



**GNI Gathering Survey Results  
2016**

**Please rate the following:**

Total responses: 144 respondents / 451 attendees; 32% response rate

- 4 = Excellent
- 3 = Good
- 2 = Fair
- 1 = Poor

36 First timers 25% respondents; 8% total

108 Returnees 75% respondents; 24% total

Average number of years who responded: 8 years

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Meals / Beverages	144	2.64
Scheduling	139	2.87
Workshops / Discussions / Activities	128	3.10
Entertainment	138	3.01
Accommodations / Amenities / Grounds	141	3.06

Based on a population size of 451 with a confidence level of 95% and a sample size of 144 respondents, the margin of error is + / - 7%.

## How did you hear about The Gathering?

Through friends

Been coming since beginning at Hausa house

local affiliated group

naked yoga class

From close friends in Romans

Friends who had attended. We'd heard good things.

Friend

internet and word of mouth

Friend

GNI

Online ad

Friends

Friends who had attended in previous years recommended the gathering.

I met Ed (from Body Electric) at Timberfell Resort in TN, and he recommended both events.

Steve Frey.

Pop up ad

Friends

Husband

Website

From the local gay naturist group 17 years ago

A friend, Richard Butler

Through another attendee

Friend

From a couple who are regulars

Friends

Friends

Steve Frey

internet

GO I Newsletter

## How did you hear about The Gathering?

IMEN newsletter

Booth at Folsom Street East back in 2013

Through a friend

MAN

Nakedfest 2015

a friends photo from previous gatherings

Google search for nude associations; GNI web site mentioned Gathering

From friends who were already GNI members.

friends

friends

Body Electric publicity

Friends

through my husband

Friends of Naked Minnesota.

recommended by freinds

From my nude group ROMANS

BodyElectric

Friends of mind in P.A.N.G. had attended past GNI Gatherings recamened it. I went to my first Gathering in 1996.

Stephan Frey of Long Island Bares

i attend every year so I automatically know

Conversations at IMEN

Internet

A friend years ago...Bob Firman

internet

Internet

on the internet

technically, one gathering and two nakedfests  
,member of GNI

## How did you hear about The Gathering?

local club, originally;  
,now I'm a repeat attendee, not an innocent newbie babe (so sweet I was)

Friends

Someone at Hillside Campground told me about it.

via other gatherings (California Men's Gathering CMG, also CMEN/West Coast Gathering)... also cross-match on gay nudists' websites

Through my local gay nude group 30 years ago.

Through a friend

Eddie Bornazian in 2004

Several year ago through Body Electric event I attended

Through friends.

originally from a friend

always have the gathering on my schedule

Google search for local nudist groups

I heard about the gathering in the early to mid 90's. Not sure where I saw the ad. Naked magazine or a local newspaper.

At a PANG event in 1997

From a friend

Internet

MAN

initially? from my cabin coordinator at a nude social group in NY. but that was in 2008. now I just KNOW

I first heard from a friend 24 years ago.

friends

just always gone

From a Friend in FL years ago

Searched for Gay nudist groups on the Internet

emails from gni

Rumors from friends then follow up online

Previous attendance

word of mouth

## How did you hear about The Gathering?

Googling on internet some years ago

from a friend

Friends who have previously attended.

Repeat offender

Murray Kauffman

Previous Attendees

Jeurgen Schuller

My boy friend

After befriending member Hank Becker in 1992.

From a local Chicago nudist group.

Attendee told me

Friend

Website

From one of the former and current members.

Friend

friend back in 1994

Friends

Friends

A friend told me about it and then I went to the internet

through local club

From a friend in 1998

online

Link from Florida Beaches (Haulover) newsletter

MAN

Online info and friends

keep coming back

Friends who attended prior to 2002

ROMANs

Web

## How did you hear about The Gathering?

Via a friend

Website

from a friend

Local club (which no longer exists)

I don't remember.

From Rick at Turtle Cove, Australia

From a fiend

through friend Ray Smith of our cabin G4

Friend

originally from Dan Mars

friend

Friends

From friends

friend

Newsletter; website; friends

local naturist club

I sat under the tree next to the gazebo with 12 other naked gay guys at a straight gathering among them wasl Murphy Kaufman Lee Baxandall came over to us and suggested we start our OWN gathering ....PERIOD I was one of the original 12 people. I believe it was 1985 my third Naturists gathering

Friends

Friends who had attended  
,Gatherings.

Returning camper

Searched for a gay naturist group through Google , and voila, there you were!!

Joe Lonsway

partner

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience.**

Awesome

Pivotal

insightful

meaningful

Really good !

Uncomfortable.

Uncomfortable

Disappointing

Fun

invigorating

Great!

Awesome

OK.

sensational

awesome

Fun time. My hubby and I tend to use the time to play tennis, swim and catch up with some friends.

Liberation

Liberating

Incredible

Excellent

Excellent

Fun

Awesome

Fun

Great

Excellent

Excellent

Reunion

smile

good

Delightful

Fun

Excellent

Outstanding

Exhilarating!

Relaxing

ok

Delightful

fun

friends

fun

Superkalifragilisticexpialidociou

amazing

Fun

Freedom

good

Great

Awesome !

Brotherhood

Great

terrific

relaxing

Great

Fun

unbelievable

amazing

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience.**

Great	Awesome
exilerating	wonderful
meaningful	Complete free feeling
gratifying	Beyond Amazing (1 word isn't enough)
Awesome!	Transformative
Relaxed	Awesome!
great	Exhilarating
Sensual	Fun
Very Good	magical
Uninhibited	Relaxing
Awesome	Magical
exhausting (was in 2 shows hahahah)	fantasy
Exhausting	Fab
awesome	Relaxing and fun
liberating	Excellent
Awesome	Awesome!
amazing	memorable
Awesome	warm
fantastic	Happy
Fantastic	Fun
Relaxing	Awesome
wonderful	relaxing
Freedom	Awesome
relaxing	pleasant
relaxing	wonderful
PHENOMENAL	Over-the-top
comforting	wonderful
delicious	AWESOME
Freedom	cameraderie

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience.**

unsurpassed

Good

Aweseome!

Great

Eye opening

Liberating

excellent

enjoyable

Fun

Fantastic

exceptional

AWESOME

Nice

Amazing

relaxing

wonderful

Fantastic

disappointing

good

relaxing

Terrific

relaxing

Camaraderie

Pleasant

Very good.

peaceful

Profound!!

As always "awesome"

breathtaking

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?**

Friends coming here, size of event

See old friend. Make new friends. Intimate encounters.

nude recreation with other gay men  
,sunshine and outdoor camping experience  
,sexual exploration

relax, see friends

Could attend with close friends, and the fact that it was relatively nearby, within driving distance. And being a nude event.

Be naked with other men.  
,Friends and relaxing.

Naturism, relaxation

Social, Workshops, meet new people.

Nudist, Activities

Meet old friends, be naked in the sun

Nakedness  
,Friends

1st Great gay experience  
,2nd Meet friends  
,3rd Have a good time

A calendar conflict made it impossible for me to attend CMEN's Malibu gathering which was my first choice.

Opportunity to be nude all week. Opportunity to be with a group of gay men.

the full week of nudity, seeing old friends, and meeting new ones

A peaceful and relaxed nude getaway.

Comrade, nature, naked.  
,Not necessarily in that order.

Relaxation, Meet New People, Learn More About Myself

Nudity, men, friends

Nudity  
,Gay

To be surrounded by natural beauty, free and creative spirits, and good earthy fun

Being naked, being with nude men, being outdoors

## What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?

Seeing old friends and making new ones.

To be nude outside , meet new people . Dancing .

A desire to deal with my own body-image issues; to have a fun week with my partner experimenting with new experiences

Connect with friends old and new. Relax. Dance.

Seeing friends, being naked, disco

Naked Disco, Naked Yoga, Naked Tennis

meet with friends.....meet new friends.....freedom to be naked all day

Nude event, interact with acquaintences

friends, relaxation, partying

Easy going nature of attendees.

,We'll run and organized.

,Relaxing.

Getting naked outside with gay men, activities such a volleyball, commarderee in a safe and accepting environment

Nudity, Friendship, Fun

Nudity, men, and I love seeing a man walk with his dick swinging

naked men,gay me,

1. Gay

,2. Naturist

,3. Different kind of vacation (rustic vs urban)

to be naked outdoors; to spend vacation time with friends; to meet gay men

nudity

,being with friends

be naked, in the nature and meet new people

I love nudity

,I love gaymen

,I wanted to attend to Body Electric CBE

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naturism, friends

I had heard my husband say what fun he had attending 9 years ago. So I told him I wanted to experience that fun!

I'm a nudist. I wanted an extended escape in nude living.

## What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?

Meet guys

,Participate in interesting activities

,Enjoy entertainments

Great location, friendly naked men, get to know my group's members better

To attend 1st BodyElectric workshop, not to wear clothes, and to be at "camp" with no clothes, as an adult.

Other friends of mine go, location is not too far from home, and not too expensive.

Chance to be naked outdoors with lots of like minded individuals. Lots of fun activities available.

it's fun. seeing friends

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naturism & camaraderie

Close to me, easy drive, highly recommended by those I talked to at IMEN, CMEN.

Have fun. Make new friends. Relax from the NYC/Hamptons/Pines summer stress!

being with friends I met last year, total nakedness, a safe sexual environment

freedom, vacation, getting away from it all

To see friends, to enjoy the pool and the sun, to have the great time I always have at GNI

the nudity, and social gatherings

being naked, socializing, trying to make like minded friends

old friends

1) Social time with friends; 2) Relaxing; 3) Relaxing NAKED!

Naked gay men

,Parties

,Scheduled events

1. be able to run around nude all day, 2. meet and socialize with same-minded guys, 3. relax and have fun (including but not limited to sex :-)

The enjoyment of being naked outside; socializing with old and new friends; the relaxing setting and atmosphere.

to experience being nude for a week and having fun.

Great memories of previous Gatherings.

,Wanted my husband to experience it.

,Sexual opportunities with hundreds of naked gay men in outdoor setting.

## What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?

Being naked

,Being with my men friends

,The safe space, away from the stressful world

to be naked

,to be with my friends

Being naked 100% of the time.

,Having play across the lake without fear of getting arrested.

nudity, lots of men, sexual freedom

1. fellowship and freindship

,2. gay nude recreation in a beautiful setting

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Camaraderie, nudist experience,

to meet new friends and see old ones

,to enjoy the beauty of the camp in a very friendly environment

Friends, Activities and the feeling that I contribute to a worthwhile event

to meet new people and experience gay naturists

To get naked 24/7. This will be always the most imp't thing for me. Also to see old friends and to enjoy participating in as much as I can.

Being naked constantly, tennis, being naked constantly

friendship

,chance to be nude outdoors in the sunshine

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1. Being naked outdoors.

,2. The Pools and lake

meet new people, be in outdoors, yoga

be naked, friends

Social activities

,Education

,Sharing

To relax in the company of other gay, nude men; to get away from the craziness of the hetero-, textiled, Trump-filled world.

the men, the naturism, the senses of humor in the cock/tail parties

## What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?

The people

,The place

,being naked and free for a week

Be free, connecting with interesting people who share my liking of a nude vacation

to see friends

,to enjoy social nudity

Combination of visiting a friend in RI

,To be naked between other naked gays

Friendships, brotherhood, nakedness

Community with fellow naturists, all inclusive entertainment, and the timeframe in August being perfect for my schedule.

The friends I have made and to be naked for 10 days!

1. Friends

,2. Dance Club

,3. PVR

To be naked, to be around other naked gay guys, to enjoy the campground naked.

friends made there

,relaxing and invigorating experience

Hang out with boy friend and buddies

Decompress from life's stresses.

,Re-connect with old friends, after a 4-year absence.

500 naked men

,nightly naked disco - a fave

,reconnecting to gathering friends

Reconnect with long time friends. Celebrate nudism. Love the campsite

Be naked and see all the guys that we only get to see at the gathering.

Gay

,Naturists

,International

For the experience of being naked in the outdoors and for the communal spirit with other men.

I enjoy the beauty of the male body.

,Fellowship, association and affiliation

naked outdoors, serenity, yoga

Friends. Being naked.

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?**

Something social to do where I could be naked outside.

to be naked

,find new friends (which I did)

,Have sex outdoors

reacquaint with old friends

,hang out with nude men

,the disco

We wanted to try something new.

the resort, the people, activities

yoga

,volleyball

,meeting old and new friends

To be free to walk and live with other naked men,to see and be seen by same.

love being naked

Sexual, recreational, networking

see old friends & be able to be naked for a week

To be with the friends I've made. I love the resort and the lushness of the area. The "bubble" that is GNI. Brotherhood, acceptance, equality, openness, loving nature of so many.

ROMANs and comradery

Volleyball, friendships

Wanted to get outside my own comfort zone.

Relaxation and camaraderie

I go to it every year

,Enjoy the Crafts fair

,Love hunting for wild Mushrooms in the woods

For vacation

,To catch up with GNI friends I've made

,To be naked with other gay men

A chance to get together with friends from different regions that I've met through prior Gatherings.

Meeting new friends each year.

To demystify the event, meet guys, experience the Poconos and have fun.

the gathering experience

,friendships made

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## What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?

Mainly catching up with friends I haven't seen in a year.

Gay friendly naturism

Friends, Location, Fun

being naked really makes me feel like I'm on vacation; I like having someone else cook; being with friends and the excitement of meeting new ones

Naked Men, sun, swimming, Disco.

Nudism

,Friends

,Fun

comradery, sex, nature

To meet with old friends

social nudity, relaxation, make new friends

Spending time with my friends; being in a natural setting; the company of great men; relaxation.

To see friends, make new friends and be social. All naked of course!

- be with friends and make new ones

,- get away from everything for a week

,- no clothes, easy to pack!!!

2, acceptance from others, being naked, and 3 the evening shows

Nude recreation and chance to get physical with attractive guys

See the old friends and meet new ones. To generally have a great time (which I did).

Social nudity, the Stormy Weather talent show, beautiful camp ground with a staff that appreciates us. I am overwhelmed by the talent of the campers at the talent show.

To be with like minded men who enjoy the feeling of being naked out in the open with hundreds of guys.

To decompress from life / work.

,To enjoy the freedom of a warm and welcoming environment.

being with like minded individuals

,being one with nature

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

People were great. Location was beautiful

relaxed nudity

Community. So many friendly open-hearted individuals.

That the weather was (mostly) warm and dry.

wet fun with friends across the lake

great place

Brotherhood!

friendship

the mandatory nudity combined with activities.

All the warm sharing and acceptance for all.

meeting guys

Love the campground

Meeting new friends - who just happened to be nude . . :)

The white water raft trip.

No pressure, relaxing atmosphere, no judgement.

always something to do

camaraderie

The friendliness of both, the guys attending and the camp staff that worked hard to make the gathering enjoyable.

Fraternity

reuniting with old friends and making new friends

nudity the whole time

Friends

the flogging

BE CBE and the opportunity to then spend the week with whom i shared CBE

meeting new bodies

The most important aspect is the social time with friends.

Required nudity, not clothing optional.

nudity

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

Nice warm weather.

met some amazing people but one in particular.

Sharing the experience with my husband.

All the warmth, friendship, acceptance

the guys

A family of friends

meeting a great guy/guys, new friends

the friends and fellowship with so many wonderful human beings

the friends I made

the various classes, discussions and informative sessions. It allows me to meet others.

OMG. I'm sorry to say that this year it was the weather. LOL. I know you guys have no control over that. Best weather in memory!

the themed social gatherings

No particular thing. 'Just' the entire experience.

Friendly people

all the special people I meet. old friends and always make new.

Seeing friends again after nearly a year.

meeting new friends

friends

Fun

being with old friends and meeting new friends.

the men

People

Camraderie

meeting new friends with common interests

To be naked for 24 hours with a lot of other gays

The friendships and kindness of all of the men I interacted with.

The dance club.

The people

## What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

Dance Club

The overall good camaraderie of the most of the other gay guys; and naked Yoga  
inclusivity and friendliness

The venue's beauty

The smiling faces & hugs from everyone who crossed my path.

so many beautiful men.  
,naked disco.

Winning Miss Lace 2016

The weather was perfect.

Gay naturists in the beautiful Poconos campground

My cabin mates and the buddies I met - all wonderful guys.

Naked Men

naked outdoors

Friends. Surroundings.

Seeing friends. Meeting new people. Trying new experiences.

the positiveness of acceptance of all naked bodies

friendliness among attendees

The friendliness of everyone

good weather

volunteering to help make the gathering even better

Social Hours plus Across the Lake

fellow attendees

The naked experience

2 outside comedians

Being nude is an equalizer. The only thing we have left is our personality. Looks don't matter if a person is a jerk or stuck up so I believe GNI helps people become better people.

Great guys

Humor

Total acceptance of all shapes and sizes of bodies.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

That my Husband comes with me and enjoys it a lot also

Being in a cabin of all wonderful guys

Friendships

The guys and the spectacular venue

all of it

Seeing old friends

Seeing old friends meeting me ones

Wonderful people

camaraderie

New friends

Great people and perfect weather to be naked

play cabin

I liked the zip line

friendlyguys

Being with friends.

Camaraderie

good cabin mates and neighbors

being with nature while being totally naked

The gni stage

The people.

The friendliness of my fellow campers who actually care about each other.

Very difficult question. But I'd have to say, the people, not just those that make the event happen and bring it all together, but the membership as a whole, who make this great event of friendship, brotherhood and camaraderie the incredible event that it is.

The dance club. Always the dance club.

togetherness

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

At ease

freedom

Joy

No single emotion. There were ups and downs.

at home with friends

friendship

A new sense of community

intense friendship

Free, relaxing and happy

Joy

time well spent

Exhilarating and memorable

Absolutely wonderful to have found my voice and love my body.

The general acceptance and friendliness of everybody.

Relaxing

freindship

Acceptance

Total bliss and primal awareness in nature

ecstasy

Pride

relaxing

free and accepted

lust

Same as above - awesome!

freedom

freeeeeedom

Joy

acceptance

Freedom

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

There are many, but I always feel luv

brotherhood

indescribable

a feeling of happiness and warmth in a liberating environment

extremely impressed - very overwhelming for a newbie

happy

Happy / Pleased

acceptance and friendship

Happiness

Calm

it makes me feel as if i'm never alone

Calm/Serenity

peaceful

naked freedom

Excited

comforting, freedom to be myself.

wow

Joy, freedom, mutual affection

Uplifting, free, sensual

relaxing

Feel happy and free between many naked gays. Also nice that sex is not a taboo

Heartfelt caring and kindness

Welcomed

Love

Happiness

happy, contented

exhilaration

Happy

Serene. Magical.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

at true fantasy come true for me.

,continuous excitement day and night.

Thrilled

Spontaneous fun.

Freedom and acceptance to be yourself

Freedom

Belonging

freedom outdoors

Happy

Happiness/Freedom

place where I belong

satisfied not having to hurry or hustle, complacent

pride

Overwhelming in scale and well organized to available activities.

love

Happiness

pleasure

"Everything is going to be ok - I'm totally OK"

Happiness

Joy

friendship

Feeling accepted

Joy

very relaxing, full of fun

grateful for attending another Gathering

Relaxed

community

closeness

Love

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

Peace

not being a part of a group

Freedom and relaxation

excitement

Happiness; smiling; being appreciated for who I am.

wellbeing

comfortable

you can do nothing all day. or be busy from 6AM till 2 AM

Encouragement

Very good.

Simplistic joy.

Exhilaration!! Intense feelings of joy and freedom. Intense feelings of happiness and elation that breathe life into me each and every day, well beyond the event itself.

For me it's "freedom". Not just the freedom of being naked but not being as inhibited. People and myself especially are much more open at the gathering.

contentment

## How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Continued opening my eyes to the wonderful world of men enjoying nudity together  
acceptance

I felt very welcome and was continually surprised by all the activities available.

made more naked friends

I enjoyed so much because it's a unique and wonderful place with friendly staff and I meet new friends

I personally came back with a new sense of pride.

,I just found a new family!

it brings me closer to friend that share naturism

I was struck by the diversity of ages and other countries represented. I loved the comradery and nonjudgmental attitudes.

I would love to live this lifestyle 365 days a year

satisfied

Let me open up myself to meet new friends

Increased confidence and amazing amount of trust for men who I had never met before.

It uplifted my spirits in a difficult year.

Made me feel like there are lots of other like minded people out there and that we are not weird to enjoy being nude.

made me look forward to the next one

I was able to reconnect with friends I had made at other gatherings, IMEN, CMEN, and make new friends. My cabin mates were super.

Boost confidence

on the final Sunday I could not hold back on the tears of departure

It boosts my confidence

not sure

improved my self-image

what happened to some old friends who weren't there this year?

It gives me a chance to reconnect with people from all over the world.

very positively, feel elated, uplifted, good vibes for weeks to come...

It left me feeling good about myself.

I feel much better about myself. More confidence.

## How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Strengthen my 5 year relationship with my husband.

I always feel good about myself from all the positive energy given

Renewed connection with incredible guys who I know are always there for me across the miles but for the week we are all at camp we are a family living together.

I found a camp boyfriend ....that I would like to become permanent.....but?

it gives me time to contemplate and think about myself and my priorities with similarly minded individuals.

