



ROYAL RANGERS

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From the National Commander's Desk



ROYAL RANGERS NATIONAL COUNCIL WAS ONCE AGAIN A GREAT SUCCESS!

Royal Rangers for the 21st century materials were released for Discovery and Adventure Rangers at March Council, with a few remaining books coming this month.



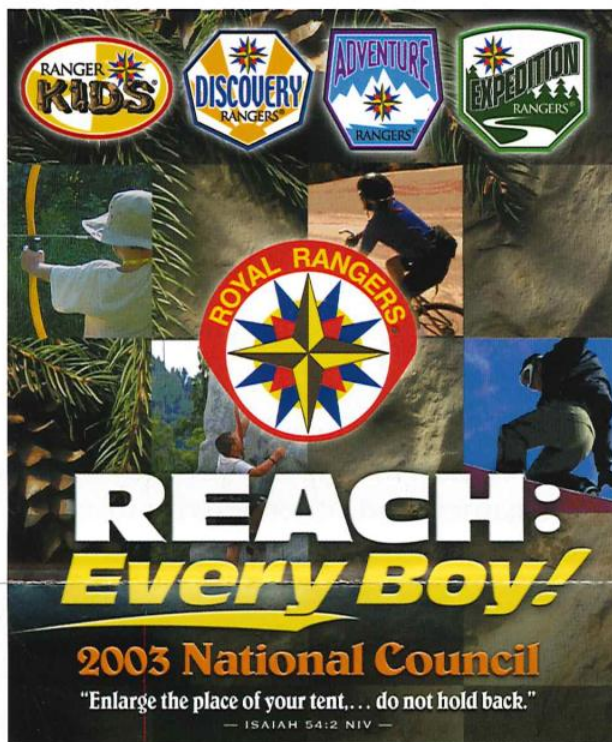
Rev. Randy Ruiz was our morning devotional speaker and was inspirational. Randy Ruiz expressed his sincere thanks to "Fred Deaver"—Randy was saved at a Southern California Royal Rangers Powwow at the age of 8 where Fred was the camp speaker. Fred expressed sincere appreciation to Randy and stated, "As one

sows and others water, you have no idea of the impact or life-changing experience you have made—so it is with each commander working weekly with boys."

At the Silver Eagle and Awards banquet our guest speaker was Rev. Bob Cook, Rocky Mountain district superintendent. Brother Bob hit a homerun with his message, "You Can Reach Every Boy Through Christ." Brother Bob encouraged the Royal Rangers leadership to continue to pour into the lives of boys. You may not see the complete process of your efforts, but know that it will make a difference. Who knows, the boy you are teaching today may be the leader teaching your children or grandchildren in a few years.

National District Leaders Seminar had great attendance! Over 400 attended LTA modules being taught on Friday and Saturday. The LTA CD will be updated and sent to the district commander, district training coordinator, regional coordinator, and regional training coordinators in late May. Each LTA module has a student workbook, teaching outline, and PowerPoint teaching outline. The format for 2004 National Council and NDLS will remain a similar forum next year as we offer additional LTA modules and repeat some existing LTA modules. A national safety certification for archery will be available next year through NADS as well.

The national RR seminar concluded with a special appreciation of Sonny Green and Fred Deaver. Both have become the first RR national officers to receive emeritus status, which was given to them at last year's March Council by the executive committee. This year Paul Stanek was given the honor of deputy national commander, emeritus, by the national executive committee.



COUNCIL MEMBERS — If you were unable to attend this year's National Council and would like a copy of the Council notebook, copies are available for \$5.00 each plus shipping. Contact the national office at 417-862-2781, extension 4190 for details.

National Royal Rangers Championships

PURPOSE:

- To offer Royal Rangers the opportunity to compete in specialized events at a national level.
- To recognize outstanding accomplishment in specialized events.
- To encourage boys to discover and develop specialized skills or talents outside of the traditional Royal Rangers program.
- To encourage healthy competition with other Royal Rangers from throughout the nation in specialized events.
- To encourage outstanding individuals to participate in national competitions sponsored by organizations outside of Royal Rangers.
- To encourage Royal Ranger participation in the Fine Arts Festival and Bible Quiz programs

METHOD:

Annual Events

- Traditional Competitions:
 - Royal Rangers competing in the Junior Bible Quiz and Senior Bible Quiz competitions will compete under current guidelines.

— National finalists who are Royal Rangers will be recognized by the national Royal Rangers office.

— Certificates and Awards for outstanding accomplishment will be mailed to top individuals in each category from the national Royal Rangers office.

■ "Postal" Competitions:

— Local events are held from January 1-October 31 using the specified guidelines. May be regional, district, sectional or outpost event.

— Local results (scores) and entry fees are "mailed" to a central location using official reporting forms where they are compared to other results from throughout the nation.

— Scores are tabulated and awards are posted and sent to individuals as specified by the event guidelines.

Competitions will include Archery, BB Gun 5-Meter, 3-Position 10 Meter Air Rifle, Small Bore Light Rifle, Trap Shooting, and Black Powder.

