He calls and says, "Go into all the world." Have you heard His call? Have you obeyed?

What would happen if the firemen would not come when you called them, or the doctor refused to come when you called him? What if the ambulance would not come when you placed that call? What will happen if we do not obey the call of Jesus? Jesus said in Matthew 4:19, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

MISSIONARIES

(Submitted by John Eller
National President, F. C. F.)

Does everyone know what a missionary is? A missionary is someone who takes the gospel to people in foreign lands. In this way, the church can fulfill the Great Commission given us by the Lord: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15).

What can Royal Rangers do to help our missionaries? A lot more than you might think!

First, we can *pray* for them. If their mission is to be a success, people must be reached, so our prayers are important. We should also pray for God's hand of protection as they face many dangers.

Second, we can *give* in the missions offering at church. Our missionaries look to churches like ours for their only means of support. Some of them have boys in their homes your age. Let's not forget their needs.

Third, we can dedicate our lives to Jesus Christ, willing to *go* anywhere He may lead. Some of you here this evening may one day be missionaries. Purpose in your heart to answer any call for Christian service.

Pray, give, and go. Let's begin tonight by bowing our heads and praying for our missionaries.

THE MIRACLE OF LEAVES

(Submitted by Kenneth Creech
Sumner, Washington)

Gather some leaves—all different kinds. Hold some of them up before your Rangers. Ask the boys to try to find one leaf that is exactly like another one—they won't be able to do it!

Begin to tell them of the mystery of the forest—how God made every tree and every leaf different from any other. And God also made every person different from any other, too! But, in spite of the great differences we see in each other, God gave each one of us one thing in common—a *soul*. Stress the fact that God loves each one of us as much as another, and He shows no partiality. Conclude by emphasizing that God wants complete control of each one of us. Despite our differences, we can all do one thing that will please Him—give Him our lives.

GRAFTED IN

(Submitted by Doyle Bryan
Sedro Woolley, Washington)

Here in the state of Washington we grow a lot of fruit of different varieties. It is a pleasure to grow fruit, to watch it bud in the spring, then bloom, and finally begin to grow as a peach or a pear.

After much care the fruit grows to full size, a tasty and delicious treat! A good fruit-bearing tree is first a sapling, then grafted to a good tree or root system. The tree must then be properly tended.

Fellows, God expects us to be good fruit-bearers, but first we must be grafted to the Father. John 15:5 says, "I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit. . . ."

Fellows, we need to abide in the Father. First we must be grafted into the True Vine (God), and then remain there in order to bear fruit for God.

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KEY TO HEAVEN

(Submitted by John Gould
Warren, Ohio)

Purpose: To show that there is only one key that unlocks the door to heaven.
Equipment needed: One lock and key and five other keys that do not fit the lock. The key that fits the lock should be painted red. All the other keys should be painted another color.

Boys, here is a lock and six keys. We want to find out how we can go to heaven. We will let the lock represent heaven. Let us see if we can find a key that will open the lock or open the door of heaven.

1. Here is a key that is marked "Good." Can we get to heaven by being good? (Try the key and see if it will open the lock.) No, this key will not open the lock, therefore we cannot get into heaven by just being good.
2. We have another key here marked, "Obedience." The fifth commandment says "Honor thy father and mother." This means also to obey them. We should also obey our leaders and all in authority. Can we go to heaven by being obedient only? Let's try the key marked Obedience and see if it will open the lock. No, this key will not open the lock either. We cannot get to heaven by just being obedient.
3. Here is a key that is marked, "Good Works." Do you think we can get to heaven by doing good works? We will try the key and see if it will open the lock. No, this key will not open the lock. Good works is not the key that opens the door to heaven.
4. This key is marked "Reading your Bible." This may be the key that will unlock the door to heaven. Let's try this one. Do you think we can go to heaven by just reading the Bible? This key doesn't open the lock either. No, we cannot just read our Bible and expect to go to heaven, although this may help us and is a very good habit.
5. The next key is marked, "Prayer." Prayer is wonderful and we all should pray. Let's find out if prayer is the

key to go to heaven. What do you think about it? This key will not even fit into the lock. Prayer, alone, is not the key that opens the door to heaven, although it is of great help to us.

6. Here is the last key and it is painted red. This key is marked, "Jesus Christ." This key fits the lock very well. As you can see, it is the only one that also *opens* the lock. Now we find that *Jesus Christ* is the key that unlocks the door to heaven. The Bible says in Acts 4:12, "... for there is none other name under heaven ... whereby we must be saved. ..." We know we *must* if we are to get to heaven.

