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In April, it was announced that Doug Marsh would be transitioning into full-time leadership of *Royal Rangers International*. Since that time, there have been ongoing conversations with leaders from around the nation as candidates were prayerfully considered for USA director of *Royal Rangers*.

NEVER HAS THERE BEEN A TIME THAT SO
DESPERATELY NEEDS WHAT WE DO. I BELIEVE
GOD HAS POSITIONED THE ROYAL RANGERS
MINISTRY FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS.
I'M EXCITED AND READY! THANK YOU TO
EACH OF YOU FOR WHAT YOU DO. OUR
FUTURE ISN'T UP TO ONE PERSON, BUT
TOGETHER, INFUSED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT,
OUR BEST DAYS ARE AHEAD!

KARL FLEIG, NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF ROYAL RANGERS

Karl Fleig, former Indiana district CE and men's ministry director, has accepted the invitation to lead this critical discipleship ministry. Karl was brought to the minds of key leaders independent of one another and then confirmed in what could only be described as a supernatural calling.

Karl comes with over thirteen years of leadership in the Indiana district office, and has been involved in

varying degrees of *Royal Rangers* for longer than that. His district role had him involved in men's ministry, discipleship, kids' camp, and more. He has been very active in Royal Rangers, including attending LEAD and other national trainings for a number of years.

Gratitude and appreciation go to both Karl Fleig and Doug Marsh on their commitment to a strong transition and a healthy relationship of *Royal Rangers USA* and *Royal Rangers* International. Both of these men have a passion for mentoring the next generation and will work well together to strengthen this ministry globally.

Please feel free to communicate with Karl through email at rangers@ag.org or by phone at (417) 862-2781 ext. 4181 to share your congratulations and support.

FALL 2014

## BREAKING RECORDS: ATTENDANCE SOARS AT RENDEZVOUS

History was made this summer at the 2014 National Rendezvous. When Rendezvous was launched in 1972, it was a time of high excitement that attracted two hundred

delegates from across the USA to unite in Springfield, Missouri.

In the years since that inaugural event, the fervor has not waned -- it has increased. This year's event broke records. More than 870 campers registered on site, making it the largest National Rendezvous ever held.

Paul Walters, who serves as National President, recalls, "The spirit of the Lord and the spirit of the FCF brotherhood was felt the entire two weeks, during the week of camp preparation, and definitely during the week of Rendezvous."

The entire camp was alive with activity as always – from the knife and tomahawk trails, to marksmanship events, games, and much more. Some great conversations happened as demonstrators spent time plying their skill and assuring Young Bucks that they, too, can learn and enjoy that trade or another.

Another special conversation occurred when a long-time commander met one of the staff members who came to

the campground from the national offices in Springfield. Kenny, who is seventy-one years old, journeyed from New Mexico to participate in Rendezvous for his eighth time. When staffer Melinda Benintendi asked what draws Kenny back to Rendezvous so regularly, a wonderful testimony followed. "To bring kids," Kenny replied. "To reach teens and kids, you've got to have activities they enjoy," he explained. "While working with them, you build into their lives just by being together."

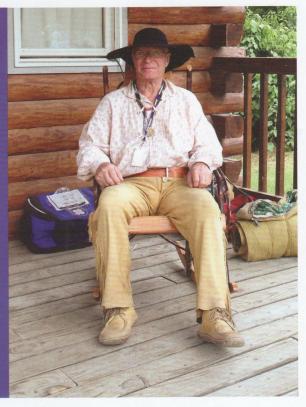
Kenny reached back into his *Royal Rangers* memories and shared a story from his own life. Kenny was volunteering as a church bus driver when a boy named Michael started

riding his bus. Kenny used conversations on the bus and activities in Royal Rangers to mentor Michael, who had some medical issues and a home life that was not ideal.

Despite those challenges, Michael decided he wanted to earn the Royal Rangers Gold Medal of Achievement. At that time, the GMA was the highest award a Ranger could earn. "Can you help me?" he asked. Kenny said yes.

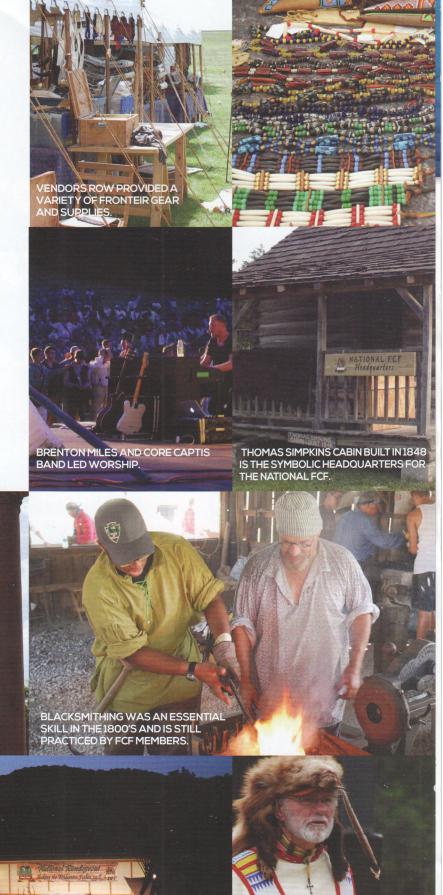
The theme for Rendezvous 2014 was "The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness..." Psalm 29:8

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The two began to meet, almost daily, and they worked hard. When Michael earned his GMA, many of his high school teachers came to the ceremony. Even Michael's physician saw the change in him and told him, "Royal Rangers saved your life." That's not the end of the testimony, though. This former bus kid enrolled in Bible school and is currently a bi-vocational Assemblies of God pastor, and he stays in touch with his former Commander.

THE 2014 NATIONAL FRONTIERSMEN CAMPING FELLOWSHIP RENDEZVOUS WAS HELD AT CAMP EAGLE ROCK JULY 14 - 18. WITH NEARLY 900 IN ATTENDANCE. THIS EVENT WAS THE LARGEST FCF RENDEZVOUS EVER! ATTENDEES ENJOYED DAILY WORSHIP SERVICES, CHAPTER AND TERRITORY COMPETITIONS, A SHOOTING EXTRAVAGANZA, AS WELL AS FRONTIER **DEMONSTRATIONS AND GAMES. VISIT THE** NATIONAL ROYAL RANGERS FACEBOOK PAGE FOR PHOTOS AND UPDATES ON THIS HISTORIC EVENT.











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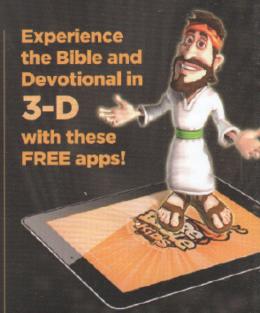


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