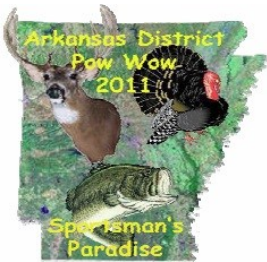




# Arkansas District Royal Rangers

4th Quarter 2011

## It's About Time - Pow Wow 2011



My wife and daughter surprised me for Father's Day by making arrangements for our son to come down for the weekend. We spent the time together listening to music,

playing at the creek, hiking, and hanging out. I was reminded of just how precious a gift time is, both to give and receive.

This year marked my thirteenth Pow-Wow, and I am amazed at how fresh and exciting it is each year. Time is one of the major ingredients that goes into it. There are numerous trips to the campgrounds to clean, repair, and prepare the physical location for it. Many hours are spent in meetings nailing down all of the details that will make this year the best ever. Food, T-shirts, caps, and all kinds of supplies have to be ordered and ready on time. There's a lot of time spent to be ready on time.

This year, leadership had the added challenge of finding a different location and then moving all of the things from storage in Hot Springs to the other campground. Our staff rose to that challenge and made the time to do what was needed so that our boys would have another memorable event.

All of this would be for naught if it weren't for leaders across the state spending time with fundraisers so that they can have a ranger program at their church, time preparing for and having class and of course, taking the time to bring their boys to Pow-Wow to share the experience.

The reward comes when I see the boys having fun at the various activities provided for them and renewing acquaintances from years past. Most important (and the real heart of Pow-Wow) are the evening services, as hundreds of boys gather around the altar; receiving Christ for the first time, rededicating their lives, receiving the Holy Spirit or praying through to get victory in some area of their lives. All who have given of their time can be assured that they share in each victory and each soul that is won around those altar.

*"This year, leadership had the added challenge of finding a different location and then moving all of the things from storage in Hot Springs to the other campground."*

I am proud to have served and hope to continue to serve with the most dedicated group of men and women in Royal Rangers. They have a heart for the ministry and the boys we serve.

Whenever I am tempted to say that something about the ministry is going to take too much time, I remember the rewards both ephemeral and eternal.

**By: Bob "The Builder" Mistark**

# Action Canoe Expedition (ACE) —2011



Boys want adventure in their lives and it is our job as leaders to provide that adventure. I sat in a canoe on the Buffalo River watching men and

boys working together. Camp Director George Weaver assembled an incredible staff just for the purpose of creating this adventure. I watched as the trainees enjoyed nature and grew closer together as they should at a training camp. We were privileged to

have a boy from Hawaii work as our Senior Patrol

Leader,

and he was magnificent. Samuel Vargas is the boy's name and he excelled as a leader. He made the staff's jobs a lot easier due to his drive and determination.

We laughed, became frustrated, got wet, and even a little scared, but we drew closer to God. The devotions were challenging and powerful. Adventure is what boys want, but Christ is

Who they need. If anyone has floated the Buffalo, you know dragging a canoe is a great possibility. The experienced staff planned well enough that

*"Adventure is what boys want in their lives and it is our job as leaders to provide that adventure..."*

we were about a day ahead of having to do just that,

drag a canoe. This camp not only trains boys to be leaders and teaches canoe skills, and also it teaches men to plan for a canoe trip.

If you are hesitant to take your Outpost canoeing, you should participate in the A.C.E. next year.

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By: Owen Ladd



# Does God need a man today?

When we are blessed to have a son (or daughter), God commands us to "bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" Ephesians 6:4. As fathers, it is our duty to mentor our sons and daughters. However, when God calls us to minister to boys through Royal Rangers and we answer the call, we are saying to God "We will mentor each boy that /you send our way". As commanders, God places us in the lives of young men to be a mentor, an example, a father figure; to teach them by example how a Godly man acts and reacts.

How do we become that mentor? Only with God's help, only through His word, and only with prayer can we be the kind of mentor that God wants us to be. As mentors, we need to be an example of Christ, as Paul said "Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ. (1 Corinthians 11:1 NIV)", only as we become followers of Christ can we mentor or lead anyone.

As I read in 1 Samuel 3 about Eli and Samuel, I realize that Hanna gave her son Samuel to the Lord and to the care of Eli. In verse 18 of 1 Samuel 2, the scriptures record that "Samuel ministered to the Lord" and verse 21 says "The child Samuel grew before the Lord". All under the care of Eli, in 1 Samuel 3:4 the word says that "the Lord called Samuel" and Samuel thought it was Eli and ran to see what he wanted. Three times God called Samuel and three times he went to Eli, but the third time in verse 8 "Eli perceived that God was calling the boy". Why did it take three times for Eli to perceive it was God calling Samuel? I don't know, sometimes we are kind of slow to realize that God is speaking to us. I believe that God could have revealed himself to Samuel the first time He called him in a way that Samuel

would have known it was God calling him, but He didn't. He used a man to speak instruction into Samuel's life. God called Samuel until the mentor Eli perceived what was going on and instructed Samuel to answer "Speak Lord; for thy servant heareth" verse 9. Commanders, God still uses you today to speak wisdom into the lives of the boys He places around you.

