



What is going on With Sea Scouts In Task Force Area 3?

January 2013 Update

2012 was our best year ever for Sea Scouting for Task Force Area 3 and we have a lot of events planned for 2013. We are offering Adult Leader Training, Program and Advancement opportunities. These are open to all Sea Scouts regardless of their membership in the Squadron (Council), Task Force (area) or Flotilla (Region).

January 26th, 2013 – University of Scouting

Location: Greater St. Louis Area Council – Fox High School.

This is an annual event training event for Scout Leaders and we will have an expanded presence this year! We will offer the SSALBT

For more info visit <http://www.stlbsa.org/training/Pages/university-of-scouting.aspx>

February 15th – 18th, 2013 – Task Force Area 3 Ski Trip

Location: Granite Peak, Wausau, WI

This is the first annual event. We will charter a 55 passenger bus from St. Louis and pick up others along I-55 & I-39. Activities include 2 days of skiing, indoor water park, pizza party, bunkhouse camping, ski lessons. For more info contact Mark Shapland 636.273.6428.

May 17th – 19th, 2013 – Task Force Area 3 Sea Scouting Rendezvous.

Location: Abraham Lincoln Council – Sailing Center

For more info <http://www.crendezvous.org/>

This is our major youth led Area 3 event for the whole region. Please support it.

Activities are many including - Area Three Regatta, Sea Scout Style Triathlon, Paddleless Canoe Races, Windsail Racers, Ships Challenge, Raingutter Regatta, Volleyball Tournament, Canoeing, Kayaking, Sailboat Racing Class, Crew a Catalina 22, Sunfish Sailing, JY-15 Sailing, Barbeque, Dance. Lot's of fun for all Sea Scouts and Venturer's regardless of sailing ability

Training will include: Boatswain Academy, Sea Scout Basic Adult Leader Training

June 16th- 22rd 2013 – Swift Base Sea Scout Week

We're Back! It was quite the success last year and we have been asked to do it again. I am again looking for youth staff to run the sailing program with me during the day. I need ships to register for the week and come on down. This is one time you are allowed to bring your boat (no gas engines).

For more info: <http://www.stlbsa.org/camping/summer-camps/tour/Pages/Swift-Base.aspx>

July 24th-31st, 2013 - Crew A Lake Huron Mackinac Race Boat Home

This is a very unique opportunity for Sea Scouts. We have been offered to return a ship to Detroit from Mackinac City. We have to form a crew and work out a lot of logistics. This will be our TFA3 Seal prep course too. We have a lot of logistics to still work out and that will determine the cost. For more information contact your area boatswain. Let me know if you are interested. This trip should be a lot of Hard Fun!

September 2013 Venturing Fall Fun Rally

Location: Greater St. Louis Area Council – Beaumont Scout Camp

This is an annual event and we hope to have an expanded presence this year! We will have Sea Scout Events there and we will offer the SSALBT.

For more info visit <http://www.fallfunrally.org/>

HAS YOUR UNIT'S BOATSWAIN OR PRESIDENT CONTACTED OUR AREA 3 and CENTRAL REGION BOATSWAINS?

Please have them get in touch with them all

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Commodore's Notes

The May Rendezvous is going to be our biggest event yet. Please put it on your calendar.

Please feel free to contact your service team.

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Sea Scouts want to know - What did you do last weekend?

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