

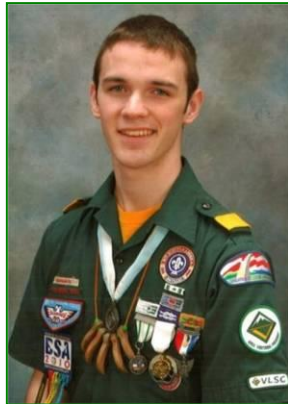
# Central Region Area 3 Venturing Update May 2011



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## Our Area 3 Venturing President to Become the Central Region's 2011-12 Venturing President

Please welcome Dustin M. Readenour as the 2011 - 2012 Central Region Venturing President. Dustin is from the Greater St. Louis Area Council and lives in Ballwin, MO. His term of office will begin on June 1, 2011. Currently a junior at Marquette High School in Chesterfield, MO, Dustin is very much looking forward to his senior year in the fall of 2011. After high school, Dustin plans to attend either Lindenwood University or Saint Louis University for a degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in International Business.



Dustin has been involved in Venturing for three years. During this time, he has served as Vice President of Administration for Crew 2783, New Horizons District Venturing President, Greater St. Louis Area Council VOA Vice President of Program, and he currently serves as the Central Region Area 3 Venturing President.

Dustin has earned his Outdoor Bronze Award, Venturing Gold Award, Venturing Silver Award, and Ranger Award. He has received his Council's Venturing Leadership Award. He began his Scouting career in Cub Scouts earning his Arrow of Light. Moving on to Boy Scouts, Dustin also earned his Eagle. Venturing then opened his eyes to a whole new world of high adventuring and leadership!

As Central Region Venturing President, Dustin is looking to improve upon existing communications within Central Region as well as continuing to educate the areas, councils, and Venturers. Dustin's

enthusiasm and dedication to the program prove he has high aspirations for this year.

Dustin looks forward to working with each of you to grow the Venturing program!

## Announcing the 2011-12 Area 3 Venturing President

The Central Region Area 3 Venturing Committee is proud to announce the 2011-2012 Central Region Area 3 Venturing President is Christina Vogt. Christina is the President of Greater St. Louis Area Council's Venturing Crew 2783 sponsored by Salem in Ballwin United Methodist Church. She also serves as the New Horizons District Venturing President. She has earned the Venturing Outdoor Bronze and Religious & Community Life Bronze Awards, the Venturing Gold Award, the Venturing Silver Award, and Venturing Ranger Award. She is also currently working on her Girl Scout Gold Award. She has completed the VLSC Course, the ILSC Course, the Kodiak and Kodiak X Courses. She is attending NYLT this summer. Her term of office starts June 1<sup>st</sup>.



Christina served as a co-trek leader for her Crew's trek to Philmont when she was 14. She attended the 2009 National BSA Meetings. She helped staffed Scout Quest 100 in St. Louis, and the National Venturing Event last year. She was the co-chair for the St. Louis Venturing Ski Night, and is helping to plan the upcoming Council Venturing Recognition Dinner.

Christina is a sophomore at Marquette High School in Chesterfield, MO, and is involved in the Show Choir, is a cellist in the school orchestra, served as the goalie for the freshman soccer team, and serves as a mentor for middle school students. She served as the Manager for the Junior Varsity Soccer Team this past fall, and is the Manager for the Freshman Soccer team this spring.

Christina's goals for the upcoming year consist of improving the resources available to each Crew within the Area. She plans to do this by enhancing the Area Newsletters, developing contacts within each Council, and by creating a Crew level track at the upcoming 2012 Area 3 Venturing Conference.

# Area Three Rendezvous

Windsail Racers

Ships Challenge

Raingutter Regatta

Sailboat Racing Class

Crew a Catalina 22

Sea Scout Style Triathlon

Paddleless Canoe Races

Sunfish

JY-15 Sailboats

Barbeque

Dance



Canoeing

Kayaking

Area Three Regatta

Boatswain Academy

Navy, Marines, Search and Rescue, and the Power Squadron

Volleyball

Sea Scout Basic Adult Leader Training

And much, much more

Register at [alincolnbsa.org](http://alincolnbsa.org)  
May 20-22 2011

## Venturing Crew in the News

Do you have a wonderful adventure your Crew has recently done that you would like to share with other Crews across our Area 3? Then please let me know about it and we will highlight your Crew in our Area 3 Venturing Update. Just write up a short article and be sure to include some pictures. Submit the articles to [revogt1@gmail.com](mailto:revogt1@gmail.com)

