

National Network



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Calendar of Events

National Academy

May 3-7 Eagle Rock, Missouri (Camp Eagle Rock)

National Training Camp

February 2-5 Ft. Mead, Florida (Camp Wilderness)
May 4-7 Ogden, Iowa (A/G Campground)
May 11-14 Whiteford, Maryland (Broadcreek, BSA)
May 11-14 Emigrant Gap, California (Donner Mining Camp)
May 18-21 Gaylord, Michigan (Lost Valley Bible Camp)
May 25-28 Goodlettsville, Tennessee (Ambassador CNF CTR)
July 13-16 Harlon, Oregon (Camp Wildcat)
September 7-10 Woodstown, New Jersey (Camp Roosevelt, BSA)
September 7-10 Eagle Rock, Missouri (Camp Eagle Rock)
September 7-10 Twin Peaks, California (Camp Pinecrest)
September 14-17 Honea Path, South Carolina (River Oaks Retreat Center)
November 9-12 Woodworth, Louisiana (District Campground)

Advanced National Training Camp

February 8-12 Ft. Mead, Florida (Camp Wilderness)
August 23-27 Payson, Arizona (Camp Geronamo)

Buckaroos-Straight Arrows National Training Conference

April 13-15 Falling Waters, West Virginia (Potomac Park Camp)
September 22-24 Cape Cod, Massachusetts (Camp Good News)

National Training Trails

August 17-20 Kyburz, California (Wright Lake)
October 12-15 Eagle Rock, Missouri (Camp Eagle Rock)

National Canoe Expedition

August 10-13 Great Falls, Montana (Great Falls Central Church)

Eagle Rock Adventure

July 16-22 Eagle Rock, Missouri (Camp Eagle Rock)

Upcoming Events

1995 National Council: The 1995 Royal Rangers National Council is coming March 16-18. The event will be held at the Radisson Inn Conference Center, where we met last year. As you will recall, the center had undergone a name change from the Sheraton Inn to the Radisson Inn.

This year we have an exciting, new schedule (tentative schedule, times subject to change) to present—one we are sure you will enjoy.

- **March 14—Tuesday**
Executive Committee Meeting
8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- **March 15—Wednesday**
Executive Committee Meeting
8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- **March 16—Thursday**
Standing Committees Meet
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Silver Eagle Banquet
6:30 p.m.- 9:30 p.m.
- **March 17—Friday**
Council Business Session
8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Regional Breakaways
6:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.

Special Breakaways
7:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
- **March 18—Saturday**
Council Business Session
8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Missions Banquet
5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Harvest Task Force Seminar
7:00 p.m.-10:30 p.m.

→ Urban Outreach

→ Teen Challenge & Urban
Leaders Training Program

→ Turning Point & Rangers

Values Teaching Curricula

→ The Outpost & Missions



European Rangers Events:

- **Royal Rangers Eurocamp—** Mariager, Denmark, will be the gathering ground for the upcoming Eurocamp, August 1-5, 1995. Campers will begin streaming into the campground July 31 as early as 6 a.m. A host of workshops, games, and special activities will be offered. Registration fee is 660 Danish krona (approximately \$100 U.S. currency).
If you wish to attend this 1995 event, contact Hanspeter Neck, Switzerland national commander; Morlerrainstrasse 21; CH-8248 Uhwiesen; Switzerland. ☎ 053/29-19-70.

Registration forms may be obtained by contacting Hanspeter Neck. The registration form and the preregistration fee must be received by Switzerland national office by **April 1, 1995**. Leaders wishing to attend must be approved by their local pastors.

The English language will be the main form of communication at the Eurocamp.

Prayer Needs

- ✓ Father of Robert Jimenez (Arizona District), that the Lord will continue to strengthen him as he recovers from cancer surgery.
- ✓ That the Royal Rangers urban outreach will be strongly founded with commanders called by God to evangelize the inner cities.

That God will sovereignly move in the inner cities of America and that the Royal Rangers ministry will become a vital tool for reaching inner-city boys for Christ.

