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Central Region Venturing Monthly Newsletter



Welcome to the 8th edition of the 2009-2010 monthly Central Region Venturing Newsletter. Each edition will feature information that you will find useful for your council's Venturing program. We will highlight items that support the development of your Teen Leadership Councils, Roundtables, chairmanships, commissioners, professional staff, council-wide activities and the Central Region Venturing Areas. We look forward to being of service to you in Venturing.

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Central Region Venturing Facebook Group Reaches > 6600 Members!!!!



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Venturer You Should Know

Chelsea DuBose is the 2009-2010 Central Region Area 6 Venturing President.

Chelsea previously served as the 2008-2009 Southern Region Boatswain. She now attends the University of Evansville in Indiana majoring in mechanical engineering. Chelsea ranked first in the Nation for SEAL (Sea Scout Advanced Leadership training) in 2008, has earned her Quartermaster and Gold Awards, and has received a Regional Venturing Leadership Award. She is delighted to be serving on the 2009-2010 Central Region Venturing Youth Cabinet.



World Scout Jamboree

Has your Crew leadership planned their activity calendar for the summer of 2011? We suggest your crew consider spending time with more than 30,000 young people from around the world in Rinkaby, Sweden, July 27 – August 7, 2011, for the 22nd World Scout Jamboree.

What is so special about a World Scout Jamboree? To begin with, it is a coeducational event!

Being a participant at a World Scout Jamboree is an incredible once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! Over the course of ten days your Venturers will meet young people from all over the globe, take

part in amazing adventures and experiences, and be challenged to think about global issues in a new light. They will have the opportunity to make life-long friends, learn from other cultures and beliefs, share their own knowledge, and experience what it's like to live in beautiful Swedish nature. It's Simply Scouting at its best.

Venturers must be age 14–17 to participate as a youth member. Those who are age 18 and older would need to consider being part of the International Service Team, which is the World Jamboree's staff. In fact, there is a special emphasis on selecting staff between the ages of 18 and 26! What a tremendous opportunity for this age group of young leaders.

To learn more about the world jamboree and to register, visit BSA's World Jamboree website at: www.scouting.org/worldjamboree.

What is your crew waiting for? Come be part of the 22nd World Scout Jamboree.



The Great Race to Area 1

Area 1 of the Central Region on April 30 to May 2 will be hosting the Area 1 Spring Fun Event at Gardner Dam Scout Camp (Whitelake, WI) in the Bay Lakes Council.

The weekend will be based around the Amazing Race theme. Teams will compete in activities consisting of COPE, Shooting Sports, GPS, Boating, Dutch Oven Cooking, Guitar Hero, and a Surprise Event. Awards will be given to the winning teams. Teams will be assembled as you arrive.

Does any of this spark your interest? Well check out the flyer at <http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=384> to get all the details and to sign up!



Registration is due April 21st. Cost is only \$25 for a great weekend! There is a \$5 late fee. Sunday will be the Area VOA Meeting and new VOA officer elections (VP of Administration and VP of Program).

If you have questions, please contact me at dcarriveau91@yahoo.com or area1president@crventuring.org.

What are the New Requirements to Join a Venturing Crew?

The Boy Scouts of America's National Executive Board has announced a change in the age and grade requirements for the Venturing program.

Effective **May 1, 2010**, the minimum age/grade requirement will be changed to **14 years of age or 13 years of age and completion of the eighth grade.**



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The previous requirements mandated that participants be 14 years of age *and* have completed the eighth grade.

The change was made to accommodate boys and girls who have late birthdays, usually from June to September. Under the previous requirement, these boys and girls were not able to immediately join a Venturing crew with their friends when their class graduated from the eighth grade. Now that's no longer an issue.

The new requirements do apply to Sea Scouts, who are part of the Venturing program. But Explorers and Venturers who are part of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints won't be affected by the change.

