



# VENTURING Report

Cluster Councils. B.S.A.

April 2007

## Northeast Region Powder Horn Courses

### Baltimore Area Council

April 13-5, 2007 and May 4-6, 2007

### Green Mountain Council

June 1-3, 2007 and June 15-17, 2007

### Cape Cod Islands Council

August 24-26, 2007 and September 28-30, 2007

### Porto Rico Council

Rescheduled in 2007

### Daniel Webster Council

July 11-13, 2008 and July 18-20, 2008

### National Capital Area Council

August 23-26 and Sept 16-18, 2007

### Twin Rivers Council

August 24-26 and Sept 7-9, 2007

## Northeast Region Kodiak Courses



### White Mountains National Forest, NH

August 4-12, 2007

### Kodiak Course Directors Course

Sept 28-30, 2007

### Southwestern PA

Jan 11-13 & 18-21 2008

### Cape Code, MA

June 20-28, 2008

## Hudson Valley Council



Upcoming Events  
Any and all Venturers  
are welcome and  
encouraged to attend

### Venturing Summer Splashdown

The summer of 2007 brings the first multi council event brought to you by Venturing Crew 5. This event is open to any and all Venturing Crews who would like to attend. On July 14-15 we will be attending a whitewater rafting trip on the Lehigh River. This event includes food, camping fees, activities for Sat. and a guided rafting trip. This is a release weekend for the dam and we will experience class II and III whitewater. There is also a special deal until

Editor Bob Monto at [rmonto@aol.com](mailto:rmonto@aol.com)

Dec. 15 that will allow crews to save \$10.00 per person. Contact Karl Soroichinski – Advisor Crew 5 at [karls@ptd.net](mailto:karls@ptd.net) 570-828-8217 for more information

### Hudson Valley Council Unofficial Venturing Group

There is a yahoo group for Venturers and Venturing adults of the Hudson Valley Council that is open to anyone interested in what we are doing or those who just want to keep informed what other councils are doing. If you have any interest, please go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HVC-VENTURING/> and sign up.

Submitted by Karl Soroichinski Advisor - Crew 5

## Patriots' Path Council

### 2007 Kodiak Nature of Leadership Trek

August 4 - 12, 2007 Cost \$950.00

Come join us in the White Mountains in New Hampshire, August 4-12, 2007 for an awesome 50 mile trek on the Appalachian Trail staying in the AMC's celebrated high mountain huts. Rather than just talking about leadership, this course teaches usable relevant leadership skills that everyone can use. This is Patriots' Path Council's 6th Kodiak trek. With participation limited to 50 Venturers / Adults demand is very high so **reserve your spot today!**

For information Contact: [ScottAnderosn@att.net](mailto:ScottAnderosn@att.net)

## Central Region Area By-Laws

The Central Region youth has developed By-Laws for their Area. They attached a copy to this newsletter to help other Areas develop their own by-laws.

## Area 4 Quest

Join the QUEST! April 13-15, 2007



# VENTURING Report

Cluster Councils. B.S.A.

April 2007

## Minsi Trails Council



Crew 63 recently went on a ski trip to Killington, VT: The crew's ski trip to Vermont was a blast! We set off for Vermont Friday afternoon to arrive at the cabin in Plymouth. Many thanks to the Burkes, who gratefully lent their cabin to the crew for the weekend. Saturday Morning, we headed up to Killington resort. Both skiers and snowboarders flew down the mountain for the duration of the day. After a day of skiing and snowboarding, the crew went back to the cabin for dinner and some late night sledding.

As the weekend came to an end, the crew went back up to Killington one last time for a round of snow tubing, Sunday afternoon, the crew reluctantly got back in the car for the six hour drive home, not wanting to leave so soon. Venture Crew's weekend in Vermont was definitely one to remember. Another trip to Vermont is without a doubt something to consider doing next year.