The Gathering allowed me to experience nudism more so than I have before. I am new to nudism. Also allowed me to feel free and feel more comfortable about myself and my body in the nude.

I always learn something by meeting others.

Exhausted. Thankfully no STDs this year. Haha

I had an exceptional experience doing things in a way that I had never experienced before

It resets my perspective, enabling me to retune to the things that really count

Took me away from daily reality in almost every way

it always makes me happy to be around such warm, friendly people

No response.

unsure yet

had a better time than expected

Came home pumped up

It renewed my spirits and gave me a week of freedom. It's one week in the year that I can be myself.

peaceful but also a bit euphoric for a day afterwards. today peaceful but feeling a bit let down since it's over for another year

It made me happy in many ways.

Made me feel great, connected, reaffirmed my self-confidence

it opened my mind

That to be naked is at a camp nicer than with clothes

Each year, there's a new 'life changing' event in some form or another. This year was no different. So many men expressed their appreciation for me being there.

It's a relaxing way to end the summer

As it always has....it is a great gathering of guys of different types who just want to have a good time.

## How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Makes me feel free.

Relaxed adult time spent with no inhibitions about being naked!!

makes me realize the truly important part of life

Gave me a greater appreciation for my fellow gay brethren. Strip the clothes & material wealth, and you're left with a human being, normal, with flaws, but yet possessing a unique story to share.

an emotional release I have never felt anywhere else. Absolutely amazing!

First time I brought my new boyfriend. Was so happy to see him click with other guests.

one of the best vacation experiences with appreciation of talent, hard work and natural beauty

I enjoyed it so much - I will want to attend next year as well.

connections with men and sex

cleared the mind

No specific affect

It took me out of my mainstream society, busy life. When I reach the Gathering I immediately was in OZ

makes me of an extrovert

Relaxation and calmness.

Just reconnect with friends, nostalgia feeling

personal growth

Enjoyed it very much.

I always have a great time.

Enhance my way of living as a gay man in the world

had a good time

GNI helps me feel ok within my own skin and makes me want to strive to be a better person.

Restful atmosphere

It's always a recharging experience.

It always gives a feeling of satisfaction that I've done something as different from my everyday life as I'd want to imagine.

It always boosts my self-esteem

Positive influence

i will attend again

## How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Planning on next year.

made me feel part of something very special

sense of well-being

Life is getting short, LIVE

Catching up with friends you only see once a year

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lonely, isolated, not welcomed

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I was glad to get away and have some fun time

Good way to spend vacation time

Made me remember what I like most about myself; and also how important it is to spend time with friends, and in a beautiful natural setting.

If felt nice to be welcomed and inhibited

reinforced that we're all not glamour and poster boys

gave me self esteem , self confidence, and body acceptance from others

Not sure

It was very calming after several weeks of "chaos" and stress at home. I took the calm home with me and that was great.

Summer isn't summer without naked camp.

The Gatherings have been and continue to be a most powerful life experience for me. It has positively transformed me in ways that are hard to describe. Heartfelt thanks to GNI for being there and for having made a vast difference in my life.

The Gathering always recharges me. It also is one of those life changing experiences every year. It's small and subtle things but looking back over the years I can see how the Gatherings have changed who I am as a person.

it has opened my mind and my heart in so many ways. it has also brought my parner and i so much closer.

**Come for the \_\_\_\_\_ ; Stay for the \_\_\_\_\_ .**

Experience; Friendships

Freedom ; Comradary

oral; anal

fun; return for the friends

like minded experience; endless fun and meeting new people !

Nice guys and naked men; ??

Naturism; Frienships

nudity; people

experience; ?

Official start ; Week

nudes; dudes.

experience; enjoyment

View; Commaraderie

Rejuvenation ; Community

Experience of Liberating yourself; Week

Guys; Friendships

nudity; comradery

nude camaraderie, exercise and R&R;

Social and nudity; Funniest

naturism; dance club

Experience; Fun

strangeness and challenge; friendship and acceptance

Fun; People

brotherhood; love

experience; memories

FUN; Week

relaxation; camaraderie

Naked experience ; Friendships

Nudity; fun

**Come for the \_\_\_\_\_; Stay for the \_\_\_\_\_.**

Naked men; Nice and handsome and open community

relaxed feeling; acceptance

nudity; camaraderie

fun; guys

fun ; atmosphere

First time!; Next ten gatherings!

friendship; new friends that I make

nudity; friendships/sex

Fun; Love

sun; FUN

life changing experience;

spectacular views :):); new friendships

freedom natureism; love of brotherhood

fun; friends

friendship; fun

Nudity; Comrodery

fun; friends

naked experience of a lifetime; full 10 days of absolute primal nude male experience

sex; men

nudity; friendships

friendly naked men; naked men

freedom; camaraderie

sex; after glow

Peace.; Joy!

nude guys; fun

freedom; friendships

experience; friends

unique experience; fraternal comradery

Freedom; Brotherhood

**Come for the \_\_\_\_\_; Stay for the \_\_\_\_\_.**

nudity; brotherhood.

Fun; Fellowship

men; spectacle..hilarity

comraderie; gay, nude, fun and recreation

Day; Night

relaxation; fun

Whole time; Experience

fun; companionship

Come to get naked; Fun

Come to be nude; New friends

freedom; amazing people

Sun; Sun and cool nights

sex; friends and conversation

nudity; freinds

experience; friendships

not much to say here; ditto

Freedom; Friendship

fun; Your happiness

cock; camaraderie

Naked experience; Naked gays

nudity; brotherhood

Nudity; Friendships

nude time; friendships!

Comrades ; Dance Club

naked enjoyment; additional naked fun

unique experience; pleasure

Nudity; Fun

nudity; friendships formed.

naked dancing men; emotional high

**Come for the \_\_\_\_\_; Stay for the \_\_\_\_\_.**

Nudism; community feel of family

naturism; week in Paradise

nakedness; friendships & bonding

naked men; fellowship

naked outdoors; naked outdoors

Freedom; Experience of a life time

experience; activities and good times

nudity; scenery

freedom; spectacle

nudity; nudity

experience; pleasure

camaraderie; fun

FUN; FRIENDSHIPS

Experience; Friendships

Sex; Brotherhood

best; rest

nudity,; camaraderie

Nudity; Friendships

sun; fun

friendships; experience

camaraderie; camaraderie

Freedom ; Friends

sun; fun

exhibitionism; camaraderie

Nudism; Friendship

gay experience; sex

Entertainment; Week

social nudity; new friends

nudity; friendships

**Come for the \_\_\_\_\_; Stay for the \_\_\_\_\_.**

Friendships/socializing; Friendships/socializing

eye candy; dessert

experiences ; unexpected

Men; Activities

People, place and events. ; Same things. Great all around.

nudity; amazing fun

fantastic people; amazing experience

naked men; new friends

fun; friendships you make

## What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?

Tell my friends, include in my Facebook, tell people at other such events

Talk about it

I can mention it to select friends on Facebook

i talk about it all the time and mention it my dating app profiles

Nothing

Make it more mainstream. Seem stuck in the 90's. While most guys were friendly, still seemed extremely cliquish. The whole event seems geared to the interest of a small group of men.

I have told a bunch of people I know who may attend next year. What I WOULD do is improve the website for those that are interested.

I donated a basket of goodies with my partner.

I would eliminate the "pre-gathering" as it was a disappointment.

I will invite people I meet through the year, even offering transportation when appropriate.

Tell others.

Have to speak in the language to which you want to be heard. So with knowing there's desire/need to get younger blood involved, would focus on input from them to reach them in their mode of communication.

,More concerning this in connects below.

Associations with other LGBT non profit organizations to get the word out. Like Gods Love We Deliver, HRC, Etc

I tell friends and invite them

tell gay friends about it.

Pass the word back home. Can't really go publicly online. Nowadays, being a nudist in the USA is more odd to the gay as well as straight general public than being gay. Sad, but it's their loss.

Chat with members of truenudists.com, trueswingers.com, ispq, bateworld.

I have already spoken with several friends about the experience

Showed pictures from previous years to local naturist group.

Make a DVD slideshow of my pictures.

I recommended it to a new friend, and he attended.

always tell my friends. brought a new friend this year

Share my experience with friends.

Discussed at local nude group events

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

I do plenty.

Will tell my friends

Tell all my naturist friends about it; share my experiences and point people to the online information; encouraging them to join GNI.

Always telling friends about our time at GNI

Have flyers or have a great website to inform my friends overseas to come over

1) talk about it to our friends  
,2)please make more publicity

tell everyone how great it is, show pictures and try to convince them to come

I would promote it more on social media. I was amazed how many gay friends have no idea what GNI/The Gathering is about.

Share with friends

recommend to friends

Tell my friends and probably write an article about it to submit to a local gay newspaper

I will spread the word to friends.

,This event with the contribution of each participant, the extraordinary mutual respect, the excellent organization, and the almost ideal setting only needs more advertising to begin to have a waiting list.

I have talked it up at Gay places I go.

Social Media, word of mouth

always talk about it with people. I went to Hillside for the day after I left on Sunday and told people around the pool there all about GNI

Encourage others to try GNI...

for the "cumming" year I would share my experience and invite every gay or bimale that I come in contact with to experience something that will change their life and broaden there Horizons with hundreds of other like-minded males from all over the world.

tell applicable friends

Invite friends, revamp the website to make it as cutting-edge as possible

I were the gni hat and use the gni beach towels

speak to my friends about how much fun i had

I talk about it with friends and new acquaintances and encourage them to attend.

Talk to other guys about it.

talk to friends about it

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Let people know what a beautiful setting it is, and all the activities available for us to do nude, and that it is not about looks, but making friends.

I have already passed on the information to a friend who is the president of the gay rugby club here.

In early July and again in early August I posted a promotional message and photo on hundreds of gay oriented Facebook pages.

,GNI should be sure attendees of all major gay events in eastern 2/3s of North America receive promotional materials about GNI Gathering, etc.

I always talk about my positive experiences

Share my experiences with friends to help encourage them to attend.

Spend less on outside entertainment. I don't think we are attracting new members because of the outside entertainment. They can see them other places. They come for the naked freedom.

advertising in all major gay publications / travel etc....(mimmick the adv. plan of island house, key west, for instance...)

I keep on coming back.. my loyalty and commitment to the event is enough

Told my friends about my experience, shared pictures of me in costumes and having fun.

mention it to all my friends

Attend Sin City Shoot Out.

,Tell guys in our local club about the Gathering.

tell my gay friends about my experience

Marketing plan development. Growing naked m8s network and activity.

Best promotion for me is to talk with first timers there

I tell friends and try to encourage attendance

I tell all my friends all the time about GNI. I am bringing a new guy in 2017.

n/a

That would be difficult since I haven't been out for long and don't know many other gay men.

talk to people

I will certainly share my experiences with likely candidates.

Keep talking about a GREAT experience

tell my friends about it

Tell about it with friends

Share amongst all of my gay friends both locally and in my social media profiles.

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Told several friends. We'll need a bigger cabin next year!

I always am trying to get people to the gathering. I got 2 people there this year but only for 2nd half.

Social media and picture sharing.

Tell others I meet on my travels.

Contact Out magazine and offer a reporter a week there to write a story about it

Shared my experience w friends who are curious, yet still too intimidated to attend. Naked pool party gatherings are a great start.

Tell many friends to attend in order to experience an event like no other anywhere.

Talk about how accepting everyone is at camp to friends.

Show photos and share stories.

Word of mouth, small donations

Talk to friends about it!

Sing its praises to others.

encourage guys at other nude events to go

Talk about it in the UK but difficult to enthuse people.

Tell all my friends

word of mouth

We are telling everyone how fun and exciting it was.

Just tell my friends who haven't been about it.

mentioned it to the local nudist group

I always talk it up to anyone who will listen

Telling other friends and organizations

Talked to other gay nudists in our local group

Being in Sacramento, its hard to convince folks to travel to the east coast to try something they might never have tried before. I'm really excited about the new videos that are being created (NOT THE MASTURBATION ONE THO!)

Tell friends.

I always mention GNI to anyone who seems to be inclined towards naturism at all.

I tell a lot of guys online about it,  
,and some have come to gathering because of that

## What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?

Whenever I see a profile online that shows they like being nude, I message to ask if they've ever heard of GNI. If they respond to ask, I give the website.

Mention it to friends

Increase the number of Aussies who attend

tell others about the gathering

I do tell nudist friends about it. I just sent the link to a nudist friend, Jude Luth who lives in Phoenix. He apparently not heard of the Gathering or GNI for that matter.

Talk it up to all my friends and contacts online

Will share my interest with others who enjoy the nudists life.

I talk it up to all friends nudist or not about the great experiences

Proved more opportunity for sex on this side of lake -

I spoke to members at MAN meetings

tell friends

Telling friends about it, encouraging them to attend.

Encourage gay men I meet to check out GNI

Am anxious to see the videos being produced. They and some pamphlets would be helpful to share at our local gatherings.

I try to talk it up as much as possible

Staffed table at fair

Talk to other guys about it. I'm not really too near to others who might have an interest, but I always bring it up when the occasion arises.

Post flyers at my local gay bars.

I am always talking up GNI to my friends. I represented GNI at a local Pride event last summer and I look forward to do it again the summer of 2017.

I'm a social media junkie. I'm always looking for new ways and places to promote GNI online as well as getting involved with the groups advertised to promote GNI offline.

we promoted gni at our local pride event and we share our experiences with our friends.

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects of the items listed above (Quantitative values)**

Absolutely loved the leatherworks classes and store - would be a reason I'd come back and would love to learn more.

I'd like yoghurt without artificial sweeteners at breakfast. And, spinach and boiled eggs at every lunch and dinner.

steam table fare was cold a lot of the time as the serving pans were left open !! Label the contents, put a sign up, in order for food to stay hot, please close serving lids when you are done! and keep lids closed, people will learn...

The GNI part was great....

,But the food was sub-par and the cabins were uncomfortable for two big guys (I'm 6'6", 255). Also, there's no place to just relax and hang out unless you bring all that stuff yourself. We did the same GNI type event in the Dominican Republic and that experience was spectacular as it was a comfortable environment with great food.

Never got comfortable. No easy place to relax,. Every surface of was "hard" or uncomfortable. Mattresses too thin, beds too small.

Events were either cancelled or changed with little notice. Overall poorly organized and scheduled.

Meals were much better than in the past, and the facility is in excellent condition. I wish beds were more comfortable and commodious

Breakfast begins too early for this crowd. It should stay open later. I've never made it to breakfast, as I'm up late at camp. The tuna casserole was unanimously hated. I am glad that beer is provided around camp, as most campers bring booze and don't offer beer at parties. And you offered good beer. My cabin was good, as I expected, EXCEPT for the bathroom. I have been in the same cabin every year, and the bathroom has grown more and more disgusting. My partner didn't come because of the bathroom. Two other cabin mates didn't come because of it either.

Ratings are based upon pre-gathering. I did not realize that so little was planned for that weekend. This was my first gathering. I have learned my lesson.

With few prime time spots, there were often multiple sessions I'd like to attend at the same time.

Great job by Pocono Valley Resort and staff.

For those who feel things are not good enough. They forget it's camp, not a lux life and a dam good camp at that.

Wine should be made available at pools, medal functions. Not many Gluten Free food choices available

I only saw Shawn

Overall meals were quite good. One dinner with chicken wings - not so good; also, the roast beef dinner; the beef was tough. A lot of those two meals ended up in the trash.

My lack of excellent ratings above reflects no criticism whatsoever of the organizers or PVR; given the resources available and mostly volunteer entertainment and event hosts, the experience overall has been excellent, and a good value.

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects of the items listed above (Quantitative values)**

The food was not very good. All breakfast food cold. the accommodations were fair bathroom was horrible. I enjoyed a lot of the amenities and the atmosphere was very nice.

Cold sausages every morning.

1. The cabins don't cater very well to couples. 2. You could offer a "buddy" -- someone for newcomers to chat with and ask questions before coming.

Thanks for the strawberries and blueberries kept full at breakfast. Yoga was perfect at 10 every morning.

It is really great how accommodating the staff is, with helping with luggage, vegetarian meals, etc.

we could use a little upgrading in bedding and toilets and showers ....

The food was always cold. Diet beverages always ran out. I come there to enjoy outdoor nudity; not for sitting through shows

Although the Miss Lace Pageant was quite good, there was way too much Trixie and Hazel, with very little focus on the competitors.

Great location. Make scheduled more readily available.

don't like men dressed as women, too much, after all these are men , lets see men- too much covering such as all those sarongs(sp)-like live performers that are real,not lip sinking

Probably a camp responsibility but the outdoor shower floor needs to be leveled; it's rather steep this summer.

The food has definitely improved over the last several years. Salad bar with fresh fruits and vegetables is great. (Coffee sucks.) I found something satisfying to eat at every meal. Breakfast has improved too. Great having eggs every day, but several days we had to wait for them to be available.

I was pleased with the job GNI did. I was disappointed with the kitchen as far as lack of water, empty napkin holders, no coffee one morning. all minor but ordinary things that should be a no-brainer

I would like to receive the schedule for all activities by email few days before the first day so I know already what I would like to do. Thank you very much.

Meals were generally good.

,Breakfasts were invariably cold. I would suggest that you put infrared spots over the serving trays.

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Activities interested me, not the entertainment. Wish the zip line had been scheduled a little later so I could have a chance to wake up. Cabin conditions, especially showers/sinks were a little more cramped and rustic than I expected.

Enjoyed the Rafting trip;

,Wished there had been more Zipline opportunities.

This year's scheduling is a mess....double/triple booking.

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects of the items listed above (Quantitative values)**

Post copy of announcements outside cafeteria.

,Serve food hot.

,Too many meals without napkins at table.

,Flag changes in schedule.

I don't think combining items above such as meals/beverages, or accommodations/amenities/grounds allows participants to accurately rate these areas. The amenities/grounds were great, the accommodations not so much because the beds are too short, and very uncomfortable. Food was below average, but the beverages were great.

The beer and soda were great. The lack of bottled water for those of us heavy water drinkers was difficult. If I had known I would have brought my own.

Food could be more healthy and simple. Meals such as "Sweet and Sour Chicken" are unnecessary, and gross. :-\ Simple grilled chicken with steamed or roasted veggies would be better. Many of us work hard to eat right and stay fit. The salad bar was my savior at many of the meals!!! Also, three meals/day is unnecessary. Brunch and dinner would be enough. Have a place where you could buy a sandwich in the afternoon if you want to...

cleanliness of the cabins needs to be improved tremendously.

play some music that was popular from the last ten years. If you want to attract a younger crowd, mix it up and don't play all oldies.

I gave a two because of the beds they are not compatible for men 6 ft and over

1.food was frequently cold, no alternative if i don't like the main course.

,2. in saturday night show, hazel wore what appeared to be an American flag. as a veteran i was taken aback. Out of respect for the U.S. flag, never: use it as wearing apparel ([www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov))

GNI ran outta sugar-free drinks Thursday for all the diabetics

Just so you know, I am not complaining about the food, because I understand that it's "camp food", but, since you asked, it is probably my least favorite part of the "experience" ... fully realizing by saying that, that it won't change and that I don't expect it to. It's just a comment. :)

(1) Adam Sank was great! Bring him back again! I was disappointed that there are no vegetarian choices for lunch except a salad every day. There should be a vegetarian choice for lunches - they're less expensive than meat anyway. (2) Grounds could be a little better lit at night - to get to some cabins you have to walk in the dark over uneven and rocky terrain, not always sure of your footing because it's totally dark. Some small little lights in darker areas around cabins would be helpful and increase night time safety. (3) More diet sodas. They always run out before the regular ones do.

a few repairs needed in the cabins, but nothing bad -- also maybe a few more organized workshops/activities running in parallel in the afternoon would be good to dispell an impression of "void" between lunch and happy hour (massage, games, acting/dancing, toe-nail painting, whatever...)

I wish there were outlets on the porches for our lights and decorations. The new porch lights the camp installed as of last year are horrible. The food could be better, there were some good meals, too.

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects of the items listed above (Quantitative values)**

Unfortunately I was in a cabin that the coordinator thought was his private domain. Moved to another cabin three days before the end. The men were more hospitable, friendly, and inviting.

Everything in my opinion was exceptional

I'm really attending to be with the guys, to be naked for the week in a safe environment...the food, scheduling, accommodations etc are really irrelevant in my personal bigger picture.

Schedule Miss Lace for the Friday night and schedule the comedian or lighter entertainment for the last Saturday night. There is too much pressure on everyone to tear down and there is not enough time to properly give to the show on Saturday. Just like the Stormy Show, Miss Lace requires two rehearsal times. One for the contestants. One for a technical run through. Further, the evening when Miss Lace wins, A8 is already torn down. It's not as much fun as the other nights. End with something lighter on the last Saturday night. Friday night is really the big bang night.

I think you would be better off NOT hiring expensive 'comedians' ( using the term loosely) and spending the money elsewhere( also possibly COMBINIG the disco and A8 'bar" / longer hours on bar....

Breakfast are monotonous as are a heavy dose of carbs in all the meaks. the fruit and salad bar help in an improved way over years past. Might go for the vegetarian choices next time.

