

The Powder Keg

B L U E R I D G E C H A P T E R F C F

President's Greeting

Greetings Brothers,

I can hardly believe that it was 60 degrees yesterday. There was still ice on the pond beside my house and snow on the ground in the shadows. It is time to air out your canvas and make necessary repairs. Order any new items that need to be replaced. Gather up your auction donation items and set aside your love blanket items. We will be returning again to Chick'n Will Farm. Start thinking about who you can bring along and make plans to reconnect with your brothers, young and not so young alike. Come to be encouraged and refreshed. Come to encour-

age your brothers. Just come! Its going to be a great time of fun, fellowship and growing in the Lord. We will also host a Frontier Adventure! Build interest and bring boys from your OP. You don't want to miss it!

Our speaker for Spring Trace is the former Regional Coordinator for the Northeast Region, Dwight Walters. Dwight started in Royal Rangers in 1975 and is GMA #7 in the Potomac District. He served as Senior Commander of Outpost 284 in Newark, DE for 17 years. He has also served as Area Commander, Deputy Sectional Commander, Delmarva Sectional Commander, Penn-Del Dis-

trict Charter Secretary, Northeast Regional Training Coordinator and in 2003 he was appointed Regional Coordinator/ National Royal Rangers Executive Committee. He and his wife of 35 years, Heather have four adult children (Nathan, Holly, Keri and Nicholas) as well as three grandsons and a grand daughter on the way.

I look forward to hearing what Dwight has to share with us.

See you in a few weeks.....

**Your servant and His,
North Star**



SPRING TRACE - APRIL 4-7

We will be camping at Chick 'n Will Farm (1864 Thoroughfare Rd. Brightwood, VA) for the 2024 Spring Trace. Our good friend Julius "White Feather Warrior" Williamson and his family have graciously extended their hospitality and the use of their property to the Blue Ridge Chapter FCF. Remember that we are guests on their property. We are sincerely grateful to our friends for hosting us.

"To Give and to Serve"

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- New members
- 2023 Fall Trace Results
- Frontier Adventure
- Scout Competition

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SCHEDULE OF TRACE EVENTS

(Subject to Change)

Thursday	There will be members in camp	
Friday		(Arrive as you see fit)
	8:00am	Black powder course starts
	2:00pm	Shooting range open til 5pm
	6:00pm	Frontier Adventure starts
	9:00pm	Friendship Fire
	10:15pm	Staff Meeting (All Staff & Scouts)
	11:00pm	Quiet time / Dim your Lantern
Saturday	6:00am	Rise & Shine
	7:00am	Breakfast on your own
	9:00am	Morning Assembly for Membership
	9:30am	Competitions open
	9:30am	Buckskin Challenge starts
	12 noon	Frontier Adventure ends
	12 noon	Lunch on your own
	2:30pm	Competitions end
	2:30pm	Seneca Run
	2:30pm	Buckskin Challenge ends
	4:00pm	Dinner on your own
	5:15pm	Auction
	8:30pm	Evening Assembly / Fellowship
	11:00pm	Quiet time / Dim your Lantern
Sunday	7:00am	Rise & Shine
	8:00am	Breakfast on your own
	9:00am	Morning Assembly / Devotion / Awards / Announcements
	11:00am	Break Camp – Clean up & Head home

Reminder

After unloading equipment upon arrival, "Let's get these vehicles out of the camp." Vehicles will not be allowed back into camp until after all activities on Sunday. Once your site is set up, observe frontier attire at all times. The Village will be open to visitors and guests from 10:00am on Saturday morning until 5:00pm Saturday afternoon. Only pre-authorized visitors are allowed in camp outside the normal visiting hours.

TRACE INFO

Welcome to the Blue Ridge Chapter 2024 Spring Trace. While you are not required to wear a face mask at this event, please bring one with you. You may be asked to wear it while visiting someone's camp. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me or send me an email.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



The Blue Ridge Chapter wishes to welcome the newest FCF members to its fellowship. They successfully completed their Frontier Adventure at the 2023 BRC Fall Trace. When you see these fellows walking through camp, stop them and make a new friend.