## Central Region Venturing Newsletter

Attached to this emailed Venturing Update are the March & April 2011 issues of the Central Region Venturing Newsletter designed and written by Dan Carriveau, the Central Region Venturing President and Blaine Lott, the CR VP of Communications. We need your help in sending the newsletter out across our Area 3. Please forward them to all of your Venturing contacts (youth & adult) and professionals that work with Venturing. Increasing our communications amongst Venturers can only help to increase our membership.

## Venturing Leadership Awards

Red = National VLA  
Green = Regional/Area VLA  
Blue = Council VLA



**For both Youth & Adults.**

Does your council have Venturers that are outstanding leaders? Do you have adult leaders that go above and beyond? Have you recognized them with the Venturing Leadership Award? If you don't take the time to complete the application, then who will?

## Do a Kodiak Trek in 2011



**To learn how to conduct a Kodiak Trek in your Crew, District, or Council contact:**

**Area 3 Kodiak Coordinator**  
**Rick McIlvoy**, Greater St. Louis Area Council  
Email: [rmcilvoy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rmcilvoy@sbcglobal.net)  
Home Phone: 636-394-5728  
Cell Phone: 314-609-8001

Kodiak is a required course for the National Youth Leadership Society.

## Peter Schmidt Invites All Venturers & Sea Scouts to Task Force Area Three Sea Scouting Rendezvous



Peter Schmidt the current Task Force Area 3 Boatswain invites all Sea Scouts and water loving Venturers to have fun and be a part of history. This will be the first area-wide Sea Scout Rendezvous ever for Area 3. There will be sailing, rowing, canoeing, racing, and for those land lovers frisbee golf, volleyball and much more. The Rendezvous will start on Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> with a night of fun. On Saturday there will be classes, a Sea Scout Triathlon, paddleless canoe races, sailing, a Landship ceremony, a dance and so much more. To top off the weekend Sunday will bring the biggest competition the "Ship's Challenge." For more information and the complete manual find us on facebook @ "Area Three Rendezvous" or contact Peter Schmidt at [smitykid4@yahoo.com](mailto:smitykid4@yahoo.com). Registration is online at [www.alincolnbsa.org](http://www.alincolnbsa.org).



## **Introducing Your 2011-2012 Area 3 Venturing Vice Presidents**

The Area 3 Venturing Committee is proud to welcome these servant leaders to the Area 3 Venturing Officers Association for 2011-12.

### **Vice President of Administration Tom Wester – Potawatomi Area Council**

Tom Wester is currently a junior at Brookfield East High School in Brookfield, Wisconsin. Tom has earned his Eagle Scout award and is the current President of Crew 21 in Brookfield, WI sponsored by Trinity United Church of Christ. Tom is heavily involved in academics, athletics, and extracurricular activities. This past semester, Tom finished with a 4.05 overall GPA and was recently commended for being a National Merit Scholar. Tom competes on the Track, Swimming, and Cross Country teams at school and has earned his Varsity Letter in Cross-Country. He is a member of Student Council, National Honors Society, Key Club, and Interact Club. Furthermore, he is the President of the BEHS Aerospace club. Tom is also heavily involved with music. He is the principal trumpet and section leader of both the Milwaukee Youth Symphony Orchestra's Senior Symphony and Chamber Orchestra. This past summer Tom attended the Science Technology Engineering Math (STEM) camp at the United States Naval Academy and is extremely interested in attending a service academy upon graduation from high school.



### **Vice President of Communication Rachel Levine – Greater St Louis Area Council**

Rachel Levine is the Secretary for Crew 685 in the Greater St. Louis Area Council as well as the Vice President of Communication for New Horizons District Venturing Officer Association. She has earned her Venturing Outdoor Bronze and the Pope Pius Award. Currently she is working on her Religious Bronze, Gold Award and Silver award.



She has participated in a Philmont trek, VLSC, and plenty of district and council events. Among those, she has helped plan and staff Scout Quest 100, the National Venturing Event in 2010, and Mobile Lock-in. Right now she is helping plan the upcoming Fall Fun Rally, the largest Venturing event in the country.

