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Venturing Oath:

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

Follow us on:



Sea Scout Centennial – A Century at Sea



Lord Baden Powell and his brother Warrington Powel felt the need to create a Scouting program for older boys. Because England is an island, the need to prepare boys to serve in the navy was high. With these needs, Sea Scouting was born. In 1912 Arthur A. Carey brought Sea Scouting to America and utilized the Schooner Pioneer to teach seamanship to youth. Sea

Scouting grew under the Leadership of Commander Thomas Keane, who revised much of the program, chose uniforms, and published a Sea Scout Manual. At the beginning of World War II, Keane had grown the program to around 30,000 Scouts when he, along with many skippers and Scouts, were called into service. Sea Scouts in the United States served the country by serving as coast watchers. Over the next 50 years, Sea Scouting underwent many changes.

Today Sea Scouting is alive and well in the United States, with over 8,000 Sea Scouts around the Nation. To Celebrate the Sea Scout Centennial, several events across the nation were designated as "National Centennial Events." The Central Region was lucky to have two events designated as "National Centennial Events," both the Central Region Rendezvous and the Lake Huron Centennial Cruise. Other "National Centennial

Events" that are being celebrated around the nation include ScoutFleet in Boston, the Koch International Sea Scout Cup in California, and a visit to the Creek Farm home of Arthur A. Carey. A Sea Scout Awareness day has been planned for September 8, 2012.



Welcome to the 2012-2013 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 council VOA, Venturing Forums, professional staff, and the Central Region Venturing Areas. We look forward to being of service to you in Venturing.

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Sea Scout Centennial – A Century at Sea (*Continued from Page 1*)



Recognition for Sea Scouts participation in the Centennial include the Centennial Long Cruise Award, and the Centennial Gold Award. To keep up with the Sea Scout Centennial, you can visit seascouts100.wordpress.com. Event and Sea Scout information can be found at newseascout.org. Any questions can be sent to the Central Region Boatswain at centralregionboatswain@gmail.com. If you want to participate in the Celebration of the Centennial join us at the Fall Fun Rally in St. Lois or at Christmas Tree Ship in Chicago.

Fall Fun Rally 2012: Largest Venturing Event in the Nation!



It's just a weekend camping with a few friends. A weekend full of shooting guns, slacklining, playing Ninja, riding hippogriffs (horses), Dutch Oven cooking, playing games, and cave exploring in a Harry Potter themed world with a thousand friends! In 2010, Fall Fun Rally was the first ever National Venturing Event, attracting over 1,300 scouts. While Fall Fun Rally is no longer a national event, we are still expecting a large crowd from all over the United States! Participants will camp in a field and walk a short distance to Hogwarts (main building) and other events.

Don't forget to review your Harry Potter knowledge for our Harry Potter themed trivia night on Friday evening. Saturday will be jam-packed with events, including the Belegarth Medieval Combat Society, drunk driving simulation, extreme tricycle racing, Horcrux Scavenger hunt, outdoor bowling, Quidditch, Titanic Hypothermia Challenge, Venturing Idol, washers, and much more! For a full list and description of events, check out the Fall Fun Rally manual on the website.

Fall Fun Rally is held at Beaumont Scout Reservation in St. Louis, Missouri. Mark your calendar now for September 28-30, 2012! For more information, visit the website: www.fallfunrally.org. We hope to see you there!

Central Region NAYLE 2012



Looking for something fun to do this summer? Come on down to S-F Scout Ranch in Knob Lick, MO for the premier youth leadership training that the BSA has to offer: NAYLE. The NAYLE program is an advanced version of National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) 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. It will help guide your journey in leadership service to others and will provide important life skills for now and the future. NAYLE runs July 29th through August 4th, 2012. More information can be found at <http://www.stlbsa.org/training/Pages/nayle.aspx>



“What do you mean you’ve never pushed someone like me out of a tree before?”