When God calls you to Royal Rangers and you accept the call, for most of us it is a lifetime calling. A calling that we will not be happy or fulfilled if we are NOT doing what God has anointed us to do. There are times or seasons in some people's lives that God will close one door and open another, but that move will always be accompanied with peace, confirmation and on good terms with the Ministry you are leaving and expectation within the Ministry you are being led to. As Commanders we must be faithful to God, our spouse and family, our Church, and the Royal Ranger ministry. We must be consistent with our daily walk. We need to find the Church that God has called us to minister at and then, stick it out through good times and the rough times until God tells you it is time to move on. If boys are going to trust you, they have to know that you love them and that you are stable and you will be there when they need you. We must create a relationship with our boys, a trust, and a friendship; only then will they allow us to mentor them.

*Does God still call men to be Mentors? YES!!  
When God calls you, will you answer His call?*

**By: Butch Charles**

# Royal Ranger Training 2011



**There will be a WCO / World Class Outpost Seminar scheduled in 2012 on February 24-25 at:**

**Faith AG, 112 Valley View Church Rd, Harrison, AR 72601**

**World Class Outpost** seminar is designed to expose the outpost leadership team

to a successful set of practices, methods, strategies, and tools that will enable them to develop into a "World Class Outpost". The greatest benefit of this event is achieved when the outpost/ church leadership attend and complete this event together as a team.

This training is beneficial to any leader working in any ministry in the church.

The training sessions include:

1. Spiritual Foundations
2. Leadership and Teamwork
3. Relationships
4. Communications
5. World Class by Design
6. Outpost Assessment
7. Outpost Strategic Ministry Plan
8. Evaluation and Adjustment

**Applications are available at:**

<http://royalrangers.ag.org/training/schedule/>

*“TRAINING in Royal Rangers is what EQUIPS us to SERVE”*

## Quapaw Chapter FCF: Building for the Future

2011 was a banner year for FCF in Arkansas. We saw God’s provision time and time again throughout the year. We also saw some great achievements as well. At our Spring Trace, Butch “Image Maker” Charles and Tristan “Eagle Warrior” Hubbard were crowned as the “Men of Renown” for Wilderness and Buckskin members. Later in the year, we were blessed with a great group of new Frontiersman who came in at Frontier Adventure. Our annual Family Camp provided us with some outstanding fellowship and entertaining family games, as well. The last major event, The Rivermen Territorial Rendezvous, also provided us with some great achievements. Our Chapter Scout, “Eagle Warrior”, advanced to the level of Wilderness while chapter members Owen “Light Hair” Ladd took first place in the Outfit Judging and one of our brand new Young Bucks, Clay Smith, took second place in the Hawk throw. 2011 certainly ended with the Quapaw Chapter having reason to look forward to 2012.

Now that we have started this journey in 2012, we must keep the momentum going by being involved and living with a passion to serve. There are some

new staff members who will be helping us pursue the dream this year. These staff members are: David McFarlin-Scribe; Ron “Gray Eagle” Vire-Buckskin Representative and Luke “Yellow Jacket” Garrett-Historian. We have also added a brand new website, [www.quapawchapterfcf.org](http://www.quapawchapterfcf.org), to help us promote the dream for 2012. **By: Vince Vire**

- Jan 13-15: Combined Winter Trace with Louisiana Jim Bowie Chapter.....Alexandria, LA
- Jan 21: FCF display at Ranger Derby and FCF staff meeting .....Benton First AG
- Feb 3-4: Gulf Region Seminar ...N. Little Rock First AG
- Feb 18: .....>>FCF display at Commanders’ Conference Conway Rock Solid AG
- Mar 15-17: National RR Council ..... Dallas, Texas
- Mar 30-Apr 1: Spring Trace and Buckskin Testing
- To be Announced

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# Arkansas District Calendar of Events