Jacob Torres
Judah Kuhns
Steve Kahn

Cameron Sternberg
Eli McGarry
Noah Kahn

Phillip Price
Will Price
Luke Kahn

The Blue Ridge Chapter encourages all of our Frontiersmen to strive for advancement to Buckskin. The BRC will host another Buckskin Challenge at the 2024 BRC Spring Trace. See Quay "Barefoot" Younger for additional info. It's not too late to apply!



The Blue Ridge Chapter wishes to congratulate Zach "Safe Waters" Marraccini for completing his Wilderness Vigil at the 2023 Colonials Territorial Rendezvous. The BRC will host another Wilderness Vigil at the 2024 BRC Fall Trace. See Rick "Gray Beaver" Findley (rick_findley@hotmail.com) for additional information.

BLACK POWDER SAFETY COURSE

The NRA Black Powder Safety course will start on Friday morning at 8AM. The cost is \$10 and includes all the supplies and materials for completing the course. The instruction will last all day and will include firing a black powder rifle. You do not have to have your own black-powder rifle to take the course.

Please email Water Walker (y2cajon316@verizon.net) or the Artisan (garthcfe@gmail.com) as soon as possible to pre-register.



2023 FALL TRACE RESULTS**BLACK POWDER****Old Timers**

1st Mike "Horse Soldier" Cocolin
 2nd Mark "Iron Man" Beeman
 3rd Quay "Barefoot" Younker

Young Bucks

1st James Allen Morgan
 2nd None
 3rd None

HAWK**Old Timers**

1st Matt "Peace Maker" Beeman
 2nd Victor "2 Blades" Torres
 3rd Wiley Wilhelm

Young Bucks

1st Kole Johnson
 2nd Caleb Sizemore
 3rd Ben Fels

KNIFE**Old Timers**

1st Craig "Compass" Powis
 2nd Chisholm "Long Weaver" Wilhelm
 3rd Jerry Sinden

Young Bucks

1st Will Price
 2nd Cylus Williamson
 3rd Evan McSorley

TRAP SETTING**Old Timers**

1st Wiley Wilhelm
 2nd Quay "Barefoot" Younker
 3rd Jon Chestnut

Young Bucks

1st Ben Fels
 2nd Cylus Williamson
 3rd Kole Johnson

FLINT & STEEL**Old Timers**

1st Quay "Barefoot" Younker
 2nd Wiley Wilhelm
 3rd Matt "Peace Maker" Beeman

Young Bucks

1st Cylus Williamson
 2nd Tyler Sinclair
 3rd Kole Johnson

HORN BLOWING**Old Timers**

1st Jerry Sinden
 2nd Claibron Wilhelm
 3rd Quay "Barefoot" Younker

Young Bucks

1st Cylus Williamson
 2nd Kole Johnson
 3rd Evan McSorley

SENECA RUN**Gray Beards**

1st Quay "Barefoot" Younker
 2nd Martin "The Artisan" Garthaffner
 3rd -None-

Old Timers

1st Victor "2 Blades" Torres
 2nd Jeremy "Eagle Heart" McKenzie
 3rd Andrew Daisey

Young Bucks

1st Cylus Williamson
 2nd Kole Johnson
 3rd James Allen Morgan

FRONTIERSMEN CAMPING FELLOWSHIP TRAPPERS BRIGADE

TRAPPERS BRIGADE

The Trappers Brigade is a service aspect of FCF that promotes the active and ongoing involvement of FCF members in service to their outpost, church, community and world. There are 3 sequential levels of recognition, Company Trapper, Bourgeois and Free Trapper. To attain each level, members must accumulate the required number of hours in each of the four categories – Outpost, Church, Community and Missions. Hours are cumulative and can be carried from year to year. It is essential that you track and submit your service hours because they are calculated in the formula to determine whether the BRC is a one, two, three, four or five star chapter.

COMPANY TRAPPER

To attain Company Trapper status, a member must accumulate a minimum of 5 hours in **each** of the 4 areas (Outpost, Church, Community, Missions) plus 20 additional hours in any combination of the 4 areas for a total of 40 hours of service.



BOURGEOIS TRAPPER

To attain Bourgeois Trapper status, a member must accumulate a minimum of 5 additional hours in **each** of the 4 areas (Outpost, Church, Community, Missions) plus 20 additional hours in any combination of the 4 areas for a total of 80 hours (Company Trapper plus 40 more) of service.



