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# Powder Horn Course Sept 2014

Chippewa Valley Council and Samoset Council, in Wisconsin, invite Scouters to their 2014 Powder Horn Course. Outdoor and high adventure experiences provided participants, and the resources they'll be put in touch with, can be applied to every level of Scouting, from Webelos on up.

September 5-7 Scouters will be housed at Samoset Council's Crystal Lake Scout Reservation. They can expect tips on physical fitness, opportunities for C.O.P.E., climbing and scuba diving, as well as presentations on bicycling, backpacking, communications, winter sports, first aid, trip planning, fishing, land navigation and watercraft activities.

During the second three days, **September 26-28**, there will be a road trip in the Chippewa Valley Council. It starts with a presentation on caving, moves on to equestrian, settles in for a LNT overnight with an outdoor cooking presentation, then moves out the next day for a presentation on ecology and a sample of river canoeing before rolling into Phillips Scout Reservation for the night. The final day will be on the shooting ranges.

More information is available at the Chippewa Valley Council's website, <http://www.bsa-cvc.org>; at the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/607016162675639/>; by emailing Jim Nosker, course director, at [cvc\\_2014\\_powderhorn@yahoo.com](mailto:cvc_2014_powderhorn@yahoo.com), or telephoning him at 715-962-4237.



# National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience

## Florida Sea Base

### WHAT IS NAYLE?

The National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) is an exciting program where young men and women enhance their leadership skills through team building, ethical decision-making, problem solving and service to others.

### WHAT CAN I EXPECT?

NAYLE is a very special experience. At the Sea Base NAYLE, you spend several days and nights on a boat at sea, where you will use your leadership skills to resolve challenging situations. The week ends with a closing challenge for each participant to use what they've learned in service to others.

### WHAT WILL I TAKE HOME FROM NAYLE?

- The experience of living and working on a 40-foot sailboat, which will improve your ability to function well in team or group situations.
- The skill, ability and motivation to be a dynamic and effective leader through advanced, practical applications of National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) skills.
- Nationwide resources including new ideas and contacts that can only be gained through a program of this type.
- Personal, written commitment to apply NAYLE skills back home.

### WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO ATTEND?

- Completion of Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops, Crews or Ships (ILST, ILSC, or ILSS) and the National Youth Leadership Training program (NYLT)
- The course is physically demanding and participants must be in top physical condition. A BSA Annual Health and Medical Record: Parts A, B, C and D along with the *Florida Sea Base High-Adventure Risk Advisory to Health-Care Providers and Parents*, is required.
- The ability to swim 100 yards (official BSA swim test) and stay afloat for one (1) minute.
- Be at least 14 years of age and not yet 21.
- Hold a unit leadership position.

### WHEN IS IT?

Session 1: Feb 28 - March 06, 2015    Session 2: April 11 - 17, 2015

### WHAT IS THE COST?

\$995 per participant. A payment of at least \$100 is due on application, with the balance due 30 days prior to arrival.

### HOW DO I REGISTER?

To register, go to: \_\_\_\_\_

### HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

- Visit the Florida Sea Base website: [www.bsaseabase.org](http://www.bsaseabase.org)
- Send Sea Base and email for general Sea Base question: [tim.stanfill@scouting.org](mailto:tim.stanfill@scouting.org)
- Visit the NAYLE Facebook page: [www.facefook.com/BSANAYLE](http://www.facefook.com/BSANAYLE)
- Call Sea Base: 305-664-5628

BSA  
NAYLE  
2015

# Forest Corps enters its Second Season!

## Sign up today.



Forest Corps participants bravely join their two fearless Instructors venturing out into the [Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness \(BWCAW\)](#), embracing both the trials and triumphs of the trail. While enjoying a canoe trip in the Wilderness, participants challenges themselves mentally and physically by helping the US Forest Service perform vital trail and campsite repair and attending educational sessions to learn about the ecology of the area.

Designed to teach young adults about important concepts of responsible land management, practical conservation skills, and the ethics of [Leave No Trace](#), the [Forest Corps program](#) is an amazing co-educational offering Northern Tier provides for Scouts and Venturers ages 14 to 21. While focusing on environmental education components, leadership principles are infused throughout the program to aid the students in becoming young outdoor leaders. Specifically targeted to Venturers, the elements of this program allow for scouts to complete various components of their Ranger Award while on the trip.



With the education and guidance of their leaders, the students are placed in a unique learning environment where they are free to discover and make connections about how their actions can impact the greater world. Through the medium of experiential education, students are able to grasp the notion that wilderness areas, like the [BWCAW](#), would not exist if their generation did not care about protecting and managing these beautiful, natural places. One of the aims for the [Forest Corps program](#) is to create land stewards who have a positive connection with the land around them. The program teaches scouts to develop a passion for conservation and advocate for the protection of natural places so these spectacular recreation areas exist for the enjoyment of generations to come.

