



## APRIL EDITION

### MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT COMMANDER:

Stop and read these verses aloud:

**Overwhelming victory is ours through Christ**, who loves us. (**Romans 8:38-39**) Read this aloud.

*For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angles, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.* I think that about covers it all, friend!

What powerful words! These verses make me excited about The Royal Ranger's commitment to motivate, equip, and empower boys and men to share of their faith in Christ Jesus.

When someone receives the gift of salvation, they receive an over overwhelming victory (over sin's penalty). That victory brings the assurance that nothing can separate them from the love of Christ--not even their fears for today or worries about tomorrow. **Can you think of a gift our world needs more?**

**Royal Rangers relies on your prayer support!** As we seek to encourage and provide resources to over 250,000 members around the world. I urge you to partner with us in prayer each and every day. Please keep praying!!

**Just a few minutes spent in prayer each day makes a world of difference.** "With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible" (**Matthew 19:26**). Thank you so much for praying!

*2013 Royal Ranger Leaders Character Trait, {UNCOMPROMISED MEN}*

*In this world's culture whenever we confront an unbridled desire we are surely in the presence of a tragedy-in-the-making.*

**Definition for unbridled:** Not controlled or restrained. The Lack of self-control.

**Example sentences for unbridled:**

Poverty must be addressed, but unbridled development will only bring short-term relief.

The unbridled greed of the few has resulted in great damage to global economies and society.

Free, unbridled capitalism is once again acting to badly disrupt orderly economic activity.

Clearly unbridled access to capital results in both illusory ideas, and crises-which solves nothing in regards to income inequalities. Unbridled capitalism does not work unless a government is willing to step in to put a

cap on capitalism. Two examples are monopolies such as, energy industries, and soon as the war on the independent farmers is won; “food.”

**Think about it:** *an unarmed populace is practically an invitation for unbridled armed violence. [Matthew 11:12](#)*

Related words to unbridled:

chaotic, riotous, unconstrained, uncontrolled, undisciplined, ungovernable, unmanageable, violent, wild.

## DEVOTION THE UNBRIDEL SPIRIT:

([1 Corinthians 6:12](#)) All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.

### THOUGHT TO PONDER:

The unbridled spirit with creativity needs to be uncompromisingly tempered with constraint.

When our youngest daughter, Jessica wanted to get a horse, we got a three year old appaloosa. Good horse but knew nothing! As I watched Jessica in the ring as she was trying to slip around behind unaware to the horse and would use a whip lightly to buff the horse, then immediately she would take the whip and rub it over the horse as she spoke softly and loved on her. I ask, “What are doing?” She replied, “The first thing you need to teach a horse is to pay attention, and second the whip is not a weapon to punish, but a tool of instruction.” ([Matthew 13:21](#)) I thought what a revelation of trials and tribulations, that is what God wants for us, “to have root in yourself that goes down deep by the river of life in Him ([Psalms 1:3](#)). After several months Jessie had Nina, (that’s the mare’s name) broke to saddle and doing all sorts of stuff. Several weeks had passed when one day I was out by the barn and Jess called to me to come over and watch something as she worked Nina. “Now get this;” Jessie had no rope or bridle on this horse. She had Nina as taught, to always keeping eyes on her for instructions, “what a metaphor.” Jessica was on one side of the ring and Nina on the other as she directed the horse to move clock wise around the ring. With different signals she had Nina doing different gates, and then stopped her and had he go in the other direction. Jessie then stopped Nina and with her hands rotating one over the other like maybe pulling on a rope to pull the horse forward, but with no lead rope; Nina walked up to her just as if there was a lead. This friend, to me was another revelation to a new perspective for the unbridled spirit.

When my family migrated from Appalachians in Eastern Kentucky, my dad was a young man. Be that as it may, folks had a lot of old sayings they would quote now and again. Believe me friend, when I say; “I have derived most were biblical.” One such saying was, “Don’t Peter out on me now.” City folk might say, “don’t become distracted.” God wants to teach us to keep our eyes upon Jesus. When Jesus was walking across the water He said to Peter, “come”, Peter begins to walked on water, Peter got distracted, and Peter begin to compromise seeing the storm. That’s when Peter begins to sink! ([Matthew 14:29,30](#)).

### QUESTIONS TO ANSWER:

What boisterous thing has distracted you from your task with the lord? Are you sinking? O thou of little faith, just cry out to Jesus save me, He immediately will stretch forth his hand; now take it. Will you take it? No doubt, if you take His hand those boisterous things will cease. Will you worship Him? Now keep your eyes on Him and Preach it and keep it, ([1 Corinthians 9:14](#)).