We know you can do better than this caption. Send in your caption, name, and council you are from to vp-communications@crventuring.org. If you win, your caption will be featured in next month’s newsletter and on our Facebook page. Check back next month to see who wins.

Last month’s picture:



“I finally found where all the advisors were hiding all this time!”

*Submitted by Dagny Gargas,
Area 6 Venturing President*

Venturing’s Anniversary!



How are you going to celebrate the 14th year of Venturing?

On February 9, 1998, the BSA board voted to create a new teen scouting program. Then for the next six months the program was developed as we know it. On August 1, 1998, the program began by switching over the Explorers who had been registered in non-vocational crews.

However you decide to celebrate it, please make your profile picture one in Venturing greens, Sea Scout whites, or another crew uniform on Aug 1. You might want to post a Venturing picture or story on your Facebook profile too.

Also, invite a few more of your friends to the region group, your area group and your council group. Wouldn't it be great to be over 7100 by Aug 1?

We want you to celebrate Venturing wherever you are - camp, a Super Activity, at home.

If you have access to Facebook or other social networking sites (on Aug 1 or before you leave)...

1. Make your profile picture one in Venturing greens or another crew uniform for Aug 1.
2. Add your friends to the CR Venturing group, your Area Venturing group, and your council Venturing group.
3. Post a Venturing picture or story on our Facebook group sharing with everybody how you are celebrating the anniversary (do this on our wall, not on the event wall).

Area 1 Upcoming events:

July 20th-22nd, Bay Jammer, Menominee MI
 Aug 1st-5th, Powder Horn, St. Paul, MN
 Aug 24th-26th, Wood Badge, South Haven, MN
 Aug 24th-26th, Wood Badge, Kiel Mountain, WI
 Sept. 28th-30th, Wood Badge, South Haven, MN



President: [Michael Moen](#)
 Advisor: [Chris Sandberg](#)

**Area 3** Upcoming events:

July 18th-21, The New AD-VENTURE of the Year, Illinois City, IL
 July 29th-August 4th, Central Region NAYLE, Knob Lick, MO
 August 17th-19th, Wood Badge, Washburn, IL
 August 17th-19th, Back to School Bash, Helltick, IL
 September 7th-9th, Wood Badge, Godfrey, IL
 September 28th-30th, Fall Fun Rally, High Ridge, MO



President: [Emily Mausshardt](#)
 Advisor: [Bob Vogt](#)

**Area 5** Upcoming Events:

Jul 29th – Aug 8th, Venture Quest 2012, St. Joseph, MO
 Aug 18th, 2012 Xterra Triathlon, Smithville, MO
 Sept 14th-16th, Powder Horn, Bonner Springs, KS
 Sept 28th-30th, Powder Horn, near Wichita, KS



President: [Kim Legg](#)
 Advisor: [Julie Dalton](#)

**Area 2**

Upcoming Events:

July 18th-22nd, Lake Huron High Adventure Cruise, Mackinaw-Port Huron, MI

July 22nd – 29th, MI International Camporee, Lupton, MI

Aug 24th-26th, Wood Badge, Traverse City, MI

Aug 24th-26th, Wood Badge, Lansing, MI

Sept 7th-9th, Powder Horn, Twin Lake, MI

Sept 13th-15th, Wood Badge, Metamora, MI

September 21st-23rd, Powderhorn, Twin Lake, MI

President: [Rita Mulford](#)

Advisor: [Jeff Gerald](#)

**Area 4**

Upcoming Events:

Aug 10th, Wood Badge, Ray, OH

Aug 17th-19th, Sea Scout Rendezvous, Delaware, OH

Aug 24th – 26th, Wood Badge, Kensington, OH

Aug 25th – 26th, Powder Horn, Peninsula, OH

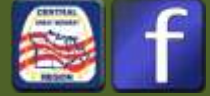
President:

Advisor: [Ms. Ann Rose](#)