Written by: Rachel Kenny, webmaster  
Submitted by: Becky Henley Crew historian

### Inter Council College of Commissioner Science

April 13-15, 2007

**REGISTRATION  
DEADLINE APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup>  
NO WALK-INS**

Trexler Scout Reservation  
This is an event for



every Commissioner or Scouter interested in Commissioner service.!!!

Courses will be offered for new *and* experienced Commissioners.

To attend this College, you must complete Commissioner Basic Training prior to April 13, 2007

### Mealtime Speakers

#### Degree's Offered

- Bachelors Candidates
- Roundtable Courses
- Masters Candidates
- Doctoral Candidates

**New Unit Commissioners can earn a Bachelors Degree and work toward their Bowline Award**

### We have 9 Councils represented

%	Council	No
66.25%	Minsi Trails	53
6.25%	Northeastern PA	5
8.75%	Bucks County	7
3.75%	Columbia-Montour	3
6.25%	Susquehanna	5
5.00%	Northern NJ	4
1.25%	Patriots' Path	1
0.00%	Hawk Mtountain	0
1.25%	Cradle of Liberty	1
1.25%	Central NJ	1
100.00%	Total	80

### Fun, Food and Fellowship

Sign up will reach 100 Scouters.

For 10 page booklet on this event email

[rmonto@aol.com](mailto:rmonto@aol.com)

## Greater Pittsburgh Council



### Council-wide venturing Roundtable

The last Tuesday of every month will be the Venturing Roundtable for the Greater Pittsburgh Council at Flag Plaza. We'll start promptly at 7:30 and end by 8:30. This is an event not to be missed! Check the website for schedule and training subjects. **gpc-venturing.org/roundtable** The Venturing Roundtable is for adults AND youth members. It's also a great place for Scouts and Scouters to



# VENTURING Report

Cluster Councils. B.S.A.

April 2007

learn more about Venturing. Each month we'll have information you can use immediately in your Crew. There also will be plenty of time before and after the Roundtable to network and share ideas.

## Seabadge XXIX,



Seabadge XXIX, 20-22 April 2007. The course will be held at Charles T Hagan Sea Base, Old North State Council. It is located 10 miles south of exit 91, I-85, Lexington, NC. It is an excellent facility and promises to be a very good course.

For more information contact Pete Armstrong at [PeteBeret@aol.com](mailto:PeteBeret@aol.com)

## Cape Cod & Islands Council

The Cape Cod & Islands Council Camping Committee and summer programs key staffs have come together to develop several program enhancements for the 2007 season. In addition to six weeks of Cub Scout Day Camp and the highly successful Maritime High Adventure Trek program, we will again offer the Project North Star day program for first and second year Boy Scouts as well as several new program options.

**Three-Day Mini-Treks** will feature many of the same experiences as a full maritime high adventure trek abbreviated for Scouts, Venturing Crews and leaders with other summer commitments. Scheduled to run the month of July and early August, (Provisional July 8 – 14 ) overlapping treks will depart Greenough on Sunday afternoon, returning Wednesday morning and then Wednesday afternoon returning Saturday morning. Using mountain bikes and kayaks for transportation trek crews will launch at Gray's Beach to kayak across Barnstable Harbor where they will camp on Sandy Neck. Treks may include swimming, fishing, a whale watch and a ride on the scenic railway. 3-Day treks will be priced at \$200 for in-council Scouts and \$250 for out-of-council. Participants must be at least 13 years old, pass

the BSA "Swimmer" requirements, and may sign up individually or as a group.

**One-Day Adventure** programs for Boy Scouts and Venturers every Wednesday from July 11 through August 8th will feature a full day of activities in and out of camp. Activities may include biking, kayaking, and low and high C.O.P.E. The day program will cost \$40. Lunch will be provided.

For more information and booking please contact Senior District Executive Dick Aiken at [raiken@bsaemail.org](mailto:raiken@bsaemail.org)  
Jeff Stranger VP Camping Cape Cod & Islands Council

## Area 1 Venture Quest

**Friday, April 20 - Sunday, April 22, 2007**

**At Nashua Valley council's Camp**

**QUEST:** A weekend of learning, fellowship and fun for Venturing crews and youth and adults in your council with Venturing program responsibilities, plus election of an Area 1 Venturing Cabinet.