That the tools being developed by the national office for urban outreach will be anointed by the Lord when applied by urban commanders.

- ✓ Word was received recently of the home going of Harry Fetter (FCF president for the South Carolina District). Harry died of a heart attack. Pray for Harry's family.

Decade of Harvest Prayer

Calendar: Earmark your calendar for the dates scheduled for the Royal Rangers prayer and fasting days. The first Saturday of every month has been designated a day of fasting and at least 1 hour of prayer for the Royal Rangers Decade of Harvest efforts.

1-800-4PRAYER:

The General Council of the Assemblies of God has established at Headquarters a National Prayer Center. To share urgent prayer requests, dial 1-800-4PRAYER.

New Products

New Products Available: Several curriculum items have been recently completed by the national office that can be ordered by calling 1-800-641-4310.

Camporama Videos:

60-minute overview video
Item: 729NY053
Cost: \$14.95, plus shipping

15-minute promotional video
Item Number: 729NY054
Cost: \$14.95, plus shipping

Publications:

→ *ON-LINE*
ON-LINE is a new national newsletter offered directly to Royal Rangers outposts. The quarterly publication is designed to keep

outpost commanders abreast of current and upcoming helps, events, and publications.

If senior commanders of chartered outposts did not receive our first mailing, distributed early October, please contact our office ☎ (417) 862-2781, ext. 4177.

→ *The Ultimate—English* brochure
Item: 729NY007

Cost: \$.05—100-800 brochures*

Cost: \$.045—801-1,499 brochures*

Cost: \$.04—1,500-plus brochures*

*plus shipping

→ *The Ultimate—Spanish* brochure
Item: 729NY010

Cost: same as English version

→ *Urban Commanders Training Guide*

Item: 729NY009

Cost: \$5.30, plus shipping

A 66-page training manual that offers new insights to penetrating urban America with the Royal Rangers ministry.

→ *Urban Rangers—Dallas, Chicago*
Item: 729NY052

Cost: \$5.00, plus shipping

The video highlights urban Royal Rangers in Dallas and in Chicago—ideal for promoting the ministry's involvement in the inner cities as well as for encouraging churches to raise funds for inner-city outposts.

→ *Insight Group: Commander's Guide*

Item: 729NY049

Cost: \$9, plus shipping*

Insight Group: Ranger's Guide

Item: 729NY050

Cost: \$7, plus shipping*

*Order 10-19 copies of each and save 10 percent or receive a 20 percent discount for ordering 20 or more of each.

Provides 13 sessions that are ideal for monthly meeting features or a weekly 30-minute values/Bible study, which can be used in groups. The commander's guide, a 104-page guide, instructs the leader how to use the curriculum along with the materials that are presented in the *Ranger's Guide*. Along with Bible studies, the curriculum addresses issues such as trust, the trap (substance abuse), peer care, Christ-esteem, making decisions, and dating relationships.

→ *Victor's Victories*

Item: 729NY057

Cost: \$18, plus shipping

For Straight Arrows and Buckaroo commanders: Contains stories and Bible studies that address issues today's young boys face: the single-parent home, death is not the end, controlling anger, peer pressure and gangs, friendship, the importance of winning, and much more.

→ *Behind Our Sunday Smiles*

Item: 729NY055

Cost: \$9.95, plus shipping

Offers insights on life-controlling problems and *Insight Group* curriculum application

→ *Prevention Resource Guide*

Item: 729NY056

Cost: \$35, plus shipping

Educates on various chemicals that are abused and what physical affects the substances have on the body. Other topics: Diagnosing Your Walk With God, Self-Image and Identity, Honesty and Transparency, Making Decisions and Setting Goals, and Steering Clear of Life-Controlling Problems.

→ *Gold Medal of Achievement Bulletin*

Item: 729NY069

Cost: \$15 per 100

The 11- by 8 1/2-inch format, which folds in half, enables the user to print the GMA ceremony schedule and service activities on opposite side of design.