**Just a thought:** When Jesus said to Peter, “O thou of little faith wherefore didst thou doubt?” The modern terminology would be; what is the underlying reason for your compromising Peter?

I was just wondering what Jesus said to the rest of the men in the boat. Now this is Gilbert's gospel! I bet it went something like this. O thou of no faith, be thou more like Peter. You got to have something before you can compromise it! Thanks be to God for His grace if I do or don't.

**(1Corinthians 9:10)**

## BE AN UNCOMPROMISED MAN OF GOD!

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### **MASTER'S TOOLBOX**

Congratulations, Royal Rangers, for your top giving to Master's Toolbox since the inception of this missions' partnership with BGMC! In 2012, the combined Master's Toolbox giving was \$57,071.02.

### **WE NEED YOUR HELP TO FUND A Royal Ranger Campground in Kisumu, Kenya.**

#### **\$30 IN 30 DAYS**

Here's an idea you can use. Your outposts would select a specific month to take on the "\$30 in 30 Days Challenge." This is a doable project for every Royal Ranger and leader! The objective is simple. Within one month, or any 30-day period, do something to earn \$1 a day for Master's Toolbox. Boys can take on any chore at home and earn a dollar a day. Think of it! If just 100 Royal Rangers and leaders in our district will take on the "\$30 in 30 Days Challenge," then \$3,000 can be generated in just one month for Master's Toolbox! If you were to get 300 boys and leaders to take on the challenge, that would result in \$9,000 in one month! The bottom line is that our district could make a major impact on Kenya's homeless children by helping to fund a Royal Rangers campground in Kisumu, Kenya

#### **MATCHING FUNDS FOR MASTER'S TOOLBOX**

Here's another idea you can pass along to your outpost. Find church members and even businessmen who will match the funds the Rangers raise for Master's Toolbox. People like to help young people who are compassionate for a good cause. What better cause than helping orphaned boys in Kisumu, Kenya? The concept of matching funds conveys that Royal Ranger boys are willing to work hard themselves to earn money. The matched dollars can go far in generating dollars for Master's Toolbox and greatly boost your district's missions giving.

Click here to download the Master's Toolbox giving form: <http://bgmc.ag.org/toolbox/>. This will ensure the funds are earmarked for Master's Toolbox. Explain to your leaders that they should write "Kenya Royal Rangers Campground" on the form.

#### **Missions Pathfinders Recognition Award for young bucks and old alike, including non Rangers:**

This award can be earned by boys and men fourteen years old and up by doing service projects here in Kentucky; working at Rotary Scout Reservation in Glasgow, or Camp Crestwood. Our objective is to help FCF members and others earn the Bronze Pathfinders Award while helping your district with those much needed work projects. Only forty hours of work to qualify for the

Bronze Pathfinders Award. Earned hours do not need to be consecutive, or in the same location. We have two weekends schedule for work projects in Glasgow. Camp Crestwood has many weekends and week days. Both camps will supply overnight stay if needed. We really need help with those projects so get your crew and sign up. Contact Gilbert Kerby 1-855-832-2888 or 502-222-8888. E-mail [xpert\\_exteriors@yahoo.com](mailto:xpert_exteriors@yahoo.com). For Camp Crestwood projects, contact Frank Villo 502-299-2475 or 502-241-7111. E-mail [frankvil@hotmail.com](mailto:frankvil@hotmail.com) .

**NOTE:** Boys 14 & 15 years-of-age may participate in a Pathfinder Missions trip when accompanied by their legal guardian and all necessary forms have been [completed](#) and mandated insurance secured; Boys 16 & 17 years-of-age may participate without being accompanied by their legal guardian when all necessary forms have been completed and mandated insurance secured. A Royal Ranger Leader will need to accompany these boys during projects.

## **CALANDER:**

### **April**

- April 5 - 6 **JBQ State Tournament** @ Summerset
- April 12-14, **FCF Big Adventure** (Rotary Scout Reservation)
- April 15-17 **District Council** at Good Sheppard in Owensboro
- April 26-27, **Canoe Expedition Action Camp** (Limited Number sign up [go to www.kyroyalrangers.com](#) (limited number [register](#) early)

### **May**

- May 3-4 **Regional Seminar**
- May 10 – 11 **KSOM** plus children
- May 17-18 **Honorbound Men's Conference**
- May 24-25, **Work Day** (Rotary Scout Reservation)
- May 31 **Work Day** (Rotary Scout Reservation)

### **June**

- June 1 **Work Day** (Rotary Scout Reservation)
- June 7 – 8 **KSOM** (License Class Only)
- June 28-30, **Kentucky District Pow Wow** Theme The Adventure