ELIOT INSTITUTE TRIVIA NIGHT

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REPORT [From Chuck Wooten, August Camp 2016]

Trivia Night was a success. It attracted approx. 20-30 people and I received positive feedback. Juniper was the perfect space for it. If we host it again, I'd recommend doing one or two days later in the week (Tues or Wed). I got the impression people were still enjoying going to Moonstruck / talent shows because the talent was still fresh and interesting. As the week progressed, some people's interest in those events tapered, and I think if trivia night was held later in the week that it would get better attendance.

HOW TO

1. Compile a list of 60-80 trivia questions. You can easily google "trivia questions" and have thousands at your finger tips.

The host should pick questions from a broad range of topics and interests, to appeal to a broad group of participants. I also like to add a few that everyone should get, to keep self esteem and motivation up.

One or two trick questions are good too. As an example, I asked "before Mt. Everest was catalogued, what was the tallest mountain on earth?" Answer: Mt. Everest.

- 2. Once you have your questions, the host should build an answer sheets for the players to fill out. I used Word, each question was numbered, added a spot at bottom of each page to tally the score, and the questions were grouped into categories.
- 3. Print 6-10 copies + one for the host with all the answers. Also need pens.
- 4. Room setup, 6-8 tables separated in room with 4-8 chairs each.
- 5. Rules: teams pick a team name. Can't use cell phones or tablets. Might want to limit team sizes to 2-8. Should whisper answers to your table, so other teams don't hear.
- 6. After a round or two, have a break. Collect the sheets and hand them to other teams to mark. Once marked, tell each team's score.
- 7. Finish game. Mark remaining questions. Hand out prizes if you have any.