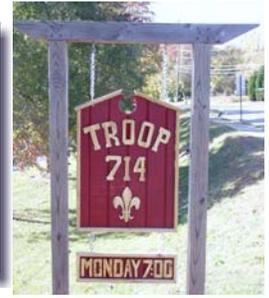




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MERIT BADGE CLINIC

June Events

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- 3rd Troop Meeting
- Summer Camp Prep**
- 8th First Aid MB Workshop (MVUMC)
- 10th Troop Meeting
- 11th-23rd **Philmont 2013**
- 13th Roundtable Meeting
- 17th Troop Meeting
- 18th Adult Leader Meeting
- 20th Eagle B-o-R's
- 21st-23rd Helen River Tubing
- 24th PLC
- 29th **Merit Badge Clinic**

We are having a merit badge clinic on June 29th. We are opening it for scouts outside our troop to sign up. If you would like to ensure a space in one of our clinics, please email me today!

You can sign up for the following Merit Badges:

- Architecture/Photography (you get two for the cost of one)
- Camping
- Citizenship in the World
- Dentistry
- Drafting
- Family Life

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SUMMER CAMP AT WOODRUFF

Summer camp is fast approaching. On July 7th we'll be heading north to Woodruff Scout Reservation for a fun-filled week. Be sure every scout has a footlocker (32" long and 14" high) to keep his belongings in during the week. Label EVERYTHING your scout will take to camp.

Reminder that the following are due:

- Notarized medical forms A, B and C = 2 copies
- 2 copies front and back of your insurance card
- Waiver for whitewater rafting or horseback riding (found the T714 summer camp site under Forms)
- Permission slip
- Send lock combinations to activities@troop714.org
- Send any dietary concerns not already listed on the Scout Registration to activities@troop714.org no later than June 14th
- Medicine by June 24th (other than epipens, inhalers or those requiring refrigeration)

July Events

Prog: Blackhawks Svc: Gladiators

- 1st Troop Meeting/Parent Meeting
- 7th-13th **Summer Camp**
- 8th **No Troop Meeting**
- 11th Roundtable Meeting
- 15th Troop Meeting
- 15th-24th **Jamboree**
- 18th Eagle B-o-R's
- 19th-20th **MillSpring Lock-In**
- 22nd Troop Meeting
- 23rd Adult Leader Meeting
- 26th-27th **Oconee River Rafting**
- 29rd PLC

~~~~~ Troop Info ~~~~~

Mill Springs Lock-In:

The lock-in will be at Mill Springs Academy on July 19th to the 20th. There will be pizza to eat, videogames to play, basketballs there to play with, and you can bring your own football if you want to play football in the gym or outside(if the weather looks safe enough to play). It is a whole lot of fun being at the lock-in and not to mention you get to stay up all night if you are planning to do that, but that would be your decision about staying up all night or staying up until you suddenly fall asleep while you are at the lock-in.

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August Events

Prog: Buffaloes Svc: Blackhawks

1st	Roundtable Meeting
5th	Troop Meeting/Parent Meeting
	Popcorn Sales Begin
9th-11th	Annual Planning Campout
12th	Troop Meeting
15th	Eagle B-o-R
17th	Annual Adult Planning Meeting
19th	Troop Meeting
24th	Water Mania
26th	PLC

**** SPECIAL THANKS ****

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**** REMINDERS ****

- **No longer recycling Newspapers.**
- Merit Badge Counselors' List in back of Library Box or on Troop's Web site.
- Everyone, including adults, must go through the Quartermasters to check-out or check-in equipment.
- Uniform Closet - Outgrown part of your uniform or need new pieces, see Belinda Ayewoh.

Tubing in Helen Campout:

The Tubing Campout will be taking place at Helen, Georgia. There we will have time to be tubing on the river, shopping in the stores at Helen, and other activities that will be fun doing at Helen.

Activity Planning:

Each year at the Planning Campout scouts vote on activities for the new year. In order to make an event happen, we need a SIC (Scout in Charge), AIC (Adult in Charge) and an ASM. In order to begin planning an event, at minimum the SIC and AIC are needed. Ideally all 3 would be in place to work together but nothing can happen without both a SIC and AIC.

For the upcoming events on our calendar we still need the following positions filled:

Callaway Cycling Campout September 6th-8th = AIC

Large Boat Sailing September 7th-8th = ASM

Family Campout October 11th-13th = SIC, AIC and ASM

Please contact Wendy Peavy if you can help at activities@troop714.org

***T-714 – Star, Life, Eagle rank requirement #1: “Active” participation***

It's been a while since this was published so here's a refresher on requirement #1 for the advanced ranks: To be "active" in the troop and your patrol. Successful completion of this requirement obviously requires the Scout to be "registered" and in good standing. Beyond that however, the fact that the requirement says "be active" and not just "be registered", indicates that there is more expected. BSA National says that we should make "reasonable expectations" regarding these requirements. For T-714, our long-standing policy for "active" presumes an active Scout will meet all of the following three standards:

1. Attending at least 1/2 the troop meetings in a month counts that month toward the four (Star) or six (Life/Eagle) month requirement.
2. Camping at the troop level for at least 1/2 of the required number of months (i.e., two campouts for Star, three each for Life and Eagle).
3. Participating fully in patrol events including Program Patrol, Service Patrol, service projects (for MVUMC, Scouting for Food, other).

If a Scout has concerns about his ability to meet any of these three standards, he should request to meet with the Scoutmaster **in advance** to discuss alternative ways in which he can demonstrate clearly that he is "active" in the Scouting program. Waiting until a Scout is otherwise ready to advance to consider this requirement does not meet the leadership and personal responsibility standards expected of a Scout wanting to attain the advanced ranks of Star, Life and Eagle.

A full discussion of these requirements, with reference to the national advancement standards, is published on the Resources tab of troop714.org.

This newsletter is published monthly for the members of Troop 714 and covers events planned over the current three month period. The editor apologizes for any omissions or errors. If you have any information for the newsletter, you can either give it to Marsha Egbert or send it to newsletter@troop714.org.