

NATIONAL RANGER OF THE YEAR NAMED



Chuck Sandstrom

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Chuck Sandstrom of Salem, Oreg., has been selected Ranger of the Year from among seven regional winners who met the national Ranger of the Year review board here recently.

Chuck, 15 years of age, is the son of Bob and Jean Sandstrom. He attends The People's Church in Salem where Dennis A. Davis is pastor.

Chuck is involved in field and track activities at his high school, and has maintained a 3.7 grade average.

As a Royal Ranger, Chuck earned the Gold Medal of Achievement, the Bible award, and the Gold Buffalo award. He attended Junior Leadership Training Camp in 1979-80 and is a member of the Frontiersmen Camping Fraternity. He is a member of the planning committee of the church's youth group and an altar worker.

Candidates for the national Ranger of the Year award qualify through a rigid selection process. Testing includes Biblical knowledge and church doctrine as well as knowledge of all phases of the Royal Rangers program, academic achievement, and extracurricular activities.

Factors in the final selection are the young man's attitude, spirituality, appearance, personality, and ability to express himself.

Serving on the review board

were: Silas Gaither, national director of the Division of Church Ministries; Paul McGarvey, Men's Ministries Department secretary; Fred Deaver, national president of Frontiers-

men Camping Fraternity; John Eller, national aide-de-camp; Mark Gentry, national field adviser; and Thomas Loven, Education Department secretary.

Hundreds make decisions for Christ at Royal Rangers district powwows

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Hundreds of boys made decisions for Christ at the Royal Rangers powwows in the various districts this summer.

Johnnie Barnes, national Royal Rangers commander, said the compilation of statistics was not yet complete but he gave the following examples.

In Southern California there were 1,200 registered. Decisions for Christ totaled 310, and 20 were filled with the Spirit.

In North Carolina, where 600 were in attendance, 103 made decisions for Christ.

In the Rocky Mountain District, attendance was 400 and there were 87 who accepted Christ.

Harry Opal, commander of the Royal Rangers in Southern New England District, reports 450 attended the 3-day powwow at the district campgrounds and 82 boys received Christ as their

personal Saviour. The district superintendent, Hugh Corey, ministered at the council fire services.

The King's Band, comprised of Royal Rangers leaders and boys assisted by Missionettes leaders, ministered in music. "The Holy Spirit moved in an unusual way through their anointed singing," Brother Opal said.

Southern Missouri District had two divisional powwows with 808 men and boys registered. There were 407 at the western division powwow at Pomme de Terre State Park and 401 at the eastern division powwow at Washington State Park. Paul Feller, district Royal Rangers commander for Southern Missouri, reports 50 boys were converted in the two powwows and 60 others dedicated their lives more fully to God.



Above: Royal Rangers at the Southern New England District powwow gather at campfire site. Below: This campsite of Outpost #99 from Bethel Assembly, St. Louis, won top award at the Southern Missouri District eastern division powwow.

