



VENTURING Forum

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November 2008

Powder Horn Courses



February 13-15 and March 5-7, 2009

Central Florida Council

Camp La No Che

Cost TBD

Contact William McAndrew

at wmcandrew@aol.com

March 12-15, and 26-19, 2009

Mid America Council Council

Camp Cedars Cedar Bluff, NE & Thomas

Ashford Scout Reservation Homer, NE

Cost \$200-250

Contact Bill Pickle at wdpickle@hotmail.com

March 20-22, and April 3-5, and May 2-3, 2009

Sam Houston Area Council

Camp Strake Conroe, TX

Cost \$225

Contact Bill Berry Jr.

at scoutmaster@SR637.org

April 10-12 and May 8-10, 2009

North Florida Council

Camp Shands

COST TBD

Contact Eric Clark at eric.clarke@yahoo.com

April 17-19, and May 1-3, 2009

Blackhawk Area Council

Camp Lowder & Camp Algonquin

Cost \$TBD

Contact Patricia Dalton

at tdalton1114@sbcglobal.net

April 24-26, and May 15-17, 2009

Caddo Area Council

Camp Preston Hunt

Cost TBD

Contact Pam Carter

at pamcarter@bwicompanies.com

April 24-19, 2009

Baltimore Area Council

Camp Spencer Whiteford MD

Cost \$225

Contact Mark Mulligan at crew396@aol.com

April 24-26 and May 29-31, 2009

Theodore Roosevelt Council

Schiff Scout Reservation Wading River, NY &

Bailing Hollow Scout Camp Calverton, NY

Cost \$250

Contact Bob Becker at ventur8@venturetrc.org

May 15-17, and May 29-31, 2009

Northern New Jersey Council

Drukker Scout Reservation-Camp Turrell

Cuddebackville NY

Cost \$235

Contact Dan Stryker at dan@gainsllc.com

May 29-31 and June 12-14, 2009

Old Colony Council

Camp Resolute Bolton, MA & Camp Squanto

Plymouth, MA

Cost \$235

August 7-9 and 21-23, 2009

West Tennessee Area Council

Camp Mack Morris

Cost \$TBD

Contact Joe Craven at Joe.craven@chemetall.com

August 9-15, 2009

Ventura County Council

Three Falls, Frazier Park CA

Cost \$240.00

Contact Mel Krone at majorharheads@aol.com



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August 28-30 and September 11-13, 2009

Colonial Virginia Council
Bayport Scout Reservation
Cost \$TBD

Contact William Monroe at wmonroe@cox.net

September 5-7, and September 25-27, 2009

Occoneechee Council
Camp Durant
Cost TBD

Contact John Cortese at ejcortes@bellsouth.net

September 12-13, September 26-27, October 10-11, 2009

Northeast Georgia Council
Camp Rainey Mountain & Camp Scoutland
Cost TBD

Contact Tom French at tafrench@windstream.net

September 10-13, and September 24-27, 2009

Capital Area
Camp Tahuaya (Longhorn Council)
COST TBD

Contact Wallace Tuten at tuten@us.ibm.com

October 10-12 & 24-26, 2009

Jayhawk Area Council, Quivira Council,
Coronado Council and Cornhusker Council
Falley Scout Reservation Oskaloosa, KS
Cost \$TBD

Contact Julie Dalton at buffalogal1@cox.net

For course information and application to all
Regional Approved Powder Horn courses or the
Regional Powder Horn Course Directors
Courses visit www.powderhorn-bsa.org

Website Links:

National Venturing Site

<http://www.scouting.org/venturing.aspx>

National Venturing Youth Cabinet

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

Central Region Venturing

<http://www.crventuring.org>

Northeast Region Venturing

<http://nerventuring-bsa.org/>

Northeast Region Venturing-Area 4

<http://www.ne4avoa.org/>

Kodiak

<http://www.kodiak-bsa.org/>

Powder Horn

www.powderhorn-bsa.org

Southern Region

www.srbsa.org

Southern Region-Venturing

<http://srventuring-bsa.org/newsite/>

USA Scouting Service-Venturing

<http://www.usscouts.org/usscouts/venturing/UniformingFAQ.asp>

Kodiak 2009



July 7-14

BSA Florida High Adventure Sea Base

Cost \$1500

Contact "Out Island Adventure" itinerary. See

www.bsaseabase.org for details

[Dave Kugler](mailto:DaveKugler) at DaveKug@aol.com

August 2-13, 2009

Susquehanna Council

Peru

Backpacking, mountain biking, whitewater rafting,
canoeing into the Amazon jungle, and a rare
cultural experience

Cost \$3000

Contact [Steve Sassaman](mailto:SteveSassaman) (570) 765-1495



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Wilderness First Aid

November 8-9, 2008



The chartering organization of Crew 325 in State College, PA, Centre LifeLink EMS, has scheduled two wilderness first aid courses. They will be held on Saturday and Sunday from 8 to 5 on Sept. 13 & 14 and again on Nov. 8 & 9 (you only need to attend one of the two weekends to be certified). It is a 16 hour American Health & Safety Institute (ASHI) certification good for 3 years. ASHI meets the Philmont WFA requirement. The charge for the course is \$75 which includes a text book and certification card. For information and to register call Tracy Reagan at 814-237-8163. The instructors are all Venturing Advisors with Crew 325 and are all W-EMT and instructor certified.

Contact me at mem9@psu.edu if you need any info on staying overnight. Camping can be arranged.

Pass this on to anyone interested.

