

January 2012

A Montgomery Sectional Commanders Conference was held on January 7, 2012 at the Courts of Praise Church at 9:10 AM. Opening comments by Commander Rick Higgins welcoming all to the conference and opening prayer and devotion from 2 Chronicles 5:17 by Commander Ricky Whittington.

Churches represented at the Conference: Courts of Praise Church - Elmore, Hunting Ridge COG – River of Life Church, Prattville - Evangel Temple A/G – 1st A/G – Montgomery - New Life A/G, Maplesville – Prattville Community Church, Prattville and Bethel Worship Center, Wetumpka. Churches not represented were: Westwood COG– Selma, 1st A/G – Clanton, Safe Harbor Outreach Center – Prattville, – 1st A/G, Millbrook, and The Mercy Seat COG, Prattville.

Staff present: Commander Ricky Whittington and Commander Rick Higgins. Commanders Carl Martin, Jeff Barlow and Joe Andrews were absent.

Commander Rick gave the financial report for the past quarter (copy attached). Commander Bill LeMaster motioned to accept report as read. Commander Ron Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Commander Rick mentioned to those present of upcoming Sectional events for this year. The Ranger Kids Field Day location and date was discussed as to have it in April or September. Prattville Community Church representatives were asked to check their church calendar as to the best date to have it and to advise the staff when month and date was best for them to have it. A quarterly repelling date was discussed and was decided by all present to have it on March 17th and quarterly thereafter (original date was March 24th but was changed later). The next quarterly commander's conference on April 7th at Mercy Seat COG. National Camporama in Missouri on July 9 – 13th; District Pow Wow on June 14 – 16th; and Sectional Pow Wow in October (no location or date set for now). The District FCF Trace at Camp Lone Eagle on February 2 – 4th. The re-certification of training instructors and new applicants will be held at Hunting Ridge COG on April 27th and 28th.

Commander Ricky brought before those present information regarding the Pinewood Derby on February 18th. Registration will be from 7 to 9 PM on February 16th and judging will be from 7 to 9 PM on February 17th. Section needs judges from different churches in the section. Let either him or Rick Higgins know who has volunteered to be a judge for February 17th. Rules were discussed and no changes were made. Proposed changes in the race categories on who races in what order was brought up and discussed. Commander Rick motioned that the Powder Puff category be the first to race while the other categories do not change. Commander Joey Brock seconded the motion. Motion passed. Commander Danny Nixon commented that after each race category finishes, the boys go to get their cars and creates havoc at times. This was discussed and it was decided and approved by all present that the boys/girls/adults may only get their cars after the trophies have been awarded.

Commander Joey Brock brought before those present a short presentation regarding the new "Trac Club" procedures and cost as to what he has encountered so far at his outpost.

We are still in need for a Sectional Chaplain and Newsletter Editor. These positions are very much needed for the boys and getting section information to the outpost commanders and pastors of the churches that have an outpost. Please talk to your people at your church to see if anyone would be interested in these two positions.

The next quarterly Commanders Conference will be April 7, 2012 at The Mercy Seat COG in Prattville.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned with prayer by Commander Judy Whittington at 11:55 AM.

Yours in Christ,

Richard N. Higgins, Jr.
Montgomery Deputy Sect. Commander
Secretary/Treasurer

Ricky Whittington
Sectional Commander