Cabins EXTREMELY DIRTY upon arrival. Nasty, disgusting bathroom and shower area. PILES of dirty, clothes and more behind and under beds. Live bugs (spiders etc.) along window sills and in screens. Overhead fans in the cabins would be a nice addition when dealing with heat and humidity. Roots around cabins terribly dangerous, especially to older participants. Entertainment extremely good. Very surprised, was expecting amateur shows but these were on a professional level. Sound system and operation was terrible. Many glitches, speakers not all were working. Instead of hand held mics maybe use headset mic especially for MC's during shows.

Move Friday wrestling back to Thurs. Volleyball tournament to be over by noon for foreseeable future. Tues wrestling clinic back to Mon aft noon. Was not interested / didn't attend paid performer shows. See below for comments about food.

No one comes to camp for the luxury accommodation or gourmet cuisine. But both ought to improve at least a bit albeit within the rustic camp environment

Please vary the music in the dance club. It's killing me. Even drunk it's killing me. The entertainment rating here is driven more by the shows. Based on music in dance club alone, it's a 1.

food this year went a bit heavier on the salt than usual. Coke products a MAJOR plus+++++. Love the activities, but there tended to be multiple activities I wanted to do in the mornings, and then none in the afternoon. (which meant pool time, so it wasn't a problem, but still...)

Too much DRAG! Hazel & Trixie May's signs were ugly and unnecessary. PLEASE DO NOT LET THEM DO THAT AGAIN! The signs were a trip hazard. Miss Lace is a Disgrace!!

need better coffee in this day and age.

Over all the food was pretty good, good salad bar with a mix of greens and veggies.

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Conflicts in schedule. Had to choose.  
,Understand though, a lot happening

I would prefer to rate these items separately and not lumped together. I had no complaint with the beverages but the food was fair to poor. Some entertainment was great but others were a let down. The grounds were beautiful but too spread out and too hilly. The beds were pretty bad. Several workshop leaders failed to show up.

thanks for zip lining. rafting too was good. i liked the movies more this year than in the past.

Food really improved this year!

Some of the activities listed in your mid August email did not happen at the gathering.  
,For me the comedian was overrated.  
, I usually do not care much about drag shows, but instead that event was a lot of fun

One blanket is not enough for the cold nights

The food was definitely an upgrade over previous years. The salad bar was ALWAYS well-stocked. I kinda wish there were more water dispensers around. The variety of activities was crazy good. I wasn't interested in all of them but I certainly had my choices to fill (or not fill) my time. What to say about the entertainment?!?! 100% amazing all week - from auditorium to the disco!!

In previous years the camp must have sprayed for bugs, because I'd never seen mosquitos. This year, I got eaten alive by the mosquitos and biting flies. The camp should really double down on efforts next year. Why be naked when I have to wear 3 layers of OFF?

The karaoke night was horrible. And why was it there to begin with?

Dance Club, yoga, pool and any opportunity to assemble (theme parties, meals) provide the richest experiences.

Food was far from worth the trouble--many hot items were cold, salad bar choices awful, like the canned beets, limited choices. Had to make due, glad I brought protein bars, snacks, etc.!

Upper pool could have been cleaner.

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Miss Lace was too long and poorly produced. It should not be a venue for the host's ego. The dissing of previous hosts was disgusting. It shocked everyone, it was beyond bad taste. It was "Trump." Shame on GNI. Knowing the hosts I would say that Hazel is fine but Trixie is a self-serving vain idiot. She should never host again. I will never again attend a show where she is in charge.

The ribs dinner was terrible. New bathrooms were wonderful. Beautiful grounds. Great activities/shows.

While I recognize the difficulties in feeding vast numbers of patrons, they should have had much better coffee.

The camp grounds support perfectly GNI's mission....nature and naked men!! The mattresses need work, that's for sure! LOL

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects of the items listed above (Quantitative values)**

yoga with Michael is great. Kayaking on the lake is great. The scrambled eggs are not edible. If I decide not to go again, it would probably be due to the low quality food. Control portions and serve higher quality is my advice. And I am very willing to pay more for it.

The cabin bunks are really awful.

I understand the need for disposable plates and cups but would ask that Styrofoam not be used in future years. It is NOT biodegradable. The food was all fine except for the crabcakes.

When attending the shows mention some where to bring a pad/ pillow for your butt, because mine was very sore sitting for that period of time.. Well worth it though.

considering the number attending and number of cabins, it would be a better experience to spread out and occupy more cabins - no reason to cram so many men in each cabin

Just wish more water and/or non-alcoholic and non-carbonated beverages were more available outside near the pools, grove.

Too many workshops were scheduled at the same time and at other times not much was going on. It was great to have consistent yoga classes every morning but some afternoon/evening classes would have been nice in addition.

,The shows where GNI members were performing like the variety show were excellent. The external performers were OK but maybe not worth the money that was spent on them. Mr. GNI show was boring and it was annoying that the host did not allow the candidates to talk. Come up with a different concept or find a different host.

Sort of expected cabin living in a camp setting, but this was a first. Mates were cordial and respectful, guess it was ok.

Thanks for finally having Dr Pepper. Please continue. Only complaint about camp staff: a little negligent on filling the ice bins.

There were some complains about cold meals. It will be easily resolved if there is a microwave available in the dining area. Thanks for abundance of fruits (berries) and vegetables in every meal.

I don't fool myself that the food or the site will be a 5 star hotel with amazing beds or food. And I'm OK with that! I've enjoyed all the shows and meetings that have been offered through the years. I think the camp should have a cabin thats more handicap accessible. After Dave's visit, I think thats more apparent. Tho I do think the board and Howard's attention to him was very good.

TP box at office empty on the night I checked.

,Upper pool closed at 8 pm. Could that be later?

,Napkin dispensers on tables usually empty. Several days into the week found a supply on the far wall, but they too were frequently empty.

,Meals

,Meat loaf - 10

,Ribs 2 but Barbecued chicken 10.

,Mexican - 1

,London Broil 10

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects of the items listed above (Quantitative values)**

,Cabin 3C both toilets ran a lot.

,The other side of the lake, the flood light at the far end of the dam is blinding. Could Tiki lights be strung up the road a bit outlining the road.

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I miss the kegs of beer! I see efforts to economize compared with prior years, but most everything had nothing to do with enjoying being nude with other gay men, and their absence didn't detract. Examples, fireworks and the pig roast. Perhaps the branded gift we get at arrival can be done away with, most of what I've gotten, I haven't kept.

Often needing to sit outside during meals because dining hall is crowded, it would be great to have catering tents/tarps to sit under when it rains or to avoid getting sunburned.

Main courses were a bit "mushy". Why turn roast chicken into mince?

grounds outstanding, amenities in the cabin - none. could use hooks to hang bath towels in the showers, a shelf to put shower needs on (have to put things on the floor) and hooks on the cubicle to dry the towels. had to pull the bed out to make it and found a lot of candy rappers, socks dust, etc. GNI did an excellent job putting on the gathering! Howard could up his game.

My only real criticisms were that the beef was a bit tough the one evening, and the pool loungers REALLY need to be replaced on the lower pool.

Toward the end, I was finding the meals to be too salty too often. I personally am not a fan of bringing in paid entertainers.

Food was the best ever.

,Adam Sank is always a good entertainer

,Trixie and Hazel were fabulous

Video in Play cabin

Cabin D1 shower needs updating. Also needs to be made handicap accessible.

The food was very good this year but the staffing in the dining hall needs to be more fluid - walking around more, emptying garbage cans, filling the coffee urns, etc. Also there should be more amenities around camp - water, etc.

Food still needs improvement. There was an obvious effort to improve the food this year but can get much better. More healthy choices. Less beef and pork. More Chicken, replenish salad, bagels AND the eggs are terrible! Use an egg substitute. The eggs were admittedly under cooked by the chef many times. Please put more quality control in place.

,The cabin was not clean. We had to wash the floors, bathroom and all the surfaces. There was dust, trash under the beds. More variety of workshops and less overlap. Workshops are getting redundant. Mysis at Disco needs to be more current.

Would have enjoyed the disco but just too late at night.

,Would like more one-on-one activities to meet new people.

,Do not need 10 chairs at tables.

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects of the items listed above (Quantitative values)**

the VERY limited amount of soda or where to find it

No particular comment. I was pretty happy with everything.

There were some dishes and meals that were absolutely spectacular which is nice. People complain about the meals but I think the kitchen does well with the fact it's a summer camp in the woods of Pennsylvania.

Food much improved this year. There wasn't a bad meal. Great entertainment, comedians were great. Dance club - SUBLIME!!

Can the amount of time for event's, activities, workshops be shortened 10-15 minutes to allow time to get from one place to another. It's never really that people arrive late for events, it just takes time to get from one part of the camp to another. If the times are immediately adjacent to another time wise it's physically impossible to get to the next event on time.

to much overlapping in events. had to miss one to attend another.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of value you received compared to the time and money you spent?**

Good	Good
Good	Excellent
Good	Fair
Good	Excellent
Good	Excellent
Poor	Excellent
Poor	Excellent
Poor	Good
Good	Excellent
Excellent	Excellent
Fair	Good
Excellent	Good
Fair	Good
Excellent	Excellent
Excellent	Excellent
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**We know you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

None this time, but balance up with Nudemanfest in Melbourne and Turtle Cove and Autumn Farm.

Spending time with dog and husband

not sure

Hillside

None

A coupe of gay islands in the Turks & Caicos, some small gay naked Greece cruises (18-25 men)

Cruise, weekend in Palm Springs. Spooky Bear

Gay campgrounds/cruises

Quiet week in Vermont

IMEN

,Nantucket

,Maine

None

As mentioned, I wanted to go to CMEN at Malibu. Unfortunately I went to GNI on the wrong dates. I won't do that again.

I'm interested in a couple of the other gay naturist events, but in addition to GNI, not instead of it.

We are traveling to the UK next month. We did the 2nd half of the gathering as a short retreat, not really as a full blown vacation.

A week in Ptown.

None, made this as a last minute decision

Fire island

possibly traveling to London.

None

I also attend IMEN. Better value for the money.

Trip to Maine

We plan to try IMEN -- some of the people we met at GNI will be there, and it is closer to home. There is a chance that we may attend both gatherings.

Paris

P-Town Bear week.

Atlantis cruise

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nothing during the GNI timeframe. I've attended every other vacation that I've planned on this year.

Provincetown, Mass.

Staying home by my pool.

Gay cruise

It ;is a vacation, especially after what I was involved the first part of the onth.

Fire Island. Provincetown.

No other place or event offers a comparable naked experience.

I enjoy spending the week with friends, making new friends and spending time across the lake. I do do other vacations but always plan on GNI

a gay cruise

Carribbean Cruise

none

Folsom or Dore Ally in San Francisco.

Palm Springs

conventional trips abroad; also considered attending IMEN as an alternative, but did not like the EXTREMELY NOISY mattresses when I was last there so rejected IMEN in favor of GNI.

IMEN. Gay cruise.

San Francisco or Barcelonas

I did not, as I always set asside this time for GNI.

None really.

always leave that week available for GNI

cruise and trip to Hawaii

None

Atlantis cruise, trip to Provincetown, Palm Springs, or Europe...

None...if there was an option and it was something in the nature of a gni gathering at sea... now that would be something I would consider

mmng

IMEN, going to palm springs

i like spending the week naked with other naked men, i just can't guarantee i will be available in a year.

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home improvements

,garden work

,cat care

,masturbating

No other options beyond taking the time at home to enjoy a quiet week.

nothing in particular, would have been another nudist resort somewhere, preferably gay -- but there are not hundreds of those

none.

I am retired so can travel where and when I like.

Dori Alley, Folsom, Market Days, Ptown Bear Week

I always save my short time I have vacation for this event

Clothed big city/foreign country long distance travel.

IMEN & Atlantis Cruises.

none

Going to Italy and Greece and nude beaches there instead

Cruise

gay cruise

Burning Man. Southern Decadance. Provincetown. Bone Island.

none

Salty boys

The Woods and Hillside but did not go.

I'm lucky enough to have the time to take other trips, so they were in addition. nothing INSTEAD of the gathering...that was never an option.

None. I come to GNI every year.

n/a

I do think that the \$1000. mark is about my price point and if more will have to think harder about spending that on this event. I hear a lot of comments from guys feeling the same.

None

Two weeks at Club Orient in St. Martin

Never thought about it. Gathering is only vacation option I consider for summer.

Instead? I can't think of not attending. In addition I might choose a naked gay campground, or a cruise.

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None really, I planned it and I was looking forward to coming back to the gathering.  
, I wish you organize a "nude gay cruise" sometimes; I would sign up immediately for it!

Visiting a friend in RI after GNI

None. The Gathering will always be ONE of my vacation plans along with other plans to travel in the year.

Beach vacation with friends, or several smaller day trips.

I always plan to go to the gathering

Would not miss The Gathering or as I like to say "Naked Camp". The Gathering sounds too clinical.

Other Gay resorts, even the Woods, which is close by.

none

European Travel

Going on vacation with my husband, who's not a nudist, yet is generous enough to let me go to GNI each year, with his total support .

No other considerations this year. We missed the last 2 years and couldn't wait to get back.

Scuba diving trips

None - there is nothing like the gathering.

Foreign travel

None

None. August meqns GNI gathering...The only stumbling block to my attendance is the date. Earlier in August is better for me.

Ogunquit Maine, P-town, Vermont

Did not affect other vacations.

None

Long weekend at the Woods campground (nude weekend early Aug)  
,Southern Decadence in New Orleans over Labor Day  
,P-Town road trip

Cmen

Going to NE to visit friends, beach.

CMEN Malibu

For the summer its great; I do Florida for a week in the winter

none

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necessarily another naked gathering.

none

Honestly, GNI always gets top billing for my vacation choices each year. I work around GNI for other choices.

Next year Aug 21 2017 in the middle of the gathering is a total eclipse in KY, and TN and I will be attending that. Probable see you in 2018.

,Like the raft trip, I do class 1 and 2 white water by canoe here in NY.

considered the C-men gathering

Frankly, nothing could replace the gathering. 10 days is enough, and I'm eager to get home, but within a week I'm planning for next year's gathering.

Visits to gay, clothing-optional resorts

Atlantis cruise, which I have done before. This was better.

none

I am retired, so I can always find the time for the Gathering, BUT I also like to go on nude cruises with Bare Necessities.

Resort for a few weeks

trip to Ft Lauderdale

nude hiking

Burning man, naked cruises

IMEN and CMEN

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IMEN

beach resort

Provincetown.

Mediterranean cruise

none

NONE only GNI

International travel

None.

None.

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The only other event that I consider going to is the Bone Island event in Key West. I've only gone to the July event once. It's too close to the gathering for my finances to "recover". I usually go to the Dec Bone Island event but I'm skipping it this year for various reasons and the Gathering is my only vacation.

provincetown  
,florida

**Please share any additional thoughts about the questions or additional comments you may have.**

N/A

Love the GNI piece and we know you guys worked hard. But for \$1,400 for 5 days, we left at the end of day 2 as we couldn't take another night in that bed. As for food, I get that it's "camping"... But some effort needs to go into the menu. At \$1,400 for a 32 hour stay (we bailed at the end of day 2)...with some upgrades to living quarters (which just might not be possible given the space you have), we'd like to try it again.

More comfortable accommodations would have been welcome. We left early, because we couldn't bare the thought of another night in the noisy cabin with uncomfortable beds getting very little sleep. Shame because I know how hard everyone worked.

I felt that this was a group of gay men trying to relive their hey days. Programs and events need to be updated to reach a broader age range of men.

Biggest annoyance was sound system in auditorium. Sound levels were generally way too high and distorted.

Wifi boosters should be put throughout the camp. While I know this is not a GNI issue, it should be mentioned to Howard at PVR. I could stay longer if I could work from my laptop in my cabin.

Please be more descriptive about the pre-gathering. I met many first timers who were as disappointed as I about the limited scope of the weekend. I will, however, attend the main gathering next year.

It's obvious that GNI has learned from years of experience and feedback, and what the group is doing now really works. It's a great, well-run event.

We very much enjoyed the morning yoga.

The biggest problem had been and is the music. Had a heated debate with the gent who constructed Mercury. Beautifully executed, but the music falls flat with only stuff we cut are teeth on. If you want to keep the younger blood that do come, again have to speak their language as well. Not saying only new stuff, but hell, something from this decade mixed in. How about a proportional mix with a few songs linked within their decade? Has been a long standing problem. Naked Fest as well. Thought the DJ was going to bite my head off when I requested something a little more current. Best way to kill the energy on a dance floor is to loose the big picture. Hope that helps. I've written two articles singing praises for the Gathering and would gladly help where I can. Thanks. The wider the picture the more who'll come and we need the new blood as the older disappear.

,Cheers guys and thanks.

,Rick Bach

Thoroughly enjoyed meeting new people, and may want to think how to actively engage new comers as to get them to participate. You need to proactively promote the GNI App/Event App, as many new comer questions had the answers there, and didn't find out until I arrived. Would you consider rotating venues?

I love the gathering and it makes me sad that so many people suggest there are not enough attendees. Maybe there are not as many as the past, but it is a great collection of men and I think the negativity around the issue of attendance is counterproductive. Xxxxoo

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It would be more convenient if the daily schedule was posted before breakfast.

The biggest criticism I can come up with is that the coffee sorta sucks. :)

Beverages need to be maintained more often it was difficult to find any diet sodas. I really enjoyed the disco and the cabin parties. The lake and the atmosphere is beautiful.

In the list of things to bring, suggest you add: a water bottle; sarong; a deck chair if you can.

The question above needs to be reworded

1) It's a minor suggestion, but for an Italian its major: the coffee was uniformly terrible. The weakest I e ever tasted. Surprising for Bunn Commercial machines.

,2) the circle jerk video is a terrible idea. After showing it publicly at the Miss Lace Pageant on Saturday, two young guys from our cabin said: "I'm a subscriber to Bate, but if I saw this video I would definitely not have attended the Gathering." They felt, and I agree, that it terribly misrepresents what GNI is about.

Add to activities and open massage session where anyone can give and receive. Experienced at another event and worked well.

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,Also enjoy sexual event less intense than the across the lake

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,Bottled water in with the beer and soda would be great

Great event. Well organized. Beautiful location.

Auditorium too loud, can't hear most of the time or understand, Don't like thumping microphone, movies same way, Too much money spent on quality electronics when other ideas would suffice and might even get better results.

As a first time attendee I had a wonderful experience. I am looking forward to next year.

Great job for all the staff. Thanks

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I personally think that the video just made about masturbation could be a very bad publicity.

,It's more pornographic than anything else.

,Doesn't show the true ambiance throughout the camp.

,Nothing against masturbation, we all do...

Kareoke was great.

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,Smoking is getting worse by the guests. Could you find a way of limiting smoking more like no smoking around the pools where it is really bad.

I thought it was poor planning to have the grounds crew cutting grass and blowing leaves on Friday/Saturday before we left on Sunday. Why not just wait until Monday when we are gone? It was

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annoying having grass blow at you while walking to breakfast or lunch and have your shoes caked with wet grass cuttings and dirt after getting home at night.

I sleep better at GNI, and that was the deciding factor against IMEN and for GNI. Also I enjoy some of the entertainment evening very much, and the facilities are exceptional.

It seems GNI is looking the other way and allowing guys to do things they shouldn't do on this side of the lake, e.g. inside Dance Club. Dirty Dancing across the lake is a waste of time. There must be a big follower in Watersport since you have it on the schedule every day. At least there was no real woman onstage this year.

Thank you for such a well-organized experience - and all the nude bodies.

,Yoga and Judy's Piano Bar were outstanding. The latter should be much more emphasized. The Circle Jerk film was great porn and should be added to all anthropological libraries; however, I do not believe it belongs on the website. The creativity and effort of the director is greatly appreciated. A filming of this circle from many angles and at varying distances might be better received by potential newbies. Certainly still not, of course, filming faces to honor privacy concerns.

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I wish GNI all the success in your future endeavors

Had a great time.

I always sold books at the craft fair but did not this year because you now charge \$20 a table. I would sometimes start with 5 tables and they would get down to 1 by Saturday. It was not worth me selling books if I had to start off by paying \$100. I only made about \$300. People were disappointed this year because I was not selling books. They looked forward to it. They stopped me and told me this. I always gave you something for the auction so I never saw the need renting tables that I would only need for a few hours spread over 3 days. My item for the auction was the RENT. This year I brought nothing to the auction. Change your policy, please.

I'm disturbed that the GNI Board has given its approval to market a j/o video on a masturbation website. This focus on sexual activity contradicts the GNI Mission statement and Statement on Sexuality. Is the Gathering going to become simply a j/o event and the GNI organization just another j/o club? I'm seriously considering leaving GNI and not attending any more Gatherings.

As a new attendee I would have liked a map of the camp that matched the schedule locations. Example: Hill top is not hill top on the camp map, the disco was held in a rec hall but listed differently on the schedule. One guy said the map he thought I was inquiring about was on line but I would have to dig for it.

i like the variety of events and workshops but i am always dismayed that i cannot attend many of them due to schedule conflicts.

Simply, it was great!

We used to have massage workshops every day. This year there weren't any. If nobody volunteers to hold them, can we get someone in to have them? That was really a great part of my day, and other guys as well. That's something that's missing that we should get back. Any thoughts on that?

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I would recommend a more aggressive policy of attracting younger guys: larger rebates than 10% for under 35 (or even under 40 for that matter :-), advocacy, referral, sponsorship (sponsor also gets smaller rebate), etc.