Rachel is a sophomore honor student at Kirkwood High School in Kirkwood, MO. She plays clarinet in the top band and also mentors freshmen in band. She plays field hockey and High School CYC soccer, is in Student Council, and helps with theater costume crew. She participates in her church's youth group helping with activities and going on retreats. In the future she plans on helping with her school yearbook and being a section leader in band.

For this upcoming year, Rachel hopes to improve the connection between the councils of Area 3. She wants to make sure that everyone knows about the activities and opportunities available to them. She also hopes to keep all records, including the newsletter, up-to-date and well circulated through the Area.

### **Vice President of Program Whitfield Montgomery – Greater St Louis Area Council**

Whitfield Montgomery is President of Crew 2023 in the Greater St. Louis Area Council. But this is not your typical Venturing Crew. It has 210 crew members. His crew is the JROTC unit at Vashon High School in St. Louis. He also serves as the Grand Towers District Venturing Officer Association President. Whitfield has completed VLSC. He attended the National Venturing Event last fall and Winterfest in Gatlinburg, TN. He serves as a Student Ambassador of St. Louis Public Schools and as the Superintendent's Liaison for Student Government. He has been inducted in the Top Teens of America. Whitfield is a college freshman majoring in Criminal Justice at Harris Stowe State University. Upon graduation he would love to serve as an officer in the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department while also pursuing politics. He currently serves as the Chairman of the Republican Party Youth Council for the State of Missouri. Whitfield wrote in his Area VP Application "Helping others enriches your life, strengthens your spirit and fuels your dream."



## What is Powder Horn?

Powder Horn is a training opportunity designed to expose the Venturing or Boy Scout leader to activities and resources necessary to operate a successful Venturing Ranger Award or Troop High Adventure program. It does this in several ways. First it helps Venturing Leaders and Scouters to safely conduct outdoor activities of a fun and challenging nature. It provides an introduction to the resources necessary to successfully lead Venturers and older Boy Scouts through a program of high adventure. And it familiarizes the Advisor with the Ranger program so that he or she can help the Venturer to meet the requirements of the Ranger Award. This course is based on the Venturing Ranger requirements giving participants an exposure to outdoor/high adventure activities. Scout leaders will also benefit from this course when your unit participates in unit high adventure.



## Powder Horns to be Held in Area 3

### 2011 Central Illinois Powder Horn Sponsored by W.D. Boyce Council

**When:** Weekend #1: August 19th – 21st, 2011  
Weekend #2: September 9th – 11th, 2011

**Where:** Weekend #1: Eagle Crest Camp,  
Washburn, IL.  
Weekend #2: Ingersoll Scout Reservation,  
London Mills, IL

The 2011 Central Illinois Powder Horn fee is \$250 per participant. A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required along with your completed and signed registration form to reserve your spot in the course. Visit our website at: [www.centralilpowderhorn.org](http://www.centralilpowderhorn.org)

Registration Form can be found at:  
<http://www.centralilpowderhorn.org/documents>

E-mail at: [wdboycepowderhorn@gmail.com](mailto:wdboycepowderhorn@gmail.com)

Video: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCwmlPLD\\_Nw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCwmlPLD_Nw)

Course Director: Lonny Johnson C: 309-573-4503  
Email: [Lonny.Eric.Johnson@verizon.net2011](mailto:Lonny.Eric.Johnson@verizon.net2011)

## 2012 Greater St. Louis Area Powder Horn

**When:** Weekend #1: April 20 – 22, 2012  
Weekend #2: May 4 – 6, 2012

**Where:** Weekend #1: Beaumont Scout Reservation,  
High Ridge, MO.  
Weekend #2: Swift Base, S-F Scout Ranch,  
Knob Lick, MO

The 2012 Greater St. Louis Area Powder Horn fee is \$250 per participant. A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required along with your completed and signed registration form to reserve your spot in the course. Visit our website at: <http://www.powderhornstl.org/>



Registration Form can be found at:  
<http://www.powderhornstl.org/documents>

E-mail at: [powderhornstlouis@gmail.com](mailto:powderhornstlouis@gmail.com)

Video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i6B6FFsdC68>

Course Director: Bob Vogt H: 636-394-6809  
Email: [revogt1@gmail.com](mailto:revogt1@gmail.com)

## Swift Base – A Venturing and Sea Scouting Paradise

Swift Base first opened the summer of 1966 at S bar F Scout Ranch about 90 miles south of St. Louis. From the beginning, it was designed to be a totally different experience for high-school and college-age members. It is one of only two bases of its type in our country and we are lucky to have it here in Area 3.