→ *Church Heritage Packet*

Item: 729NY006

Cost: \$2

Required reading for Rangers wanting to earn the Church Merit.

The Solid Rock, video and curriculum series (available in December):

→ *Kids 'n' Gangs*

Item: 729NY100

→ *Streets of Pain*

Item: 729NY101

→ *Who is God?*

Item: 729NY102

→ *No! The Positive Answer*

Item: 729NY103

→ *Finding God's Will for Your Life*

Item: 729NY104

→ *Looking for Life in All the Wrong Places*

Item: 729NY105

Cost Each: \$39.95

Each packet contains a video on the youth issue, a leader's workbook that can be duplicated, and *The Youth Bible* that contains numerous devotional topics ideal for the outpost meeting.

Computer Software:

→ *The Royal Rangers Computer Presentation*

Item: 729NY051

Cost: \$35.00, plus shipping

Designed to enable commanders to promote the Royal Rangers program via their computers. It contains two 3.5-inch disks and provides a continual run program that includes colorful graphics and one-color photographs, which depict

various activities and which present each age-group program.

→ *Ranger Pro*

Item: 729NY066, 3 1/2" disk

Item: 729NY068, 5 1/4" disk

Cost: \$45, plus shipping

DOS computer program that enables the outpost commander to maintain records of his Rangers—such as advancements earned, level of spiritual commitment, address and phone number, and more.

Accessories:

→ Urban T-shirt

Size L: Item 729NY058

Size XL: Item 729NY059

Size XXL: Item 729NY060

Cost: \$9 each

\$7.75, order 7 or more

→ Urban Cap

Item: 729NY067

Cost: \$7

\$6, order 10 or more

→ Camp Eagle Rock T-shirt

Size L: Item 729NY061

Size XL: Item 729NY062

Size XXL: Item 729NY063

Cost: \$11.50 each

\$10.00, order 10 or more

General Information

GMA Ceremonies:

Sunday evening, October 30, I was privileged to present, along with District Commander Max Davis, three Gold Medal of Achievement awards at The Assembly of God Church in Ypsilanti, Michigan. During the ceremony Toyin Akinmusuru, Chime Nwankwo, and Phillip Blankenbaker received the prestigious GMA.

I was also honored to present two GMA's at First Assembly in Lee's Summit, Missouri. Jake Zuydendorp and Cory Hahn were proud recipients of their GMA's. District Commander Jerry Millhouser and I were guests for

this special occasion.

Special thanks to both Max Davis and Jerry Millhouser for representing well the Royal Rangers ministry!

Wedding News:

Dr. and Mrs. John Eller and Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Jones and the late James L. Ray, announce the marriage of their children Bonnie (Eller) and Timothy Jones. The wedding was held Saturday, November 5, at First Assembly of God, McDonough, Georgia.

Testimony:

Miraculous! That is the only word to describe Brenda Middleton's (wife of Doug Middleton, deputy district commander, Potomac District) turn around. Each of the doctors three scenario's pointed to death. One week later Brenda was going home from the hospital. She is still undergoing chemotherapy, but she has regained her strength and her blood count is normal. To God be the glory!

A Pioneers First Camp Meal:

Pioneer starts fire, then cuts willow approximately 3 feet long. Sharpens one end of willow and shaves off bark on a section the length of one wiener. Restarts fire. Removes one wiener from package. Drops wiener in sand. Wipes sand off wiener and onto Royal Rangers uniform pants. Restarts fire. Impales wiener lengthwise with pointed end of stick. Waits for fire to form flames. Dog walks by and lick wiener. Pioneer scuffs dog on side of head with wiener and wipes dog hair off wiener onto uniform pants. Holds wiener over flame. Willow is too slender, thus wiener droops into ashes. Ranger wipes wiener off onto uniform pants. Wiener begins to spurt juice and to steam. Catches fire. Pioneer blows out flames. Wiener is done. Ranger inserts wiener in bun 'n' eats.