I think we should encourage the management of the camp to be more environmentally sensitive. We should also encourage them to keep planting trees and

, replacing those that die. I remember my first years at the gathering at Camp Akiba how beautiful the trees were and what a variety they had. Maybe we could use some of our money to plant trees where some have died or to help hide the road across the dam.

,I realize the Camp management need to have roads and walkways lighted at night, but there are ways to do it with out all the GLARING flood lights in your face and blinding you; it would also help keeping the sky a little darker to enjoy night skies.

I feel that if there are cabin coordinators there should be questions about how they created a good environment or not. If I had to go back to this particular cabin I would not return. I feel you need to know if there are people who are making a positive impact on the whole experience or not. I have already been thinking of a Canadian cabin. Apparently there has been one in the past and it was very popular but our numbers have dropped significantly. I will be chcking this out and I know for three other Canadians who were there they would support me and the idea.

It's been about 10 years since I attended in 2004-7. The biggest difference I noticed was seemingly less attendees, increased average age of attendees and the no clothing rule seems to have become clothing optional. I understand if it's in the mid 60s or lower one might need something to stay warm, but it was almost always warmer than that during the second half that I was there and it seemed like about half of the attendees at A8 parties were covered up in some fashion that the temperatures did not require nor for purely decorative reasons like a leather harness. For instance, I saw Hazel many times a day at various times of day, but he/she was always at least partially clothed. Surely he knows the nature of the event. I live in Ft Lauderdale. We have lots to clothing optional venues and events here. Usually most of the attendees have clothes on, which makes a much less fun, more inhibited experience than the GNI Gathering was when it was a more naked event. As it's being allowed to become a clothing optional event the appeal of attending is diminishing significantly.

I attend IMEN and they sell raffle tickets for different prizes. It seems to be popular. I won for next year, a half a week. I'm sure someone has brought this up.

The audio/visual equipment for the auditorium needs to be updated. Think about it, I've seen the same lighting fixture over Preston for 15 years, ever since I've been attending. We should be able to project live video or video streaming easily. The A/B switch is old technology. We also need a screen that can be lowered electronically. We also need front projection. The rear projection is also ancient technology. As another alternative, for live video, we should think about utilizing giant television screens (like they did one year in the Dance Club) on each side of the stage and that will avoid the need to lower and raise a screen all the time. Preston also needs to speak with the Tony and Mark from the dance club on how to keep the equipment cooler in the Auditorium.

paper schedules, listing of persons-in which cabins, maybe offer a 'cabin party or decorating package' with the sign-up, encourage cabin/group decorating-involvement AS a cabin, shorten the 'lull' between entertainment and bar opening @ 10:00, liquor at ALL happy hours-parties, take away dinners (meals),

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stop the stupid rivalry between GNI and IMEN its ridiculous, discount to sign up next year before leaving current trip...SERIOUS discount for bringing a new person in...(for both parties- maybe as much as 1/2 price for both!!) don't forget about the established attendees- don't just concentrate on new ones!, mentoring a first timer? maybe...

All good but I am not sure filming the Big JO sends the right message and complies with our mission statement fro GNI. I would have you all think about this very carefully. David Cox is great but the Big JO is an acquired taste for many of us at the gathering, and I certainly have attended the Big JO with pleasure but maybe not something I would push.

Water should be more readily available at pools etc...maybe adding a few dollars to everyone's fees, a case of water can be given to each person or placed in cabins to prevent dehydration. More water at pools would be nice, lots of beer and soda products, but no water there. At meals, lunch meats instead of large meals for lunch would be nice. There was SO MUCH FOOD...felt like we were always eating. Food VERY salty, especially for one who does not use and added salt in food. For newbies: perhaps a meeting upon arrival on first or second day where all newbies can get together and meet each other. My arrival and first day was overwhelming and would have been nice to have been eased into the group and camp with other who were new. This meeting could be an introduction to GNI and what to expect at the camp. I was lucky to have cabin mates who were willing to show me around, others weren't so lucky. Name tags should show a participant state (FL, GA, NY) next to name so others can recognize where you are from without having to flip tag over each time. In my case, ROB - FL

I hope to recycle glass from cabin A8 next year. I would be very satisfied with simpler but better cooked camping type food i.e. Burgers, dogs, BBQ pork. Breakfasts were great with scrambled eggs, bacon and sausage every day. No need to get fancy. Just simple food cooked properly. - the corn was awful as usual. Need better coordination with photographers for wrestling events - will try to remember to contact Brian prior to next year's event. Whitewater rafting was fun. GNI should sell eyeglasses straps if you plan to do it again.

Concerned about how we can manage the necessary changes to attract more / younger members. The full on sex route will change camp so fundamentally that my interest may wane. The proposed video we saw was totally inappropriate; it said at the end 'this is GNI' yet it so clearly wasn't. I was surprised that the board let it be screened in that state. I know David did it very quickly but still.... The marketing document will address this and much more.

Where to improve now: 1) food quality- sloppy joes should never be at a gay event. Ever. 2) have more djs take turns at dance club, I'm not planning to go to dance club ever again if it's the same guys all the time 3) have wine bar at dance club- corner with buckets of beer is not cool ,GNI has niche that allows for it to charge it's relatively higher price, but the value proposition may not be as high for younger people with smaller budgets. However, I think the price should stay because I think it's part of the reason we don't have to worry about things being stolen- a certain financial demographic is there.

activities for singles(speed dates, socials), more yoga(was more in 2015,) message and more activities to promote non sexual intimacy

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Why can't we have a Diet Sprite in camp? I have to pay for everyone's else's bozz.

,The Bate Wowrld video is just so wrong on every level. The line is being crossed and we are now nothing but a sex club.

,Thanks for arranging the great weather.

Everyone was awesome!

Really good food, well prepared and golf cart transportation up those hills would greatly enhance the experience and might attract more attendees.

Minor point: Maybe cafeteria staff should have name tags that are distinctly different from ours in order to avoid confusion and maybe even attention some of them (not all) would rather not get

Thanks for all you do to make this such a magnificent event.

The music was VERY boring and repetitive; I really miss a good DJ, like we had last year.

,I wish next year you correct this aspect

I am from Europe and that is the reason not to come next year.

,To get more younger guys, I think it is important to have WiFi around more places.

I'd like to see the Board embark on a campaign to remind men to "Keep It Across The Lake". Even though there were a small number (<20) of men violating the displays of sexual activity rules about the main side of camp, it seemed to me to be CONSTANT. The disco often turned into the "dirty disco" until a Board member finally put a stop to it on Friday night. We need to return to "Nude is Not Lewd" on the main side of camp. I love that GNI is offering options for men to explore more fetish and kink - ATL - and Pickles offered entertainment - again, ATL. But to observe men outwardly stroking each other, sucking on armpits and rimming in 'public' view was becoming intolerable. Nothing wrong with a 'gay-handshake' as a greeting. There has to be a line the Board can help draw for the more outwardly sexual members.

,I'm sure the video for the masturbation site is very much under construction. It was exciting to see (who doesn't like a compilation video?!) but it didn't really send the message of what GNI is all about. The BIG JO is just one thing we are about since we are gay men. It def needed much more about our nudist mission while also attempting to capture the interest of the intended audience.

The social hour themes this year were kind of tough. I'd love to know how one gets on the committee to help choose them for 2017.

I went to Nakedfest in 2014 and it was well attended. I am not successful in getting people to come to GNI for the full week option and even less for the 10 days. Since enrollment is down, it might be time to consider shortening the gathering back to 7 days like it was so long ago and go from Saturday to Saturday (like Nakedfest) which will give people a travel day or a day at home before going back to work.

The experience is ideal. Sustainable new members will help to make the experience last through the future. Decrease focus on "naturism" and more focus on it being "Naked Camp". There is more than naturism going on. There is sex, playing naked, dancing, partying, drag, etc. that goes beyond being a just a "naturist" or a "nudist". New guys and younger guys would be more likely to respond to Naked vs Naturist.

**Please share any additional thoughts about the questions or additional comments you may have.**

The cost keeps increasing each year, yet seems less is provided to us attendees. If the entertainment costs in the 10s of thousands \$\$, definitely NOT worth it!!

GNI must NOT promote itself with the circle jerk video. That website is for closed old queens, not the younger out naturist crowd who we want to attract. It sends exactly the wrong message. Whatever small benefit might come from it is outweighed by substantial media risks as we look like a sex party, no matter what captions are provided. Imagine if came at the top of a google search for GNI instead of the website. It would be a turn off for true naturists. ASK THE GUY FROM NAC WHAT HE THINKS....it is very important. He is a wise man. Don't do it. I would reconsider attending any future GNI

Regarding the rumor of holding s future (2018?) gathering in Australia - I highly encourage the Board to contact member Steve Macpherson , who attended this year for the first time. He's originally from Australia, knows the location GNI is considering , and has strong reservations about us going there. He attended the feedback meeting held during the gathering, but was not able to speak during the allotted time. PLEASE contact him for important information & insight he can provide us. Thank you.

Thanks to Rick Johnson and the Board for executing such a fantastic event. We appreciate your many efforts.

What a wonderful week with great friends.

I want GNI to be alive with traditional annual Gathering

The GNI staff works so hard to make the gathering a success - their efforts are greatly appreciated.

We need the 'booklet' back...who's here and living where is important. 1)PDF file or 2) paper and pay ,Could we have the dates we participated printed on the back of our ID?

Too much overt emphasis on alcohol and sex. Attracting new members using a porn video (JO circle) is misguided. Gay men can get sex anywhere. And gay men know that where there are naked gay men, there will be sex. You're preaching to the choir and run the risk of turning a naturist organization into a sex club. The average age of the majority of devoted Gathering attendees is 55. I assume there are very few 20 somethings among all the friends of this majority. I don't believe the emphasis needs to be <35yo. A 40-50 year old could come to the Gathering for the next 30+ years. Yes, a 30 yo could come for the next 50 years but does it make sense to focus that far into the future. Who knows what the world will look like in 50 years. Actually, I think the sex is what keeps 20 somethings away. They don't want to be groped by what they consider to be old trolls. So emphasizing the sex may be counter to your goal of increasing younger age attendees. Lets put nature back into GNI.

Weather makes a huge difference which enhanced this year.

I really got tired of the contests. Do we have to formally rank ourselves in everything? I enjoyed the shows.

I was one who did not want any pictures taken of me, so I had the red tag. I would of like to participated in some activities but was told I could not because of the no pic tag. I would like that policy to change so more people could participate.

I liked the new bathrooms in my cabin (J4). Would like more cabaret style entertainment. I didn't see any activities like massage, photography, outdoor nude wrestling in second half of week.

**Please share any additional thoughts about the questions or additional comments you may have.**

Just wish more events were sched for the 3:30-4:30 pm time period

I think it is important to keep the Gathering affordable and offer ways for people with limited financial resources to attend.

Questions seemed a little vague this year. They should be more specific.

Thanks to Rick and to members of the Board for all your efforts for a job well done.

For me it is good value for money, but age is creeping up and the hills get steeper each year. Except for connecting with old friends, it is same old, same old.

I have moderate expectations about my time at camp. I do so because I realize the challenges and limitations the board has and the resort has. I've always had a really good time with very little to complain about! My only concerns this year are: Do we really believe that this red neck comedian (who I think is funny but I'm sure comes with a price tag of some sorts) is going to really help promote GNI in regards to tapping into his net work of fans? I seem to recall Rick saying that GNI will be able to be in his lime light (my words). Is GNI able to use his likeness in advertising? IE - can GNI pay a chat site like Grinder or Scruff or Growler, etc to place an ad saying come see this guy at GNI? I don't know the cost to advertise on these sites. After working with a local HIV Non-profit, I tend to question how money is spent and what really is the return on investment and can it be qualified and quantified? I'm assuming these questions have been discussed before. I understand that these last couple of years have seen a decrease in participation. I think I might, if I were in your shoes, consider pooling as much money as possible and reaching out to a professional marketing person for guidance. Again, I'm speaking off the cuff rather than knowing all the details and in no way criticizing the board. I appreciate ALL you do and know that its not easy to make this work.

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,The other issue that I am struggling with is the masturbation video. I understand the motivation behind it. While watching the video, its seemed like I was watching a porno and it ended with "THIS IS GNI". The quick flash of the "other stuff" didn't leave an impact. In my opinion, if GNI decided to embark on a campaign on this site and the owners of this site were to gift us with free advertising, a compromise must be struck in regards to keeping GNI's integrity of being a nudist group not a sex free for all destination. Perhaps if the video started off with images of the camp, and other nude images with with GNI was, then add in a tag line about "something for everyone" and then some jerking off video to say that this aspect of camp was supported and honored or whatever. I'm sure you have received quite a few responses on this seeing that many were chatting about it (mostly upset) after the showing.

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,I've attached my name to this, no need to respond unless you'd like to discuss anything more in depth. Thanks again for all the board and the volunteers do! I appreciate you all more that I can put into words!

,  
,Cheers! xoxoox

I do Geocaching which would be off site but there are lots just outside of the camp. Could lead in 2018 if guys have smart phones. Also do estim which was popular in C3 and C4.

,Attended the sounds, CBT, and skin sensations by Leather Works .  
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**Please share any additional thoughts about the questions or additional comments you may have.**

hope the prices do not increase again,  
,it was great to have them go down for the 2016 gathering

I appreciate there were no women at the gathering this year. Guess enough responded from the last gathering that the change was made.

It was encouraging to see so many new faces the past two years

An incredible amount of work went into this event. I was impressed at the size and enthusiasm of the volunteer team. Well done all round. Loved the venue.

All of you put on an exceptional fun week!

Can't think of anything else right now.

I only have one issue that apt this year's gathering. I joined a organization called gay naturist international not an organization of keys have sex anywhere and everywhere. I think this is getting a little out of control with guys having sex last about everywhere. In your cabin or across the lake is fully acceptable bit at the pool, grove,dance hall or lunch room is not acceptable. No response needed just my opinion

I love GNI

too many established cliques  
,You should stop having reserved group cabins. Mix it up.

Would like for a week in early August, too often a cold night in late August

I am a little concerned about the plan to use a masturbation website, and a straight you tube sensation, to promote the gathering.

I am uncomfortable with the way GNI is planning on promoting itself as a environment for sex and not naturism. Attracting a younger crowd is great, but the marketing strategy , in my opinion is ill advised.It's getting a bit sleazy. The self professed leather pigs, (no judgement-they are nice guys) need to reign in their public displays. Performing fellatio, licking/eating/fingering assholes while on the dance floor podium is disrespectful to GNI members. That behavior should be reserved for across the lake or elsewhere.

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,Also, there was an obvious effort to improve the food but can get much better. More healthy choices. Less beef and pork. More Chicken, replenish salad, bagels AND the eggs are terrible! Use an egg substitute. The eggs were admittedly under cooked by the chef many times. Please put more quality control in place. Thank you

3 ideas for future gatherings:

- ,- water aerobics
- ,- craft activities (like summer camp)
- ,- wine and/or beer tasting led by someone knowledgeable

Rick Johnson does one " hell " of a job ALL YEAR long to make one great week  
,and the working relationship we now have with Howard etal

**Please share any additional thoughts about the questions or additional comments you may have.**

Looking forward to Gathering 2017.

I appreciate the hard work the board and Rick perform with a smile on their faces.

The dance club is most certainly my favourite activity. The guys who put it together are incredible and I send them a heartfelt thank you. I am still dancing!!The Gathering simply would not be the same without Tony and Mark and the rest of the dance club gents. Thank you to them all from the bottom of my heart and for energising me with their presence and the music they share that fills me with life. Thanks GNI!! Love you!! Naked hugs XOXOXO

I know it seems like the Gathering has to outdo itself year after year to attract a bigger crowd. But let's not lose focus on the basics.

it's a truly amazing experience

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 0

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Through friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Friends coming here, size of event

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Experience; **stay for the** Friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Tell my friends, include in my Facebook, tell people at other such events

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Absolutely loved the leatherworks classes and store - would be a reason I'd come back and would love to learn more.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None this time, but balance up with Nudemanfest in Melbourne and Turtle Cove and Autumn Farm.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 15

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Been coming since beginning at Hausa house

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Pivotal

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** See old friend.  
Make new friends. Intimate encounters.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Freedom ; **stay for the** Comradary

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Talk about it

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Spending time with dog and husband

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** local affiliated group

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** insightful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** nude recreation  
with other gay men  
,sunshine and outdoor camping experience  
,sexual exploration

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the oral; stay for the anal**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I can mention it to select friends on Facebook

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -1

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** not sure

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 6

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** naked yoga class

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** meaningful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** relax, see friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** fun; **stay for the** return for the friends

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** i talk about it all the time and mention it my dating app profiles

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:**

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I'd like yoghurt without artificial sweeteners at breakfast. And, spinach and boiled eggs at every lunch and dinner.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Hillside

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From close friends in Romans

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Really good !

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Could attend with close friends, and the fact that it was relatively nearby, within driving distance. And being a nude event.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** like minded experience; **stay for the** endless fun and meeting new people !

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Nothing

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** steam table fare was cold a lot of the time as the serving pans were left open !! Label the contents, put a sign up, In order for food to stay hot, please close serving lids when you are done! and keep lids closed, people will learn...

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** N/A

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 0

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends who had attended. We'd heard good things.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Uncomfortable.

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Be naked with other men.  
,Friends and relaxing.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Nice guys and naked men; **stay for the** ??

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -1

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The GNI part was great....

,But the food was sub-par and the cabins were uncomfortable for two big guys (I'm 6'6", 255). Also, there's no place to just relax and hang out unless you bring all that stuff yourself. We did the same GNI type event in the Dominican Republic and that experience was spectacular as it was a comfortable environment with great food.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Poor

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Failed to meet expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** A couple of gay islands in the Turks & Caicos, some small gay naked Greece cruises (18-25 men)

## Individual Responses in Full

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Love the GNI piece and we know you guys worked hard. But for \$1,400 for 5 days, we left at the end of day 2 as we couldn't take another night in that bed. As for food, I get that it's "camping"... But some effort needs to go into the menu. At \$1,400 for a 32 hour stay (we bailed at the end of day 2)...with some upgrades to living quarters (which just might not be possible given the space you have), we'd like to try it again.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?**

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Uncomfortable

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Naturism, relaxation

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Naturism; **stay for the** Friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -1

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Never got comfortable.

No easy place to relax,. Every surface of was "hard"or uncomfortable. Mattresses too thin, beds too small.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Poor

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I definitely won't be planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Failed to meet expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Cruise, weekend in Palm Springs. Spooky Bear

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** More comfortable accommodations would have been welcome. We left early ,Because we couldn't bare the thought of another night in the noisy cabin with uncomfortable beds getting very little sleep . Shame because I know how hard everyone worked.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 0.5

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** internet and word of mouth

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Disappointing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Social, Workshops, meet new people.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Make it more mainstream. Seem stuck in the 90's. While most guys were friendly, still seemed extremely cliquish. The whole event seems geared to the interest of a small group of men.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -1

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -1

**Entertainment:** -1

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Events were either cancelled or changed with little notice. Overall poorly organized and scheduled.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Poor

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I definitely won't be planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Failed to meet expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Gay campgrounds/cruises

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I felt that this was a group of gay men trying to relive their hay days. Programs and events need to be updated to reach a broader age range of men.

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 4

How did you hear about The Gathering? Friend

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Fun

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? Nudist, Activities

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the ; stay for the

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -3

Scheduling: -3

Workshops / Discussions / Activities:

Entertainment: -2

Accommodations: -3

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Good

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I might attend, but I'm not sure.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Met expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 4

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** GNI

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** invigorating

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Meet old friends, be naked in the sun

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

Come for the ; stay for the

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -4

Scheduling: -3

Workshops / Discussions / Activities:

Entertainment: -2

Accommodations:

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Meals were much better than in the past, and the facility is in excellent condition. I wish beds were more comfortable and commodious

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Quiet week in Vermont

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Biggest annoyance was sound system in auditorium. Sound levels were generally way too high and distorted.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 4

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Online ad

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Great!

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Nakedness  
,Friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** people

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I have told a bunch of people I know who may attend next year. What I WOULD do is improve the website for those that are interested.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Breakfast begins too early for this crowd. It should stay open later. I've never made it to breakfast, as I'm up late at camp. The tuna casserole was unanimously hated. I am glad that beer is provided around camp, as most campers bring booze and don't offer beer at parties. And you offered good beer. My cabin was good, as I expected, EXCEPT for the bathroom. I have been in the same cabin every year, and the bathroom has grown more and more disgusting. My partner didn't come because of the bathroom. Two other cabin mates didn't come because of it either.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Fair

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** IMEN

,Nantucket

,Maine

## Individual Responses in Full

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Wifi boosters should be put throughout the camp. While I know this is not a GNI issue, it should be mentioned to Howard at PVR. I could stay longer if I could work from my laptop in my cabin.

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer? Yes

How many Gatherings have you attended? 1

How did you hear about The Gathering? Friends

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Awesome

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? 1st Great gay experience  
,2nd Meet friends  
,3rd Have a good time

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the experience; stay for the ?

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering? I donated a basket of goodies with my partner.

