

TROOP 14 2009-2010 Annual Planning Conference

Here is your chance as a boy scout in Troop14 to have your ideas, desires, and wishes heard toward planning the 2009-2010 Troop14 program. Your input is valuable to make our program the best that we can make it.

Answer the questions below and turn it into your Patrol Leader on or before Monday June 2nd.

Troop Meetings Write down any themes or activities that you would like Troop14 to have at a given meeting. Anything goes as long as it fits within our BSA guidelines and values.

My example: Disability awareness month. Invite someone who is physically challenged to be a guest speaker. Do activities pertaining to being physically disabled for better awareness.

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Troop Activities Write down anything you would like to see Troop 14 do for troop activities. Be creative. Not all activities have to pertain to trail to first class skills or merit badges, but anything that can be a great learning experience and fun!!

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Campouts Troop 14 has had many campouts in and around the area this past year. Although it was a great time maybe you have an idea for a new place to camp. Your input is important to make camping as fun and adventurous as possible.

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Campout Activities For every campout, we try to provide activities that benefit the boys in terms of teamwork, merit badge requirements, trail to first class skills, life skills, and plain old fashion FUN!! Think of some activities you would like Troop 14 to do during a campout that would make you more likely to attend.

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Service Troop14 will always provide service in the community. It is important as citizens of any community to do what they can to help each other out. I find it very gratifying to be able to help someone or a group of people who may be less fortunate. Getting that little bit of help makes things one step better. Think of service that we can provide to the community in some way.... It can be yard work, flag ceremonies, serving food, cleaning, whatever you can think of. We will select a couple to do as a troop and hopefully patrols can take on some of their own as well.

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Merit Badges Troop 14 put on several merit badge class for all the boys in the troop this past year. This is offered to expose boys to different hobbies, crafts, careers, and skills with the end result in benefiting boys with more opportunities in life. Please list merit badges that you would like to see Troop 14 provide in the future.

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ANY Suggestions This troop has a great bunch of boys that represented us well in the District Camporee (Wahoo First Place) Any suggestions you can provide to make things run smoother in the troop, any activities or events that we can be a part. Write it down and let it be heard... No idea is a bad idea as long as it fits within the BSA guidelines and values.

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SUMMER CAMP For Summer Camp 2010, we have several camps to choose from. I will allow boys to select the one camp they would like to go to in 2010. Please write in the camp you would like to attend, but first check them out on the web. This vote will be tallied individually through your Patrol Leaders Counsel at the APC.

1 **Camp Thunder** Great camp my favorite so far, offers an unbeatable variety of high adventure programs and some of the nicest facilities for them. Great staff and merit badge programs. Comfortable temperatures earlier in the summer. Hilly and beautiful terrain.

Ten hour drive to camp. www.flintrivercouncil.org

2 **Camp Woodruff:** I have heard that Woodruff is the “Cadillac” of summer camps very nice facilities high adventure programs and the like. Would be a two day drive, maybe six hours each day. www.atlantsacamp.org/

3 **Camp Rainey Mountain:** Very beautiful, hilly, mountain terrain, has high adventure programs and the like, although our experience there with the merit badge program was not real positive. That was a number of years ago and that may have been improved.

Facilities were ok. Would be a two day drive, maybe six hours each day. www.nega-bsa.org/camp_rainey_mountain.htm

4 **Camp La-no-che:** Very hot weather. Short drive only three hours away, nice facilities but a smaller camp. Offers high adventure programs and the like.

Or look into others and come up with a suggestion.