S bar F Scout Ranch is 5,200 acres of woods, trails, streams, Nims Lake and fun. The 270-acre Nims Lake serves as the focal point for water skiing, sailing, fishing, canoeing, swimming, water tubing, sun bathing, kayaking and water sliding. A herd of horses will allow you to saddle-up and explore the wilderness trails. If heights and challenges are your thing, Swift offers rock climbing, rappelling and a

high and low ropes course. Mountain bikes are available every day for rides that see no pavement. You may want to try your hand at firing a .22 rifle or bow and arrow. At Swift, you choose what you want to do.

Evening programs include campfires and dances, volleyball and crazy competitions. We plan for an outdoor movie night, drive-in style. A game night or bonfire may be in the offering. If your crew wants to take an overnight canoe float down the lake, that can be arranged. Some crews like to hike to Castle Rock to check out the stars.

All meals are served in Swift Lodge -- dining-hall style. You camp on a campsite with your crew and your leaders. Tents are set up for you on wooden frames. Each of our five campsites are scattered in the woods, so that you have shade and some privacy.

Exciting changes are coming your way for Swift in 2011! In addition to our standard Swift program of climbing, rappelling, horses, skiing, tubing, and challenge course, there will be new opportunities to really dig deep into some programs and become an "Expert" in aquatics, horseback riding, and shooting. We will be offering special opportunities during our three weeks:

June 19-25: Sea Scout/Aquatic Camp (Full)

June 26-July 2: Climbing Camp/Ranger Award Camp

July 10-16: Swift Classic

During the Aquatic week and the Climbing week, we will have experts supplementing our Swift staff. In addition we will offer many of the standard Swift high adventure activities that you are used to every week.

For 2011, reservations will be taken immediately on a first-come, first-served basis for Crews and Posts regardless of your council. In addition, Crews and Posts will be given priority for group activity sign-up on the basis of when you sign-up. First signed-up, first to choose program slots.

To assure that the facility is not overcrowded, when we reach the capacity of the camp, we will close that week to additional crews, posts, and troops. Sign-up capacity at Swift Base will be 135 campers per week. Units that procrastinate in signing up for camp greatly limit their choices.



The reservation fee is \$25.00 per camper. The \$25.00 reservation fee is refundable if requested in writing by May 2, 2011. No refunds of reservation fees after May 2.

There is no minimum number of campers necessary to make a unit reservation. We ask you to project as closely as possible your actual attendance. When units over or under estimate attendance is when we have problems.

The summer camp fee for 2011 is \$220.00 after camper savings day and \$210.00 prior to camper savings day. We encourage every crew to use the camper savings plan, which will allow the Venturers and Explorers to save on the total fee if the full fee is paid by May 2, 2011. Swift information can be found at:

<http://www.stbsa.org/camping/summer-camps/venturing/Pages/Venturing-Summer-Camps.aspx>

## Link to Swift Promotional Videos:

The great older version: <http://bit.ly/SwiftBase>

or the 2011 new version:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bO5qv4E92VQ>

## NYLT ... It's not just for Boy Scouts anymore!

### NYLT - Pack and Paddle!

Venturers can now attend the National Youth Leadership Training. It is co-ed.

National Youth Leadership Training is a weeklong training course that provides youth leaders with an opportunity to enhance their leadership skills while living by the Scout Oath and Law, in an exciting outdoor environment. Venturers who earn the NYLT shield are prepared to meet the challenges ahead and are better prepared to work with adult leaders. This is the first NYLT open for Venturers in the Greater St. Louis Area Council. The week of July 24-30, 2011 is the only Venturing NYLT Week available. The Venturing NYLT will be a Pack and Paddle course. The Pack and Paddle is an outpost adventure program that follows the NYLT syllabus. This exciting program is being held at Nims Lake, S bar F Scout Ranch. During Pack and Paddle, Venturers will practice low-impact camping, learn how to use a compass, develop leadership skills, hike, and canoe. Venturers must be able to pack all equipment in their packs including food, crew gear, shelter, and personal



items. Please take into consideration that this is a strenuous course. Venturers must be 14 or older and pass the BSA Swimmer test. To sign up for Pack and Paddle NYLT, complete the NYLT application and check the appropriate area. Space is limited to 24 Venturers.