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -3

Scheduling: -4

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -4

Entertainment: -4

Accommodations: -3

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Excellent

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I might attend, but I'm not sure.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Exceeded expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering? None

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 0

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends who had attended in previous years recommended the gathering.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** OK.

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** A calendar conflict made it impossible for me to attend CMEN's Malibu gathering which was my first choice.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

Come for the Official start ; stay for the Week

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I would eliminate the "pre-gathering" as it was a disappointment.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:**

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:**

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Ratings are based upon pre-gathering. I did not realize that so little was planned for that weekend. This was my first gathering. I have learned my lesson.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Fair

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Failed to meet expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** As mentioned, I wanted to go to CMEN at Malibu. Unfortunately I went to GNI on the wrong dates. I won't do that again.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Please be more descriptive about the pregathering. I met many first timers who were as disappointed as I about the limited scope of the weekend. I will, however, attend the main gathering next year.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** I met Ed (from Body Electric) at Timberfell Resort in TN, and he recommended both events.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** sensational

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Opportunity to be nude all week. Opportunity to be with a group of gay men.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the nudes; stay for the dudes.**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I will invite people I meet through the year, even offering transportation when appropriate.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** With few prime time spots, there were often multiple sessions I'd like to attend at the same time.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I'm interested in a couple of the other gay naturist events, but in addition to GNI, not instead of it.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** It's obvious that GNI has learned from years of experience and feedback, and what the group is doing now really works. It's a great, well-run event.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 4

**How did you hear about The Gathering?**

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** awesome

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** the full week of nudity, seeing old friends, and meeting new ones

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** experience; **stay for the** enjoyment

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Great job by Pocono Valley Resort and staff.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 9

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Steve Frey.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fun time. My hubby and I tend to use the time to play tennis, swim and catch up with some friends.

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** A peaceful and relaxed nude getaway.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

Come for the View; stay for the Commaraderie

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Tell others.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** We are traveling to the UK next month. We did the 2nd half of the gathering as a short retreat, not really as a full blown vacation.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** We very much enjoyed the morning yoga.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 4

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Pop up ad

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Liberation

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Comrade, nature, naked.  
,Not necessarily in that order.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Rejuvenation ; **stay for the** Community

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Have to speak in the language to which you want to be heard. So with knowing there's desire/need to get younger blood involved, would focus on input from them to reach them in their mode of communication.

,More concerning this in connects below.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** For those who feel things are not good enough. They forget it's camp, not a lux life and a dam good camp at that.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** A week in Ptown.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** The biggest problem had been and is the music. Had a heated debate with the gent who constructed Mercury. Beautifully executed, but the music falls flat with only stuff we cut are teeth on. If you want to keep the younger blood that do come, again have to speak their language as well. Not saying only new

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stuff, but hell, something from this decade mixed in. How about a proportional mix with a few songs linked within their decade? Has been a long standing problem. Naked Fest as well. Thought the DJ was going to bite my head off when I requested something a little more current. Best way to kill the energy on a dance floor is to loose the big picture. Hope that helps. I've written two articles singing praises for the Gathering and would gladly help where I can. Thanks. The wider the picture the more who'll come and we need the new blood as the older disappear.

,Cheers guys and thanks.

,Rick Bach

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Liberating

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Relaxation,  
Meet New People, Learn More About Myself

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Experience of Liberating yourself; **stay for the** Week

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Associations with other  
LGBT non profit organizations to get the word out. Like Gods Love We Deliver, HRC, Etc

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Wine should be made  
available at pools, medal functions. Not many Gluten Free food choices available

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and  
money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met  
expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation  
options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None, made this as a last  
minute decision

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

Thoroughly enjoyed meeting new people, and may want to think how to actively engage new  
comers as to get them to participate. You need to proactively promote the GNI App/Event App, as many  
new comer questions had the answers there, and didn't find out until I arrived. Would you consider  
rotating venues?

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 7

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Husband

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Incredible

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Nudity, men, friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Guys; **stay for the** Friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I tell friends and invite them

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I only saw Shawn

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Fire island

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I love the gathering and it makes me sad that so many people suggest there are not enough attendees. Maybe there are not as many as the past, but it is a great collection of men and I think the negativity around the issue of attendance is counterproductive. Xxxooo

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Are you a first timer? Yes

How many Gatherings have you attended? 1

How did you hear about The Gathering? Website

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Excellent

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? Nudity  
,Gay

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the nudity; stay for the comradery

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering? tell gay friends about it.

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -2

Scheduling: -4

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -3

Entertainment: -4

Accommodations: -3

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above: Overall meals were quite good. One dinner with chicken wings - not so good; also, the roast beef dinner; the beef was tough. A lot of those two meals ended up in the trash.

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Good

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I'm definitely planning to attend.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Met expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering? possibly traveling to London.

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have: It would be more convenient if the daily schedule was posted before breakfast.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 10

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From the local gay naturist group 17 years ago

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Excellent

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To be surrounded by natural beauty, free and creative spirits, and good earthy fun

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nude camaraderie, exercise and R&R; **stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Pass the word back home. Can't really go publicly online. Nowadays, being a nudist in the USA is more odd to the gay as well as straight general public than being gay. Sad, but it's their loss.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** My lack of excellent ratings above reflects no criticism whatsoever of the organizers or PVR; given the resources available and mostly volunteer entertainment and event hosts, the experience overall has been excellent, and a good value.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** The biggest criticism I can come up with is that the coffee sorta sucks. : )

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** A friend, Richard Butler

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?**

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Social and nudity; **stay for the** Funniest

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The food was not very good. All breakfast food cold. the accommodations were fair bathroom was horrible. I enjoyed a lot of the amenities and the atmosphere was very nice.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Poor

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I also attend IMEN. Better value for the money.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

Beverages need to be maintained more often it was difficult to find any diet sodas. I really enjoyed the disco and the cabin parties. The lake and the atmosphere is beautiful.

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 8

How did you hear about The Gathering? Through another attendee

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Awesome

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? Being naked, being with nude men, being outdoors

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the naturism; stay for the dance club

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -3

Scheduling: -3

Workshops / Discussions / Activities:

Entertainment: -3

Accommodations: -2

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Excellent

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I'm definitely planning to attend.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Met expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 9

How did you hear about The Gathering?

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Fun

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? Seeing old friends and making new ones.

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the ; stay for the

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering? Chat with members of truenuidists.com, trueswingers.com, ispq, bateworld.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

Meals / Beverages: -2

Scheduling: -4

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -4

Entertainment: -4

Accommodations: -4

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above: Cold sausages every morning.

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Excellent

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I might attend, but I'm not sure.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Met expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 3

How did you hear about The Gathering? Friend

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Great

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? To be nude outside , meet new people . Dancing .

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the Experience; stay for the Fun

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -3

Scheduling: -2

Workshops / Discussions / Activities:

Entertainment: -3

Accommodations: -3

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Good

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I might attend, but I'm not sure.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Met expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering? Trip to Maine

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?**

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From a couple who are regulars

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Excellent

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** A desire to deal with my own body-image issues; to have a fun week with my partner experimenting with new experiences

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** strangeness and challenge; **stay for the** friendship and acceptance

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I have already spoken with several friends about the experience

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** 1. The cabins don't cater very well to couples. 2. You could offer a "buddy" -- someone for newcomers to chat with and ask questions before coming.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** We plan to try IMEN -- some of the people we met at GNI will be there, and it is closer to home. There is a chance that we may attend both gatherings.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** In the list of things to bring, suggest you add: a water bottle; sarong; a deck chair if you can.

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 3

How did you hear about The Gathering? Friends

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Excellent

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? Connect with friends old and new. Relax. Dance.

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the Fun; stay for the People

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering? Showed pictures from previous years to local naturist group.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

Meals / Beverages: -3

Scheduling: -3

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -3

Entertainment: -2

Accommodations: -2

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Excellent

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I might attend, but I'm not sure.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Met expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 13

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Reunion

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Seeing friends, being naked, disco

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** brotherhood; **stay for the** love

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Make a DVD slideshow of my pictures.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Thanks for the strawberries and blueberries kept full at breakfast. Yoga was perfect at 10 every morning.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Paris

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 8

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Steve Frey

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** smile

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Naked Disco, Naked Yoga, Naked Tennis

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** experience; **stay for the** memories

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I recommended it to a new friend, and he attended.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** It is really great how accommodating the staff is, with helping with luggage, vegetarian meals, etc.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** P-Town Bear week.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 7

How did you hear about The Gathering? internet

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? good

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? meet with friends.....meet new friends.....freedom to be naked all day

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the ; stay for the

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -1

Scheduling: -3

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -1

Entertainment: -2

Accommodations: -3

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above: we could use a little upgrading in bedding and toilets and showers ....

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Good

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I might attend, but I'm not sure.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Failed to meet expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 17

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** GO I Newsletter

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Delightful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Nude event, interact with acquaintances

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

Come for the FUN; stay for the Week

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -4

Scheduling: -2

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -3

Entertainment: -3

Accommodations: -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Atlantis cruise

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 3

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** IMEN newsletter

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** friends, relaxation, partying

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** relaxation; **stay for the** camaraderie

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** always tell my friends. brought a new friend this year

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -1

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The food was always cold. Diet beverages always ran out. I come there to enjoy outdoor nudity; not for sitting through shows

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Fair

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** nothing during the GNI timeframe. I've attended every other vacation that I've planned on this year.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** The question above needs to be reworded

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 3

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Booth at Folsom Street East back in 2013

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Excellent

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Easy going nature of attendees.  
,We'll run and organized.  
,Relaxing.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Share my experience with friends.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Provincetown, Mass.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** 1) It's a minor suggestion, but for an Italian its major: the coffee was uniformly terrible. The weakest I e ever tasted. Surprising for Bunn Commercial machines.  
,2) the circle jerk video is a terrible idea. After showing it publicly at the Miss Lace Pageant on Saturday, two young guys from out cabin said: "I'm a subscriber to Bate, but if I saw this video I would definitely

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not have attended the Gathering." They felt, and I agree, that it terribly misrepresents what GNI is about.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 3

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Through a friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Outstanding

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Getting naked outside with gay men, activities such a volleyball, commarderee in a safe and accepting environment

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Naked experience ; **stay for the** Friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Discussed at local nude group events

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Add to activities and open massage session where anyone can give and receive. Experienced at another event and worked well.

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,Also enjoy sexual event less intense than the across the lake

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,Bottled water in with the beer and soda would be great

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 24

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** MAN

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Exhilarating!

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Nudity, Friendship, Fun

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?**

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

Come for the Nudity; stay for the fun

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I do plenty.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Although the Miss Lace Pageant was quite good, there was way too much Trixie and Hazel, with very little focus on the competitors.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Staying home by my pool.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Nakedfest 2015

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Nudity, men, and I love seeing a man walk with his dick swinging

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** People were great. Location was beautiful

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** At ease

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Continued opening my eyes to the wonderful world of men enjoying nudity together

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Naked men; **stay for the** Nice and handsome and open community

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Will tell my friends

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Great location. Make scheduled more readily available.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Gay cruise

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Great event. Well organized. Beautiful location.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 18

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** a friends photo from previous gatherings

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** ok

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** naked men, gay me,

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** relaxed nudity

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** freedom

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** acceptance

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** relaxed feeling; **stay for the** acceptance

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -1

**Entertainment:** -1

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** don't like men dressed as women, too much, after all these are men , lets see men- too much covering such as all those sarongs(sp)-like live performers that are real,not lip sinking

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** It ;is a vacation, especially after what I was involved the first part of the onth.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

Auditorium too loud, can't hear most of the time or understand, Don't like thumping microphone, movies same way, Too much money spent on quality electronics when other ideas would suffice and might even get better results.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Google search for nude associations; GNI web site mentioned Gathering

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Delightful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** 1. Gay  
,2. Nativist  
,3. Different kind of vacation (rustic vs urban)

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Community. So many friendly open-hearted individuals.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Joy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I felt very welcome and was continually surprised by all the activities available.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** camaraderie

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Tell all my naturist friends about it; share my experiences and point people to the online information; encouraging them to join GNI.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Probably a camp responsibility but the outdoor shower floor needs to be leveled; it's rather steep this summer.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Fire Island. Provincetown.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** As a first time attendee I had a wonderful experience. I am looking forward to next year.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 15

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From friends who were already GNI members.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** to be naked outdoors; to spend vacation time with friends; to meet gay men

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** That the weather was (mostly) warm and dry.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** No single emotion. There were ups and downs.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

Come for the ; stay for the

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -1

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The food has definitely improved over the last several years. Salad bar with fresh fruits and vegetables is great. (Coffee sucks.) I found something satisfying to eat at every meal. Breakfast has improved too. Great having eggs every day, but several days we had to wait for them to be available.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** No other place or event offers a comparable naked experience.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 8

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** friends

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** nudity  
,being with friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** wet fun with  
friends across the lake

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** at home with friends

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** made more naked friends

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the fun; stay for the guys**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Always telling friends  
about our time at GNI

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I was pleased with the  
job GNI did. I was disappointed with the kitchen as far as lack of water, empty napkin holders, no coffee  
one morning. all minor but ordinary things that should be a no-brainer

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and  
money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met  
expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation  
options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I enjoy spending the week with  
friends, making new friends and spending time across the lake. I do do other vacations but always plan  
on GNI

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 0

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** be naked, in the nature and meet new people

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** great place

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** friendship

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I enjoyed so much because it's a unique and wonderful place with friendly staff and I meet new friends

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the fun ; stay for the atmosphere**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Have flyers or have a great website to inform my friends overseas to come over

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -1

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I would like to receive the schedule for all activities by email few days before the first day so I know already what I would like to do. Thank you very much.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** a gay cruise

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Great job for all the staff. Thanks

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Body Electric publicity

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Superkalifragilisticexpialidociou

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** I love nudity  
,I love gaymen  
,I wanted to attend to Body Electric CBE  
,

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Brotherhood!

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** A new sense of community

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I personally came back with a new sense of pride.  
,I just found a new family!

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** First time!; **stay for the** Next ten gatherings!

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**1) talk about it to our friends  
,2)please make more publicity

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Meals were generally good.

,Breakfasts were invariably cold. I would suggest that you put infrared spots over the serving trays.  
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**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Carribean Cruise

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I personally think that the video just made about masturbation could be a very bad publicity.  
,It's more pornographic than anything else.  
,Doesn't show the true ambiance throughout the camp.  
,Nothing against masturbation, we all do...

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 7

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** amazing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** naturism, friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** friendship

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** intense friendship

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** it brings me closer to friend that share naturism

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** friendship; **stay for the** new friends that I make

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** tell everyone how great it is, show pictures and try to convince them to come

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:**

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** none

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

Kareoke was great.

,  
,Smoking is getting worse by the guests. Could you find a way of limiting smoking more like no smoking around the pools where it is really bad.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** through my husband

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** I had heard my husband say what fun he had attending 9 years ago. So I told him I wanted to experience that fun!

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** the mandatory nudity combined with activities.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Free, relaxing and happy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I was struck by the diversity of ages and other countries represented. I loved the comradery and nonjudgmental attitudes.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** friendships/sex

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I would promote it more on social media. I was amazed how many gay friends have no idea what GNI/The Gathering is about.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Activities interested me, not the entertainment. Wish the zip line had been scheduled a little later so I could have a chance to wake up. Cabin conditions, especially showers/sinks were a little more cramped and rustic than I expected.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Folsom or Dore Ally in San Francisco.

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I thought it was poor planning to have the grounds crew cutting grass and blowing leaves on Friday/Saturday before we left on Sunday. Why not just wait until Monday when we are gone? It was annoying having grass blow at you while walking to breakfast or lunch and have your shoes caked with wet grass cuttings and dirt after getting home at night.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?**

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends of Naked Minnesota.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Freedom

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** I'm a nudist. I wanted an extended escape in nude living.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** All the warm sharing and acceptance for all.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Joy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I would love to live this lifestyle 365 days a year

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the Fun; stay for the Love**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Share with friends

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Palm Springs

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 7

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** recommended by freinds

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** good

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Meet guys  
,Participate in interesting activities  
,Enjoy entertainments

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** meeting guys

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** time well spent

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** satisfied

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the sun; stay for the FUN**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** recommend to friends

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Enjoyed the Rafting trip;

,Wished there had been more Zipline opportunities.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** conventional trips abroad; also considered attending IMEN as an alternative, but did not like the EXTREMELY NOISY mattresses when I was last there so rejected IMEN in favor of GNI.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I sleep better at GNI, and that was the deciding factor against IMEN and for GNI. Also I enjoy some of the entertainment evening very much, and the facilities are exceptional.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 7

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From my nude group ROMANS

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Great

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Great location, friendly naked men, get to know my group's members better

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Love the campground

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Exhilarating and memorable

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Let me open up myself to meet new friends

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** life changing experience; **stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Tell my friends and probably write an article about it to submit to a local gay newspaper

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -1

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** This year's scheduling is a mess....double/triple booking.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** IMEN. Gay cruise.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** It seems GNI is looking the other way and allowing guys to do things they shouldn't do on this side of the lake, e.g. inside Dance Club. Dirty Dancing across the lake is a waste of time. There must be a big follower in Watersport since you have it on the schedule every day. At least there was no real woman onstage this year.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** BodyElectric

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome !

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To attend 1st BodyElectric workshop, not to wear clothes, and to be at "camp" with no clothes, as an adult.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Meeting new friends - who just happened to be nude . :)

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Absolutely wonderful to have found my voice and love my body.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Increased confidence and amazing amount of trust for men who I had never met before.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** spectacular views :) :); **stay for the** new friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I will spread the word to friends.

,This event with the contribution of each participant, the extraordinary mutual respect, the excellent organization, and the almost ideal setting only needs more advertising to begin to have a waiting list.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Post copy of announcements outside cafeteria.

,Serve food hot.

,Too many meals without napkins at table.

,Flag changes in schedule.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** San Francisco or Barcelonas

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Thank you for such a well-organized experience - and all the nude bodies.

,Yoga and Judy's Piano Bar were outstanding. The latter should be much more emphasized. The Circle Jerk film was great porn and should be added to all anthropological libraries; however, I do not believe it belongs on the website. The creativity and effort of the director is greatly appreciated. A filming of this circle from many angles and at at varying distances might be better received by potential newbies. Certainly still not, of course, filming faces to honor privacy concerns.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 20

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends of mind in P.A.N.G. had attended past GNI Gatherings recamened it. I went to my first Gathering in 1996.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Brotherhood

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Other friends of mine go, location is not too far from home, and not too expencive.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The white water raff trip.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** The general acceptance and friendliness of everybody.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It uplifted my spirts in a diffacult year.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** freedom natureism; **stay for the** love of brotherhood

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**I have talked it up at Gay places I go.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I did not, as I always set asside this time for GNI.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I wish GNI all the success in your future endevers

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Stephan Frey of Long Island Bares

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Great

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Chance to be naked outdoors with lots of like minded individuals. Lots of fun activities available.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** No pressure, relaxing atmosphere, no judgement.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Relaxing

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Made me feel like there are lots of other like minded people out there and that we are not weird to enjoy being nude.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** fun; **stay for the** friends

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Social Media, word of mouth

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I don't think combining items above such as meals/beverages, or accommodations/amenities/grounds allows participants to accurately rate these areas. The amenities/grounds were great, the accommodations not so much because the beds are too short, and very uncomfortable. Food was below average, but the beverages were great.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None really.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Had a great time.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 22

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** i attend every year so I automatically know

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** terrific

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** it's fun. seeing friends

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**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** always something to do

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** freindship

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** made me look forward to the next one

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** friendship; **stay for the** fun

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**always talk about it with people. I went to Hillside for the day after I left on Sunday and told people around the pool there all about GNI

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** always leave that week available for GNI

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I always sold books at the craft fair but did not this year because you now charge \$20 a table. I would sometimes

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start with 5 tables and they would get down to 1 by Saturday. It was not worth me selling books if I had to start off by paying \$100. I only made about \$300. People were disappointed this year because I was not selling books. They looked forward to it. They stopped me and told me this. I always gave you something for the auction so I never saw the need renting tables that I would only need for a few hours spread over 3 days. My item for the auction was the RENT. This year I brought nothing to the auction. Change your policy, please.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 14

**How did you hear about The Gathering?**

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** naturism & camaraderie

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** camaraderie

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** cruise and trip to Hawaii

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I'm disturbed that the GNI Board has given its approval to market a j/o video on a masturbation website. This focus on sexual activity contradicts the GNI Mission statement and Statement on Sexuality. Is the Gathering going to become simply a j/o event and the GNI organization just another j/o club? I'm seriously considering leaving GNI and not attending any more Gatherings.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?**

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Conversations at IMEN

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Great

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Close to me, easy drive, highly recommended by those I talked to at IMEN, CMEN.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The friendliness of both, the guys attending and the camp staff that worked hard to make the gathering enjoyable.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I was able to reconnect with friends I had made at other gatherings, IMEN, CMEN, and make new friends. My cabin mates were super.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Nudity; **stay for the** Comrodery

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The beer and soda were great. The lack of bottled water for those of us heavy water drinkers was difficult. If I had known I would have brought my own.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** As a new attendee I would have liked a map of the camp that matched the schedule locations. Example: Hill top is not hill top on the camp map, the disco was held in a rec hall but listed differently on the schedule. One guy said the map he thought I was inquiring about was on line but I would have to dig for it.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 5

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Internet

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Have fun.  
Make new friends. Relax from the NYC/Hamptons/Pines summer stress!

