

THE RUDDER

The Newsletter of the USS Continuum

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Command Staff Meeting

Command Staff meetings are back at Books-a-Million, starting with this month's meeting Friday, April 4.

- The dates for the camping trip.
- The date for Bowling in April.
- The Marshmallow guns

Camping trip

We have decided on the Florida Caverns State Park in Marianna, FL.

Costs for the campsites will be \$17 per day plus tax (we can put up to two tents on each site), vehicle entrance fees are \$4 per vehicle, and Cave Tour Fees are \$8 per person, age 13 and up. Cost for food is \$20 per person for the weekend.

Visit <http://www.floridastateparks.org/floridacaverns/default.cfm> or call (850) 482-9598 for more information about the park.

Directions to the campsite, according to the Park's website: "From Pensacola: Take I-10 East to exit 136, turn left on Hwy 276 N to Hwy 90, turn right. Follow brown park signs."

Continuum T-Shirts

Continuum T-Shirts are here!

Costs are \$15 per shirt. We have three Mediums, three Larges, two XLs, and two 2XLs that have not yet been sold. As I mentioned in the last *Rudder*, these T-shirts are a great way to let the public know we exist as a group without having to say anything. It lets others know you're a part of the group.

For those of you who have not yet purchased a shirt, please do so, so the *Continuum* can build back up its funds. For those of you who have bought a shirt, please remember to wear these at all ship functions.

Marshmallow guns

As another potential fundraiser, our Captain has the supplies and designs to make Marshmallow guns to be sold at our flea market sales. We will be have a workshop and handing out supplies at the April Command Staff meeting.

Region 2 Summit 2010

At the last ship meeting, we discussed plans for a bid to the 2010 Region 2 Summit. (2009's Summit will be in Mississippi. Since there are no chapters in the Caribbean, the Region allows any chapter throughout the four States to place a bid).

2010 will be the 15th anniversary of the Region 2 Summits. The theme we are considering going with is the "Summit on the Edge of Forever."

However, what we need for each member to get is the prices and information from as many hotels as possible before August. The Summit bid guidelines, as found at http://region2.org/summit_bid.php, state, they will need:

- Approximately 30-50 overnight rooms with a low-to-average room rate.
- For Friday:
 - 1 room set up in classroom or rounds for 30-50 people
 - Location for Region 02 Staff Meeting of 10-15 people

- Location for Hospitality Room
- For Saturday and Sunday:
 - 1 room set up in rounds for 125-150 (possibly can be broken into 2 rooms).
 - 2 rooms set up in theater for 40-60.
 - 1 to 2 rooms set up in classroom or rounds for 30-50.
 - The meeting space will be needed from Friday 5 p.m. till Sunday 1 p.m. The exact room requirements can be adjusted and/or modified depending on hotel set-up.
- Hotel Facilities:
 - Handicapped rooms that meet ADA requirements.
 - Restaurant(s) on premises or within walking distance.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

**Trevor Wooten was the winner of the 2007 Region 2 Scholastic Achievement Award
Sandy Dolan received an Official Commendation for her work as R2 Summit Chair.**

The awards were presented at the Region 2 Summit banquet, March 8.