

SOUTHERN MISSOURI CHAPTER OF FCF
1966 -- 1968

1966

The first Southern Missouri District Frontiersmen Camping Fraternity (FCF) initiation was held in conjunction with the Pow Wow at the Lake of the Ozarks, September 16-17, 1966. Five people were initiated into FCF; William Altman, David Barnes, Lt. Col. Ed Duddy Sr., Rev. Jack McIntosh, Rev. James Griggs

1967

The second initiation took place November 3, 1967, in Fantastic Caverns in conjunction with an organizational meeting. Commanders Johnnie Barnes and Rev. James Griggs officiated at this meeting. Rev. Paul Feller, National Coordinator, and Rev. Bush, A/G Assistant superintendent were also in attendance. The first Southern Missouri District chapter officers were elected.

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| President | Rev. John Eller |
| Vice President | Lt. Col. Ed Duddy Sr. |
| Scribe | William Altman |
| Scout | David Barnes |
| Assistant scout | Ed Duddy III |

The first Powder Horn was published by John Eller, the first Southern Missouri District chapter president, and was dated Fourth Quarter, 1967 (possibly the sixth of November.). At that time there were sixteen (16) members, including the National office personnel residing in the Springfield area.

1968

In an article in the Spring 1968 Powder Horn, John Eller referred to the District FCF meeting. This event was later called a rendezvous and we now call it a Trace.

The first FCF dues were assessed at five (5) cents per each year of the member's age. These dues were due on November 2, which was Daniel Boone's birthday. They were first collected in 1968.

In the Fall of 1968, the first FCF handbook was edited and published by Major John Eller, it sold for twenty (20) cents per copy. In late 1967 or January 1968, all FCF Presidents across the nation had just been elevated to the rank of Major in Royal Rangers.

The third Southern Missouri District initiation took place June 7-8, 1968 in conjunction with Pow Wow at Greensfelder Park. The following people were initiated:

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| Richard Capps | Lt. Col. Virgil Palmer | Bob King |
| Bob Roskowske | Leslie Crider | Robbie Quick. |

On September 20-21, 1968, another initiation too place at Fantastic Caverns. The following people were initiated:

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| David H. Bogart | Hollis E. Archer | Michael Jackson | James E. Hoffman |
| Bob Duddy | Bruce Washam | Donald E. Bixler | Mike Smith (Independence, MO.) |

In the fall of 1968, Virg Palmer "Choctaw" (Lt. Col.) and John Eller (President) scouted out the Daniel Boone home site for an outing (overnight campout), in September 1969.

This information was acquired from the archives of the Daniel Boone Chapter.

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