

The Long Rifle



Information about Royal Ranger Events in Michigan

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2012 Pow Wow News!



Our annual summer camping event is set for **August 1 to 4, 2012**.

We have some great news about our new location. This year we will gather for Pow Wow at **D-A Ranch** in Metamora, Michigan ! The campground has 3 lakes, great trails and woods, over 1700 acres and many special amenities. This new location will bring Pow Wow closer to the Detroit metro area, Flint, Lansing and many more outposts. Much more detail will follow. We look forward to offering a great event this August for the boys and men in the Michigan District.



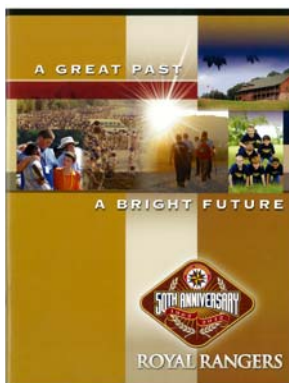
Junior Training Opportunities



School will soon be out and boys will be freed up to attend some great camps and make great strides in leadership.

The Michigan District is offering two great camps in June – Junior Training Camp (JTC) and Advanced Junior Training Camp (AJTC). Both camps will offered on June 20-23 at D-A Ranch in Metamora, Michigan. A Junior Training Canoe Expedition (JCE) is planned for later in the summer. The cost is reduced if you register by **May 20th**.

For full details and registration visit www.michrr.com website or contact Commander James Meek (cmmndrjames@gmail.com, 810-625-5089). Also visit the Michigan District Junior Training on **Facebook**.



FCF Spring Trace



FCF will conducting a very special Spring Adventure Trace on **May 18 – 20** weekend at Lost Lake Scout Camp.

All Royal Rangers are invited to this camping event which will feature former National FCF President **Rick Dostal**.

This FCF Adventure will feature great campfire worship, fellowship and frontier games. It is also a great opportunity to buy /sell/trade frontier items. The cost is only \$5 per person for 18 years and younger, and \$10 for adults. Visit www.michfcf.org for maps and more information.

50th Anniversary Booklet

The National Royal Rangers office has released a great new publication commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Royal Rangers. This 44 page publication has been mailed to all chartered outposts. It is a rich, colorful history with many new photos and information detailing many events and changes. Additional copies (#729089) can be ordered from the National office (417-862-2781 ext 4181).

New GMA Receipents

The Michigan District honored several young men in April reached the high goal of Gold Medal of Achievement (GMA).

On April 14th, Fair Haven AG, Dearborn Hts (OP #76) honored Michael Scarantino with a special afternoon ceremony and reception. At the GMA ceremony, Michael received a special video congratulations from his older brother Joe (GMA alumni) who is serving in the Army.



On April 21st at Grand Rapids AG, three young men were honored with their GMA awards. A special ceremony was conducted and an afternoon luncheon was served.

We congratulate all of these young men for their effort, leadership and inspiration to other boys to achieve high goals!



Spenser Fannon
Luke Brame
Jon VanGoor



National Camporama 2012

2012 Camporama is arriving soon. It is an exciting and great Ranger adventure! If you are able to attend, find a way to make it happen!

Early Registration Deadline

To receive the lowest, chartered registration price of \$275 for Camporama, the first registration deadline is **May 15, 2012!** To receive this discounted price, the national office must receive the registration paperwork for your participants and payment by that date.

2nd Registration Deadline

If you are not able to register early for Camporama and take advantage of the earliest registration discounts, you are still eligible for a discount. Your chartered registration price is \$325 if we receive registration paperwork and payment by June 15, 2012.

3rd Registration Deadline

If you are not able to register early for Camporama and take advantage of either registration discounts, you can still register for Camporama. The chartered registration is \$375 and must receive registration paperwork and payment by June 27, 2012.

Information, Forms and Questions

Website:

<http://NationalCamporama.com>

Michigan Coordinator for National Camporama:

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The Training Academy (TA) has been established to replace the Instructor Certification Seminar (ICS). Any instructor desiring to extend their CI status or become a CI must attend a Training Academy. The following are the dates for TAs scheduled the remainder of this year:

Ohio	June 29, 30
Kentucky	August 10, 11
Illinois	Sept 7, 8
Michigan	Oct 19, 20
Indiana	Nov 2, 3

You may attend any date or location. Exact locations and details will be posted on the michrr website when they are available. The Michigan location will be at Brightmoor church in Novi. Overnight accommodations will be available at the training site. The cost of the event will be determined after registration for each event. No meals are provided.

New DR & AR Bible Merits



At the 2012 National RR Lead Conference, a change in the Discovery and Adventure RR Bible merit system was announced.

This new system of Bible merit recognition is reflected in the new DR Handbook. Bible merits used in this new system

are referred to as 'numbered' Bible merits (represented by merit patches bearing a sequential number) as opposed to those of the previous system now referred to as 'named' Bible merits (bearing the name of a specific book of the Bible).

Under the new system using 'numbered' Bible merits, boys complete 8 lessons for each numbered Bible merit (rather than 5 for a named Bible merit), but only 1 numbered Bible merit will be required for each advancement step (rather than 2 named merits).

Boys may transition to the new Bible merit system at any time with no risk of losing advancement progress and no need to re-earn any merits.

Named Bible merits will continue to be sold by GPH until current inventory is depleted. After that, they will no longer be available. Outposts may continue to award named Bible merits for as long as they continue to have those merit patches on hand.



New Safety Course - Online!

Ranger Safety has been updated and is now available online. You can find the link on the RR website link at: [//royalrangers.com/training/general/](http://royalrangers.com/training/general/) This new Ranger Safety replaces the 'Safety and the Church' course. The cost is \$15.

This course will help leaders understand key safety issues that may arise during meetings, activities, and transportation. It will cover topics like proper approach to safety, principles of safety, personal and group responsibilities, assessing risk, and the importance of screening leaders. It is a required course for the Safety Level of the Outpost Leaders Advancement Level.

Upcoming Event Reminders

May 15 First deadline / discount for National Camporama

May 18-20 FCF Spring Trace, Lost Lake Scout Camp

May 20 First deadline / discount for JTC / AJTC

June 20-23 JTC / AJTC camps at D-A Ranch

July 9-13 National Camporama, Eagle Rock, MS

July 13-14 M/MS Section Merit Camp, Canton, MI

Aug 1-4 District Pow Wow

Always visit michrr.com website for the latest information and details!

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HEY, YOU ARE RIGHT, I CAN TOTALLY SEE GOD IN NATURE IF I LOOK HARD ENOUGH