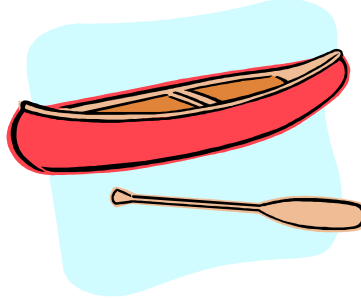


NORTHERN TIER Canoe TREK 2010



Imagine paddling a canoe through the quiet, isolated lakes of Manitoba, Canada!!

San Diego-Imperial Council is looking for scouts and adult leaders to be part of a Council Contingent going to **Northern Tier summer of 2010**. Northern Tier in Bissett, Manitoba, Canada is BSA National High Adventure bases, one of three canoe bases operated by BSA. A Northern Tier crew will be made up of 8 youth and 3 adults, multiple crews are available. Starting date of this 8 day trek will be early July, 2010. Please allow a couple of days at each end for travel.

Located 3 hours north of Winnipeg, Canada, Bissett is the most remote of the Northern Tier bases, requiring a float plane ride from base camp to get to the starting lake and the canoes. Crews will plan their own route upon arriving to Bissett. Fishing for Northern Pike and Walleye will definitely be one of the high points of the trek.

Crew members only need to provide their own personal gear for an 8 day canoe adventure. All crew gear and food is included in the fee for Northern Tier.

Total cost will be in the range of \$1,000--\$1,400, depending on transportation and if the crew decides to spend extra time in the Winnipeg area on tour.

A \$75 non-refundable deposit is required ASAP (or May 1, 2009 at the latest) to reserve a spot. Fund raising activities can be also part of the trek planning.

All youth participants must be at least 14 yr. of age by the starting date of their trip, and are required to have completed the Swimming and Canoe Merit Badges. This is a rigorous high adventure activity requiring the strength to carry heavy, oversized packs or canoes, and to paddle six hours a day. All participants, including the adults, must meet the "swimmer" requirements as listed in the "Safe Swim Defense Plan".

The contingent will have a number of outings for training purposes January--June 2010. The scheduled tune-ups will be worked out during a group planning session in the fall 2009. These outings serve the purpose of practicing canoe and fishing skills, water safety, physical conditioning, and team building.

To sign up or get additional information contact ---

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