Do you know why this key is red? The red stands for the blood of Jesus Christ which He shed on the cross that we might have forgiveness of our sins.

THE BURNING BUSH

(Submitted by James Stempert
Milford, Connecticut)

As we sit around our campfire, I am reminded of a great man of the Old Testament who saw and heard a miracle. He was keeping the flock of Jethro on the backside of the desert when he came to the mountain of God. He saw a flame in the midst of a bush; and as he watched, the bush burned with great flames but it was not destroyed. In the midst of the bush an angel of the Lord appeared. This great sight both amazed and frightened Moses. (Imagine seeing someone standing in the middle of our campfire!)

Suddenly, Moses heard a voice—the voice of God—telling him not to come any closer and to remove his shoes because he was on holy ground! Moses, realizing that God was speaking to him, hid his face because he was afraid to look at God.

God had chosen Moses to help His people and to lead them out of their oppression to a land flowing with milk and honey. In the old days God could only use people like Moses who loved God and worshiped Him. It is still the same today. We must love God for Him to use us.

KNOWING THE TRAIL

(Submitted by *W. H. Reisner*
Corona, California)

Equipment Needed: a compass
a map
a New Testament
or small Bible

I. Compass

- A. A must for every outdoor person
1. soldiers
 2. hunters, fishermen, campers
 3. Royal Rangers too
- B. To have this instrument and know how to use it could save time, money, pain, headaches, perhaps a life too!

II. Map

- A. Every traveler must have a map
1. shows the traveler the best route to take
 2. may indicate short-cuts or detours or road conditions
- B. The traveler doesn't just go in any direction—just wherever there is a road
1. he has a destination
 2. he has a plan how to arrive at that destination

III. Bible or New Testament

- A. We are all travelers or campers or hunters, fishermen or woodsmen or soldiers (spiritually)
1. Life has set us on a journey in a strange place. We haven't been this way before (Josh. 3:4).
 2. And we will never be able to go here again, never to do it over again. We need help and direction.
- B. Where do we find it?
1. how to be saved
 2. how to live
 3. the promise of Jesus taking me home after this life

WHAT KILLED THE ELM?

(Submitted by *Clarence Green*
Leavittsburg, Ohio)

Objective: It is the "little things" that oftentimes make us stumble.

There is a true story about a school-teacher who had taught in a little town for over thirty years. Outside his office

window stood an old elm tree. He passed by the tree every day and always thought to himself, as he saw it, "How old is that tree? It must be at least one hundred or more years old." He often thought how the old tree had weathered all sorts of storms and how many times it had been struck by lightning. It had even withstood three tornados. How tall it stood, pushing its limbs into the heavens!

One day the teacher noticed something odd about the old tree. The leaves were falling off of the giant five or six weeks earlier than the other trees. He called a man to come and examine the tree. It was discovered that the majestic old tree was dying. "What is killing the elm?" asked the teacher. The tree expert explained that a little bug that attacks only elms was killing the tree. A very small bug was doing what the fierce storms could *not* do!

Boys, it's the little things that often keep us from serving God. We need to search our hearts each day to be sure it is free from all sins, large or small.

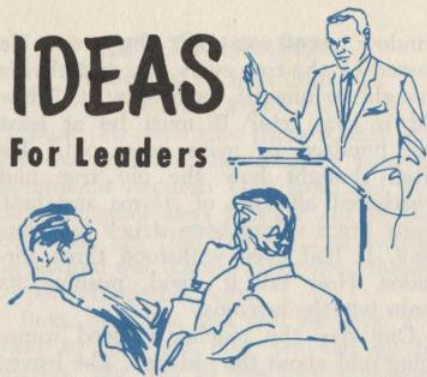
THE FOX WITHOUT FLEAS

(Submitted by *Doyle Shafer*
Katy, Texas)

Did you know that there is one animal in the world that will never be caught with fleas on it? Yes, that's right. It's the fox. We have often heard of the fox as being very smart. The smart fox, when he has fleas on his body, will go to a body of water such as a river or stream. There he will get a stick in his mouth and slowly back down into the water. Then when only his nose and the stick are sticking out of the water, the fleas will crawl onto the stick because they will drown in the water. When all the fleas have gotten onto the stick, the fox will drop the stick into the water and leave it there as he walks back up the bank and goes on his way. We as Royal Rangers need to remember that when there is sin in our lives we need to go to Jesus and ask Him to cover us with His blood. Because where the blood of Jesus is, there can be no sin; and the sin has to leave us just as the fleas had to leave the fox in the water.

