



Jedediah Strong Smith 2009 Schedule & Events

Schedule

Dec 20, 2008	WCS FCF Christmas Party - TCC
Dec 31, 2008	2008 Trapper's Brigade Reporting
Jan 30,31, 2009	SCR Regional Conference – Lakeview, TX – 3 FCF content classes
May 2, 2009	Chapter Scout Competition – The Range
May 1,2, 2009	Chapter Championships – The Range
July 14-17, 2009	2009 Plainsmen / Mountainmen Territorial Rendezvous – Jemez, NM
	July 13, 2009 Territorial Trek
	July 14, 2009 Territorial Wilderness Vigil
July 31 – Aug 2, 2009	NM District Pow-Wow
Sep 25,26, 2009	Frontier Adventure – The Range
Dec 31, 2009	2009 Trapper's Brigade Reporting

2008 Trapper's Brigade Reporting

The purpose for Trappers Brigade is to promote Christian Service among the FCF members by encouraging their involvement and participation in service to their church and fellow man. The emphasis of the Trappers Brigade program is to not only encourage the involvement of FCF members in the ministry of their local churches, but also to bring a Christian influence and testimony into community projects, needs, organizations, etc.

Trapper's Brigade point reporting has changed in that one(1) hour of service equals one(1) Trapper's Brigade point – regardless of the location of service (for more information www.nmfcf.org). Please send in your Trapper's Brigade applications for 2008 by December 31, 2008. You can submit your points through the mail to either Sap or Oak or by email.

2008 Mission's Commitment

The Jed Smith chapter of FCF has annual mission commitment of \$1000 to be paid to Robert Jimenez of the Whiteriver Apache Reservation. We have met our annual commitment and the mission's contribution has been sent to Robert.

2009 SCR Regional Seminar – January 30,31 2009 – Waxahachie, Texas

Plan on attending the 2009 SCR Regional Conference in January. The conference will have three classes geared specifically towards FCF. There will also be plenty of information concerning the combined 2009 Plainsmen/Mountainmen Territorial Rendezvous. (<http://www.scr-royalrangers.org/>)

2009 Chapter Scout Competition – May 2, 2009 – The Range

The Jed Smith Chapter has been represented by a number of top of the line Chapter Scouts. The chapter has produced three National Scouts and one Territorial Scout. The current National Scout from the Plainsmen Territory, Zach 'Oso' Evans, calls the Jed Smith chapter home. In May, the Chapter will conduct a Scout competition in order to select the next Youngbuck to serve as Chapter Scout. Subsequently, the new Chapter Scout and Assistant Chapter Scout will have the opportunity to compete for National and Territorial Scout honors at the 2009 Territorial Rendezvous. Chapter Scout Duties and Scout Testing Guidelines can be found at www.nmfcf.org.

2009 Chapter Championships – May 1,2, 2009 – The Range

All chapter members will be tested in a variety of frontier skills. We will determine the most skilled competitor in each of four difficult trail walks – Hawk, Knife, Archery, and Muzzleloader. Tie-breaker events will be conducted in the disciplines of frontier cooking and primitive firestarting. The top point earner in each skill event will be named a Chapter Skills Champion and will be awarded a special vest patch (see back). The top overall scoring OldTimer and Youngbuck will earn a registration to the 2009 Territorial Rendezvous.

2009 Plainsmen / Mountainmen Territorial Rendezvous – July 14-17, 2009 – Jemez, NM

With an estimated attendance of 300, the combined Territorial Rendezvous will be the largest FCF event outside of a National Rendezvous. In the beautiful Jemez Mountains, the Territorial Rendezvous will be a prime opportunity to show the grit of the Jed Smith chapter. As the host chapter, we will play a large part in the planning and implementation of the Rendezvous. A variety of National staff members are scheduled to be in attendance – from Jim 'Silver Wolf' Rounsville, the National FCF President, to Richard Marriot, former National Commander. The Jed Smith chapter has a goal of 45 chapter members in attendance.

The Jed Smith chapter will host a Territorial Trek starting Monday, July 13, 2009.

2009 Frontier Adventure – September 26,27, 2009 – The Range

The Frontier Adventure is a series of events which are used to determine if a greenhorn is qualified for FCF membership. A greenhorn will have an opportunity to engage in a number of required frontier skills - flint & steel fire starting, trap setting, hawk throwing, and knife throwing. The greenhorn will also gain knowledge about frontier cooking and shelters, common outfits present on the frontier, and highlights in the life of Jedediah Smith. A few reminders:

1. There will be a pre-Adventure check on the completion of a candidate's merit work.
2. A candidate Call-out will be conducted at the 2009 NM District Pow-wow
3. There will be a Frontier Adventure planning and deployment session at the Commander's Conference.

Buckskin Adventure / Wilderness Vigil – Fall if necessary

All Frontiersmen that have met the requirements for advancement will have the opportunity to complete the Buckskin Adventure. The Buckskin Adventure will be an event trail with a series of skills testing including Flint & Steel, Black Powder or Primitive Bow, Tomahawk, Knife, Outfit, etc. Please fill out an advancement application and send it to Oak or Sap. All Buckskinners that have met the requirements for advancement to Wilderness will have the opportunity to complete the Wilderness Vigil. If you plan on advancing to Wilderness, please fill out an advancement application (website) as soon as possible because of the three month preparation period that is required prior to the vigil. Event will be scheduled depending on submitted applications.

2008 Chapter Highlights

National Rendezvous

- Jayson 'Weed' Carruth – 1st Place Black Powder Shooting
- Jere 'UhOh' Romero – 2nd Place Archery
- Tracy 'Little Mountain' Stambaugh – 2nd Place Mountainman Outfit

Frontier Adventure

- 16 Greenhorns successfully completed the Frontier Adventure (all Youngbucks)

Buckskin Adventure – 6 new Buckskinners

- Jere 'No Stories' Romero
- Seth 'Bold Eagle' Evans
- Gavin 'Sonshine' Garcia
- Trevor 'Frenchy' Chitwood
- Doug 'Stump' Evans
- Ted 'Governor' Schmidt

Wilderness Vigil – 3 new Wilderness members

- Jonathan 'Olive Hawk' Belden
- Kenny 'Lil Bear' Wise
- Nathan 'Hawkr' Johnson

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Chapter Vest Patch (5in x 5in)
Accomplishment Rockers