FREE TRAPPER

To attain Free Trapper status, a member must accumulate a minimum of 5 additional hours in **each** of the 4 areas (Outpost, Church, Community, Missions) plus 20 additional hours in any combination of the 4 areas for a total of 120 hours (Company Trapper plus Bourgeois Trapper plus 40 more) of service.



Each additional 40 hours above Free Trapper earns a numeral that is placed on the Free Trapper pin. The numeral represents the number of times Free Trapper status has been attained. Qualifying service hours equal time volunteered—excluding travel time. All service hours are cumulative. For example, let's say you are brand new to FCF in 2017 and you have volunteered 40 service hours total. And let's say that 20 of your service hours are in your Outpost and 15 hours are in your Church, but only 3 hours are in Community and 2 hours are in Missions. The Company Trapper status will not be awarded because an additional 2 hours are needed for Community and 3 hours for Missions. In 2018, you volunteered another 25 service hours. Let's say 5 of your service hours are in your Outpost and 10 hours are in Community and 10 hours are in Missions. The total of your service hours for 2017 and 2018 is now 65. You now have 25 service hours in your Outpost, 15 hours in your Church, 13 hours in Community and 12 hours in Missions. You now exceed the minimum requirements for Company Trapper and are well on your way to earning Bourgeois status!

QUALIFYING ACTIVITIES

Qualifying service hours are those where a member volunteers his time (excluding travel time) with no consideration for wages, in the categories of Outpost, Church, Community, or Missions. Service hours must be reported to your Chapter each year to qualify. Young Bucks must complete the service under the supervision of an adult leader. The Outpost Coordinator approves Outpost service hours and the Pastor approves Church, Community and Missions service hours. The final word is that if the Pastor approves the hours, they count. See the Trappers Brigade Rep or the Chapter President for more info.

- ◆ **Outpost:** Service hours **beyond** weekly meetings, **regular** outings, and training. The outpost coordinator preapproves the efforts of the member to insure the service helps the outpost accomplish its “Evangelize – Equip – Empower” mission.
- ◆ **Church:** Service hours beyond the outpost. The pastor responsible for overseeing Royal Rangers in the local church preapproves the efforts of the member to insure the service helps the church accomplish the pastoral vision. Serving on a church board or in an area of ministry besides the Royal Rangers are but a few ways to satisfy this requirement.
- ◆ **Community:** Services hours beyond the outpost and the church. These efforts will represent the church in the community. The service rendered must be coordinated with the pastoral leadership in advance to best represent the church in the community. Coaching or serving in community organizations such as sports teams, school volunteering or other public service (rescue squad/fire dept) are a few ways to meet this requirement.
- ◆ **Missions:** Service hours that benefit Royal Rangers’ priority missions initiatives. Royal Rangers International, Pathfinder Missions, BGMC Master’s Toolbox, and Speed The Light are a few, but any missions related service qualifies as long as your Pastor approves it. Other missions work such as Xtreme Church makeover, Youth missions, and serving at an LFTL banquet will also satisfy this requirement.



ARROWHEAD AWARDS

There are Arrowhead awards for those interested in earning additional merits beyond the traditional "Trail of the Grizzly." The four medallions are Pilgrim, Pioneer, Trailblazer and Patriot. Once earned, the award medallions can be worn with your FCF outfit or affixed to your ID staff (Buckskin & Wilderness). For more info checkout the latest edition of the FCF Handbook.



FRONTIERSMEN MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS



The requirements for joining and advancing within the Frontiersmen Camping Fellowship:

- Be at least 11 years old **and** a graduate of the 5th grade (**boys only**)
- Complete a Frontier Adventure
- Be an active member of a chartered Royal Ranger outpost
- Be recommended for membership by the Senior Commander and Pastor
- Complete Camping merit & either First Aid Skills (DR Merit) or First Aid/CPR (AR Merit) (**boys only**)
- Be in good standing in the church, regularly practicing a Christian lifestyle (**leaders only**)
- Earn the Ready and Safety levels of the Outpost Leader Advancement Levels training (**leaders only**)

BUCKSKIN ADVANCEMENT REQUIREMENTS

The Buckskin Challenge will occur at the Spring Trace. Those applying for Buckskin advancement **must** contact Quay "Barefoot" Younker for instruction. There are requirements and a workbook that must be completed in addition to the application. You must also have a Buckskin sponsor. Contact Quay "Barefoot" Younker (quay12@frontier.com) for all the details.