— *The Choctaw Runner*,
Mississippi District

Hurry, Hurry, Get Your Camporama

Items: The national Royal Rangers Office still has Camporama items for sale. You can purchase the below items by calling our office.

Items:

Commander's Club Set (belt buckle and bolo tie, not Camporama item), \$50.00

Belt Buckle (metal), \$5.50

Bolo Tie (metal), \$4.50

Bolo Tie (veneer), \$3.50

Mug, \$4.00

Cap, \$5.00

Camporama Patch, \$2.00

Time Traveler's Trail Patch (available to those who have earned the patch), \$2.00

Camporama Neckerchief, \$3.50

Camporama T-shirt (men's small only), \$6.00

From a Wife's Perspective:

If anyone should know about being a "commander's wife," Joyce Deaver should. Her husband is Fred Deaver, national FCF president. Joyce stated that lately she has become aware that more and more wives are having a tough time dealing with their husbands' ministry in Royal Rangers. What's our goal in the Rangers program? Joyce's basic answer is: "Don't forget, we're all working for the eternal souls of these boys."

This philosophy was brought home even more strongly by Fred, when he joined Joyce for an afternoon workshop. Fred spelled out what the wives' priorities to the Lord should be, if they are to continue living happily ever after. Beginning with the most important first, here is how our priorities should line up: God, spouse, children, job, ministry, community, self.

Fred also suggested a good book for everyone to read: *Love Life for Every Married Couple*, by Ed Wheat.

— *The Royal Sabre*, Northern California/Nevada District

What's New Nationally

I New Advancement Trail

II Pioneers & Trailblazers Handbooks (Estimated Publication Dates: 4-5/95)

III Pioneers & Trailblazers Leaders Planning Guides (Estimated Publication Dates: 4-5/95)

IV Other New Resource Curriculum

Video & Curriculum Series

The Solid Rock: Video & Curriculum Series HTH

- Kids 'n Gangs
- Streets of Pain

Videos

- 1994 National Camporama Video (60 and 15 minute versions)
- Urban Rangers—Dallas, Chicago, video HTH
- One In A Million Video

Promotional / Evangelism

- ON-LINE Newsletter
- The Ultimate brochure (English and Spanish versions)
- Insight Group—Commander's Guide and Rangers Guide HTH
- Urban Commanders Training Guide HTH
- Victor's Victories (Estimated Publication Date: 11/94) HTH
- Prevention Resource Guide HTH
- Behind Our Sunday Smiles HTH

Computer Software

- Ranger Pro—for outpost records
- Rangers Computer Presentation
- Rangers Clip Art—DOS

Upcoming New or Revised Publications

- Urban Commanders Outpost Planning Guide
(Estimated Publication Date: Spring 1995)
- GMA Bulletin (Estimated Publication Date: 12/94)
- Bible Study Lessons, Vol. 1—NIV (Estimated Publication Date: Spring 1995)
- Bible Study Lessons, Vol. 2—NIV (Estimated Publication Date: Fall 1995)
- Bible Study Lessons, Vol. 3—NIV (Estimated Publication Date: Summer 1995)
- NIV Bible—Pocket Edition (Estimated Release Date: Spring 1995)
- Buckaroos Leaders Planning Guide, Vol. 2 (Estimated Publication Date: 8/95)
- Air Rangers Handbook (Estimated Publication Date: Spring 96)

V New or Upcoming Rangers Items

- Denim Awards Vest
- Achievement Badges
- Camp Eagle Rock T-shirt
- Urban Rangers T-shirt
- Urban Rangers Cap

VI New Programs

- Parents-Commanders Association
- Urban Leaders Training Course Program
- Outreach Ministry Program



The Urban Leaders Training Course

*Joint program offered by the national
Royal Rangers and Teen Challenge offices*

The following information describes how the Royal Rangers ministry can assist Teen Challenge in implementing The Urban Leaders Training Course Program and how Royal Rangers sectional and district staff can assist Teen Challenge directors in training opportunities.

