

The Long Rifle



Information about Royal Ranger Events in Michigan

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2010 MICHIGAN POW WOW



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BE STRONG & COURAGEOUS

2010 Pow Wow is now complete! We enjoyed hot, dry weather in mid-August in the Lost Valley field. Altogether we had 197 campers in attendance.

Our event speaker, Missionary David Daniel shared challenging stories about the life and adventures of Gideon. Joel Colon and staff performed a great skit about fellow soldiers enduring boot camp and the dangers of war. Many boys and men were challenged and ministered to during our special services on the hillside.

God's protection was upon us during our camping time as we had several severe threats of storms which dissolved and passed before reaching the Lost Valley. The boys and men enjoyed great games and competition – basketball tournament, Paintball competition, swimming, shotgun and archery. Many thanks to the men who assisted in putting on a great event.

New Ranger Basics and Health Classes



RR Metro West Section conducted two vital training classes in Novi on August 28th.

The new Ranger Basics class is foundational class to train leaders to mentor boys and using the curriculum in weekly meetings. The Ranger Basics class had 26 students and the First Aid/CPR class had 9 students.

There is plans in the work to offer *another* Ranger Basics course in late fall as well. Visit the Michigan RR website to learn more details.

Here is a list of the leaders that completed this recent training:

Ranger Basics

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| Ed Lee | Brightmoor #7 |
| Steve Lush | Brightmoor #7 |
| Earl Leiter | Muskegon #10 |
| Don Duvan | Auburn Hills #17 |
| Rick Ward | Auburn Hills #17 |
| Pastor Paul Kleindl | Goodrich AG #65 |
| Nathan Kleindl | Goodrich AG #65 |
| Pastor Randy Neary | Lakeside AG #190 |
| Don Thiede | Lakeside AG #190 |
| Lee Thayer | Lakeside AG #190 |
| Mike Belisle | Lakeside AG #190 |
| Tim Hiemstra | Uptown #245 |
| Doug Ebbole | Bedford #264 |
| Scott M Schmus | Bedford #264 |
| Jeremy Whitmill | Bedford #264 |
| Jim Zeh | Bedford #264 |
| Tom Cousino | Monroe #270 |
| Alana Babiera | Monroe #270 |

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| Pastor Dan Siedlecki | Mt Pleasant #278 |
| Jason Molina | Mt Pleasant #278 |
| Jason Campau | Mt Pleasant #278 |
| Larry Ruby | Gladwin #288 |
| Mike Poupore | Lifepoint Chtrn |
| Bill Schaible | Livonia |

First Aid & CPR

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| Jeff Johnson | Muskegon #10 |
| Dan Hawkins | Northville #15 |
| Michael Scarantino | Fair Haven #76 |
| Chris Mansfield | St Johns #97 |
| Christie Mansfield | St Johns #97 |
| Steve Morissette | Eastpointe #131 |
| John Desjardine Jr | Northside #198 |
| Todd Gawel | Gladwin #288 |
| John Pate | Gladwin #288 |



With the start of the fall season, many ranger outposts are returning from their summer breaks. This is also the time of the year to re-new your chartering status. The chartering enrollment is open from August 15th to October 15th on the National RR website. Visit royalrangers.ag.org/programs/chartering to complete the task.

This vital step links your outpost to the National and District organizations to receive support, training, events and new curriculum. If you have any questions about chartering – talk to Dan Martin – Michigan District Chartering Coordinator (gr8ttruck@aol.com).

Future Awards and Ceremonies



The Michigan District will soon be honoring young men for their accomplishments. We welcome all Rangers to attend and honor these young men. Details on later ceremonies will be announced in the next months.

GMA Ceremony **September 26, 6pm, OP235,** **Burton, MI**

Daniel Hamblin
Austin Holicki

GMA & Saber Ceremonies **November 13, OP21,** **Grand Rapids**

GMA / Gold Buffalo **Jan 15, 2011, OP76,** **Dearborn Hts.**



Fall Commanders Conference Update

The Fall Commanders Conference scheduled for October 23rd has been postponed. This was done because of the many fall activities – FCF Fall Trace, GMA ceremonies, sectional camps, District planning

meeting and an ICS (Instructor Certification Seminar).

The new information – 2011 District Calendar, updates to Staff List, Snowflake and other information will be emailed and posted on the website. Our next commander conference will be held on April 8-9. We look forward to seeing you there!



