



# RANGERS

Mentoring Future Men

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR

Warm weather opens more than doors and windows; it opens the opportunity to build memories and make an impact. Mentoring a boy doesn't just happen in a classroom. It happens as life is shared. My greatest memories are when I was doing something with others—a weekend camping trip, going to a theme park, hanging out after a football game. My clearest lessons of what a godly man was and how he behaved were learned while I watched and interacted with the men who led us and made these memories happen.

During these times, we weren't just on outings like I thought. I was learning to problem solve, interact with others, and make decisions as I watched the men who intentionally lived their lives before me. More is "caught" than "taught" for a boy. Step out of the classroom and do something unusual. Remember, Rangers doesn't teach boys; we mentor future men.

Karl S. Fleig

Royal Rangers National Director





## More Volunteers Needed

Camporama is just over a month away. If you would like to be part of the Ultimate Event for Guys, there are still some opportunities to get involved. We have openings for full-time volunteers in the following special areas:

- Medical
- Security
- Food Service & Snack Bars
- Retail
- Shooting Sports
- Transportation (tram drivers, professional drivers)
- Equipment Operators (tractors, forklifts, mowers)
- Productions (camera and sound)
- Trades & Maintenance (plumbers, electricians, carpenters, painters, etc.)
- Registration & Administration

If you are available any time between now and July 22, please call the Royal Rangers office at 417-862-2781 x 4181.

Join us as part of the Ultimate Event for Guys. Make a difference this summer!



## What's New At Camporama?

How many Camporamas have you experienced? For some, you've attended all ten events since 1974 – maybe the first one as a boy and then the rest of them as a leader. Thank you for your dedication and persistence in helping to mentor so many young men for over 40 years at this outstanding Royal Rangers event. For others, you starting attending Camporamas in the more recent past and you are making a big difference in the lives of many. So, what are your favorite memories of Camporama? Was it the life-changing experience you had with God at the evening services, the incredible activities, meeting other Rangers from around the country and the world, building lifelong friendships or maybe it was even the journey just getting there (and back)?

For many, this will be the very first time you get the opportunity to “Live the Adventure” by attending Camporama in Eagle Rock, Missouri, from July 18-22. Whether you've been to all of them, some of them or this is your very first time, this Camporama 2016 will be a new and exciting experience for everyone. Of course experiencing God is new and exciting every day and I can assure you this will be the case at Camporama 2016 if you come with an attitude of expectation and are willing to be open to what He has in store for your life.

Here are a few activities that we've never had a Camporama: Archery Tag, 9 Square in the Air, organized Paintball and Laser Tag games and tournaments, Human Foosball, Gaga Ball, and Team Color Competitions—which will include large group games and daily team point tallies.

There will be lots of great activities to experience and capture the interests of every Ranger. Here are just a few: The Muse (open-mic music performances, Bible Quiz, Fine Arts), The Midway (18 inflatables such as Wrecking Ball, Monster Truck Combo, Cliff Hanger Rock Wall, Zorbie Ball Racing, and more), Shooting Sports (Archery, Air Rifle, BB Gun, .22 Rifle, Trap Shooting, Muzzleloader), The Adventure (High Ropes and Low Ropes Courses including a Zip Line), The Cove (4 swimming pools and Beach Volleyball), The Backyard Grove (Corn Hole, Ladder Ball, Spikeball, KanJam, and more), the Tech Center (video games sponsored by BGMC), Rec-Plex (soccer, football, tug-o-war), 5K race to benefit Royal Rangers International. And you don't want to miss the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the Frontiersman Camping Fellowship—much of which will be displayed in the colorful sights and sounds of the FCF Village.

If you're registered already, we look forward to seeing you there! If you're still deciding, it's not too late to join the fun, experience what God has for your life, and make some lifelong memories for you and your outpost. See you in July!

Dwight Walters

CFO (Chief Fun Officer), 2016 Camporama Activities Coordinator

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How to Lead Kids Through  
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## Trappers Brigade Update

Announced at LEAD16, the Trappers Brigade program was updated. The key items that were outlined are below. Note that these changes are immediate and will need to be reported this year on your annual reports.

- The number of hours needed to complete each advancement level was adjusted.
  - ◇ Outpost Service – 15 hours
  - ◇ Local Church Service – 15 hours
  - ◇ Local Community Service – 5 hours
  - ◇ Missions Service – 5 hours
- The priority missions initiatives for Royal Rangers will continue to be Royal Rangers International, Pathfinders Missions, BGMC Master's Toolbox, and Speed the Light.
  - ◇ Other worthwhile missions agencies, such as Light for the Lost, U.S. MAPS, Chi Alpha, and Teen Challenge can now be used for Missions Service hours.
  - ◇ Refer to the Assemblies of God Web site for additional missions opportunities at [ag.org](http://ag.org).
  - ◇ FCF members who are not members of an AG church should continue to support the middle school and high school age missions programs for their denominations.

Outpost Service hours are approved by the outpost coordinator, and church, Community, and Missions Service hours are approved by the local pastor. As in previous years, the Trappers Brigade application, reporting hours served, will be submitted to your FCF chapter scribe.

The Trappers Brigade pins and the new medallions for all three levels are available from [My Healthy Church](http://MyHealthyChurch) for purchase by the local outpost. Additional information on the Trappers Brigade program can be found at [www.nationalfcf.com](http://www.nationalfcf.com).



## Kandi's Krash-O-Rama at Ranger Derby

A few months before this year's Ranger Derby, Gary Bayes, Cincinnati sectional commander, threw out a challenge to his staff—develop an alternative event for derby contestants who are not in the final heat. The problem was many boys and girls and their parents would leave if they were eliminated in the first round rather than wait 1-2 hours for the awards.

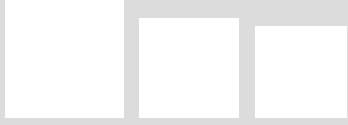
After a flurry of proposals, the team came up with a workable event named Kandi's Krash-O-Rama. Any racer disqualified in the first heat was allowed four chances to "crash" his or her car into a "Crash Dummy" to see how far they could knock it down the track. To prevent damage to the cars, the crash sled is padded with foam. The one who knocks it the farthest receives Kandi's Trophy.

We made two crash sleds of identical weight with fixed wheels. They were designed to slide down the last flat section of track after impact. Initial trials resulted in the sled flipping end-over-end through the air. After a few tests to determine proper amount and placement of weights, the sleds would usually remain on the track. Distance was measured from point of impact to final position whether or not the sled remained on the track.

The Ranger Derby flyer included instructions and promotion for Kandi's Krash-O-Rama. There was plenty of excitement among those who were eliminated. In fact, the enthusiasm was so great many finalists were upset they were not allowed to participate. We achieved the desired result in that few racers and their parents left before the awards.

Part of the competition was to promote Kandi's Krash-O-Rama as the girls' challenge to the boys. Several of the ladies ran the event and judged the results. The competition for Kandi's trophy was fierce, but there could only be one winner. One of the young ladies walked away with the trophy for the longest crash. Kandi's Krash-O-Rama promises to be a regular hit in the Cincinnati Sectional Ranger Derby.

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