Mark Milliron Crew 325 Advisor

Quest Sports Day

This opportunity was created by the old National Venturing Division to celebrate Venturing's 10th Anniversary. It was created to promote fun, learning a new sport, competition, celebration and the Sports Bronze and Quest awards. Any Crew, Ship, VOA or multi-council group can put on a Quest Sports Day. One must hold the event anytime in 2008. This one-day event must feature a "nontraditional" sport (not baseball, basketball, or football). This chosen sport must be taught, practiced, and then be the subject of a competition. Anyone who plans or participates in a Quest Sports Day in 2008 can notify Keith Walton at kw Walton@netbsa.org and



automatically receive the commemorative patch for their participation.

2009 Great Missouri Valley Challenge Regatta

July 11-12, 2009

Ahoy -Attached is the formal Notice of Race for the 2009 Great Missouri Valley Challenge Regatta to be held on July 11-12, 2009 at Lake Manawa in Council Bluffs, IA

2008 was our inaugural event. The participants had a great time and some really competitive racing. We had a wide range of skill levels competing from novices to active racers. In the 10 qualifying races on Saturday, we had 7 different sailor's take a first place. To make this a true challenge event, the scores of the top 5 racers from each Ship were combined to determine a team score. Ship 542 won the Challenge Cup. Like the America's Cup, this notice opens the door for the 2009 challenge.

This is the only inter-Ship sailing event in Area 5. Come join us on the water.

See attached flyer-Cluster1108-Area5-Regatta

Rod Phipps Skipper, Ship 542
402-350-1970

2009 Venturing Administration Conference at Florida Sea Base

March 2-6, 2009

To register, mail the completed registration form attached – **Cluster1108-Admin**

Two courses will be offered—one for volunteers and one for professionals. Both courses will deal with the administration of Venturing on both the district and council levels. Conference topics will include how to conduct a crew open house, new crew training, Venturing leadership training, Venturing advancement, and how to plan and run an exciting program for teens.



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Ranger Camp

May 15, 16 17, and May 29, 30 & 31, 2009

Course Vision:

Provide an exciting outdoor skills course, unlike any other Venturers or Older Boy Scouts have ever experienced.



Who should attend?

This course is for all Venturers and Boy Scouts (Boy Scouts age 14 and over)

Program Content:

The following topics are scheduled to be presented: Air rifle, Archery, Backpacking, Bouldering, Canoeing, Climbing, Conservation, Consultant Crew Relationships, Cooking Instruction, Ecology, Emergency Preparedness, Fishing, Fly Fishing, Kayaking, Land Navigation, Leave No Trace, Outdoor Living History, Mountain Biking, Rappelling, Rifles, Sailboats, SCUBA, Shotgun, Snorkeling,

Course Dates:

Two weekends of May 15, 16 17, and May 29, 30 & 31, 2009.

Course Location: Dow Drukker Scout Reservation; Camp Turrell / Camp Kluge

Course Cost: \$200.00

Course size:

This course is limited to 48 participants. Once the course is filled, participants will be given an option of being placed on a waiting list in case of cancellations.

Recognition:

Participants are awarded a certificate of completion of any requirements met during the event and a Custom Ranger Patch and Ranger Camp Certificate

If your Crew or Crew members have interest in this course, contact John Arno at llordbadenpowell@aol.com or 610 866 1810 or Bob Monto at rmonto@aol.com for an application.

Deadlines

December is fast approaching and many of the National Scholarships and awards have December deadlines. Also get ready to nominate Venturers for the Regional Venturing President positions. Check with your local council for the Awards applications, Scholarships and Venturer Regional President Forms.



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National Events
Boy Scouts of America
1325 W. Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079





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A uniform statement on the national site:



The BSA offers the traditional spruce-green uniform shirt for Venturers. It is recommended that crews adopt a charcoal-gray casual pants and/or backpacking-style shorts for their uniform. However, each crew may determine what, if any, specific uniform pants or shorts they will wear based on crew activities.

First Ever Powder Horn Reunion



Who: All Past Powder Horn Participants and Staff from Any Powder Horn Course in any Region are Welcome

What: Reunion Dinner Party (Civil War Theme) or Uniform)

When: Saturday May 30, 2009
5:00 PM to 10:00PM

If you can Demo Dutch Oven join with the other Demos.

Sunday May 31, 2008
Till Noon

Where: Dow Drukker Scout Reservation
Camp Turrell/Camp Kluge

Cost: Reunion- Includes Reunion Party,

First Ever "Powder Horn Reunion Patch", (Patch above) Fellowship, Powder Horn Course Stories, Reunion Group (Digital) Picture and more.

Stay till Sunday Graduation:

Bring your own tent camping (Housing may be available) and Sunday Breakfast.

All for \$50.00

Can't Attend:

Contact Dan Stryker for a Pre-order Form and purchase a complete set of Patches.

Dan at dan@gainsllc.com

Where to Go Venturing

The Central Region website has a section on "Where to go Venturing." Check it out. See <http://www.crventuring.org/Home/Welcome/>

Kodiak and Powder Horn Course pictures and articles welcome.

Venturing FORUM

The Venturing FORUM is a cluster concept and a friendly way to help Venturing Leaders exchange ideas and programs among our crews, areas, councils, and regions. Our Cluster includes many councils and Crews in the Northeast, Central, Southern and Western regions that support venturing, exchange of ideas, Best Practices and activities for the Venturing Program. The Cluster newsletter "**Venturing Forum**" is not an official publication of any Region or National. It is the Venturing Leaders newsletter. Venturing has been growing thanks to your efforts.

Thank your for your input and articles in this effort to better support the Venturing program. If you would like to add others to the email list, let Bob "the BEAR" Monto know at rmonto@aol.com

As always, Venturing articles, questions and comments are welcome.

Thanks for all you do!

Bob "the BEAR" Monto