IDEAS

For Leaders



GAME IDEAS

BEAN BAG RELAY

*(Submitted by Sam Sciortino
West Covina, California)*

Select two teams (or more). Line them up in single file, space about five feet apart, all facing in same direction. The first boy is given a bean bag. He will start tossing the bag over his head to the boy directly behind him, who will catch it and do the same to the boy behind *him* until the bag gets to the last boy in the line. When the last boy receives the bean bag he will yell, "about-face," then every boy in his row will also about-face, and the boy with the bean bag will start tossing it down the line again in the same manner until it gets to the original starter. The team finishing first is the winner!

This takes teamwork and coordination. The boys must stay in their position at all times, except when they fail to catch the bean bag. If a boy drops the bag he must pick it up immediately and take it back to the original starter, who will start the bean bag race all over again.

Rules: Stay at least five feet apart. You cannot turn around and look where you're tossing the bag. You must continually look straight ahead. At the command, "about-face," you must turn at the same time.

Suggestions: If bean bags are not available, substitute ping pong balls or paper cups. If the object is tossed high, the player behind can see it coming and play will proceed rapidly.

WHIRLING DERVISH

(Submitted by Don Franklin)

Nat. Promotional & Training Coordinator
Equipment needed: 1 rope, ¼ inch by 20 feet; 1 large gunnysack, approximately 20 newspapers (or many rags). Roll sheets of paper into 4-inch balls, stuff into sack. Tie neck of sack with one end of rope.

How to play: Leader extends rope to full length, holding loose end with one hand. Boys form a circle around leader, approximately 20 feet away from him. Leader slowly rotates as he swings the semi-heavy bag toward the boys. As the bag approaches, each boy jumps out of it's way—if it doesn't hit him, he gets to stay in the circle. As the leader speeds up his rotation he shortens the rope and decreases the diameter of the circle. As the dizzying pace accelerates, the boys who are slowest to react lose out and must leave. The winner(s) is awarded the privilege of "slugging" the leader five (or as many as you dare) times.
Note: This game will prove to be extremely popular. Plan to have a replacement ready after your first Whirling Dervish—you'll need time to recuperate!

DIZZY IZZY

*(Submitted by Warren Bebout
San Luis Obispo, California)*

Line up the patrols for a relay race. Have the first Ranger in each line run up to a given point, place one finger on the floor, revolve around his finger seven times, and then run back to tag the next Ranger in the line. Repeat this until all have had a turn. The first patrol who gets its last runner back first wins the race. Keep the runners away from the walls or other obstacles.

SOCK SOCK

*(Submitted by Gary McKee
Staten Island, New York)*

A long, heavy wool sock is stuffed with other socks until the toe and lower foot section of the sock is full. A member of the group is blindfolded and becomes "it." He then stands in center of room or play area and attempts to "sock" another player while keeping one foot stationary. Non-blindfolded players should from time to time attempt to touch the player who is "it" without being tagged. When a player becomes tagged, he becomes "it."

ROYAL RANGERS BIBLE STUDY COURSE

SUBJECT: HIGHLIGHTS OF BIBLICAL HISTORY

LESSON 17: THE BOOK OF FIRST KINGS (PART C)

The Bible is a book of MIRACLES. Hundreds of documented, scientific MIRACLES fill its pages. Many prophecies (prediction of future events) in the Bible are fulfilled as MIRACLES. MIRACLES encourage the faith of believers. MIRACLES inspire the faith of unbelievers. Bible MIRACLES reveal God as the mighty Creator of all that we know to exist. The book of 1 Kings describes many MIRACLES involving the prophet ELIJAH. Note how often OBEDIENCE and COOPERATION have a part in each MIRACLE.

Fifty - nine years after Solomon died, God raised up a prophet (one who predicts future events) by the name of Elijah. Elijah's first MIRACLE is found in 1 Kings 17:1. After reading this verse, complete the following: "There shall not be _____, but according to my word."

The second MIRACLE involving Elijah is found in verses 4, 5, and 6. After reading these verses, complete the following: "And I have commanded the _____." "And the ravens brought him _____ and _____ in the morning and _____ and _____ in the evening."

Elijah's third MIRACLE is seen in 1 Kings 17:9-16. Read verse 16 and complete the following: "And the barrel of meal _____, neither did the _____ fail."

