

Troop 714 – 2009-2010 Adult Goals

1. Troop 714 will recruit a minimum of one new patrol for the New Scout Camp out of 2010 by actively recruiting Webelos Is, Webelos IIs and non-scouts.
 - 1.1 We will invite Webelos II to at least one campout specific to recruiting for our Troop.

A campout specific to recruiting for our Troop will showcase to potential Scouts what we have to offer. There will be greater depth of interaction between Troop 714 members and potential Scouts, focused attention on what we want to present, and no competition from other Troops or activities for the potential Scouts attention.
 - 1.2 Invite Webelos I, IIs and non-scouts to at least one activity or interact with them at District events.

Activities may include inviting potential Scouts to camp with us at the Scout Expo and Camporall. However, activities do not have to be a campout; they may be a few hours during a lock in, joining us to help with the Lake Allatoona Clean Up, etc.
 - 1.3 Continue marketing through Den Chiefs and boy-led scout activities. Also create a flyer to be given to potential new Scouts.
 - Our Scouts are our best asset to marketing to potential Scouts. Den Chiefs work with Cub Scouts possibly on a year-round basis, allowing the Cub Scouts to be familiar with our Troop through our representative Den Chief. When it comes time to cross over to Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts may choose to go where they already know someone.
 - Offer to have Troop members present a program or game to as many Packs as feasible.
 - The Troop will continue to encourage our Scouts to recruit from their friends. Possibly promote recruitment through a “Bring a Friend to Meeting” night.
 - Flyer should include contact info, pictures, and statistics of Troop 714.
2. We will encourage more participation in activities, help Life to Eagle Scouts get support for their Eagle projects and continue to support Scouts with the completion of their advancements.
 - 2.1 Encourage more participation in troop trips and activities for more inter-patrol mixing and better mentoring opportunities.
 - Encourage the Scouts to advocate participation from within their patrols and throughout the Troop in opportunities presented. More participation makes for a stronger Troop with more inter-patrol interactions and mentoring opportunities, more community presence, and a stronger sense of belonging.
 - Eagle Courts of Honor need to be recognized more as Troop events with better attendance by our members. Not only do they serve to honor the Eagle Scout, but to honor the Troop to which he belongs.
 - 2.2 Coach the Life to Eagle Coaches on the communication element of Life to Eagle projects.

Work with Life to Eagle Coaches to encourage upcoming Eagle Scouts to educate the other Scouts on their Eagle project. Encourage the Life to Eagle Scout to let the troop know what was accomplished during the work day and acknowledge during troop meetings those that helped him.
 - 2.3 Monthly advancement reviews with ASMs.

Although rank advancements are not expected at a monthly rate, monthly advancement reviews help to assess if progress towards advancement is being made. Care will be taken not to over emphasize advancement over program, involvement, and fun for Scouts.
 - 2.4 Offer merit badge clean up twice a year.

3. The troop will continue efforts to increase parent participation and communication in Troop 714.
 - 3.1 Encourage each active scout family to participate in the planning, supervision or implementation of no less than three activities. Qualifying participation includes being an ASM, being a Committee Member hearing at least three Boards of Review, being an Adult-in-Charge of an event, serving as a Merit Badge Counselor, holding a troop position or being a driver for trips.
 - 3.2 Prior to the New Scout Campout, a parent orientation will be delivered going over the red notebook in detail.
 - 3.3 Each Committee Chair will recruit an assistant/s.
Assistants should be recruited for an ongoing standing, not just when someone is leaving their position.
 - 3.4 Continue the informal gatherings each regular troop meeting with fun learning activities for the parents to encourage adult participation and exchange of information.
 - 3.5 Promote the Monthly Parent/Committee meetings and the Adult Leaders meetings. Adult goals will be reviewed monthly at the Parent/Committee meetings.
 - 3.6 Create an Adopt-a-Parent program in which a mentor will be matched with a new parent to help answer questions.
 - 3.7 Create a large Troop calendar which can be updated in a timely manner to include new activities such as Merit Badge Clinics and Eagle project workdays and Eagle Courts of Honor.
 - 3.8 Send out "Stay Involved" reminder emails with links to new web site information.
The reminder emails will be once a month with a one or two sentence summary of what has been added to the web site during that month with a link to the posting. The reminder will serve a dual purpose of making it easy for people to be informed as well as increase participation because they are informed.

- 4 Troop 714's registered Adult Training Goals:
 - 4.1 100% of ASM's and 100% of registered adults have current Youth Protection training.
 - 4.2 100% of ASM's and 40% of registered adults have current Hazardous Weather Training, CPR, and Safe Swim Safe Defense Training & Safety Afloat (online).
 - 4.3 All adult leaders will be fully trained for their troop position. Committee Members will take the Committee Challenge and ASM's will take Senior Adult Leader Training.

- 5 Troop 714's District participation Goals:
 - 5.1 Attend Venture Patrol Round table quarterly.
 - 5.2 Offer District-wide MB Clinic with emphasis of Eagle required badges (Noelle Davis)
 - 5.3 Encourage greater diversity in Round Table participation with reports given at the Parent/Committee meeting.
 - 5.4 Encourage ASM's and registered adults to take Woodbadge Training.

TO DO/GET LIST:

- Merit Badge Clinic Coordinator
- Communications Chair (review & format of emails sent)
- Additional printing person
- Roundtable Coordinator
- Picture directory coordinator
- Wood Badge Training Participants
- Adopt-a-Parent Mentors