- Be an active FCF member in good standing in the chapter for at least 1 year
- Complete the Buckskin Challenge
- Be an active member of a chartered Royal Ranger outpost
- Be recommended for Buckskin status by the Senior Commander and Pastor
- Assist in conducting a Frontier Adventure
- Achieve Company Trapper status in the Trappers Brigade
- Earn the Adventure Bronze or E1, complete the Knife & Hawk merit and at least (1) of these merits (Animal Husbandry, Carpentry, Metalwork, Blacksmith, Leather Craft, Hide Tanning, Pottery, Woodwork, Basketry, Masonry, Dutch Oven Cooking, any Arrowhead merit) (**boys only**)
- Assist at least one boy in completing the membership requirements for FCF (**leaders only**)
- Be in good standing in the church, regularly practicing a Christian lifestyle (**leaders only**)
- Earn the Trained level of the Outpost Leader Advancement Levels training (**leaders only**)

WILDERNESS ADVANCEMENT REQUIREMENTS

The next opportunity to participate in a Wilderness Vigil is at the 2024 BRC Fall Trace (Sep 27-28). You have plenty of time to apply and prepare. There is a required workbook (download from National FCF website) that must be completed in addition to the application. You must also have a Wilderness sponsor. Contact Rick “Gray Beaver” Findley (rick_findley@hotmail.com) for additional details.



- Be an active FCF member in good standing in the chapter for at least 2 years
- Complete a Wilderness Vigil
- Be an active member of a chartered Royal Ranger outpost
- Be recommended for Wilderness status by the Senior Commander and Pastor
- Assist in conducting an additional Frontier Adventure
- Achieve Bourgeois Trapper status in the Trappers Brigade
- Assist a boy in completing the membership requirements for FCF (**boys only**)
- Earn the Adventure Silver or E2, complete the Wilderness Survival and either the Black Powder Safety or Archery merit (**boys only**)
- Assist an additional boy in completing the membership requirements for FCF (**leaders only**)
- Be in good standing in the church, regularly practicing a Christian lifestyle (**leaders only**)
- Earn the Advanced level of the Outpost Leader Advancement Levels training (**leaders only**)

TRAPPERS BRIGADE



Reporting Trappers Brigade service hours is vital to the chapter maintaining Five Star Chapter status. These hours are also important to your advancement to Buckskin and Wilderness. Please send your Trappers Brigade points to trappersbrigade@gmail.com at least 2 weeks prior to the Fall Trace. Contact Tim “Black Bull” Coburn for more info.

BLUE RIDGE – A FIVE STAR CHAPTER

Through the leadership of the BRC and **most importantly, the active membership**, we again achieved the honor of being a Five Star Chapter for 2023. It’s an extraordinary achievement!

We earned this honor through the membership growth, participation at territorial and national events, advancements, number of Trappers Brigade hours, Black Powder courses taught, sponsored “Missions” projects like Pathfinders and missions giving (auction money).

Our greatest strengths are membership volunteering and earning/reporting service hours in Trappers Brigade and giving. Thank you so much for volunteering your time and for giving!

Remember to turn in your Trappers Brigade points to Tim Coburn 2 weeks before the Fall Trace so we can maintain the 5 Star rating.



2024 FRONTIER ADVENTURE

*April 5, BRC Spring Trace
Brightwood, Virginia*

In addition to the Buckskin Challenge, we will host a Frontier Adventure. This is not a normal occurrence, but offered to accommodate those whose schedules do not allow them to attend the Adventure at District Pow Wow. The Adventure will begin on Friday at 6PM and will conclude Saturday at noon. All persons who have qualified candidates, have questions about the Adventure or are willing to assist in the Adventure should contact Rick "Gray Beaver" Findley (rick_findley@hotmail.com) ASAP.

