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Central Region Venturing Monthly Newsletter



Welcome to the 12th edition of the 2008-2009 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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Announcing 2009-2010 Central Region Venturing Area Presidents

- Area 1: Dan Carriveau
- Area 2: Kaytie Corlew
- Area 3: Sarah Ward
- Area 4: Elizabeth Williams
- Area 5: Courtney Weerts
- Area 6: Chelsea DuBose
- Area 7: Cody Romano



more information about these outstanding youth will be available next month

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Thank You

Hello faithful readers! I would like to take a moment and say thank you to everyone for allowing me to serve as the 2008-2009 Central Region Venturing President. I have had a great time serving all of you and I appreciated everything that you have taught me.

I intend to serve Venturing in some capacity next year and I'm always willing to continue helping you in any way possible.

Please lend your support to Ben Hayes, the 2009-2010 Central Region Venturing President, throughout the upcoming year. Ben and the 2009-2010 Central Region Venturing Youth Cabinet will continue to provide excellent support for all of your Venturing needs!



Announcements, announcements, ANNOUNCEMENTS!

There are BIG changes for Central Region Venturing:

Area Realignments

The areas of the Central Region have officially realigned. More information about the councils in each of the new areas is available at <http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=290>.

Facebook

The Central Region Venturing Facebook group now has over 2,200 members! Check out <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=2292491801> to be member number 2,201.

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a dark blue rectangular background.

Twitter

Central Region Venturing is now on Twitter. Twitter is yet another social networking tool that will allow you to stay connected to Venturing in Central Region. Users can send and read messages known as "tweets" that are short messages (up to 140 characters) meant to keep you informed. It is completely free.

How does it work? Go to <http://twitter.com> to sign-up or check out <http://twitter.com/CRVenturing> to see our page. Once you have a Twitter account, you can choose to "follow" CRVenturing. You will receive updates whenever a new article is posted on www.crventuring.org or when an existing article is changed. For those of you who don't check the website every day, this is a great tool to briefly find out what is new.

The Twitter logo, featuring the word "twitter" in a light blue, rounded, lowercase font with a white outline.



[WWW.CRVENTURING.ORG](http://www.crventuring.org)

There are new and exciting changes on the Central Region Venturing website that can be useful to anyone in the Venturing program!

Membership Tab

<http://www.crventuring.org/Membership/Overview/>

Memorandums of Understanding

Venturing connections to other organizations

Best Practices Survey

YOUR chance to submit YOUR great advice on everything Venturing

Unconventional Crew Testimonies

Hear from unique Crews with unusual areas of interest

Venturing for Religious Organizations

Text aimed at promoting Venturing with your religious organization



Media Gallery

http://www.crventuring.org/Media_Gallery/Overview/

Podcasts

Sound clips from your Area Presidents

Videos

Videos from your Central Region Youth Cabinet

Photos

Pictures from various Venturing events around Central Region

Video links

Video resources from National BSA and beyond



Arts and Hobbies

http://www.crventuring.org/Resources/Arts_and_Hobbies/



Alternate requirements for the Arts and Hobbies Bronze Award focused on certain specialties



Upcoming Events within Central Region Areas

Area 1

July 17-19: Bay-Lakes Council Bay Jammer

Area 2

May 29-31: Area 2 Assemblage

June 20-23: Area 2 Venturing White Water Rafting

Area 3

June 26-27: Potawatami Council Badger Bash

July 5-11: Greater St. Louis Swift Base Kodiak

Area 4

Area 5

June 28-July 4: Mid-America Council Venturing Resident Camp

July 17-19: Mid-Iowa Council LNT Master Educator Course wknd 1

July 24-27: Mid-Iowa Council LNT Master Educator Course wknd 2

Area 6

July 26-Aug 1: Crossroads of America Council Kodiak

Area 7

June 12-23: Three Fires Council TFC Alhambra Picnic

More information on all of the events and links to the councils listed above can be found on www.crventuring.org

Please submit new events to http://www.crventuring.org/event_submission.php

Venturing Social Networks

Please sign up for the many Yahoo Groups and Discussion Lists dedicated to Venturing. Information on these groups can be found by clicking on the links below or going to

http://www.crventuring.org/Home/Social_Networks/ .



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/>

facebook

Central Region Venturing Facebook Group: this group shares information with youth across the region: <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=2292491801>

twitter

Central Region Venturing Twittering: this feed is used to share CR Venturing website updates: <http://twitter.com/crventuring>