1. Provide Training Curriculum to Teen Challenge Centers

The Royal Rangers ministry will assist Teen Challenge directors wanting to implement the ULTC Program by providing the needed curriculum: the Royal Rangers *Leadership Training Course* and the *Urban Leadership Training Course*. These materials can be taken through correspondence; however, the training is more productive when provided in a classroom setting and taught by a certified instructor. Each Teen Challenge director determines if his students will take the training through correspondence or through a structured class setting.

2. Provide Leadership Training On Campus

The Royal Rangers ministry will assist as well by coordinating leadership training courses on the Teen Challenge campuses. If a director wishes to participate in the ULTC Program, he should first contact the national Royal Rangers Office to request leadership training classes. In return, the national office will assist the director by arranging to have certified instructors come on campus to teach the Royal Rangers *Leadership Training Course* and the *Urban Commanders Training Guide*.

3. Provide Leadership Training Off Campus

If a director's needs are to have his students take leadership training off campus, the national office will work with Royal Rangers sectional and district staff to help coordinate the scheduling of training classes in an area near the Teen Challenge campus. Again, the director should contact the national office for such arrangements. In return, the national office will work with Royal Rangers sectional and district staff in scheduling the Royal Rangers leadership classes and help supply the needed certified instructors to provide the training off campus.

4. Provide Hands-on Leadership Training

During and after the leadership training is provided—whether on or off campus—Teen Challenge students should work with local outpost commanders to obtain the hands-on training needed to complete the training course. Of course, the fact that students will be working with boys necessitates that they be properly screened to ensure the safety of the Royal Rangers. In short, the students will be serving as lieutenant commanders (or assistants to group commanders). This can be accomplished through three methods.

- a. The Royal Rangers Office will work with Royal Rangers sectional and district staff to assist in placing the students in contact with local churches, where the students would serve as lieutenant commanders.

- b. The students can become lieutenant commanders in a Royal Rangers Outreach Ministry Program, should a church in your area have one. (The Royal Rangers Outreach Ministry Program is simply holding Royal Rangers meetings in locations other than the church outpost. Several churches have and are beginning this evangelistic outreach by holding Royal Rangers meeting on public school campuses, inside government housing projects, in neighborhoods, and in city parks. Great reports are coming in from the field of hundreds of boys who are being exposed to the gospel truth and who are receiving Christ as Lord.) Students involved with local outreach programs will experience working with urban kids who may have never darkened a church door.
- c. The Teen Challenge director may choose to establish a Royal Rangers Outreach Ministry Program in his Teen Challenge church, should he have one. In this case, the students will perform their practicums in the Teen Challenge setting. They will assist the commanders who have begun or who are beginning Royal Rangers programs at a Teen Challenge church.

5. Provide Training and Camps to Teen Challenge Staff and Students

The national Royal Rangers Office will provide training to Teen Challenge faculty members who wish to learn more about the Royal Rangers program or who themselves wish to become certified Royal Rangers instructors.

A Teen Challenge staff member who is a certified Royal Rangers instructor would, obviously, need no outside assistance in teaching the Royal Rangers *Leadership Training Course*. This would be the ideal setup for a Teen Challenge director.

(Note: A Teen Challenge staff member may teach the *Leadership Training Course* as a non-certified instructor if his students are enrolled in the LTC correspondence course, offered through the national Royal Rangers Office.)

Second, the national Royal Rangers Office will provide training sessions and hold camps for Teen Challenge staff members and students at the National Royal Rangers Training Center. The NRRTC, known as Camp Eagle Rock, is 1,500-plus acres of prime property surrounded on three sides by the Mark Twain National Forest and joining Table Rock Lake. Our trained staff will take Teen Challenge staff members and students through confidence courses—like those many major corporations are paying thousands of dollars for their employees to participate in—and involve them in other outdoor activities. Also, our lodge—with large kitchen, dining area, workshop area, and bedroom and shower facilities that can accommodate 40-plus people—can be used to hold camps for both Teen Challenge staff members and students.