Camporama Events

- National championships conducted every 4 years during National Camporama

"Give Honor To Whom Honor Is Due"

I'd like to take time to express my sincere thanks to Brian Hendrickson, Mike Laliberty, and the rest of the national office staff for their tireless efforts and untold long hours. Mike and Brian have coordinated many projects with resource people across the United States, working with Gospel Publishing House book editors and many other resource people at headquarters, and handled themselves as true professionals.

Many acknowledge or state that building a great team is the key. But I think a more accurate statement is, Building a *balanced* team is the key! Balanced with different talents, different skills, different work experience, and different Royal Rangers backgrounds that compliment each other. Each staff member has specific skills and talents they bring to the team that work to compliment the teams' efforts so we can be a better resource to you, our churches and outposts.

Thank you for the many kind e-mails we received expressing your appreciation for the staff and their efforts.

Remember our theme: "Reach every boy!" Why not—we have an incredible God!

Pressing Toward the Mark,

Richard Mariott, National Commander

Now Available!

NEW FRONTIERSMEN CAMPING FELLOWSHIP BOLOS

Here's your chance to purchase these brand new FCF Bolo ties at a great price of \$6.00 apiece. For further information contact the national office at **417-862-2781, ext. 4190.**



Boys Training Camps

by Steve Schultz

This summer the national office will be releasing the new guidelines and materials for the Discovery Training Camp, Adventure Training Camp, Junior Training Camp, Advanced Junior Training Camp, and the Junior Training Trails. These camps have been under review from the junior camps committee and the national office.

All camps will have a spiritual development plan. The goal of the boys' camps is not to simply teach camping and leadership skills, but to encourage every young man to grow in his relationship with Christ. Each camp will have a central spiritual theme as well as individual Bible reading, Scripture memory work, morning devotions, and evening council fire services built into the schedule.

ACTIVITIES:

Daytime classes will be built around instruction followed by activities or games that reinforce the information presented. Each boy will receive a trainee handbook containing all notes, handouts, diagrams, schedules, and helps for the camp. Fill-in-the-blank style worksheets corresponding to the class outlines will be included. The assigned daily Bible reading with reflective questions and memory verses will also be included in the student notebook.

The chart below will give you an understanding of the purpose and makeup of each Camp.

New guidelines for Junior Canoe Expedition, Junior Survival Camp, Junior Missions Camp, Junior Winter Camp, Junior Aquatic Camp, and Elite JLC will be released in 2004.

The Junior Leadership Training Academy includes the following camps:

JTC and AJTC (*required camps*)






JCE, JWC, JTT, JSC, JMC and JAC (*elective camps*)

JLTA graduation requires completion of JTC, AJTC, and any two elective camps. To receive the Expedition Leadership Medal, an Expedition Ranger must also complete 25 Spirit Challenges.

Graduates from JLTA may attend the Elite JTC or may be invited to attend the National Junior Academy.

There are many camps to challenge your boys to develop physically, mentally, socially, and spiritually. Contact your district to see which camps are available in your area.

Updated Boys' Camps Released in 2003

CAMP	COURSE DESCRIPTION	SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS	REQUIREMENTS FOR ATTENDANCE
	District camp, which could be run at the section level. Will focus on team building through the patrol method. Boys will build patrol spirit with flags, songs, yells, competitive games, and other activity-driven events. Instruction in color guard and formations will be included. Camp Length: 1/2 day, one full day Focus Merits: None Does not need to be a camping situation. May be run at a church or appropriate facility.	Attributes of God (Salvation)	NONE <i>(Basic DTC may be required in the future)</i>
	District camp, which could be run at the section level. Boys will camp as an outpost using the patrol method. Instruction on camping skills reinforced by activities and games. Camp length: 1/2 day, 2 full days, 1/2 day Focus Merits: First Aid Skills, Camp Safety, Cooking, Fire Craft, Rope Craft, and Tool Craft.	Baptism in the Holy Spirit	NONE
	District Camp, first camp of JLTA Boys will be taught leadership skills. Camp will be game/activity-oriented, focusing on confidence building and team building. Low ropes course will be part of team-building exercise. Camp length: 1/2 day, 2 full days, 1/2 day Focus Merits: Dutch Oven Cooking and Compass	Faithfulness to God	Completion of 7th grade <i>(Basic JTC may be required in the future)</i>
	District Camp allowing boys to learn by assisting in leadership of other camps. Boys will learn advanced skills and will have opportunities to assist with the activities of other camps. Camp length: 1/2 day, 2 full days, 1/2 day Focus Merits: Pioneering and Orienteering	Serving God "Part of the Body of Christ!"	Completion of 8th grade Completion of JTC Have earned Bronze Medal of Achievement
	District Camp with focus on instruction reinforced by activity and leadership roles while involved in a hiking adventure Decision-making skills and safety will be emphasized. Camp length: 1/2 day, 2 full days, 1/2 day Focus Merits: Backpacking, Hiking (may not be able to complete Hiking Merit during timeframe)	Making Right Choices	Completion of 9th grade Completion of JTC and AJTC