Resources:

[Frontiersmen Workbook](#)

2024 WILDERNESS VIGIL

*Sept 27, BRC Fall Trace
Brightwood, Virginia*

The BRC will host a Wilderness Vigil at the Fall Trace starting Friday morning and ending Saturday morning. Are you prepared to conquer the challenge of the Wilderness Vigil? There is plenty of time to prepare and ensure that you have met all the requirements. Wilderness requirements can be found on page 8 or the National FCF website. All interested Wilderness Vigil candidates should contact Rick "Gray Beaver" Findley (rick_findley@hotmail.com) ASAP.

Resources:

[Wilderness Workbook](#)

[Wilderness Application](#)

2024 NATIONAL RENDEZVOUS

*July 7-12
Eagle Rock, Mo*

Do you have men or boys that want to join FCF? Do you have OTs or YBs ready for the Buckskin challenge? Do you have Buckskins prepared to conquer the challenge of the Wilderness Vigil? The National FCF Rendezvous will host all three experiences (Frontier Adventure, Buckskin Challenge & Wilderness Vigil) at the Rendezvous this summer. There is still time to prepare and ensure that you have met all the requirements for the individual experiences.

Resources:

[National Rendezvous](#)





Frontiersmen Camping Fellowship

FCF Membership Application



Name _____ Birthdate _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Email _____

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

Church _____ Church Phone _____

Church Address _____ Outpost # _____

Activities in church other than Royal Rangers _____

Present Royal Rangers Position

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Group Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Asst. Group Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Outpost Coordinator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asst. Outpost Coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/> Outpost Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Outpost Chaplain |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adventure Ranger | <input type="checkbox"/> Expedition Ranger | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastor |

Membership Requirements

Boys Only

- Earn the following required skill merits: List date of completion for each
 - Camping: _____ First Aid Skills or First Aid/CPR: _____
- Graduate of the fifth grade? Y N Date of your 11th birthday: _____
- Are you an active member of your local chartered outpost? Y N

Leaders Only

- Complete the Ready and Safety Levels of the OLAL- Provide a copy of your Ready and Safety certificates with this application.
- Are you an active member of your local Chartered Outpost? Y N
- Are you presently a member in good standing in your church? Y N

Boys and Leaders

- Complete a Frontier Adventure.

Upon receipt of this application and fee, your chapter scribe will contact you concerning the date and location of the next Frontier Adventure.

PASTOR'S ENDORSEMENT/COMMENTS

Does the candidate live his life in a Christ-like manner? Please explain:

Pastor's Signature _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

OUTPOST COORDINATOR'S ENDORSEMENT/COMMENTS

Outpost Coordinator's Signature _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Sponsor's Signature _____ Date: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

"Realizing that the goal of the Royal Rangers ministry is to evangelize, equip, and empower the next generation of Christ-like men and lifelong servant leaders, and that the Frontiersmen Camping Fellowship upholds this area in its fullness, and agreeing to live by the ideals set forth in the above requirement, I hereby submit my application for membership."

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application Fees: (determined by chapter) **\$40 boys/\$50 men - Payable to Potomac Royal Rangers**

Mail application and fee to: **Mark Brannon 2815 Angus Chase Lane Huntingtown, MD 20639**

Chapter Use Only

Date received:	Amount paid:	Date information letter mailed:
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2024 SCOUT COMPETITION

I want to thank Kole Johnson and Evan McSorley for serving the BRC with excellence and dedication. I appreciate the service that both have provided at events this past year. They worked extremely hard. Unfortunately their term ends after one year. They can compete for re-appointment as long as they still meet the requirements. The Scout and Assistant Scout work closely with the FCF President and the BRC Staff. They should plan to attend all Traces, Rendezvous and District Pow Wow. Their responsibilities are to help setup the site, build and start the council fires, assist with the Frontier Adventure, assist with the missions auction, participate in all assemblies and act as a liaison between boys and staff. The Assistant Scout must be able to assist and fill in for the Scout at events when necessary.

All chartered Young Bucks (less than 18 years old) are eligible to compete for the position of Chapter Scout and Assistant Scout.

In order to qualify, each potential Scout must:

1. Complete the Scout Application
2. Register with Mark "North Star" Brannon immediately following Saturday's morning assembly.
3. Actively participate in the Trace competitions, stand for outfit inspection (look your very best) and complete a personal interview.
4. Return their scorecards to Mark "North Star" Brannon immediately upon completion of all events.