Hosted By: Greater St. Louis Area Council

Where: S bar F Scout Ranch, Knob Lick, MO

When: 07/24/2011 to 07/30/2011

Registration Date: 05/01/2011

Application: <http://www.crventuring.org/document.php?ID=619&NUM=1>

Brochure: <http://www.stlbsa.org/training/youth-training/Documents/NYLT%20Brochure.pdf>

Contact: Fred Brown

Email: [fbrown@stlbsa.org](mailto:fbrown@stlbsa.org)

Phone: (314) 256-3125

## Great Venturing Sites:

National Venturing: [www.scouting.org/Venturing](http://www.scouting.org/Venturing)

Central Region Venturing: [www.crventuring.org](http://www.crventuring.org)

Central Region Sea Scouting:  
[www.seascouting.crventuring.org](http://www.seascouting.crventuring.org)

## Promote Your Council's Venturing Events

If your council has Venturing events, camps, or activities that you want to promote across our Area 3, just send to me the information and I will include it in the next Area 3 Venturing Update. Send to Bob Vogt, Area 3 Venturing Advisor at [revogt1@gmail.com](mailto:revogt1@gmail.com)

## Do You Have a Venturing Story to Tell?

If you have a great Venturing story to tell, please send it to [revogt1@gmail.com](mailto:revogt1@gmail.com)

## Sea Scout Task Force 3 May 2011 Update

Attached to this Venturing Update is the Sea Scout Update for Area 3. Take a moment and check out all the great events that are happening in Sea Scouting!

## Application for Task Force 3 Sea Scout Boatswain

Attached to you will find the Application for the Task Force 3 Sea Scout Boatswain for 2011-2012 term. If you are in Sea Scouting and are ready to step up in your leadership, then the Area Boatswain position may just be the place for you.

## Area 3's Big Event is the Fall Fun Rally – The biggest Venturing Event in the Nation!

The biggest & best Venturing event in the nation is happening once again in our own Area 3 and you're invited! Our own Area 3 Venturing President, Dustin Readenour, is the youth chair for the event.



Last year, the Fall Fun Rally was the first National Venturing Event with nearly 1,400 Venturers from over 50 councils in attendance. Although not an official national event this year, it is still going to be national in scope and reach. Venturers from across the nation are expected to be in attendance.

It is time to place this event on your Crew's calendar. The dates are September 23-25, 2011. Watch the [www.fallfunrally.org](http://www.fallfunrally.org) for all the up-to-date information. Cost information will be found on the website soon, There will be an option for meals on Saturday and Sunday once again.

This is a youth lead event with the Venturing Officer Association of the Greater St. Louis Area Council staffing the event. This will be the 38<sup>th</sup> year for the Fall Fun Rally. . They have the facilities, the staff, and the experience to host several thousand Venturers for this 3-day event

The Fall Fun Rally is designated as the Area 3's Venturing Event each year. We appreciate the Greater St. Louis Area Council's VOA's wiliness to open their event to all Venturers. Our Area 3 Venturing Officers Association will be heavily involved in staffing and planning the event. Crews from outside the Greater St. Louis Area are welcomed to host events at the Fall Fun Rally. Contact Dustin Readenour, Fall Fun Rally Chair, at [10-11area3pres@att.net](mailto:10-11area3pres@att.net) with your event suggestion.

