Greetings again Great Lakes Region District/Network Directors, Training Coordinators, and Communications Coordinators,

This is a friendly reminder that time is slowly running out to register for the Johnnie Barnes Excellence Initiative (JBEI) scheduled in Evansville, IN on August 16-17. The Early Registration Deadline for this event is less than 3 weeks away: <u>Sunday, July 14 at 11:59 PM CDT</u>!

At this time, additional registrations are needed for this JBEI to be made a GO. JBEI's are events that are planned and held primarily for the benefit of those who serve on district, divisional, and sectional staff in <u>all</u> districts, networks, and fellowships in the region. As indicated previously, JBEI is <u>absolutely "can't</u> <u>miss" training for District RR Leadership</u> (or future leadership), and for any leader that is completing the Organizational Leadership Training (OLT) track. And don't forget: Organizational leaders who have been to JBEI before should attend JBEI once every 5 years to ensure that they are current on topics and procedures in Royal Rangers (and the last JBEI held in the Great Lakes Region was December 2015 – about **8 1/2** years ago!).

The viability of a JBEI is usually dependent on all districts and networks within the region sending leaders to the conference. We <u>need</u> you and your district leadership to be at this conference, and it may not happen without you!

Please do not miss out on the opportunity for you and your district staff to attend training that is so <u>critically important</u> for your leaders to better serve in their staff positions! JBEI is designed with the idea in mind that district directors will reach out to all of their district leadership and encourage their team to register and perhaps even travel to the JBEI together. We implore you to contact your staff and other leaders soon and get them registered within the next 3 weeks! <u>Actually</u>, we would urge you to get your organizational leaders <u>registered before National Rendezvous</u>, as the Early Registration Deadline happens to fall on the Sunday after Rendezvous attendees have just returned home! Considering that many organizational leaders are in FCF and are likely attending National Rendezvous, it would be ideal for you and those leaders to have those JBEI registrations done before that event, rather than scrambling to register in time just a day or two (or perhaps hours!) after returning home!

Early Registration is \$55.00 (chartered) w/ a digital copy of the training materials, \$100.00 (chartered) if you wish to purchase the hard copy Organizational Leaders Notebook.