The next Chapter Scout and Assistant Scout will be announced at Sunday's morning assembly.

Attention Music Enabled People!!

HELP WANTED! We have need for several musicians to assist in worship. Screech Owl and the Screechers are in need of guitar players, but will also entertain other musical instruments that might complement the group. Singing voice is not required, but would be beneficial. We could also use additional vocalists. If you play an instrument, but don't sing or sing, but don't play, all are welcome to come see if you fit in. Duties include assisting with worship at traces and the Frontier Adventure. Please contact Isaac Brannon (itbrannon713@gmail.com) for more info.



**FRONTIERSMEN CAMPING FELLOWSHIP
OFFICER PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES**



SECTION 8.0 FORMS	SUBJECT 8.8 SCOUT APPLICATION
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FCF SCOUT APPLICATION

This application is to be used to submit your name to be considered for Sectional Scout / Assistant, Chapter Scout / Assistant, and Territorial Scout / National Scout.

Date _____ FCF Name _____
 Name _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email Address _____
 Church _____ Section _____ Outpost# _____
 Level: Sectional Chapter Territorial/National

1. Year entered Royal Rangers _____ Year entered FCF _____
 Adventure Ranger Expedition Ranger Present Advancement Rating _____
 Frontiersmen Buckskin Wilderness
 Total Bible Merits Earned _____ Total Skill Merits Earned _____
Trappers Brigade: Company Trapper Bourgeois Free Trapper # _____ Pathfinder

2. Check all advancements that you have earned.
 Gold Falcon Gold Hawk Gold Eagle
 Bronze Medal of Achievement Silver Medal of Achievement Gold Medal of Achievement
 ER Achievement Medal ER Activities Medal ER Service Medal ER Leadership Medal

3. What leadership positions have you held in your outpost?
 Asst Patrol Leader Patrol Leader Asst. Sr. Patrol Leader Sr. Patrol Leader Jr. Commander
 Outpost Scout Communications Spec. Historian Chaplains Aide Gear Manager
 What position do you presently hold in the outpost? _____

4. Camps (Check all that you have attended in the last 12 months)
 National Camporama National Rendezvous Territorial Rendezvous
 Camporee / Powwow Chapter Trace Frontier Adventure
 Winter Trace Primitive Trek FCF Business Meeting
 Check all training camps you have attended
 DTC ATC JTC AJTC JCE JTT JSC
 JMC JAC JWC Elite JLC Junior Academy

5. How many outpost campouts did you attend during the last 12 months? _____
 6. Did you bring any friends to Royal Rangers in the past 12 months? No Yes If Yes, # _____
 7. List any sports, clubs, or special activities you participate in at school or other venues.

8. Please list any hobbies or musical activities you are involved in.



**FRONTIERSMEN CAMPING FELLOWSHIP
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SECTION	SUBJECT
8.0 FORMS	8.8 SCOUT APPLICATION

Personal Commitment

I realize the importance of displaying integrity, respect, and courtesy at my outpost and at sectional, district, regional, and national events that I may attend as a scout.

Candidate's Signature *Date*

Signature of Parent/Guardian *Date*

Endorsements

After completing the application, you must get your outpost coordinator's and pastor's approval. You will also need to distribute the Personal Reference forms.

Outpost Coordinator's Signature *Date*

If 18, please verify the below statement before signing. If a minor, there is no need for the youth worker's screening form. However, the application still requires the pastor's signature.

I am personally acquainted with the applicant, and in my opinion he is a competent and qualified youth worker. I know of no facts or allegations that raise any questions concerning his suitability for working with minors in any Royal Rangers activity. The church has on file the applicant's youth worker's screening form.

Pastor's Signature *Date*
(Lead, Associate, Children's, Youth, or Board Member)

Endorsement for Territorial/National elections ONLY

I verify that the above named scout is active in our chapter and is current in his FCF dues.

Chapter FCF President Signature *Date*

This application will be retained indefinitely in the national Royal Rangers office in electronic format.

PRE-REGISTRATION

Please pre-register. It is less expensive, more convenient, and you may even win free admission to the next Trace! You can pre-register online or by mail. You can even pay your annual dues.