The purpose of the weekend is to share best practices and ideas to make and keep your crew's program vibrant and sustainable, plus enhancing your council's Venturing efforts through interaction with your peers from around the Area in both formal training sessions and informal settings. We will explore recruiting and retaining crew members and advisors, life beyond high adventure [the other Venturing interest areas], communications, leadership development methods and opportunities, meaningful service projects, fun fund raising, and making a difference in your council. Training will be in separate tracks for youth and adults.

We also will elect an Area 1 Venturing president and cabinet to assist the Area 1 Committee as a resource for the venturing councils within the Area, including planning next year's Quest. The cabinet members also will be an outreach resource to the Northeast Region Venturing President, as he or she may request. Those interested in the president and cabinet



# VENTURING Report

Cluster Councils. B.S.A.

April 2007

positions should be prepared to speak about their abilities and their ideas for promoting Venturing.

A registration form is attached, which needs to be completed by each participant. We will not be confirming registrations - your cancelled check is your receipt. A \$25 deposit or payment in full should accompany your form. Please mail your registration no later than Friday, April 6, 2007.

Attendees will be able to stay in cabins or tents. Meals will include cracker barrels on Friday and Saturday; breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday. The fee is \$50 for those staying in cabins and \$40 for those in tents. The cost for the weekend also includes an event T-shirt.

All registrants must bring a completed Class 1 Personal Health and Medical History Form available on [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org). All crews must have a completed tour permit.

Cabins have bunk beds. If you plan to tent, bring your own tent. Your crew's uniform will be appropriate for training sessions. For activities, the calendar may say late April, but be prepared for any kind of weather! Dress appropriately and bring extra clothes.

If you have questions, please call Nikki Dziadosz at (401) 467 4096 or email [ndziadosz@cox.net](mailto:ndziadosz@cox.net).

## National Capital Area Council Friends Of Sea Scouts Of Maryland, Inc.



The COMMODORE HENRY I. NYGARD SEA SCOUTING REGATTA was named for the man who, through the Sea Scouting program of the National

Capital Area Council, has shown all of us the importance of giving to the community. He has consistently given his time, his talent, and his energy for the benefit of youth.

WHEN?

Memorial Day Weekend: 25-28 May 2007 (Friday to Monday afternoon) Registration: Saturday, 26 May, 0800 to 0900 Closing: Monday, 28 May 2007

Editor Bob Monto at [rmonto@aol.com](mailto:rmonto@aol.com)

## WHO ATTENDS

All registered Sea Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Youth Group members between the ages of 14 and 21. (Youth groups need to be certified by the Regatta Committee) Only persons 14 to 21 years of age may compete in the events. There must be at least two people 21 or older in charge of the unit. If you have a problem with this, please contact the Regatta Chairman so that special arrangements may be made. **NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 14 OR OVER THE AGE OF 20 YEARS MAY COMPETE IN SCORED EVENTS.** However, younger scouts may enter unscored events.

Visit the NE Region website for more information - <http://neregion.seascout.org>

## Success Stories-Council Support for Venturing

We are looking for success stories on how Councils have structured to form a Council Venturing Committee or methods to support Venturing at the Council levels. Please email this information to Robert Monto at [rmonto@aol.com](mailto:rmonto@aol.com)

## Venturing Cluster

The cluster council concept is a friendly way to help our Venturing program and exchange ideas and programs among the councils. Our cluster includes many local and not so local councils that support venturing, exchange ideas, Best Practices and activities for the Venturing Program Our Cluster councils include the following councils: and is open to all interested Councils.

We welcome the Southern Region and the many fine Councils support Venturing.

We encourage the cluster councils to promote their venturing events to all Venturers in all councils. We look forward to a multi council activity. If you have cluster news, activities, etc. email Bob Monto at [rmonto@aol.com](mailto:rmonto@aol.com)