**Date:** September 23-25, 2011

**Location:** Beaumont Scout Reservation, High Ridge, MO (Just 35 minutes SW of downtown St. Louis)

**Who can attend:** Venturers, Explorers, Sea Scouts, & Boy Scouts (over age 14+) & their adult leadership

**Events from the Fall Fun Rally:**

Volleyball Tournament, Tug-of-War Competitions, Rifle Range, Shotgun Range, Archery, Climbing Tower, Slacklining, Wild Caving, Mountain Men Village, Blacksmithing, , Helicopters, , Kickball, Crab Soccer, Wiffleball, Dodgeball, Hillbilly Golf & Washers, National Venturing Fencing Competition, Pool Noodle Jousting, Police & Military Demonstrations, Table Top Competitions, Dutch-oven Cooking Competitions, Skit/Talent Competition, Fear Factor Event, Horseback Riding, Adult Venturing Training, Venturing Officer Association Elections, Game/Trivia Night, Movie Night, Twister for 50, Karaoke Night, Award Show, Dance, Model Rockets, Backyard Games, Obstacle Course, Frisbee Golf, Sea Scouting Activities, Drunk Driving Simulator, All Star Sports Challenge, Crazy Building Competitions, Dunking Booth, and much, much more.

Check out our website now for more complete listing of events: <http://www.fallfunrally.org>

I look forward to welcoming you to St. Louis and the Fall Fun Rally.

**Become a friend of the Fall Fun Rally 2011 Facebook Page and be kept informed and up-to-date:** <http://www.facebook.com/FallFunRally>

## Area 3 Facebook Groups

**We are the largest Area level Venturing Facebook Group in the Nation!** We are the first Area level group in the nation to reach 1,100 members in our group. How did we do it? Simply by members inviting their Facebook friends to join the group. The purpose of the Area 3 Venturing Facebook Group is to promote Venturing. A group member does not have to be in Venturing to be part of the group. Because, just maybe, the non-Venturer will see the fun, adventure, leadership, etc. opportunities and decide to be part of Venturing.



Did you know that your council has a Venturing Facebook Group? Many of our councils have developed their own Facebook Groups. Those that did not have one had one established by the Central Region Venturing Communication Committee. They will be serving as the group administrator until a local youth or adult steps forwards to administer the group. The following are the links to each of our council's Venturing Facebook Groups:

**Area 3 Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=17279505847>

**Abraham Lincoln Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=44059028761>

**Glacier's Edge Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=24369249032>

**Greater St. Louis Area Venturing Facebook:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=4896422380>

**Hawkeye Area Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=2246395863>

**Illowa Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=51644697397>

**Lewis & Clark Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=129355675712>

**Milwaukee County Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=52890419845>

**Mississippi Valley Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=119055695511>

**Northeast Iowa Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=60552383208>

**Potawatomi Area Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=59070017342>

**Southeast Wisconsin Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=54250448845>

**W. D. Boyce Venturing Facebook Group:**

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=8316386849>

Why Facebook? Simply, because that is where you will find much of the youth that we serve in Venturing. To ignore their Internet social network is to lose a most valuable communication tool.

### Venturing Oath

**As a Venturer, I promise to do my duty to God and help strengthen America, to help others, and to seek truth, fairness, and adventure in our world.**

## New Venturing Award Coming May 2011 - NOVA Award

A new award program is being introduced by the BSA in May at the Annual Meeting: Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM-NOVA) Award. See attached NOVA.pdf article for more details.



**STEM – NOVA Award Program:** The NOVA Award program consists of individual activity elements in various STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) topics structured for either Cub Scouts or Boy Scouts/Venturers. These topics are designed for high participation and to increase interest in STEM by making it relevant and fun.

Current Topics available for the Boy Scout and Venturing NOVA Award are: Technology; Transportation; and Designed to Crunch (Mathematics).

The NOVA award will be a distinctive pocket patch with a separate pin-on device awarded for each individual topic completed by the youth.

**STEM – SUPERNOVA Award Program:** The SUPERNOVA Award program is similar to the BSA Hornaday Award Program. The basic requirements are to earn certain Academic Pins (Cub Scouts), Activity Badges (Webelos) and Merit Badges (Boy Scouts) plus complete various other more rigorous STEM related requirements.

