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Camporama event into a short paragraph and thank all the volunteers, staff, and various businesses that came to make this the best one we have ever experienced. However, I would like to recognize the following people and organizations for rendering

outstanding services that contributed to a very successful Camporama.

Thanks to Daisy® B-B Gun Corporation and the National Rifle Association for coordinating the first National Royal Rangers Air Rifle Competition. I am pleased to announce that during this NRA-sanctioned event, three-national NRA

Hats off to Ron Deak of Adventures in Catering!, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. I'm sure it was a real "adventure" doing 5,400 meals three times a day. This accounted for more than 60,000 meals served for the campers.

Steamy, hot July days in Missouri can be normal and we salute Super Pools, Limited of North Little Rock, Arkansas for working diligently with our staff to set-up four quality swimming pools at a reasonable rate for the enjoyment of our boys. The pools were full of contented swimmers every day.

Berryville Tractor, from Berryville, Arkansas, is to be commended for donating ten tractors that were used for our tram service. This was a tremendous success and provided a great service

for campers and visitors as they traveled to and from various events and activities.

Now let's center on the highlight of the week. The





many RV and other Royal Rangers volunteers that worked weeks and months prior to and throughout Camporama. We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to every one of you.

A special note of appreciation goes to Reverend Thomas Trask, general superintendent and Reverend Charles Crabtree, assistant general superintendent of the Assemblies of God for attending Camporama. The Royal Rangers have tremendous support from our national leadership.

We were also honored to have had several district superintendents at this event: Rev. Robert Crabtree – Ohio, Rev. Robert Cargill – Oklahoma, Rev. Stephen Harris – Arizona and Rev. Terry Raburn – Peninsular-Florida.

I know we all like statistics and do our best to collect them at events like Camporama. Statistics do not tell the entire story and Camporama

is no different. Each evening we asked our altar work-

# "Best time I've ever had!" "GAMPORAMA ROCKS!"

"Can't wait until the next one!"

— Comments from boys attending the 2002 National Royal Rangers Camporama

records were set by Royal Rangers. Event results and pictures can be found by accessing the national Royal Rangers website at royalrangers.ag.org and checking out the Camporama update link.

A word of thanks also goes to The Missouri Archery Association who organized the archery competition using bows, arrows, and targets that were furnished by Bass Pro Shop, Springfield, Missouri. These outstanding groups provided a great a partnership with Royal Rangers and provided professional-level organization and staffing.

We are grateful to Norm Kirsch, a commander from the Southern Mis-

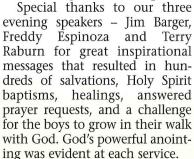
souri district for providing equipment for and running of the first National Pinewood Derby Championships. Over 300 entries competed for the championships of each age-level. Event results and pictures can be found by accessing the national Royal Rangers website at royalrangers.ag.org and checking out the Camporama update link.

We appreciate The Eagle Rock Xpress daily newspaper that was printed on site for campers and provided daily camp information, and for the daily, live Camporama updates that were placed on the Internet by Jerry Parks and Ranger DJ.

What a great panoramic Camporama group photo which was taken by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Allen from the Northwest district. It is still available for a great price. See the ad for this and other great Camporama items on the back page.

evening services at the Amphitheater were wonderful. Brian Bopp and Arthur Thomas offered great songs for the worship service each evening and our emcee,

David Franklin, did a great job in coordinating all that took place.



Bob Kilpatrick and the great gospel concert he provided at the closing evening service capped off the week as Terry Raburn challenged all of us to "give me Jesus or give me death." He encouraged us to take the gospel message of Jesus Christ back to our homes, neighborhoods, and schools.

What an incredible fireworks display by Premier Pyrotechnics, Inc., of Richland, Missouri Thursday evening! They also provided the sound and lighting for the great pageantry presentations. Hats off to the entire pageantry staff – including video, sound, stage and lighting for each production and to the pageantry camp personnel and volunteers that made the evening services a highlight of Camporama.

We appreciate the Regional Coordinators and the office staff for their tireless help and countless long hours to ensure this camp's success. Also, there were

ers to help by filling out a card after praying with each person. Not only did the altar workers get overwhelmed because of the huge response, but many did not get their cards filled out. One person stated, "I filled out two cards, but prayed with over 30. I did not have the time to fill out the card with each [person]." This was the case with most altar workers. I know on Wednesday evening I personally prayed with over 30 boys and did not have any cards to fill out. So keep in mind the following is a small representation of the cards we were able to fill out and ones that were turned in to us.