Still have some questions about the ramifications of this decision? Check out the detailed FAQs outlined at: <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/Venturing/EligibilityChange.aspx>



Central Region Areas

Area 1: Councils: Winnebago Council, Northern Star Council, Twin Valley Council, Voyageurs Area Council, Minnesota Council, Gamehaven Council , Northern Lights Council , Gateway Area Council, Samoset Council, Bay Lakes Council, Chippewa Valley Council, Sioux Council

Upcoming Events

April 30-May 2 Great Race to Area 1
May 15 Canoe and camping trips

Contact them at

Area President: Dan Carriveau
area1president@crventuring.org

Area Chair: Chris Sandberg
area1chair@crventuring.org

Area 2: Councils: Great Sauk Trail Council , Hiawathaland Council, Detroit Area Council , Tall Pine Council, Lake Huron Area Council , Gerald R. Ford Council, Southwest Michigan Council, Chief Okemos Council, Scenic Trails Council, Clinton Valley Council, Blue Water Council, Erie Shores Council

Upcoming Events

April 16-18 Wilderness First Aid
April 23-25 Powder Horn

Contact them at

Area President: Corey Brown
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Area Chair: Jeff Gerald
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Area 3: Councils: Lewis & Clark Council, Illowa Council, W.D. Boyce Council, Mississippi Valley Council, Abraham Lincoln Council ,Hawkeye Area Council, Northeast Iowa Council , Greater St. Louis Area Council, Glacier's Edge Council, Milwaukee County Council, Southeast Wisconsin Council , Potawatomi Area Council

Upcoming Events

April 24-25 Wilderness First Aid
May 14-16 Powder Horn
June 4-6 ScoutQuest 100

Contact them at

Area President: Sarah Ward
area3president@crventuring.org

Area Chair: Bob Vogt
area3chair@crventuring.org

Area 4: Councils: Great Trail Council, Buckeye Council, Greater Cleveland Council ,Simon Kenton Council, Heart of Ohio Council, Greater Western Reserve Council, Muskingum Valley Council, Mountaineer Area Council, Buckskin Council, Allohak Council, Ohio River Valley Council, Tri-State Area Council

Upcoming Events

April 16-18 Silver V
June 19 Human Power Boat Race

Contact them at

Area President: Elizabeth Williams
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Area Chair: Dale Hayes
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Central Region Areas (continued)

Area 5: Councils: Mid-Iowa Council, Coronado Area Council, Santa Fe Trail Council, Jayhawk Area Council, Quivira Council, Ozark Trails Council, Heart of America Council, Pony Express Council, Overland Trails Council, Cornhusker Council, Mid-America Council, Great Rivers Council

Upcoming Events

May 1-5 Island Adventure Venturing Resident Camp

Contact them at

Area President: Courtney Weerts
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Area Chair: Julie Dalton
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Area 6: Councils: Prairielands Council, Lincoln Trails Council, Hoosier Trails Council, Buffalo Trace Council, Anthony Wayne Area Council, Crossroads of America Council, Sagamore Council, La Salle Council South, Dan Beard Council, Tecumseh Council, Miami Valley Council, Black Swamp Area Council

Upcoming Events

May 14-16 Leave No Trace Trainer Course
June 27-July 3

Contact them at

Area President: Chelsea DuBose
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Area Chair: Len Roberts
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Area 7: Councils: Chicago Area Council, Three Fires Council, Northeast Illinois Council, Des Plaines Valley Council, Calumet Council, Blackhawk Area Council, Rainbow Council, Northwest Suburban Council

Upcoming Events

April 14-16 Powder Horn
April 23-25 Lakota Workshop
April 30-May 2 Adventure Base

Contact them at

Area President: Cody Romano
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Area Chair:
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More information on all of the events and links to the councils listed above can be found on www.crventuring.org

Venturing & Sea Scouting Discussion Lists

Please sign up for the many Yahoo Groups and Discussion Lists dedicated to Venturing and Sea Scouting. Information on these groups can be found by searching Yahoo Groups for Venturing, clicking on "Discussion Groups" at seascout.org. or by clicking on the links below.



Venturing Yahoo Group: this group shares information with Venturers and Advisors from across the nation: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/venturinglist/>



Central Region Venturing Yahoo Group: this group is used to share resources and ideas, and to ask questions about Venturing in Central Region: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/crventuring/>



Sea Scouting Discussion List: this group shares information with Sea Scouts and Sea Scout leaders across the nation: <http://listserv.seascout.org/cgi-bin/wa?A0=SEASCOUT-NET>



Central Region Sea Scouting Discussion List: this group is used to share resources and ideas, and to ask questions about Sea Scouting in Central Region: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/crseascouting/?yguid=280725914>