Elijah's fourth MIRACLE is in 1 Kings 17:21-23. Write the last three words of verse 22: "_____."

Elijah's fifth MIRACLE was outstanding! 1 Kings 18:38 describes this great event. Read it and complete the following: "Then the fire of the Lord _____ and _____ the _____, and the _____, and the _____, and the _____, and the _____, and licked up the _____ that was in the _____."

Elijah's sixth MIRACLE is described in 1 Kings 18:45. After three years of drought, rain finally came MIRACULOUSLY. Read the verse and complete the following: "And it came to pass in the meanwhile that the heaven was black with clouds and wind, _____."

Elijah's seventh MIRACLE occurred in 1 Kings 19:46. Elijah out-ran a horse-drawn chariot driven by Ahab. After reading this verse, fill in the following words: "And the hand of the Lord was upon Elijah. And he girded up his loins, _____." See Lesson #18 for further information concerning Elijah's MIRACLES in First and Second Kings.

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ROYAL RANGERS BIBLE STUDY COURSE

SUBJECT: HIGHLIGHTS OF BIBLICAL HISTORY

LESSON 16: THE BOOK OF FIRST KINGS (PART B)

Our last lesson described the Temple and who built it. We learned that God's glory filled the Temple in the form of a cloud that was both seen and felt. First Kings 8:12-53 records Solomon's long prayer (sermon). After reading verse 54 of this chapter, describe Solomon's posture while praying at the holy Temple altar: _____

The final act of dedication was the sacrifice (peace offering) of many oxen and sheep. After reading 1 Kings 8:63, list the number of oxen and sheep offered in sacrifice: Oxen _____ Sheep _____.

As Samson was famous for his strengths and weaknesses, so also was Solomon famous for his wisdom and lack of wisdom (failure to keep God's laws). After being warned many times by God to "keep My statutes (laws) and my judgments...", Solomon allowed his "strange wives" to turn his heart away from God. He "backslid" ... turned back to the ways of sin. After reading 1 Kings 11:10-12, describe Solomon's punishment: _____

The 11th chapter of 1 Kings tells of Solomon's sins. After reading this chapter, complete the following:

- (1) "King Solomon loved _____." (v.1)
- (2) "Of the nations concerning which the Lord said unto the children of Israel, _____ ..." (v.2)
- (3) "Solomon clave _____." (v.2)
- (4) "And he had _____ wives, princesses, and _____ concubines ..." (v.3)
- (5) "... and his wives _____." (v.3)
- (6) "And Solomon did _____, and went not fully after the Lord." (v.6)
- (7) "And the Lord was _____ with Solomon, because his _____ was _____ from the _____ of Israel." (v.9)
- (8) "And the time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel was _____." (v.42)
- (9) "And Solomon _____ (died), and was buried in the city of David his father..." (v.43)

God made it clear to Solomon that God's laws were to be obeyed continually ... from birth until death. Solomon paid a high price for disobedience. Because of his disobedience, part of his life was wasted. He "lost out with God." If we break God's laws, we, too, will pay a penalty. But YOU can determine in your heart to keep God's laws continually. By consistent, victorious Christian living every day, your life can have a happier ending than Solomon's -- it's UP TO YOU!

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ROYAL RANGERS BIBLE STUDY COURSE

SUBJECT: HIGHLIGHTS OF BIBLICAL HISTORY

LESSON 18: THE BOOK OF FIRST & SECOND KINGS (PART D)

Elijah was involved in many MIRACLES which took place only because he was OBEDIENT and COOPERATIVE. He was an excellent example of a man of God who lived a consecrated life.

Elijah's eighth MIRACLE occurs in 1 Kings 19:4-8 when he was fed by the angel of God. After reading these verses, complete the following: "And he arose and he did eat and drink, _____
_____ unto Horeb the mount of God."

Elijah's ninth MIRACLE occurred when God told Elijah to go to Mount Horeb. There Elijah entered a cave. After reading 1 Kings 19:11-18, fill in the missing words: "And behold, the Lord passed by, and a _____
_____ rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the
_____ before the Lord..." "And after the wind an _____;
"...and after the earthquake a _____; but the Lord was not in the
fire; and after the fire a _____."

Elijah's tenth MIRACLE occurred in 2 Kings 1:10 & 12. Fire came down and destroyed 100 men sent from King Ahaziah.