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Fraternity

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Acceptance

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Boost confidence

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the fun; stay for the friends**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Encourage others to try GNI...

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Food could be more healthy and simple. Meals such as "Sweet and Sour Chicken" are unnecessary, and gross. :-| Simple grilled chicken with steamed or roasted veggies would be better. Many of us work hard to eat right and stay fit. The salad bar was my savior at many of the meals!!! Also, three meals/day is unnecessary. Brunch and dinner would be enough. Have a place where you could buy a sandwich in the afternoon if you want to...

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Atlantis cruise, trip to Provincetown, Palm Springs, or Europe...

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** A friend years ago...Bob Firman

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** unbelievable

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** being with friends I met last year, total nakedness, a safe sexual environment

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** reuniting with old friends and making new friends

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Total bliss and primal awareness in nature

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** on the final Sunday I could not hold back on the tears of departure

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** naked experience of a lifetime; **stay for the** full 10 days of absolute primal nude male experience

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**for the "cumming" year I would share my experience and invite every gay or bimale that I come in contact with to experience something that will change their life and broaden there Horizons with hundreds of other like-minded males from all over the world.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** cleanliness of the cabins needs to be improved tremendously.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None...if there was an option and it was something in the nature of a gni gathering at sea... now that would be something I would consider

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Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** internet

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** amazing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** freedom, vacation, getting away from it all

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** nudity the whole time

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** ecstasy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the sex; stay for the men**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** tell applicable friends

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** play some music that was popular from the last ten years. If you want to attract a younger crowd, mix it up and don't play all oldies.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** mmng

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 9

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Internet

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Great

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To see friends, to enjoy the pool and the sun, to have the great time I always have at GNI

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Friends

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Pride

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It boosts my confidence

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Invite friends, revamp the website to make it as cutting-edge as possible

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** on the internet

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** exhilarating

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** the nudity, and social gatherings

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** the flogging

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** relaxing

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** not sure

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** friendly naked men; **stay for the** naked men

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I wore the gni hat and use the gni beach towels

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -1

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I gave a two because of the beds they are not compatible for men 6 ft and over

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** IMEN, going to palm springs

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 3

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** technically, one gathering and two nakedfests  
,member of GNI

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** meaningful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** being naked,  
socializing, trying to make like minded friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** BE CBE and the  
opportunity to then spend the week with whom i shared CBE

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** free and accepted

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** improved my self-image

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** freedom; **stay for the** camaraderie

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** speak to my friends  
about how much fun i had

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -1

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** 1.food was frequently  
cold, no alternative if i don't like the main course.

,2. in saturday night show, hazel wore what appeared to be an American flag. as a veteran i was taken  
aback. Out of respect for the U.S. flag, never: use it as wearing apparel ([www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov))

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and  
money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met  
expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation  
options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** i like spending the week naked  
with other naked men, i just can't guarantee i will be available in a year.

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** i like the variety of events and workshops but i am always dismayed that i cannot attend many of them due to schedule conflicts.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 20

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** local club, originally;  
,now I'm a repeat attendee, not an innocent newbie babe (so sweet I was)

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** gratifying

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** old friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** meeting new  
bodies

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** lust

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** what happened to some old friends who weren't there  
this year?

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** sex; **stay for the** after glow

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** GNI ran outta sugar-  
free drinks Thursday for all the diabetics

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and  
money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met  
expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation  
options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** home improvements  
,garden work  
,cat care  
,masturbating

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 9

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome!

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** 1) Social time with friends; 2) Relaxing; 3) Relaxing NAKED!

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The most important aspect is the social time with friends.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Same as above - awesome!

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It gives me a chance to reconnect with people from all over the world.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the Peace.; stay for the Joy!**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I talk about it with friends and new acquaintances and encourage them to attend.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Just so you know, I am not complaining about the food, because I understand that it's "camp food", but, since you asked, it is probably my least favorite part of the "experience" ... fully realizing by saying that, that it won't change and that I don't expect it to. It's just a comment. :)

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** No other options beyond taking the time at home to enjoy a quiet week.

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Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have: Simply, it was great!

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 6

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Someone at Hillside Campground told me about it.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Relaxed

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Naked gay men  
,Parties  
,Scheduled events

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Required nudity, not clothing optional.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** freedom

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Talk to other guys about it.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** (1) Adam Sank was great! Bring him back again! I was disappointed that there are no vegetarian choices for lunch except a salad every day. There should be a vegetarian choice for lunches - they're less expensive than meat anyway. (2) Grounds could be a little better lit at night - to get to some cabins you have to walk in the dark over uneven and rocky terrain, not always sure of your footing because it's totally dark. Some small little lights in darker areas around cabins would be helpful and increase night time safety. (3) More diet sodas. They always run out before the regular ones do.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** We used to have massage workshops every day. This year there weren't any. If nobody volunteers to hold them, can we get someone in to have them? That was really a great part of my day, and other guys as well. That's something that's missing that we should get back. Any thoughts on that?

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** via other gatherings (California Men's Gathering CMG, also CMEN/West Coast Gathering)... also cross-match on gay nudists' websites

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** great

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** 1. be able to run around nude all day, 2. meet and socialize with same-minded guys, 3. relax and have fun (including but not limited to sex :-)

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** nudity

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** freeeeeeedom

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** very positively, feel elated, uplifted, good vibes for weeks to come...

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nude guys; **stay for the** fun

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** talk to friends about it

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** a few repairs needed in the cabins, but nothing bad -- also maybe a few more organized workshops/activities running in parallel in the afternoon would be good to dispell an impression of "void" between lunch and happy hour (massage, games, acting/dancing, toe-nail painting, whatever...)

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** nothing in particular, would have been another nudist resort somewhere, preferably gay -- but there are not hundreds of those

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I would recommend a more aggressive policy of attracting younger guys: larger rebates than 10% for under 35

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(or even under 40 for that matter :-), advocacy, referral, sponsorship (sponsor also gets smaller rebate), etc.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 27

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Through my local gay nude group 30 years ago.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Sensual

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** The enjoyment of being naked outside; socializing with old and new friends; the relaxing setting and atmosphere.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Nice warm weather.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Joy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It left me feeling good about myself.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** freedom; **stay for the** friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Let people know what a beautiful setting it is, and all the activities available for us to do nude, and that it is not about looks, but making friends.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:**

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:**

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I wish there were outlets on the porches for our lights and decorations. The new porch lights the camp installed as of last year are horrible. The food could be better, there were some good meals, too.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** none.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I think we should encourage the management of the camp to be more environmentally sensitive. We should also encourage them to keep planting trees and

, replacing those that die. I remember my first years at the gathering at Camp Akiba how beautiful the

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trees were and what a variety they had. Maybe we could use some of our money to plant trees where some have died or to help hide the road across the dam.

,I realize the Camp management need to have roads and walkways lighted at night, but there are ways to do it with out all the GLARING flood lights in your face and blinding you; it would also help keeping the sky a little darker to enjoy night skies.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Through a friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Very Good

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** to experience being nude for a week and having fun.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** met some amazing people but one in particular.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** acceptance

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I feel much better about myself. More confidence.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** experience; **stay for the** friends

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I have already passed on the information to a friend who is the president of the gay rugby club here.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Unfortunately I was in a cabin that the coordinator thought was his private domain. Moved to another cabin three days before the end. The men were more hospitable, friendly, and inviting.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I am retired so can travel where and when I like.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I feel that if there are cabin coordinators there should be questions about how they created a good environment or not. If I had to go back to this particular cabin I would not return. I feel you need to know if there are people who are making a positive impact on the whole experience or not. I have

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already been thinking of a Canadian cabin. Apparently there has been one in the past and it was very popular but our numbers have dropped significantly. I will be chcking this out and I know for three other Canadians who were there they would support me and the idea.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 5

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Eddie Bornazian in 2004

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Uninhibited

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Great

memories of previous Gatherings.

,Wanted my husband to experience it.

,Sexual opportunities with hundreds of naked gay men in outdoor setting.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Sharing the experience with my husband.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Freedom

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Strengthen my 5 year relationship with my husband.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** unique experience; **stay for the** fraternal comraderie

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**In early July and again in early August I posted a promotional message and photo on hundreds of gay oriented Facebook pages.

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,GNI should be sure attendees of all major gay events in eastern 2/3s of North America receive promotional materials about GNI Gathering, etc.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Dori Alley, Folsom, Market Days, Ptown Bear Week

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** It's been about 10 years since I attended in 2004-7. The biggest difference I noticed was seemingly less attendees, increased average age of attendees and the no clothing rule seems to have become clothing optional. I understand if it's in the mid 60s or lower one might need something to stay warm, but it was almost always warmer than that during the second half that I was there and it seemed like about half of the attendees at A8 parties were covered up in some fashion that the temperatures did not require nor for purely decorative reasons like a leather harness. For instance, I saw Hazel many times a day at various times of day, but he/she was always at least partially clothed. Surely he knows the nature of the event. I live in Ft Lauderdale. We have lots of clothing optional venues and events here. Usually most of the attendees have clothes on, which makes a much less fun, more inhibited experience than the GNI Gathering was when it was a more naked event. As it's being allowed to become a clothing optional event the appeal of attending is diminishing significantly.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 5

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Several year ago through Body Electric event I attended

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Being naked  
,Being with my men friends  
,The safe space, away from the stressful world

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** All the warmth, friendship, acceptance

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** There are many, but I always feel luv

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I always feel good about myself from all the positive energy given

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Freedom; **stay for the** Brotherhood

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**I always talk about my positive experiences

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Everything in my opinion was exceptional

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I always save my short time I have vacation for this event

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I attend IMEN and they sell raffle tickets for different prizes. It seems to be popular. I won for next year, a half a week. I'm sure someone has brought this up.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 6

**How did you hear about The Gathering?**

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** exhausting (was in 2 shows hahahah)

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** to be naked  
,to be with my friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** the guys

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** brotherhood

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Renewed connection with incredible guys who I know are always there for me across the miles but for the week we are all at camp we are a family living together.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** brotherhood.

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Share my experiences with friends to help encourage them to attend.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I'm really attending to be with the guys, to be naked for the week in a safe environment...the food, scheduling, accommodations etc are really irrelevant in my personal bigger picture.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Clothed big city/foreign country long distance travel.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 15

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Through friends.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Exhausting

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Being naked  
100% of the time.  
,Having play across the lake without fear of getting arrested.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** A family of friends

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Fun; **stay for the** Fellowship

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Spend less on outside entertainment. I don't think we are attracting new members because of the outside entertainment. They can see them other places. They come for the naked freedom.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Schedule Miss Lace for the Friday night and schedule the comedian or lighter entertainment for the last Saturday night. There is too much pressure on everyone to tear down and there is not enough time to properly give to the show on Saturday. Just like the Stormy Show, Miss Lace requires two rehearsal times. One for the contestants. One for a technical run through. Further, the evening when Miss Lace wins, A8 is already torn down. It's not as much fun as the other nights. End with something lighter on the last Saturday night. Friday night is really the big bang night.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** IMEN & Atlantis Cruises.

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** The audio/visual equipment for the auditorium needs to be updated. Think about it, I've seen the same lighting fixture over Preston for 15 years, ever since I've been attending. We should be able to project live video or video streaming easily. The A/B switch is old technology. We also need a screen that can be lowered electronically. We also need front projection. The rear projection is also ancient technology. As another alternative, for live video, we should think about utilizing giant television screens (like they did one year in the Dance Club) on each side of the stage and that will avoid the need to lower and raise a screen all the time. Preston also needs to speak with the Tony and Mark from the dance club on how to keep the equipment cooler in the Auditorium.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** originally from a friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** awesome

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** nudity, lots of men, sexual freedom

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** meeting a great guy/guys, new friends

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** indescribable

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I found a camp boyfriend ....that I would like to become permanent.....but?

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the men; stay for the spectacle..hilarity**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** advertising in all major gay publications / travel etc....(mimmick the adv. plan of island house, key west, for instance...)

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I think you would be better off NOT hiring expensive 'comedians' ( using the term loosely) and spending the money elsewhere( also possibly COMBINIG the disco and A8 'bar" / longer hours on bar....

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** none

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** paper schedules, listing of persons-in which cabins, maybe offer a 'cabin party or decorating package' with the sign-up, encourage cabin/group decorating-involvement AS a cabin, shorten the 'lull' between entertainment and bar opening @ 10:00, liquor at ALL happy hours-parties, take away dinners (meals),

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stop the stupid rivalry between GNI and IMEN its ridiculous, discount to sign up next year before leaving current trip...SERIOUS discount for bringing a new person in...(for both parties- maybe as much as 1/2 price for both!!) don't forget about the established attendees- don't just concentrate on new ones!, mentoring a first timer? maybe...

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 10

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** always have the gathering on my schedule

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** liberating

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** 1. fellowship and freindship  
,2. gay nude recreation in a beautiful setting  
,

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** the friends and fellowship with so many wonderful human beings

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** a feeling of happiness and warmth in a liberating environment

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** it gives me time to contemplate and think about myself and my priorities with similarly minded individuals.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** comraderie; **stay for the** gay, nude, fun and recreation

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**I keep on coming back.. my loyalh and commitment to the event is enough

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Breakfast are monotonous as are a heavy dose of carbs in all the meaks. the fruit and salad bar help in an improved way over years past. Might go for the vegetarian choices next time.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Going to Italy and Greece and nude beaches there instead

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** All good but I am not sure filming the Big JO sends the right message and complies with our mission statement fro GNI. I would have you all think about this very carefully. David Cox is great but the Big JO is an acquired taste for many of us at the gathering, and I certainly have attended the Big JO with pleasure but maybe not something I would push.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Google search for local nudist groups

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Camaraderie, nudist experience,

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** the friends I made

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** extremely impressed - very overwhelming for a newbie

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** The Gathering allowed me to experience nudism more so than I have before. I am new to nudism. Also allowed me to feel free and feel more comfortable about myself and my body in the nude.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the Day; stay for the Night**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Told my friends about my experience, shared pictures of me in costumes and having fun.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -1

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Cabins EXTREMELY DIRTY upon arrival. Nasty, disgusting bathroom and shower area. PILES of dirty, clothes and more behind and under beds. Live bugs (spiders etc.) along window sills and in screens. Overhead fans in the cabins would be a nice addition when dealing with heat and humidity. Roots around cabins terribly dangerous, especially to older participants. Entertainment extremely good. Very surprised, was expecting amateur shows but these were on a professional level. Sound system and operation was terrible. Many glitches, speakers not all were working. Instead of hand held mics maybe use headset mic especially for MC's during shows.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

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**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Cruise

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Water should be more readily available at pools etc...maybe adding a few dollars to everyone's fees, a case of water can be given to each person or placed in cabins to prevent dehydration. More water at pools would be nice, lots of beer and soda products, but no water there. At meals, lunch meats instead of large meals for lunch would be nice. There was SO MUCH FOOD...felt like we were always eating. Food VERY salty, especially for one who does not use and added salt in food. For newbies: perhaps a meeting upon arrival on first or second day where all newbies can get together and meet each other. My arrival and first day was overwhelming and would have been nice to have been eased into the group and camp with other who were new. This meeting could be an introduction to GNI and what to expect at the camp. I was lucky to have cabin mates who were willing to show me around, others weren't so lucky. Name tags should show a participant state (FL, GA, NY) next to name so others can recognize where you are from without having to flip tag over each time. In my case, ROB - FL

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 4

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** I heard about the gathering in the early to mid 90's. Not sure where I saw the ad. Naked magazine or a local newspaper.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** amazing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** to meet new friends and see old ones  
,to enjoy the beauty of the camp in a very friendly environment

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** the various classes, discussions and informative sessions. It allows me to meet others.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** happy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I always learn something by meeting others.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** relaxation; **stay for the** fun

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** mention it to all my friends

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** gay cruise

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 18

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** At a PANG event in 1997

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Friends, Activities and the feeling that I contribute to a worthwhile event

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** OMG. I'm sorry to say that this year it was the weather. LOL. I know you guys have no control over that. Best weather in memory!

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Happy / Pleased

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Exhausted. Thankfully no STDs this year. Haha

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Whole time; **stay for the** Experience

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Attend Sin City Shoot Out.

,Tell guys in our local club about the Gathering.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Move Friday wrestling back to Thurs. Volleyball tournament to be over by noon for foreseeable future. Tues wrestling clinic back to Mon aft noon. Was not interested / didn't attend paid performer shows. See below for comments about food.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Burning Man. Southern Decadance. Provincetown. Bone Island.

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I hope to recycle glass from cabin A8 next year. I would be very satisfied with simpler but better cooked camping type food i.e. Burgers, dogs, BBQ pork. Breakfasts were great with scrambled eggs, bacon and sausage every day. No need to get fancy. Just simple food cooked properly. - the corn was awful as usual. Need better coordination with photographers for wrestling events - will try to remember to contact Brian prior to next year's event. Whitewater rafting was fun. GNI should sell eyeglasses straps if you plan to do it again.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From a friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** fantastic

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** to meet new people and experience gay naturists

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** the themed social gatherings

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** acceptance and friendship

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I had an exceptional experience doing things in a way that I had never experienced before

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the fun; stay for the companionship**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** tell my gay friends about my experience

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** none

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 6

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Internet

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fantastic

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To get naked 24/7. This will be always the most imp't thing for me. Also to see old friends and to enjoy participating in as much as I can.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** No particular thing. 'Just' the entire experience.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Happiness

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It resets my perspective, enabling me to retune to the things that really count

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Come to get naked; **stay for the** Fun

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Marketing plan development. Growing naked m8s network and activity.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** No one comes to camp for the luxury accommodation or gourmet cuisine. But both ought to improve at least a bit albeit within the rustic camp environment

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Salty boys

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

Concerned about how we can manage the necessary changes to attract more / younger members. The full on sex route will change camp so fundamentally that my interest may wane. The

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proposed video we saw was totally inappropriate; it said at the end 'this is GNI' yet it so clearly wasn't. I was surprised that the board let it be screened in that state. I know David did it very quickly but still.... The marketing document will address this and much more.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** MAN

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Being naked constantly, tennis, being naked constantly

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Friendly people

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Calm

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Took me away from daily reality in almost every way

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Come to be nude; **stay for the** New friends

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Best promotion for me is to talk with first timers there

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Please vary the music in the dance club. It's killing me. Even drunk it's killing me. The entertainment rating here is driven more by the shows. Based on music in dance club alone, it's a 1.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** The Woods and Hillside but did not go.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Where to improve now: 1) food quality- sloppy joes should never be at a gay event. Ever. 2) have more djs take turns at dance club, I'm not planning to go to dance club ever again if it's the same guys all the time 3) have wine bar at dance club- corner with buckets of beer is not cool  
,GNI has niche that allows for it to charge it's relatively higher price, but the value proposition may not

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be as high for younger people with smaller budgets. However, I think the price should stay because I think it's part of the reason we don't have to worry about things being stolen- a certain financial demographic is there.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 9

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** initially? from my cabin coordinator at a nude social group in NY. but that was in 2008. now I just KNOW

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** wonderful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** friendship  
,chance to be nude outdoors in the sunshine  
,

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** all the special people I meet. old friends and always make new.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** it makes me feel as if i'm never alone

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** it always makes me happy to be around such warm, friendly people

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** freedom; **stay for the** amazing people

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**I tell friends and try to encourage attendance

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -1

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** food this year went a bit heavier on the salt than usual. Coke products a MAJOR plus+++++. Love the activities, but there tended to be multiple activities I wanted to do in the mornings, and then none in the afternoon. (which meant pool time, so it wasn't a problem, but still...)

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I'm lucky enough to have the

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time to take other trips, so they were in addition. nothing INSTEAD of the gathering...that was never an option.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 24

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** I first heard from a friend 24 years ago.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Freedom

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** 1. Being naked outdoors.  
,2. The Pools and lake

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Seeing friends again after nearly a year.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Calm/Serenity

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** No response.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the Sun; stay for the Sun and cool nights**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I tell all my friends all the time about GNI. I am bringing a new guy in 2017.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -1

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Too much DRAG! Hazel & Trixie May's signs were ugly and unnecessary. PLEASE DO NOT LET THEM DO THAT AGAIN! The signs were a trip hazard. Miss Lace is a Disgrace!!

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None. I come to GNI every year.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** meet new people, be in outdoors, yoga

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** meeting new friends

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** peaceful

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** unsure yet

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the sex; stay for the** friends and conversation

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**n/a

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** need better coffee in this day and age.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** n/a

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

activities for singles(speed dates, socials), more yoga(was more in 2015,) message and more activities to promote non sexual intimacy

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 29

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** just always gone

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** be naked, friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** friends

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** naked freedom

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** had a better time than expected

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** freinds

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Over all the food was pretty good, good salad bar with a mix of greens and veggies.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I do think that the \$1000. mark is about my price point and if more will have to think harder about spending that on this event. I hear a lot of comments from guys feeling the same.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Why can't we have a Diet Sprite in camp? I have to pay for everyones elses bozz.

,The Bate Wowrld video is just so wrong on every level. The line is being crossed and we are now nothing but a sex club.