To complete the online pre-registration process:

- ◆ Use this link <https://potomacag.shelbnextchms.com/external/form/a82f4717-e4aa-4ef3-b21b-9f7b222ec1a3>
- ◆ If you need to do so, pay dues by selecting “no” to the “Up to date membership dues?” question. **** Call or email me to find out your current status**
- ◆ Pay with your credit card

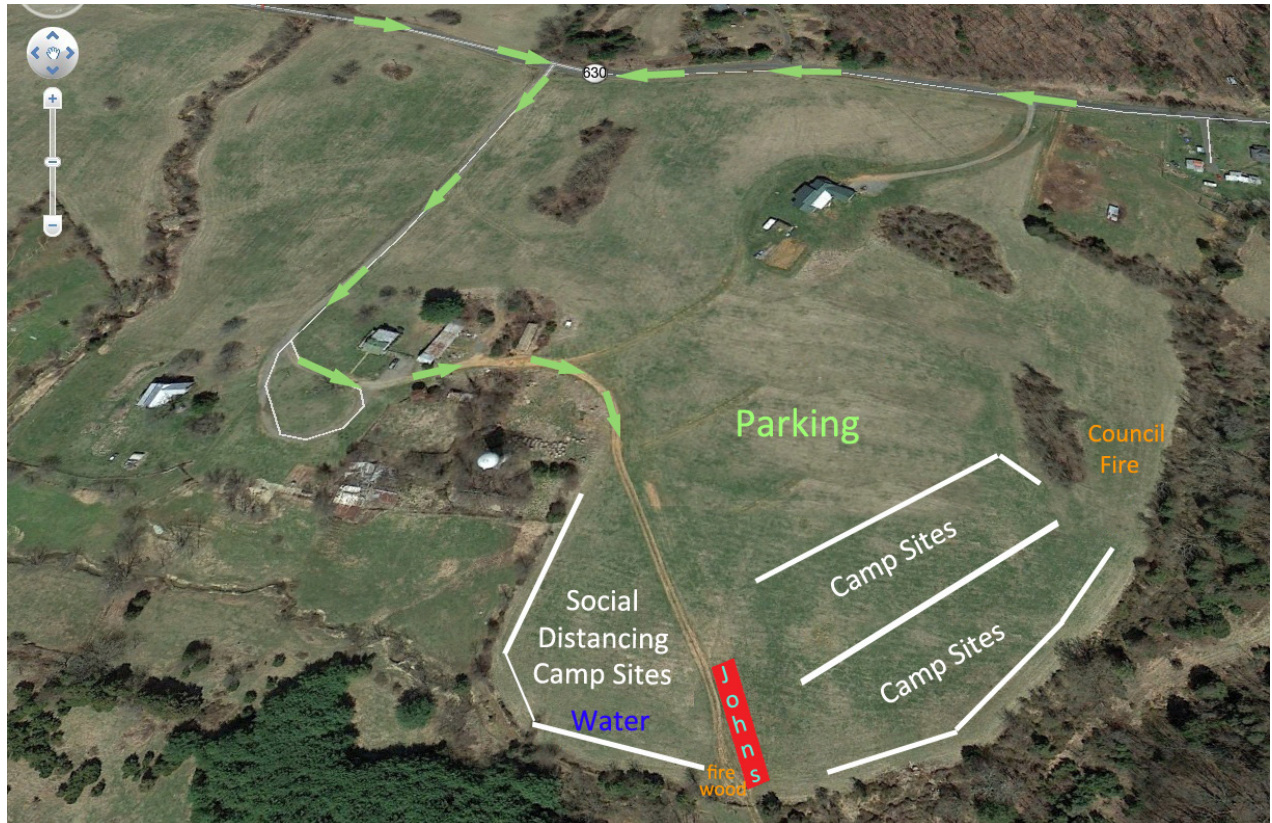
To complete the mail-in pre-registration process:

- ◆ Complete the registration form from this packet
- ◆ If you need to do so, complete the FCF Annual Membership Dues form
- ◆ Make check payable to Potomac District Royal Rangers
- ◆ Mail the completed forms and the check to Mark Brannon (2815 Angus Chase Lane, Huntingtown, MD 20639).