– 2012 –

January 10	FCF Buckskin Application Deadline	Mailed to District Commander
January 13-14	FCF Winter Outing, Camp – (Invite Men and Boy Prospects)	Louisiana
January 21	District Ranger Derby Race	First Assembly Of God, Benton, AR
February 3-4	Gulf Regional Seminar	First Assembly of God, NLR, AR
February 6	Commanders Conference Application Pre-Registration Deadline	Mailed to George Weaver
February 17-18	Commanders Conference & Awards Banquet	First Assembly Of God, Conway, AR
February 20	ATT Application Pre-Registration Deadline (Action Training Trails)	Mailed to George Weaver
March 1	Deadline for Submitting Copy for the District Newsletter	To Public Relations Coordinator
March 15-17	National Royal Rangers Council	Dallas, TX
March 19-21	ATT (Action Training Trails)	Lake Sylvia, Perryville, AR
March 30-31	FCF Spring Trace	Charles Fulmer's, Vilonia, AR
April 1	FCF Application Deadline	Mailed to District Commander
April 1	Pow Wow Applications Deadline	Mailed to District Commander
April 13	District Executive Officers Meeting (DEOC)	First Assembly of God, Conway, AR
April 20-21	Men's Retreat (RR in Uniform) (Set-up FCF Village)	Mountain Valley Retreat Center, Hot Springs, AR
April 28	Ranger Kids Day Camp, - NW	First Assembly of God, Huntsville, AR
April 28	Ranger Kids Day Camp, - NE	To Be Announced
April 28	Ranger Kids Day Camp, - SW	First Assembly of God, Ashdown, AR
April 28	Ranger Kids Day Camp, - SE	To Be Announced
May 11-12	OMRA Staff School	First Assembly of God, Conway, AR
May 19	ACE Application Pre-Registration Deadline (Action Canoeing Expedition)	Mailed to George Weaver
June 1	Deadline for Submitting Copy for the District Newsletter	To Public Relations Coordinator
June 8-10	District Pow-Wow – (3-4 Days)	Pathway Ministry Camp, Malvern, AR
June 14-16	ACE (Action Canoeing Expedition)	Buffalo River, Tyler Bend, AR
June 15	OMRA Application Pre-Registration Deadline	Mailed to George Weaver
June 22-23	FCF Frontier Adventure	Charles Fulmer's, Vilonia, AR
July 6	District Executive Officers Meeting (DEOC)	First Assembly of God, Conway, AR
July 9-13	National Camparama	Camp Eagle Rock, Eagle Rock, MO
July 26-29	OMRA - Royal Ranger Advancement Academy	Snow Springs Ministry Camp, Hot Springs, AR
September 1	Deadline for Submitting Copy for the District Newsletter	To Public Relations Coordinator
September 30	Commanders Awards Application Deadline	Mailed to District Commander
October 5-7	FCF Pow-A-Mu	To Be Announced
November 2-3	FCF Black Powder Camp	Camp Nelson, Hot Springs, AR
December 1	Deadline for Submitting Copy for the District Newsletter	To Public Relations Coordinator
December 7	District Executive Officers Meeting (DEOC)	First Assembly of God, Conway, AR



**Arkansas District Royal Rangers  
Commanders Awards Banquet February 17, 2012  
Commanders Conference February 18, 2012**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate/Emergency Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Church & City: \_\_\_\_\_ Outpost #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Must pre-register for Banquet by Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> 2012 (including Instructors)**

Banquet \$10.00 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_  Pastors Free pass to all

Feb 18 Class times 8:00 am to 5:00 pm with noon to 1pm for lunch Break

<p>All these classes for Adults only All these classes are from 8am-5pm</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> New Rangers Basics \$25.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Rangers Essentials \$25.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Rangers Safety \$25.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership \$5.00</p>	<p>All these classes for Adults and Adventure/Expedition Rangers</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lashing \$5.00 (8am-10am)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Woodsmanship \$5.00 (8am-10am)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Rope Craft (advanced) \$5.00 (10am-noon)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pioneering \$5.00 (10am-5pm)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Orienteering \$5.00 (1pm-5pm)</p>
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Instructor (pay for banquet only)       Helper (pay for banquet only)

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail before Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> (no exceptions) to:**  
Arkansas Commanders Conference  
George Weaver,  
Arkansas District Training Coordinator  
5305 Allen Street  
North Little Rock, AR 72118



# Arkansas District Royal Rangers

## Commanders Conference and Awards Banquet

February 17-18, 2012

Evangelize, Equip, and Empower

*The Next Generation of Christlike Men and Lifelong Servant Leaders*

### *Awards Banquet*

February 17<sup>th</sup> 2012

Time: 7:00 pm

First Assembly of God

Rock Solid Church

550 8th Avenue,

Conway, AR

East of I-40 Exit 127



Guest Speaker:  
Kam Ghomghani

## **Empower the Next Generation of Christlike Men**

Training Classes from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm February 18<sup>th</sup> 2012

**Classes for adults and Adventure/Expedition Rangers**

All commanders and Pastors need to come and be a part of this event. Come and support the men and women who have worked hard in the Royal Rangers ministry. Come and be a part of the training, and if you have had the training, call us and let us know where you would like to help.