



# AREA 2 VENTURING

CELEBRATING VENTURING ACROSS THE MITTEN

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## CENTRAL REGION VENTURING OFFICERS' ORIENTATION

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During the weekend of June 17<sup>th</sup>- June 19<sup>th</sup>, all of the areas across the Central Region Venturing Officers' Association met at the La Salle Manor in Plano, IL. During this annual event the Areas were able to cover many of the different aspects of the being a Venturing Officers' Association officer. Each of the Area 2 Vice Presidents—Brooke Werner, Gordon Meier, and David Fountain—along with our president, Nick Meier, were able to attend to develop the individual skills required for each of our unique

positions. We were also finally able to connect as a whole group in order to work on gelling as a team. In this next year, we hope to enhance the council VOAs and the



Venturing program with the help of our area advisor and associate advisors. We are really looking forward to the rest of the year!

### David Fountain:

Hello, my name is David Fountain. As the Area 2 Vice President of Communication I am looking forward to the rest of the year. With this upcoming year, I see the Area 2 Venturing Officers' Association (VOA) being able to help get this Southern Shores FSC VOA off the ground. We are hoping to use the Central Region's new program called PIVOT. This uses members from other VOAs to engage the local Venturers interest to start their own new VOA. I also want to spread the reach of the Area 2 social media footprint to the furthest reaches of the area. I am also very excited to work hand in hand with my advisor Mary DeVree.



# Meet Brooke Werner: Administration



Hello! My name is Brooke Werner. During the 2016-2017 term, I will be serving as the Area 2 Vice President of Administration. I am looking forward to

working with the other selected officers as well as many of you during my term. We each have our own experiences within Scouting, so I will constantly be learning new leadership styles, recruitment tools, and life skills from everyone I meet, I cannot wait to see how each of our areas of expertise will combine to accomplish great things for Venturing. One of my major goals is to tell others about

Venturing and the benefits it holds for youth and adults around the country. Being a part of Venturing has made a major impact in my life, and I hope to show others how it can change their lives as well. I am also looking forward to creating and sustaining a Venturing Officers' Association within each council of Area 2. I want to build a strong connection between the officers of the area and the council to ensure

that everyone has the necessary resources to be successful. I hope to meet many of you this year at the outstanding events being put on in our state!



Area 2 at the Rendezvous!



## Message from the President

Hi my name is Nick Meier and I'm super excited for this year! Area 2 has a lot of great things planned and you won't want to miss a single one! From an awesome ninja warrior course, closing show, and over 1000 friends at the Great Lakes Rendezvous to a super fun Area Conference planned for January, we are having a great year! This year we are

hoping to create a Southern Shores Venturing Officers' Association (VOA) and be one of the first Areas to have 100% of councils with VOA's. We're going to be hosting and visiting cool trainings and fun events across the state that you won't want to miss. I'm excited to travel and meet many of you and can't wait to #LeadTheAdventure!



## Associate Advisor's Minute:

It was a busy summer, and as the school year quickly surrounding us, don't forget about this year's fun events and activities. After the Central Region Venturing Officer's Orientation, we are all excited for this upcoming year! Stay connected with us through Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest! If you don't know how to find the Area 2 on social media, then follow the links below. Don't forget about the Central Region website which always has great information about many upcoming events, resources on awards, and so much more! Communication is a key element in any group and Venturing is no exception. There are many forms of communication and every person may prefer to communicate differently. Email and Facebook seem to be two very common ways to communicate in Venturing. Staying updated on Youth Protection is important to ensure that the way you are communicating is appropriate. I hope everyone is as excited for this next year as we are! Contact your local VOA officers or Area 2 Officers if you have any questions about the events or want to get an event started for your Field Service Council.



### Area 2 Wants to Hear From You!

#### Facebook:



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/CRV.Area2/>



**Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/crvarea2>



**Snapchat:** CRVArea2



#### Pinterest:

<https://www.pinterest.com/venturingarea2/>



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### Up Coming Events:

- ❖ October 22: Area 2 Stem Showcase, Saginaw, MI
- ❖ November 11-13: ILSC , Twin Lake, MI
- ❖ November 12: Venturing Leader Training, Twin Lake, MI
- ❖ January 21: Area 2 Venturing Conference, Lansing, MI

See the calendar or Area 2 page on [CRVenturing.org](http://CRVenturing.org) for more information and to add your crew or council events!

## Save The Date!

Join Area 2 at the Royal Scot Golf and Bowl in Lansing, MI for the Area 2 Venturing Conference on January 21st, 2017! Come meet the Area 2 officers, advisors, and friends from around the area, as well as some special guests! We will talk about what's current in Venturing, recruitment, program, and much more! Have ideas or requests? Please email them to [CRVenturingArea2@gmail.com](mailto:CRVenturingArea2@gmail.com). Look out for more information to come!