You must pre-register to qualify for the Sunday drawing of free admission to the next trace.

Winners of the free admission to 2024 Spring Trace are Claibron Wilhelm & Ben Fels.

Pre-registration will close at midnight on March 25th. Mail-in pre-registrations must be postmarked by March 25th as well. Once pre-registration closes, you will have to register at Trace, but there will be an upcharge of \$5 per YB or OT.



DIRECTIONS TO CHICK 'N WILL



From I-95 & VA Rt 3 in Fredericksburg, VA
 Take Rt 3 West for approx 31 miles. Turn left on Rt 29 South. Go approx 11.4 miles and turn left on Rt 630 Thoroughfare Rd for .45 miles. Turn slight right at STOP sign to stay on Rt 630 for 1.25 miles. Then turn left at STOP sign to continue on Rt 630 approx .2 miles to see the Trace site (Chick 'n Will Farm) on the right. Follow dirt driveway past farm house and corn cribs through opening into the lower field.

BRING ITEMS FOR THE MISSIONS AUCTION

It's always a great time to clean out your plunder box and donate those items that you no longer use or need to the Auction. Thank you so much for supporting Pathfinders. It's only because of your generosity that the BRC leads the nation in giving to missions.

LOVE BLANKET

Remember: The "Love Blanket" will be the time and place to show appreciation to a brother by bestowing a gift of substance and/or word. A blanket will be put out, gifts may be laid on it, and at the appropriate time the "giver" will come to the blanket, take the gift he's laid on it, call up the recipient, and make the presentation, sharing with everyone the "love" that prompted the gift. Gifts may be made anonymously by clearly labeling the recipient's name. The heart of "Fellowship" is the love we share with one another.

POTOMAC DISTRICT ROYAL RANGERS

VISITOR AFFIDAVIT

Visitors need to complete and sign this form.

Visitor's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Church Name: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Outpost: _____ Section: _____

Fee Paid: _____

Have you ever been arrested, criminally charged with, investigated for or sued for: rape, sodomy, sexual abuse, sexual battery, contributing to the sexual delinquency of a minor, sexual misconduct, public indecency or other such criminal offenses?

YES or NO

If yes, a written explanation must be attached.

VISITOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

WITNESS SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Each visitor must complete a separate form and sign in the presence of a witness. Thank you for your understanding in this matter. We are trying to protect our children at all costs during this event.

FRONTIERSMEN CAMPING FELLOWSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Church: _____ Area: _____ Outpost: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Pastor: _____ Phone: _____

Sr. Commander: _____ Phone: _____

Up-to-date charter: YES () NO () Charter fees due (If no) \$ _____

MAIL TO: 2815 ANGUS CHASE LN HUNTINGTOWN, MD 20639

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Total Young Bucks: _____ X \$20 _____ = \$ _____

Total Old Timers: _____ X \$25 _____ = \$ _____

Total RRA Members: _____ X \$20 _____ = \$ _____

Total Extra Patches: _____ X \$3 _____ = \$ _____

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Grand Total = \$ _____

OLD TIMER ROSTER

This form must be completed and signed by the pastor and submitted during registration. This will apply to all those who are 18 years of age and older. Visitors must complete the visitor affidavit. No admission to the event will be allowed without this signed and completed form. There will be no exceptions!

Name (Please Print)

Position in Outpost

I am personally acquainted with the leaders listed above, and in my opinion, they are all competent and qualified youth workers. I know of no facts or allegations that raise any questions concerning their suitability for working with minors in any Royal Ranger activity. The church has on file the above listed leader's youth workers screening form.

Pastor's signature and date
(required for admission)

BLUE RIDGE CHAPTER FCF



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

2023-2024

DATE: _____

OUTPOST NUMBER: _____ AREA: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

(Please Check One:)

_____ Young Bucks (11-17) **\$15.00**

_____ Old-Timers (18+) & RRA **\$25 (late)**

(Dues were due July 15th, a \$5.00 late charge has been added to Men only)

Enclosed total amount \$ _____

Please make checks payable to **Royal Rangers** & mail to:

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Please fill in dates:

Date Joined _____ Buckskin Date _____

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