Elijah's eleventh MIRACLE took place in 2 Kings 2:8. Read this verse and complete the following: "And Elijah took his mantle (coat) and wrapped it _____, and _____, and
_____ hither and thither, so that they two went
_____."

Elijah's final MIRACLE took place in 2 Kings 2:11. Elijah became the second man in the Bible to travel through space! (Enoch was the 1st one) After reading 2 Kings 2:1-11, complete the following: "And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, _____
_____, and _____,
and _____; and Elijah
_____."

Elishah became the new prophet of God after Elijah "went up by a whirlwind into heaven." Elishah asked for and received a "double portion of thy (Elijah's) spirit..." Elishah was also OBEDIENT and COOPERATIVE. As a result of his attitude he lived to see many wonderful things happen through God's mighty power.

ELIJAH and ELISHAH were OBEDIENT and COOPERATIVE. If they had NOT shown OBEDIENCE and COOPERATION, God could NOT have performed MIRACLES through them. God wants and needs our continual OBEDIENCE and COOPERATION.

RANGER OF THE YEAR PROGRAM

Excellent results are being obtained from participation in the RANGER OF THE YEAR PROGRAM. Boys from PIONEERS on up are eligible. Special recognition certificates may be obtained from the National Royal Rangers Office.

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Our last frontier was Alaska. When gold was found in the Yukon, even the frozen wastelands became attractive to the pioneer spirit.

Those were days that challenged men to face savage Indians, fight quarrelsome Spaniards, and deal with determined Frenchmen -- all in an uncharted wilderness.

Just over a century later, most war-like tribes are extinct, the Spanish are content south of the Rio Grande, and the French are settled north into Canada. For the most part, the wilderness is tame.

The men are also gone. Some are remembered, others are forgotten. But to each, we owe a special debt. Not as a matter of history, but of legacy. Those rugged personalities left us the things that make America great: the right of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

The year 1971 finds the American flag on the surface of the moon, with an adventurous eye on Mars and other celestial bodies.

But more important than space achievements is a return to brotherhood. The Frontiersmen Camping Fraternity may never change the world, nor indeed our own nation. But we have begun with ourselves.



SPECIAL FEATURE

TIPS FOR POW WOW EXCELLENCE

*by John Eller
National F.C.F. President*

Everyone enjoys receiving awards at Pow Wows! Boys stand tall when their outpost obtains recognition for excellence. Competition is keen as slim margins separate the winners. The little things count big!

First of all, the outpost leaders should plan for the Pow Wow well in advance. Weekly instruction on the procedures involved should begin several months ahead. This will prepare the boys psychologically and will also arouse their team spirit. During the weeks before the Pow Wow, each boy should be checked for uniform correctness. He should be urged to assemble his basic camping gear. Regular drill and formation periods will develop discipline and control.

Craft projects during this time should include planning for camp furniture to be constructed at the Pow Wow. Many awards and trophies have been won because an outpost was willing to put forth extra effort to employ lashing skills to produce rustic camp equipment. Encourage each patrol to select a name and a yell. Patrol songs and stunts for funtime will add much to the overall Pow Wow spirit.

Patrol flags can be both interesting and impressive. Some groups have designed their own outpost banners to display at the entrance of their area. Bolo ties can give a special identity to your group. Save a few extra ties to present to members of the Pow Wow staff. These are treasured by those receiving them.

Plan meals that are nourishing, easy to prepare, preserve and transport. Prepare enough so that guests may be invited from the Pow Wow staff. All tents should be pitched correctly with some specific pattern in mind. A taut canvas or a unique camp layout may gain just the point you need for first place. The interior arrangement of each tent is important since inspectors usually look inside. Bedrolls should be neat, with each boy's gear arranged in identical order near the tent door.

Attention should be given constantly to fire safety. Buckets of water and dirt should be nearby with fuel stacked at a safe distance. The fire area should be cleared, with a rock circle surrounding the camp and cooking fires. All fires should be secured before leaving the campsite for assembly or when bedding down. Camp cleanliness is important. All trash and garbage should be properly cared for. Cooking and eating utensils should be washed thoroughly. The latrine should be built properly at a specified distance away from camp.

The Pow Wow schedule should be posted along with a camp duty chart. Promptness in attending all functions can prevent you from losing precious points.

Finally, remember the devotions with the Commander. Some forget this, with all the rush of the day. Your group may not excel in all areas of camp life, but the spiritual impact you can have among your boys in the great outdoors will provide an eternal reward.

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