,Thanks for arranging the great weather.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From a Friend in FL years ago

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** PHENOMENAL

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Social activities  
,Education  
,Sharing

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Fun

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Excited

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Came home pumped up

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

Come for the ; stay for the

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:**

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Conflicts in schedule.

Had to choose.

,Understand though, a lot happening

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

Everyone was awesome!

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Searched for Gay nudist groups on the Internet

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** comforting

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To relax in the company of other gay, nude men; to get away from the craziness of the hetero-, textiled, Trump-filled world.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** being with old friends and meeting new friends.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** comforting, freedom to be myself.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It renewed my spirits and gave me a week of freedom. It's one week in the year that I can be myself.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** experience; **stay for the** friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** That would be difficult since I haven't been out for long and don't know many other gay men.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I would prefer to rate these items separately and not lumped together. I had no complaint with the beverages but the food was fair to poor. Some entertainment was great but others were a let down. The grounds were beautiful but too spread out and too hilly. The beds were pretty bad. Several workshop leaders failed to show up.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Two weeks at Club Orient in St. Martin

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Really good food, well prepared and golf cart transportation up those hills would greatly enhance the experience and might attract more attendees.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 25

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** emails from gni

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** delicious

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** the men, the naturism, the senses of humor in the cock/tail parties

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** the men

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** wow

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** peaceful but also a bit euphoric for a day afterwards. today peaceful but feeling a bit let down since it's over for another year

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** not much to say here; **stay for the** ditto

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** talk to people

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** thanks for zip lining. rafting too was good. i liked the movies more this year than in the past.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Never thought about it.

Gathering is only vacation option I consider for summer.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Minor point: Maybe cafeteria staff should have name tags that are distinctly different from ours in order to avoid confusion and maybe even attention some of them (not all) would rather not get

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 9

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Rumors from friends then follow up online

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Freedom

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** The people  
,The place  
,being naked and free for a week

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** People

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Joy, freedom, mutual affection

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It made me happy in many ways.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Freedom; **stay for the** Friendship

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**I will certainly share my experiences with likely candidates.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Food really improved this year!

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Instead? I can't think of not attending. In addition I might choose a naked gay campground, or a cruise.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Thanks for all you do to make this such a magnificent event.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Previous attendance

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Be free, connecting with interesting people who share my liking of a nude vacation

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Camraderie

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Uplifting, free, sensual

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Made me feel great, connected, reaffirmed my self-confidence

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the fun; stay for the** Your happiness

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Keep talking about a GREAT experience

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Some of the activities

listed in your mid August email did not happen at the gathering.

,For me the comedian was overrated.

, I usually do not care much about drag shows, but instead that event was a lot of fun

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None really, I planned it and I was looking forward to coming back to the gathering.

, I wish you organize a "nude gay cruise" sometimes; I would sign up immediately for it!

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** The music was VERY boring and repetitive; I really miss a good DJ, like we had last year. ,I wish next year you correct this aspect

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?**

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** word of mouth

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** wonderful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** to see friends  
,to enjoy social nudity

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** meeting new  
friends with common interests

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** relaxing

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** it opened my mind

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the cock; stay for the camaraderie**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** tell my friends about it

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Googling on internet some years ago

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Complete free feeling

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Combination of  
visiting a friend in RI  
,To be naked between other naked gays

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** To be naked for  
24 hours with a lot of other gays

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Feel happy and free  
between many naked gays. Also nice that sex is not a taboo

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** That to be naked is at a camp nicer than with clothes

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Naked experience; **stay for the** Naked gays

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Tell about it with  
friends

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** One blanket is not  
enough for the cold nights

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and  
money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I definitely won't be planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded  
expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation  
options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Visiting a friend in RI after GNI

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I am  
from Europe and that is the reason not to come next year.  
,To get more younger guys, I think it is important to have WiFi around more places.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 5

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** from a friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Beyond Amazing (1 word isn't enough)

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Friendships, brotherhood, nakedness

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The friendships and kindness of all of the men I interacted with.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Heartfelt caring and kindness

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Each year, there's a new 'life changing' event in some form or another. This year was no different. So many men expressed their appreciation for me being there.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** brotherhood

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Share amongst all of my gay friends both locally and in my social media profiles.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The food was definitely an upgrade over previous years. The salad bar was ALWAYS well-stocked. I kinda wish there were more water dispensers around. The variety of activities was crazy good. I wasn't interested in all of them but I certainly had my choices to fill (or not fill) my time. What to say about the entertainment?!?! 100% amazing all week - from auditorium to the disco!!

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None. The Gathering will always be ONE of my vacation plans along with other plans to travel in the year.

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I'd like to see the Board embark on a campaign to remind men to "Keep It Across The Lake". Even though there were a small number (<20) of men violating the displays of sexual activity rules about the main side of camp, it seemed to me to be CONSTANT. The disco often turned into the "dirty disco" until a Board member finally put a stop to it on Friday night. We need to return to "Nude is Not Lewd" on the main side of camp. I love that GNI is offering options for men to explore more fetish and kink - ATL - and Pickles offered entertainment - again, ATL. But to observe men outwardly stroking each other, sucking on armpits and rimming in 'public' view was becoming intolerable. Nothing wrong with a 'gay-handshake' as a greeting. There has to be a line the Board can help draw for the more outwardly sexual members.

,I'm sure the video for the masturbation site is very much under construction. It was exciting to see (who doesn't like a cumpilation video?!) but it didn't really send the message of what GNI is all about. The BIG JO is just one thing we are about since we are gay men. It def needed much more about our nudist mission while also attempting to capture the interest of the intended audience.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends who have previously attended.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Transformative

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Community with fellow naturists, all inclusive entertainment, and the timeframe in August being perfect for my schedule.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The dance club.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Welcomed

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It's a relaxing way to end the summer

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Nudity; **stay for the** Friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Told several friends. We'll need a bigger cabin next year!

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** In previous years the camp must have sprayed for bugs, because I'd never seen mosquitos. This year, I got eaten alive by the mosquitos and biting flies. The camp should really double down on efforts next year. Why be naked when I have to wear 3 layers of OFF?

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Beach vacation with friends, or several smaller day trips.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** The social hour themes this year were kind of tough. I'd love to know how one gets on the committee to help choose them for 2017.

## Individual Responses in Full

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 17

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Repeat offender

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome!

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** The friends I have made and to be naked for 10 days!

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The people

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Love

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** As it always has....it is a great gathering of guys of different types who just want to have a good time.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nude time; **stay for the** friendships!

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I always am trying to get people to the gathering. I got 2 people there this year but only for 2nd half.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The karaoke night was horrible. And why was it there to begin with?

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I always plan to go to the gathering

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I went to Nakedfest in 2014 and it was well attended. I am not successful in getting people to come to GNI for the full week option and even less for the 10 days. Since enrollment is down, it might be time to consider shortening the gathering back to 7 days like it was so long ago and go from Saturday to Saturday (like Nakedfest) which will give people a travel day or a day at home before going back to work.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 27

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Murray Kauffman

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Exhilarating

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** 1. Friends  
,2. Dance Club  
,3. PVR

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Dance Club

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Happiness

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Makes me feel free.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Comrades ; **stay for the** Dance Club

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Social media and picture sharing.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Dance Club, yoga, pool and any opportunity to assemble (theme parties, meals) provide the richest experiences.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Would not miss The Gathering or as I like to say "Naked Camp". The Gathering sounds too clinical.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** The experience is ideal. Sustainable new members will help to make the experience last through the future. Decrease focus on "naturism" and more focus on it being "Naked Camp". There is more than naturism going on. There is sex, playing naked, dancing, partying, drag, etc. that goes beyond being a just a

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"naturist" or a "nudist". New guys and younger guys would be more likely to respond to Naked vs Naturist.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 3

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Previous Attendees

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To be naked, to be around other naked gay guys, to enjoy the campground naked.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The overall good comaradaree of the most of the other gay guys; and naked Yoga

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** happy, contented

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Relaxed adult time spent with no inhibitions about being naked!!

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** naked enjoyment; **stay for the** additional naked fun

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Tell others I meet on my travels.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Food was far from worth the trouble--many hot items were cold, salad bar choices awful, like the canned beets, limited choices. Had to make due, glad I brought protein bars, snacks, etc.!

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Fair

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Other Gay resorts, even the Woods, which is close by.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** The cost keeps increasing each year, yet seems less is provided to us attendees. If the entertainment costs in the 10s of thousands \$\$, definitely NOT worth it!!

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 22

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Jeurgen Schuller

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** magical

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** friends made there  
,relaxing and invigorating experience

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** inclusivity and friendliness

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** exhilaration

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** makes me realize the truly important part of life

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** unique experience; **stay for the** pleasure

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Contact Out magazine and offer a reporter a week there to write a story about it

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Upper pool could have been cleaner.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** none

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 5

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** My boy friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Hang out with boy friend and buddies

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The venue's beauty

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Happy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

Come for the Nudity; stay for the Fun

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Miss Lace was too long and poorly produced. It should not be a venue for the host's ego. The dissing of previous hosts was disgusting. It shocked everyone, it was beyond bad taste. It was "Trump." Shame on GNI. Knowing the hosts I would say that Hazel is fine but Trixie is a self-serving vain idiot. She should never host again. I will never again attend a show where she is in charge.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** European Travel

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** GNI must NOT promote itself with the circle jerk video. That website is for closed old queens, not the younger out naturist crowd who we want to attract. It sends exactly the wrong message. Whatever small benefit might come from it is outweighed by substantial media risks as we look like a sex party, no

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matter what captions are provided. Imagine if came at the top of a google search for GNI instead of the website. It would be a turn off for true naturists. ASK THE GUY FROM NAC WHAT HE THINKS....it is very important. He is a wise man. Don't do it. I would reconsider attending any future GNI

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 10

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** After befriending member Hank Becker in 1992.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Magical

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Decompress from life's stresses.  
,Re-connect with old friends, after a 4-year absence.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The smiling faces & hugs from everyone who crossed my path.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Serene. Magical.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Gave me a greater appreciation for my fellow gay brethren. Strip the clothes & material wealth, and your left with a human being , normal, with flaws, but yet possessing a unique story to share.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** friendships formed.

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Shared my experience w friends who are curios , yet still too intimidated to attend. Naked pool party gatherings are a great start.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Going on vacation with my husband, who's not a nudist, yet is generous enough to let me go to GNI each year, with his total support .

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

Regarding the rumor of holding s future (2018?) gathering in Australia - I highly encourage the Board to contact member Steve Macpherson , who attended this year for the first time. He's originally from Australia, knows the location GNI is considering , and has strong reservations about us going there. He attended the feedback meeting held during the gathering, but was not able to speak during the allotted time. PLEASE contact him for important information & insight he can provide us. Thank you.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 3

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From a local Chicago nudist group.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** fantasy

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** 500 naked men  
,nightly naked disco - a fave  
,reconnecting to gathering friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** so many beautiful men.  
,naked disco.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** at true fantasy come true for me.  
,continuous excitement day and night.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** an emotional release I have never felt anywhere else. Absolutely amazing!

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** naked dancing men; **stay for the** emotional high

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Tell many friends to attend in order to experience an event like no other anywhere.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The ribs dinner was terrible. New bathrooms were wonderful. Beautiful grounds. Great activities/shows.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** No other considerations this year. We missed the last 2 years and couldn't wait to get back.

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Thanks to Rick Johnson and the Board for executing such a fantastic event. We appreciate your many efforts.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 23

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Attendee told me

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fab

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Reconnect with long time friends. Celebrate nudism. Love the campsite

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Winning Miss Lace 2016

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Thrilled

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** First time I brought my new boyfriend. Was so happy to see him click with other guest.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Nudism; **stay for the** community feel of family

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Talk about how accepting everyone is at camp to friends.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Scuba diving trips

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** What a wonderful week with great friends.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 15

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Relaxing and fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Be naked and see all the guys that we only get to see at the gathering.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The weather was perfect.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Spontaneous fun.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Show photos and share stories.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None - there is nothing like the gathering.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 7

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Website

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Excellent

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Gay  
,Naturists  
,International

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Gay naturists in the beautiful Poconos campground

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Freedom and acceptance to be yourself

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** one of the best vacation experience with appreciation of talent, hard work and natural beauty

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** naturism; **stay for the** week in Paradise

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Word of mouth, small donations

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Foreign travel

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I want GNI to be alive with traditional annual Gathering

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From one of the former and current members.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome!

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** For the experience of being naked in the outdoors and for the communal spirit with other men.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** My cabin mates and the buddies I met - all wonderful guys.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Freedom

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I enjoyed it so much - I will want to attend next year as well.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nakedness; **stay for the** friendships & bonding

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Talk to friends about it!

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:**

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** While I recognize the difficulties in feeding vast numbers of patrons, they should have had much better coffee.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** The GNI staff works so hard to make the gathering a success - their efforts are greatly appreciated.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 5

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** memorable

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** I enjoy the beauty of the male body.  
,Fellowship, association and affiliation

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Naked Men

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Belonging

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** connections with men and sex

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** naked men; **stay for the** fellowship

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Sing it's praises to others.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:**

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The camp grounds support perfectly GNI's mission....nature and naked men!! The mattresses need work, that's for sure!  
LOL

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None. August meqns GNI gathering...The only stumbling block to my attendance is the date. Earlier in August is better for me.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** We need the 'booklet' back...who's here and living where is important. 1)PDF file or 2) paper and pay  
,Could we have the dates we participated printed on the back of our ID?

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 9

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** friend back in 1994

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** warm

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** naked outdoors, serenity, yoga

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** naked outdoors

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** freedom outdoors

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** cleared the mind

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** naked outdoors; **stay for the** naked outdoors

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** encourage guys at other nude events to go

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -1

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** yoga with Michael is great. Kayaking on the lake is great. The scrambled eggs are not edible. If I decide not to go again, it would probably be due to the low quality food. Control portions and serve higher quality is my advice. And I am very willing to pay more for it.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Ogunquit Maine, P-town, Vermont

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Too much overt emphasis on alcohol and sex. Attracting new members using a porn video (JO circle) is misguided. Gay men can get sex anywhere. And gay men know that where there are naked gay men, there will be sex. You're preaching to the choir and run the risk of turning a naturist organization into a

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sex club. The average age of the majority of devoted Gathering attendees is 55. I assume there are very few 20 somethings among all the friends of this majority. I don't believe the emphasis needs to be <35yo. A 40-50 year old could come to the Gathering for the next 30+ years. Yes, a 30 yo could come for the next 50 years but does it make sense to focus that far into the future. Who knows what the world will look like in 50 years. Actually, I think the sex is what keeps 20 somethings away. They don't want to be groped by what they consider to be old trolls. So emphasizing the sex may be counter to your goal of increasing younger age attendees. Lets put nature back into GNI.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 8

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Happy

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Friends. Being naked.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Friends. Surroundings.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Happy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** No specific affect

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Talk about it in the UK but difficult to enthuse people.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The cabin bunks are really awful.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Fair

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Did not affect other vacations.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

Weather makes a huge difference which enhanced this year.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 5

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Something social to do where I could be naked outside.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Seeing friends. Meeting new people. Trying new experiences.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

Come for the ; stay for the

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:**

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I understand the need for disposable plates and cups but would ask that Styrofoam not be used in future years. It is NOT biodegradable. The food was all fine except for the crabcakes.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I really got tired of the contests. Do we have to formally rank ourselves in everything? I enjoyed the shows.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** A friend told me about it and then I went to the internet

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** to be naked  
,find new friends (which I did)  
,Have sex outdoors

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** the positiveness of acceptance of all naked bodies

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Happiness/Freedom

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It took me out of my main stream society, busy life. When I reach the Gathering I immediately was in OZ

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Freedom; **stay for the** Experience of a life time

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Tell all my friends

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** When attending the shows mention some where to bring a pad/ pillow for your butt, because mine was very sore sitting for that period of time.. Well worth it though.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I was one who did not want any pictures taken of me, so I had the red tag. I would of like to participated in

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some activities but was told I could not because of the no pic tag. I would like that policy to change so more people could participate.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 10

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** through local club

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** acquaint with old friends  
,hang out with nude men  
,the disco

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** friendliness among attendees

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** place where I belong

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** makes me of an extrovert

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** experience; **stay for the** activities and good times

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** word of mouth

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** considering the number attending and number of cabins, it would be a better experience to spread out and occupy more cabins - no reason to cram so many men in each cabin

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Fair

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Long weekend at the Woods campground (nude weekend early Aug)  
,Southern Decadence in New Orleans over Labor Day  
,P-Town road trip

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I liked the new bathrooms in my cabin (J4). Would like more cabaret style entertainment. I didn't see any activities like massage, photography, outdoor nude wrestling in second half of week.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?**

**How did you hear about The Gathering?**

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Awesome

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** We wanted to try something new.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The friendliness of everyone

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Relaxation and calmness.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** We are telling everyone how fun and exciting it was.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Cmen

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 12

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From a friend in 1998

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** pleasant

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** the resort, the people, activities

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** good weather

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** satisfied not having to hurry or hustle, complacent

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Just reconnect with friends, nostalgia feeling

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** scenery

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Just tell my friends who haven't been about it.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Just wish more water and/or non-alcoholic and non-carbonated beverages were more available outside near the pools, grove.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Going to NE to visit friends, beach.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Just wish more events were sched for the 3:30-4:30 pm time period

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 6

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** online

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** wonderful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** yoga  
,volleyball  
,meeting old and new friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** volunteering to help make the gathering even better

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** pride

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** personal growth

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** mentioned it to the local nudist group

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Too many workshops were scheduled at the same time and at other times not much was going on. It was great to have consistent yoga classes every morning but some afternoon/evening classes would have been nice in addition.

,The shows where GNI members were performing like the variety show were excellent. The external performers were OK but maybe not worth the money that was spent on them. Mr. GNI show was boring and it was annoying that the host did not allow the candidates to talk. Come up with a different concept or find a different host.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** CMEN Malibu

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**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I think it is important to keep the Gathering affordable and offer ways for people with limited financial resources to attend.

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**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Link from Florida Beaches (Haulover) newsletter

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Over-the-top

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To be free to walk and live with other naked men, to see and be seen by same.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Social Hours plus Across the Lake

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Overwhelming in scale and well organized to available activities.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Enjoyed it very much.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** freedom; **stay for the** spectacle

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Sort of expected cabin living in a camp setting, but this was a first. Mates were cordial and respectful, guess it was ok.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** For the summer its great; I do Florida for a week in the winter

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 19

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** MAN

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** wonderful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** love being naked

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** fellow attendees

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** love

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I always have a great time.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** nudity

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I always talk it up to anyone who will listen

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Thanks for finally having Dr Pepper. Please continue. Only complaint about camp staff: a little negligent on filling the ice bins.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** none

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

Questions seemed a little vague this year. They should be more specific.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 4

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Online info and friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** AWESOME

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Sexual, recreational, networking

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The naked experience

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Happiness

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Enhance my way of living as a gay man in the world

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** experience; **stay for the** pleasure

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Telling other friends and organizations

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** There were some complains about cold meals. It will be easily resolved if there is a microwave available in the dining area. Thanks for abundance of fruits (berries) and vegetables in every meal.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** necessarily another naked gathering.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Thanks to Rick and to members of the Board for all your efforts for a job well done.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 20

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** keep coming back

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** camaraderie

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** see old friends  
& be able to be naked for a week

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** 2 outside comedians

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** pleasure

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** had a good time

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** camaraderie; **stay for the** fun

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Talked to other gay nudists in our local group

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** none

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** For me it is good value for money, but age is creeping up and the hills get steeper each year. Except for connecting with old friends, it is same old, same old.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 11

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends who attended prior to 2002

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** unsurpassed

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To be with the friends I've made. I love the resort and the lushness of the area. The "bubble" that is GNI. Brotherhood, acceptance, equality, openness, loving nature of so many.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Being nude is an equalizer. The only thing we have left is our personality. Looks don't matter if a person is a jerk or stuck up so I believe GNI helps people become better people.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** "Everything is going to be ok - I'm totally OK"

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** GNI helps me feel ok within my own skin and makes me want to strive to be a better person.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the FUN; stay for the FRIENDSHIPS**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Being in Sacramento, its hard to convince folks to travel to the east coast to try something they might never have tried before. I'm really excited about the new videos that are being created (NOT THE MASTURBATION ONE THO!)

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I don't fool myself that the food or the site will be a 5 star hotel with amazing beds or food. And I'm OK with that! I've enjoyed all the shows and meetings that have been offered through the years. I think the camp should have a cabin thats more handicap accessible. After Dave's visit, I think thats more apparent. Tho I do think the board and Howard's attention to him was very good.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

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**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Honestly, GNI always gets top billing for my vacation choices each year. I work around GNI for other choices.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I have moderate expectations about my time at camp. I do so because I realize the challenges and limitations the board has and the resort has. I've always had a really good time with very little to complain about! My only concerns this year are: Do we really believe that this red neck comedian (who I think is funny but I'm sure comes with a price tag of some sorts) is going to really help promote GNI in regards to tapping into his net work of fans? I seem to recall Rick saying that GNI will be able to be in his lime light (my words). Is GNI able to use his likeness in advertising? IE - can GNI pay a chat site like Grinder or Scruff or Growler, etc to place an ad saying come see this guy at GNI? I don't know the cost to advertise on these sites. After working with a local HIV Non-profit, I tend to question how money is spent and what really is the return on investment and can it be qualified and quantified? I'm assuming these questions have been discussed before. I understand that these last couple of years have seen a decrease in participation. I think I might, if I were in your shoes, consider pooling as much money as possible and reaching out to a professional marketing person for guidance. Again, I'm speaking off the cuff rather than knowing all the details and in no way criticizing the board. I appreciate ALL you do and know that its not easy to make this work.