The Venturing requirements are based on more independent achievement and teaching activities. SUPERNOVA is designed to encourage and recognize more in-depth achievement in STEM. Venturing recognition is the Sally Ride Award Certificate and Bronze Pocket Medal

## The Area 3 Councils are:

Abraham Lincoln Council – Springfield, IL  
 Glacier’s Edge Council – Madison, WI  
 Greater St. Louis Area Council – St. Louis, MO  
 Hawkeye Area Council – Cedar Rapids, IA  
 Illowa Council – Davenport, IA  
 Lewis & Clark Council – Belleville, IL  
 Milwaukee County Council – Milwaukee, WI  
 Mississippi Valley Council – Quincy, IL  
 Northeast Iowa Council – Dubuque, IA  
 Potawatomi Area Council – Waukesha, WI  
 Southeast Wisconsin Council – Racine, WI  
 W.D. Boyce Council – Peoria, IL



## The Outgoing 2010-11 Central Region Area 3 Venturing Officer Association

(From Left to Right): Sarah Mittrucker, Area VP of Administration  
 Samantha Yahl, Area VP of Communication  
 Dustin Readenour, Area Venturing President  
 Peter Schmidt, Area Boatswain  
 Zabrina Johnson, Area VP of Program

**A BIG THANK YOU for a job well done this past year. The Central Region VOA will be well served this coming year as 4 of our Area 3 Venturing officers move on to serve as Regional Venturing Officers.**  
**Dustin Readenour - Central Region Venturing President**  
**Zabrina Johnson – CR Vice President of Program**  
**Sarah Mittrucker – CR Vice President of Administration**  
**Peter Schmidt – Central Region Boatswain**

**They took  
Venturing out of  
the box and put  
it over the top in  
our Area!**



## Attend Powder Horn in 2011!

A message from Area 3 Powder Horn Coordinator  
– Luann Rece

Find the resources you need to put the “sizzle” in your program activities and experience the thrill of the trying those activities firsthand. Be sure to attend a Powder Horn course!



Blackhawk Area Council and Simon Kenton Council will soon be completing their courses for this spring, but you still have time to attend a Powder Horn course this year.

You can find information and links to applications about the upcoming courses at:

[http://crventuring.org/Training/Powder\\_Horn](http://crventuring.org/Training/Powder_Horn)

- Dan Beard Council- Cincinnati, OH. May 13-15, and June 3-5
- Greater Cleveland Council- Rock Creek, OH. August 12-14 and September 9-11
- W D Boyce Council, Washburn, IL. August 19-21 and September 9-11 (Area 3)
- Samoset Council, Rhinelander, WI. September 9-11 and September 30- October 2

If your Council is considering hosting a Powder Horn course in the near future, be sure to attend the Central Region Powder Horn Course Director’s Conference being held May 6-8 at Doan Conference Center – Camp Rotary, 3201 S Clare Avenue, Clare, MI 48617-9756. Registration begins at 6:00 pm and program starts at 7:00 pm on Friday, May 6th. The conference will end before noon on Sunday, May 8. Please register ASAP at: <http://www.lhacbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=2118>

The new Powder Horn staff guide is out and the changes made are significant. Be sure to send a council representative to learn what’s new in Powder Horn- and remember: It’s not just for Venturing anymore!

## Past editions of the Central Region Area 3 Venturing Update can be found at:

**March 2011:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=503>

**December 2010:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=445>

**October 2010:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=430>

**August 2010:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=416>

**June 2010:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=406>

**May 2010:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=401>

**February 2010:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=379>

**December 2009:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=365>

**October 2009:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=358>

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<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=351>

**July 2009:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=344>

**May 2009:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=347>

**April 2009:**

<http://crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=326>

## Following are the links to the resource items mentioned in this Central Region Area 3 Venturing Update:

**Central Region April 2011 Venturing Newsletter:**

<http://www.crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=508>

**Central Region March 2011 Venturing Newsletter:**

<http://www.crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=506>

**NYLT Pack n Paddle – Application**

[http://www.stlbsa.org/training/youth-training/Documents/11NYLT\\_ParticipApplication.pdf](http://www.stlbsa.org/training/youth-training/Documents/11NYLT_ParticipApplication.pdf)

**NYLT Pack n Paddle – Flyer**

<http://www.stlbsa.org/training/youth-training/Documents/NYLT%20Brochure.pdf>

**Area Three Sea Scouting Rendezvous Registration:**

<https://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendar/detail.asp?ActivityKey=917138>

**Central Illinois Powder Horn:**

[www.centralilpowderhorn.org](http://www.centralilpowderhorn.org)

**Greater St. Louis Area Powder Horn:**

<http://www.powderhornstl.org/>

# Central Region's First National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (N.A.Y.L.E.) To Be Held Here in Area 3

**Location:** S Bar F Scout Ranch - 90 Minutes south of St. Louis, Missouri

**Date:** July 31 - August 4, 2011 (Depart on August 5 before 8am)

## What is N.A.Y.L.E.?

The N.A.Y.L.E. program is an advanced version of National Youth Leadership Training (N.Y.L.T.). It is designed to provide you with a backcountry-based wilderness encounter that applies and internalizes the skills learned at your Council-level National Youth Leadership Training Course, and motivates you to follow a life of servant leadership by helping others succeed, based on Scouting's values.