- 200+ people volunteered as workers and camp staff
- 5,395 men/boys registered
- 1,500+ visitors came during the week
- 184 men/boys came forward for salvation
- 270 men/boys received the baptism in the Holy Spirit
- 51 men/boys received healing
- 308 men/boys received a special prayer need answered
- 21 men/boys received a call into full-time ministry

In every case to God be the Glory!

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Richard Mariott National Commander



#### CAMPORAMA 2002 **Was A Great Success!**

uring the week of July 15-19, over 5,400 boys and men from the US and 16 foreign countries traveled to Eagle Rock, Missouri to participate in Camporama 2002. It was a huge success! All participants were able to enjoy mostly sunny days with below normal temperatures, and view 1,500 acres of beautiful Ozarks scenery. From the dawn's early rays, the days were filled with many exciting events. Certain events required talent and patience such as the Archery Competition, the Daisy Team BB Gun National Championship, and the National Pinewood Derby Championship. Other events required coordination and a strong grip like racing on the BMX or Mountain Bike course, climbing on the Rappelling Tower or the Bouldering Wall. Still other events only required that you show up and have fun—like cooling off in one of four swimming pools, riding a hot air balloon, touring an Army Huey helicopter, shooting off bottle rockets, racing in push carts, trading patches and pins at trading posts and encampments, meeting new friends from around the US and foreign countries, visiting special displays like Light for the Lost (LFTL) and Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade (BGMC) booths and many other incredible events. Campers enjoyed an abundance of daytime activities.

For the first time ever, campers were treated to three conveniently located full-service food tents. This represented over 60,000 meals served during Camporama. In addition, several concession stands were set up throughout the encampment to encourage campers to drink plenty of liquids and prevent dehydration. A camp hospital was set up on site staffed with 6 doctors, 12 registered nurses, and multiple EMTs, to assist in the event of a medical emergency. We had a relatively calm hospital area with a few minor injury reports. Assisting in the areas of medical and personal safety on site were 10 professional, full time security personnel. These men represented law enforcement officers from the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the US Marshall's office, and members of county or local law enforcement teams. Then, to help with the issue of heat exhaustion, ten trams were constantly on the move to take campers to and from events and activities. Finally, to combat the heat and help eliminate some unwanted critters from the boys, the swimming pools were frequently visited. Nearly 120,000 gallons of water were

used to fill up the four pools. Special services were held each evening in the Amphitheater that can accommodate up to 10,000 campers for each service. The newly-designed, state-of-theart stage complex housed a large, elevated projection screen at center stage to highlight the evening speaker or a special part of the service. This was the most professional-

ly-designed and orchestrated pageantry production ever held at a Camporama.

The Holy Spirit inspired each of the evening services in a different way. Jim Barger started the week off on Monday night with a challenging salvation message which the boys answered with several hundred who responded to receive Jesus as his personal Savior. On Tuesday evening, Freddie Espinoza encouraged everyone to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit and an estimated 700-800 boys filled the altars and aisles with an air of anticipation. National Commander, Rich Mariott, presented an inspirational message of healing and prayer. Kenny Mariott's dramatic healing and salvation was part of the keynote address and made the boys aware of the power of prayer! Thursday evening was truly the "icing on the cake." Incredible pageantry, awesome fireworks, heavenly worship, an inspirational concert by Bob Kilpatrick, and a message of winning others for Christ was presented by Rev. Terry Raburn. The challenge was to "give me Jesus or give me death." If we have Jesus we have life; if we don't have Jesus, we don't have life. We were all challenged to return to our homes and reach out to our family, friends, neighbors, etc., with the message of Christ.

The evidence of the incredible work of the Holy Spirit was the number of boys who made decisions for Christ during the week. (Due to an overwhelming response to the evening altar calls, we were unable to record all of the decisions that were made.) The cards that were turned in and recorded showed that 184 boys were saved, 191 rededicated their lives, 270 received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, 51 received healing, 308 received answers to special prayer requests, and 21 were called into full-time Christian ministry. Although this does not represent the total number of decisions, it does show that God touched many lives during

Camporama week.

To sum it all up, everyone at Camporama 2002 experienced great fun and fellowship, and were personally challenged to a higher level of love and commitment to our Lord and Master Ranger, Jesus Christ!



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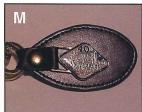






















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