Area 6 Upcoming Events:July 22nd-28th, AdVENTURE Camp, Defiance, OHJuly 22nd-28th, Kodiak, Norman, INJuly 27th-29th, Wood Badge, Dayton, OHAugust 18th-20th, Wood Badge, Indianapolis, INSept 21st-25th, Venturing Kickback, Bloomington, INOctober 12th-14th, Peterloon, Loveland, OHPresident: [Dagny Gargas](#)Advisor: [Carla Gargas](#)**Area 7**

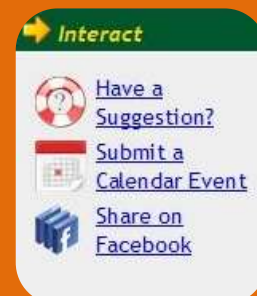
Upcoming Events:

July 28th, Blackhawk Area Regatta, Rockford, ILAug 13th-18th, Wood Badge, Mauston, WIAug 17th-19th, Wood Badge, Woodstock, ILAug 24th-26th, Wood Badge, Morris, ILOct 6th, Area 7 Venturing Extravaganza, Morris, ILPresident: [Grayson Wolcott](#)Advisor: [Kris Zahrobsky](#)**President's Corner***By Elizabeth Wisman*

Happy July Central Region Venturers. I hope this hot summer is treating you all well and you're staying cool. I know I've melted a little in this heat! However, I had to opportunity to 'venture' to the cool University of Evansville to meet all of the Area and Central Region officers. We had a great weekend of learning at the new officers' orientation and annual planning meeting. All of your Area officers should now be trained to answer any question you may have. We have covered everything from the brand new Peer-to-Peer Recruitment Tool Kit to uniforms, from the standard operating procedures to effective communication techniques. We spent a lot of time focusing on how to best support you and your councils. Your officers are at the ready for anything you may need. If you would like to find out more about your officers or contact them, check out your Area page at crventuring.org. Additionally, at the conference, we got updates from Sea Scouting, the Powder Horn chairs, and more. Overall, the weekend was a great one full of productivity and Venturing fun! Each of the areas is in great hands for the year. I am very confident in each officer's ability to thrive in his/her area. Be on the lookout for new photos and videos from the conference on crventuring.org. Each area should be holding a conference like this one for its officers and interested Venturers. I hope to see each of you there!

**Submit your Venturing event on the Central Region Website.**

Go to <http://crventuring.org> and click on the "submit a calendar event" button on the lower left side of the page. Fill out the form, and now you will be able reach thousands of Venturers to come to your event!



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About Our Organization...



Central Region Venturing Leadership Award Recipients

The Central Region had the honor to present two Regional Venturing Leadership Awards at the 2012 Central Region Planning Conference to two distinguished youth.

This year's recipients are the Central Region Venturing President, Elizabeth Wisman and the National Venturing Vice President, Sarah Mittrucker. These two young ladies have gone above and beyond their Venturing peers in becoming a part of the National Venturing Cabinet.

Elizabeth, better known as Lizzie, has been very active in her area as the Area 2 Venturing President in 2010-2011, and this past year, was an Area 2 Vice President. Over the past 2 years, she has continued to help Area 2 grow.

Sarah has been very active in both Area 3 and the Central Region. She was the 2010-2011 Area 3 Vice President of Administration and the 2011-2012 Central Region Vice President of Administration. She has had a major role in creating the Central Region Operating Procedures and helping make the transition for future officers smoother by creating different resources to help them.

Please help me congratulate both Lizzie and Sarah on their Regional Venturing Leadership Awards. Nomination forms for all levels of the Venturing Leadership Award can be found on scouting.org/venturing.



Once again, let us offer congratulations to both Lizzie and Sarah on this great honor.



Venturing is a Scouting program for male and female youth ages 13-21 that lets youth experience new activities, build leadership skills, earn awards, make new friends, and of course have fun.

The Central Region is one of four regions of the Boy Scouts of America. This region includes the states of: Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, and West Virginia.

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<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/629F8MN>