Leader Awards

The National Office has changed the Commander award timing to follow the RR Calendar (Sept to August). Therefore we need leaders to submit their award applications based on September 2009 to August 2010.

There are both new award application forms and new awards earned. Applications should be sent to **Scott Donald** by November 30. These awards will be presented in April at the Spring Commander's Conference.

These will ALL be first time awards (there will be no year pins). Emailing of award applications are acceptable but it will NOT be processed until the check shows up in the mail. NO applications will be processed without payment (there will be a single order placed for awards).

New Medal: \$13.75

New Ribbon: \$ 2.00

The location of these forms are found at the National RR website. Please take the opportunity to assess your progress, set goals and be honored appropriately.

Outpost Leaders Award - Outpost Commanders / Group Leaders
<http://agwebservices.org/Content/Resources/Outpost%20Leadership%20Award--edited.pdf>

Outpost Service Medals – Assistant Commanders, Outpost Committee
<http://agwebservices.org/Content/Resources/Outpost%20Service%20Award--edited.pdf>

Outpost Coordinator (Senior Commander)
<http://agwebservices.org/Content/Resources/Outpost%20Coordinators%20Award--edited.pdf>

District Leadership Award – Sectional Commanders/ District Staff
<http://agwebservices.org/Content/Resources/District%20Leadership%20Award--edited.pdf>

District Executive Staff Award
<http://agwebservices.org/Content/Resources/District%20Executive%20Leadership%20Award--edited.pdf>



The Great Lakes Region is sponsoring a World Class Outpost Training Seminar in Findlay, Ohio on September 24-25. This is a great seminar to greatly improve your outpost. It is recommended to be taken with a group of commanders from your outpost. Go to the National Royal Rangers to register at this late date. You may still be able to join!
royalranger.ag.org/training/schedule



FCF Fall Trace

The FCF Fall Trace will be held on the weekend of September 24-26 at Lost Lake Scout Camp in Clare, Michigan.

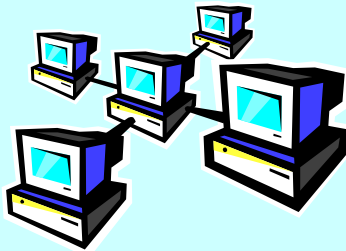
The cost is \$25 for Old Timers and \$15 for Young bucks (18yrs and younger). All past and present FCF members are invited to attend. Guests are allowed to come and there will be a special nylon tent area.

In addition to the normal black powder and knife & hawk, there will be other special activities: Boffer sword tournament, special young buck event, and a Seneca challenge.

Contact FCF President Joel Colon (joelco@umflint.edu) or FCF VP Brandon Brooks (arthur16@comcast.net) for any questions.

We are working on a new website and hope to bring it online in the next few weeks. Thanks for your patience.

Michigan District Website



Our michrr.org website is **still** down for repairs at this time however we have a temporary location to obtain information and files:

<http://voyagerterritory.com:80/mpc/docs/Site/MichRRSummer.html>

Upcoming Event Reminders

Aug 15 – Oct 15 Chartering Period

Sept 17-18 Northern Fall Out Adventure, Gaylord, MI

Sept 24-26 FCF Fall Trace, Lost Lake Camp, MI

Sept 26 GMA Ceremony, Burton, MI

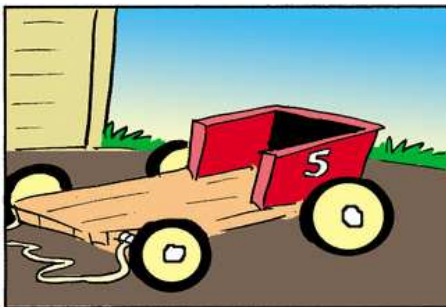
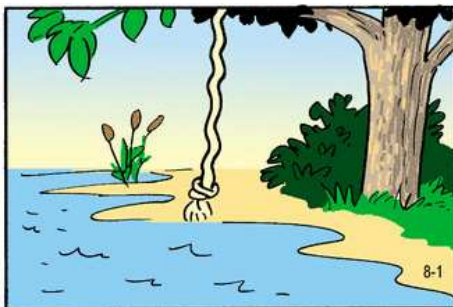
Oct 1-2 MW Fall Camporee, Kensington Park

Oct 9 Michigan District Staff Planning, Portland, MI

Oct 23 ICS, Lansing, MI

Nov 13 GMA & Saber Ceremonies, Grand Rapids, MI

Visit the website for information and details!



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