## Who is it for and what are the requirements?

This program is for Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers and Sea Scouts.

The requirements are:

- ◆ You must be currently registered and active in your Scouting program
- ◆ You must have completed Unit-Level Youth Leader Training
- ◆ Be a minimum of 14 years of age before the first day of the course
- ◆ Boy Scouts and Varsity Scouts: Not yet 18 years of age, and have completed NYLT
- ◆ Venturers and Sea Scouts: Not yet 21 years of age, and have completed NYLT if available in your Council (or have completed the NYLT to NAYLE Bridge Course if NYLT is not available)

- ◆ Be physically fit and approved for High Adventure on your current 2011 BSA Medical Form

## What will I gain from this experience?

N.A.Y.L.E. equips youth leaders to be better Troop, Team, Crew, or Ship Leaders, NYLT Staff Members, and/or superior Camp Staff members. It will help guide your journey in leadership service to others, will enable you to develop all members of whatever teams you lead, and will provide important life skills for now and the future.

## What does the course include?

- ◆ Advanced Team-Building Skills
- ◆ Geocaching
- ◆ Wilderness First Aid
- ◆ Search and Rescue
- ◆ Leave No Trace camping Skills
- ◆ Conservation
- ◆ Future Leadership Opportunities in Scouting

## How much is the program?

The N.A.Y.L.E. Program cost is \$355.00, payable in full with registration. This fee covers meals, lodging, training materials, a N.A.Y.L.E. uniform cap, and 2 N.A.Y.L.E. uniform t-shirts. Participants are responsible for personal and camping gear. Detailed information, Packing List, and Leadership Survey will be provided upon registration.

For further questions about N.A.Y.L.E., please contact the Course Director, Becky Fisk at [beckyfisk@hotmail.com](mailto:beckyfisk@hotmail.com)

To register, click on one of the forms below:

## N.A.Y.L.E. Printable Registration Form (PDF)

<http://www.stlbsa.org/training/Documents/NAYLE%20Registration%20Form.pdf>

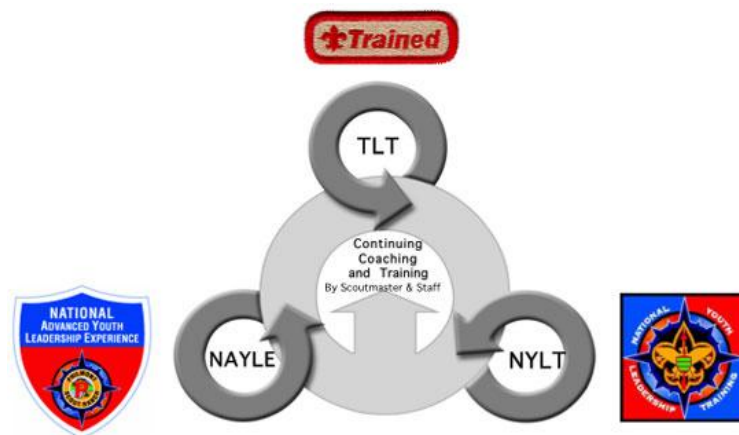
## N.A.Y.L.E. Fillable Registration Form (PDF)

<http://www.stlbsa.org/training/Documents/NAYLE%20Fillable%20Form.pdf>

To download a flyer, click on the link below:

## N.A.Y.L.E. Informational Flyer (PDF)

<http://www.stlbsa.org/training/Documents/NAYLE%20Flyer.pdf>



## **Your CR Area 3 Venturing Committee**



Christina Vogt, our incoming Area 3 Venturing President wants to see active

Venturing Officer Associations (VOA) in each council. The CR Area 3 Venturing Committee will support her in this endeavor. Christina will continue to develop the Area 3 Area level VOA from amongst the council's VOA Presidents and Area Vice-Presidents.

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