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,The other issue that I am struggling with is the masturbation video. I understand the motivation behind it. While watching the video, its seemed like I was watching a porno and it ended with "THIS IS GNI". The quick flash of the "other stuff" didn't leave an impact. In my opinion, if GNI decided to embark on a campaign on this site and the owners of this site were to gift us with free advertising, a compromise must be struck in regards to keeping GNI's integrity of being a nudist group not a sex free for all destination. Perhaps if the video started off with images of the camp, and other nude images with with GNI was, then add in a tag line about "something for everyone" and then some jerking off video to say that this aspect of camp was supported and honored or whatever. I'm sure you have received quite a few responses on this seeing that many were chatting about it (mostly upset) after the showing.

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,I've attached my name to this, no need to respond unless you'd like to discuss anything more in depth. Thanks again for all the board and the volunteers do! I appreciate you all more that I can put into words!

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,Cheers! xoxoox

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Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 7

How did you hear about The Gathering? ROMANs

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Good

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? ROMANs and comradery

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the ; stay for the

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -3

Scheduling: -1

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -1

Entertainment:

Accommodations: -3

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above: TP box at office empty on the night I checked.

,Upper pool closed at 8 pm. Could that be later?

,Napkin dispensers on tables usually empty. Several days into the week found a supply on the far wall, but they too were frequently empty.

,Meals

,Meat loaf - 10

,Ribs 2 but Barbecued chicken 10.

,Mexican - 1

,London Broil 10

,Cabin 3C both toilets ran a lot.

,The other side of the lake, the flood light at the far end of the dam is blinding. Could Tiki lights be strung up the road a bit outlining the road.

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What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Good

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I definitely won't be planning to attend.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Met expectations

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**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Next year Aug 21 2017 in the middle of the gathering is a total eclipse in KY, and TN and I will be attending that. Probable see you in 2018.

,Like the raft trip, I do class 1 and 2 white water by canoe here in NY.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I do Geocaching which would be off site but there are lots just outside of the camp. Could lead in 2018 if guys have smart phones. Also do estim which was popular in C3 and C4.

,Attended the sounds, CBT, and skin sensations by Leather Works .

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Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 17

How did you hear about The Gathering?

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Aweseome!

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the ; stay for the

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -3

Scheduling: -4

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -2

Entertainment: -4

Accommodations: -3

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Excellent

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I'm definitely planning to attend.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Exceeded expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 10

How did you hear about The Gathering? Web

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Great

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? Volleyball, friendships

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you? Great guys

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering? Happiness

How did The Gathering personally affect you? Restful atmosphere

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the Experience; stay for the Friendships

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering? Tell friends.

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -3

Scheduling: -2

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -4

Entertainment: -2

Accommodations: -4

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Excellent

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I might attend, but I'm not sure.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Met expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?**

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Via a friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Eye opening

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Wanted to get outside my own comfort zone.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Humor

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the Sex; stay for the Brotherhood**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Website

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Liberating

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Relaxation and camaraderie

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Total acceptance of all shapes and sizes of bodies.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Joy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It's always a recharging experience.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I always mention GNI to anyone who seems to be inclined towards naturism at all.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 27

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** from a friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** excellent

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** I go to it every year

,Enjoy the Crafts fair

,Love hunting for wild Mushrooms in the woods

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** That my Husband comes with me and enjoys it a lot also

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?**

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the best; stay for the rest**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I tell a lot of guys online about it,

,and some have come to gathering because of that

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** considered the C-men gathering

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** hope the prices do not increase again,

,it was great to have them go down for the 2016 gathering

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 20

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Local club (which no longer exists)

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** enjoyable

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** For vacation  
,To catch up with GNI friends I've made  
,To be naked with other gay men

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Being in a cabin of all wonderful guys

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** friendship

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It always gives a feeling of satisfaction that I've done something as different from my everyday life as I'd want to imagine.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity;; **stay for the** camaraderie

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Whenever I see a profile online that shows they like being nude, I message to ask if they've ever heard of GNI. If they respond to ask, I give the website.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -1

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:**

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** I miss the kegs of beer!

I see efforts to economize compared with prior years, but most everything had nothing to do with enjoying being nude with other gay men, and their absence didn't detract. Examples, fireworks and the pig roast. Perhaps the branded gift we get at arrival can be done away with, most of what I've gotten, I haven't kept.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Good

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Frankly, nothing could replace

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the gathering. 10 days is enough, and I'm eager to get home, but within a week I'm planning for next year's gathering.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I appreciate there were no women at the gathering this year. Guess enough responded from the last gathering that the change was made.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 8

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** I don't remember.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fun

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** A chance to get together with friends from different regions that I've met through prior Gatherings. Meeting new friends each year.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Friendships

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Feeling accepted

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It always boosts my self-esteem

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Nudity; **stay for the** Friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Mention it to friends

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Often needing to sit outside during meals because dining hall is crowded, it would be great to have catering tents/tarps to sit under when it rains or to avoid getting sunburned.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Visits to gay, clothing-optional resorts

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** It was encouraging to see so many new faces the past two years

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From Rick at Turtle Cove, Australia

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Fantastic

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To demystify the event, meet guys, experience the Poconos and have fun.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The guys and the spectacular venue

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Joy

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Positive influence

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the sun; stay for the fun**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Increase the number of Aussies who attend

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Main courses were a bit "mushy". Why turn roast chicken into mince?

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Atlantis cruise, which I have done before. This was better.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** An incredible amount of work went into this event. I was impressed at the size and enthusiasm of the volunteer team. Well done all round. Loved the venue.

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 4

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From a friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** exceptional

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** the gathering experience  
,friendships made  
,

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** all of it

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** very relaxing, full of fun

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** i will attend again

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** friendships; **stay for the** experience

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** tell others about the gathering

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:**

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** grounds  
outstanding,amenities in the cabin-none. could use hooks to hang bath towels in the showers  
, a shelf to put shower needs on (have to put things on the floor) an hooks on the cubicle to dry the  
towels. had to pull the bed out to make it and found a lot of candy rappers ,socks dust ,etc. GNI did an  
excellent job putting on the gathering! Howard could up his game.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** none

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** All of you put on an exceptional fun week!

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 10

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** through friend Ray Smith of our cabin G4

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** AWESOME

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Mainly catching up with friends I haven't seen in a year.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Seeing old friends

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** grateful for attending another Gathering

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Planning on next year.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** camaraderie; **stay for the** camaraderie

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I do tell nudist friends about it. I just sent the link to a nudist friend, Jude Luth who lives in Phoenix. He apparently not heard of the Gathering or GNI for that matter.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** My only real criticisms were that the beef was a bit tough the one evening, and the pool loungers REALLY need to be replaced on the lower pool.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** I am retired, so I can always find the time for the Gathering, BUT I also like to go on nude cruises with Bare Necessities.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Can't think of anything else right now.

## Individual Responses in Full

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Nice

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Gay friendly naturism

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Seeing old friends meeting me ones

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Relaxed

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?**

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Freedom ; **stay for the** Friends

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -2

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Resort for a few weeks

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I only have one issue that apt this year's gathering. I joined a organization called gay naturist international not an organization of keys have sex anywhere and everywhere. I think this is getting a little out of control with guys having sex last about everywhere. In your cabin or across the lake is fully acceptable bit at the pool, grove,dance hall or lunch room is not acceptable. No response needed just my opinion

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** originally from Dan Mars

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Amazing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Friends,  
Location, Fun

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Wonderful  
people

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** community

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** made me feel part of something very special

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the sun; stay for the fun**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Talk it up to all my  
friends and contacts online

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and  
money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded  
expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation  
options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** trip to Ft Lauderdale

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I love  
GNI

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 28

**How did you hear about The Gathering?**

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** being naked really makes me feel like I'm on vacation; I like having someone else cook; being with friends and the excitement of meeting new ones

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** camaraderie

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** closeness

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** sense of well-being

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** exhibitionism; **stay for the** camaraderie

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Toward the end, I was finding the meals to be too salty too often. I personally am not a fan of bringing in paid entertainers.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** Yes

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 1

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** wonderful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Naked Men, sun, swimming, Disco.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** New friends

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Love

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Life is getting short, LIVE

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the ; stay for the**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Will share my interest with others who enjoy the nudists life.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -1

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -1

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** nude hiking

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 22

How did you hear about The Gathering? Friends

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Fantastic

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? Nudism  
,Friends  
,Fun

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you? Great people  
and perfect weather to be naked

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering? Peace

How did The Gathering personally affect you? Catching up with friends you only see once a year

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the Nudism; stay for the Friendship

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering? I talk it up to all friends  
nudist or not about the great experiences

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -4

Scheduling: -3

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -3

Entertainment: -4

Accommodations: -4

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above: Food was the best ever.  
,Adam Sank is always a good entertainer  
,Trixie and Hazel were fabulous

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Excellent

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I'm definitely planning to attend.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Exceeded expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering? Burning man, naked cruises

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 6

**How did you hear about The Gathering?**

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** disappointing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** comradery, sex, nature

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** play cabin

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** not being a part of a group

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** lonely, isolated, not welcomed

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** gay experience; **stay for the** sex

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Proved more opportunity for sex on this side of lake -

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:**

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Video in Play cabin

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Poor

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Failed to meet expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** IMEN and CMEN

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** too many established cliques

,You should stop having reserved group cabins. Mix it up.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 3

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** From friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** good

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To meet with old friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** I liked the zip line

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Freedom and relaxation

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** I was glad to get away and have some fun time

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Entertainment; **stay for the** Week

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I spoke to members at MAN meetings

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -1

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Cabin D1 shower needs updating. Also needs to be made handicap accessible.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** IMEN

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Would like for a week in early August, too often a cold night in late August

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**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 2

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** friend

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** social nudity, relaxation, make new friends

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** friendlyguys

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** excitement

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Good way to spend vacation time

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** social nudity; **stay for the** new friends

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** tell friends

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

**Meals / Beverages:** -2

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:**

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I might attend, but I'm not sure.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** beach resort

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 16

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Newsletter; website; friends

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Terrific

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Spending time with my friends; being in a natural setting; the company of great men; relaxation.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Being with friends.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Happiness; smiling; being appreciated for who I am.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Made me remember what I like most about myself; and also how important it is to spend time with friends, and in a beautiful natural setting.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** friendships

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**Telling friends about it, encouraging them to attend.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** The food was very good this year but the staffing in the dining hall needs to be more fluid - walking around more, emptying garbage cans, filling the coffee urns, etc. Also there should be more amenities around camp - water, etc.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Provincetown.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I am a little concerned about the plan to use a masturbation website, and a straight you tube sensation, to promote the gathering.

## Individual Responses in Full

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 4

**How did you hear about The Gathering?**

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?**

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To see friends, make new friends and be social. All naked of course!

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Camaraderie

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** wellbeing

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** If felt nice to be welcomed and inhibited

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** Friendships/socializing; **stay for the** Friendships/socializing

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Encourage gay men I meet to check out GNI

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -1

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -1

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -1

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Food still needs improvement. There was an obvious effort to improve the food this year but can get much better. More healthy choices. Less beef and pork. More Chicken, replenish salad, bagels AND the eggs are terrible! Use an egg substitute. The eggs were admittedly under cooked by the chef many times. Please put more quality control in place.

,The cabin was not clean. We had to wash the floors, bathroom and all the surfaces. There was dust, trash under the beds. More variety of workshops and less overlap. Workshops are getting redundant. Musis at Disco needs to be more current.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** Mediterranean cruise

## Individual Responses in Full

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I am uncomfortable with the way GNI is planning on promoting itself as a environment for sex and not naturism. Attracting a younger crowd is great, but the marketing strategy , in my opinion is ill advised.It's getting a bit sleazy. The self professed leather pigs, (no judgement-they are nice guys) need to reign in their public displays. Performing fellatio, licking/eating/fingering assholes while on the dance floor podium is disrespectful to GNI members. That behavior should be reserved for across the lake or elsewhere.

,Also, there was an obvious effort to improve the food but can get much better. More healthy choices. Less beef and pork. More Chicken, replenish salad, bagels AND the eggs are terrible! Use an egg substitute. The eggs were admittedly under cooked by the chef many times. Please put more quality control in place. Thank you

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 4

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** local naturist club

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** relaxing

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** - be with friends and make new ones  
,- get away from everything for a week  
,- no clothes, easy to pack!!!

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** good cabin mates and neighbors

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** comfortable

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** reinforced that we're all not glamour and poster boys

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the eye candy; stay for the dessert**

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Am anxious to see the videos being produced. They and some pamphlets would be helpful to share at our local gatherings.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -3

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -1

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Would have enjoyed the disco but just too late at night.  
,Would like more one-on-one activities to meet new people.  
,Do not need 10 chairs at tables.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** none

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** 3 ideas for future gatherings:

## Individual Responses in Full

- , - water aerobics
- , - craft activities (like summer camp)
- , - wine and/or beer tasting led by someone knowledgeable

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 35

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** I sat under the tree next to the gazebo with 12 other naked gay guys at a straight gathering among them wasl Murphy Kaufman Lee Baxandall came over to us and suggested we start our OWN gathering ....PERIOD I was one of the original 12 people. I believe it was 1985 my third Naturists gathering

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Camaraderie

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** 2, acceptance from others, being naked , and 3 the evening shows

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** being with nature while being totally naked

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** you can do nothing all day. or be busy from 6AM till 2 AM

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** gave me self esteem , self confidence, and body acceptance from others

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** experiences ; **stay for the** unexpected

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**I try to talk it up as much as possible

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** the VERY limited amount of soda or where to find it

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** NONE only GNI

## Individual Responses in Full

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Rick Johnson does one " hell " of a job ALL YEAR long to make one great week ,and the working relationship we now have with Howard etal

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer? No

How many Gatherings have you attended? 15

How did you hear about The Gathering? Friends

In one word, describe your Gathering experience? Pleasant

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering? Nude recreation and chance to get physical with attractive guys

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you? The gni stage

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering? Encouragement

How did The Gathering personally affect you? Not sure

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the Men; stay for the Activities

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering? Staffed table at fair

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -2

Scheduling: -3

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -3

Entertainment: -3

Accommodations: -3

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent: Good

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering: I'm definitely planning to attend.

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations: Met expectations

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering? International travel

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 7

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Friends who had attended  
,Gatherings.

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Very good.

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** See the old  
friends and meet new ones. To generally have a great time (which I did).

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The people.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Very good.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** It was very calming after several weeks of "chaos" and  
stress at home. I took the calm home with me and that was great.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** People, place and events. ; **stay for the** Same things. Great all around.

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Talk to other guys  
about it. I'm not really too near to others who might have an interest, but I always bring it up when the  
occasion arises.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -2

**Entertainment:** -2

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** No particular comment.  
I was pretty happy with everything.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and  
money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met  
expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation  
options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** Looking  
forward to Gathering 2017.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 9

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Returning camper

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** peaceful

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** Social nudity, the Stormy Weather talent show, beautiful camp ground with a staff that appreciates us. I am overwhelmed by the talent of the campers at the talent show.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The friendliness of my fellow campers who actually care about each other.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Simplistic joy.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** Summer isn't summer without naked camp.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** nudity; **stay for the** amazing fun

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** Post flyers at my local gay bars.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** There were some dishes and meals that were absolutely spectacular which is nice. People complain about the meals but I think the kitchen does well with the fact it's a summer camp in the woods of Pennsylvania.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** None.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I appreciate the hard work the board and Rick perform with a smile on their faces.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 3

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Searched for a gay naturist group through Google , and voila, there you were!!

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** Profound!!

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To be with like minded men who enjoy the feeling of being naked out in the open with hundreds of guys.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** Very difficult question. But I'd have to say, the people, not just those that make the event happen and bring it all together, but the membership as a whole, who make this great event of friendship, brotherhood and camaraderie the incredible event that it is.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** Exhilaration!! Intense feelings of joy and freedom. Intense feelings of happiness and elation that breathe life into me each and every day, well beyond the event itself.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** The Gatherings have been and continue to be a most powerful life experience for me. It has positively transformed me in ways that are hard to describe. Heartfelt thanks to GNI for being there and for having made a vast difference in my life.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** fantastic people; **stay for the** amazing experience

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I am always talking up GNI to my friends. I represented GNI at a local Pride event last summer and I look forward to do it again the summer of 2017.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -4

**Scheduling:** -4

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Food much improved this year. There wasn't a bad meal. Great entertainment, comedians were great. Dance club - SUBLIME!!

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

## Individual Responses in Full

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?**      None

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:**    The dance club is most certainly my favourite activity. The guys who put it together are incredible and I send them a heartfelt thank you. I am still dancing!!The Gathering simply would not be the same without Tony and Mark and the rest of the dance club gents. Thank you to them all from the bottom of my heart and for energising me with their presence and the music they share that fills me with life. Thanks GNI!! Love you!! Naked hugs XOXOXO

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 15

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** Joe Lonsway

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** As always "awesome"

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** To decompress from life / work.  
,To enjoy the freedom of a warm and welcoming environment.

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** The dance club.  
Always the dance club.

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** For me it's "freedom".  
Not just the freedom of being naked but not being as inhibited. People and myself especially are much more open at the gathering.

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** The Gathering always recharges me. It also is one of those life changing experiences every year. It's small and subtle things but looking back over the years I can see how the Gatherings have changed who I am as a person.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** naked men; **stay for the** new friends

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?** I'm a social media junkie. I'm always looking for new ways and places to promote GNI online as well as getting involved with the groups advertised to promote GNI offline.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -3

**Entertainment:** -3

**Accommodations:** -4

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** Can the amount of time for event's, activities, workshops be shortened 10-15 minutes to allow time to get from one place to another. It's never really that people arrive late for events, it just takes time to get from one part of the camp to another. If the times are immediately adjacent to another time wise it's physically impossible to get to the next event on time.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:** I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Met expectations

## Individual Responses in Full

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** The only other event that I consider going to is the Bone Island event in Key West. I've only gone to the July event once. It's too close to the gathering for my finances to "recover". I usually go to the Dec Bone Island event but I'm skipping it this year for various reasons and the Gathering is my only vacation.

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** I know it seems like the Gathering has to outdo itself year after year to attract a bigger crowd. But let's not lose focus on the basics.

## Individual Responses in Full

**Are you a first timer?** No

**How many Gatherings have you attended?** 3

**How did you hear about The Gathering?** partner

**In one word, describe your Gathering experience?** breathtaking

**What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?** being with like minded individuals  
,being one with nature

**What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?** togetherness

**What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?** contentment

**How did The Gathering personally affect you?** it has opened my mind and my heart in so many ways. it has also brought my parner and i so much closer.

**Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:**

**Come for the** fun; **stay for the** friendships you make

**What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?**we promoted gni at our local pride event and we share our experiences with our friends.

**Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A**

**Meals / Beverages:** -3

**Scheduling:** -2

**Workshops / Discussions / Activities:** -4

**Entertainment:** -4

**Accommodations:** -3

**Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:** to much overlapping in events. had to miss one to attend another.

**What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:** Excellent

**How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:**I'm definitely planning to attend.

**Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:** Exceeded expectations

**We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?** provincetown  
,florida

**Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:** it's a truly amazing experience

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer?

How many Gatherings have you attended?

How did you hear about The Gathering?

In one word, describe your Gathering experience?

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the ; stay for the

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages:

Scheduling:

Workshops / Discussions / Activities:

Entertainment:

Accommodations:

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer?

How many Gatherings have you attended?

How did you hear about The Gathering?

In one word, describe your Gathering experience?

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the ; stay for the

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering?Count

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages:	144
Scheduling:	139
Workshops / Discussions / Activities:	128
Entertainment:	138
Accommodations:	141

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full

Are you a first timer?

How many Gatherings have you attended? 8.018248175

How did you hear about The Gathering?

In one word, describe your Gathering experience?

What were the two or three primary reasons that you attended The Gathering?

What was the most important ingredient that made The Gathering special for you?

What emotion / feeling best expresses your experience at The Gathering?

How did The Gathering personally affect you?

Complete the sentence about your GNI experience:

Come for the ; stay for the

What, if anything, did you do or would you do to help promote The Gathering? Average

Please rate the following: -4=Excellent; -3=Good; -2=Fair; -1=Poor; 0=N/A

Meals / Beverages: -2.64

Scheduling: -2.87

Workshops / Discussions / Activities: -3.1

Entertainment: -3.01

Accommodations: -3.06

Please feel free to comment on any of the aspects listed above:

What is the rating of The Gathering in terms of the value you received compared to the time and money you spent:

How likely are you to participate in the next Gathering:

Please select the answer that best describes if The Gathering met your expectations:

We know that you have a choice to spend your dollars and time elsewhere. What other vacation options did you consider instead of attending The GNI Gathering?

Please share any thoughts about the question above or additional comments you may have:

## Individual Responses in Full