**Why participate?** This program is an incredible opportunity to learn about interesting topics such as forest fire ecology, geology, natural history, ecosystems and low impact wilderness travel in a fun and non-traditional way - through experiences outside in nature! You get to work and play outside for two weeks - rain or shine - working alongside some of the coolest people you will ever meet. You also will gain practical conservation and land management skills while working with the US Forest Service.

# Forest Corps enters its Second Season! Sign up today.



**Why send your Scout/Venturer?** Two trained, highly knowledgeable outdoor professionals will instruct participants on the different elements of the trip and train them in the proper handling and use of conservation tools. In addition to environmental education, both instructors have training in wilderness medicine, [Leave No Trace](#) and group management skills. These certifications are industry standards and provide instructors with the proper guidelines for effectively leading and developing the potential in participants.

This two-week co-educational experience has the capacity to educate today's youth about important environmental concepts and inspires the confidence to become an effective leader- not only in the outdoors but in every aspect of their life. Participants are encouraged to take what they learn home and educate their communities about these important environmental concerns explored during their time serving and playing in the [BWCAW](#). The elements of this program hope to inspire corps members to freely learn about their relationships with ecosystems, and what they can do to protect them. The [Forest Corps program](#) will most definitely deliver a wilderness experience that lasts a lifetime!

For more information visit [www.ntier.org](http://www.ntier.org), email [info@ntier.org](mailto:info@ntier.org) or call 218.365.4811.

See you Up North!

# Up for the Adventure?

Scout Activity Centres (UK) are looking to recruit two Volunteer Activity Instructors for Woodhouse Park – our centre in Bristol - as soon as possible.

In the role of Activity Instructor, you will be trained to deliver sessions to a variety of groups, including archery, rifle-shooting, climbing, backwoods cooking and abseiling. Our customers include Scout, Guide, school, youth and corporate groups. You will also help with the general up-keep and maintenance of the park, running the on-site shops, and helping out visitors to the site.



What you need to know...

The placement is for 12 months, beginning on September 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 and finishing on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015.

We will provide all accommodation, food, uniform, and a weekly expenses payment of up to £45.

We will provide visa sponsorship for all volunteers travelling from outside the EU.

We provide extensive training and excellent opportunities for personal and professional development throughout the placement.

Volunteers are asked to finance their own travel to and from the placement, and their visa.

What we're looking for...

Bags of energy, enthusiasm and motivation

A passion for creating safe and exciting experiences for young people

Willingness to be outdoors whatever the weather!

A commitment to providing excellent customer care

Qualifications or experience in a relevant field (for example, outdoor education) useful but by no means essential

To find out more about Scout Activity Centres, and Woodhouse Park in particular, please visit the website at [www.scoutactivitycentres.org.uk](http://www.scoutactivitycentres.org.uk).

For an Application Form or further information, please contact Pip at [pip.crockett@scouts.org.uk](mailto:pip.crockett@scouts.org.uk), or on 0044 208 498 5301.





# Northern Tier National High Adventure Programs

## Ely, MN - Atikokan, ON - Bissett, MB

### Boy Scouts of America

Northern Tier is your launching point for high adventure treks into the wilderness waterways of the remote Northwoods. Northern Tier's three summer canoe bases offer a wide variety of wilderness adventures, fully-outfitting crews for 6 to 10 day wilderness treks. A trained staff member accompanies each group, teaching new skills and customizing the trip to suit the needs and desires of every participant.

#### Requirements to attend:

- Minimum of 14 years of age, or 13 and completed the 8th grade by the date of attendance
- Must be classified as a swimmer
- Must weigh less than 295 lbs. and strongly recommended each participant weigh at least 100 lbs.
- Minimum of 6 and maximum of 8 people for a crew (Ely Base)
- Minimum of 6 and maximum of 11 people for a crew (Atikokan and Bissett Bases)
- Minimum of 2 adult leaders - 1 trained in CPR and Wilderness First Aid

#### Cost:

Please see our website for updated fees. All fees include stoves, fuel, tents, rain fly, cook kits, packs, all food while on the trail and 2 nights on base. Also included are aluminum canoes (lightweight upgrades are available for additional fee), paddles, life jackets and emergency communications device.

[www.ntier.org](http://www.ntier.org)      218.365.4811



# 2015 Florida Sea Base Volunteer Training Conferences

New for 2015—Three weeks of conferences and an extra day each week! A week in the Florida Keys learning with experienced and informed Scouters. With ample time to enjoy the climate and beauty of the Keys!!

## January 4th-10th

- ◆ T<sup>3</sup>—Train the Trainer
- ◆ Conducting Advanced Leadership Training
- ◆ The New Cub Scouting Adventure
- ◆ Venturing: The New Vision

## January 11th-17th

- ◆ Conference on Education for Advancement Administrators (CEAA)

### Conference housing:

Although the Florida Sea Base has a vast program facility (the Atlantic and the Gulf of Mexico!) it has a limited land base. Therefore, housing for ALL participants will be in the SCUBA dorms. The dorms consist of separate male and female bunk-style beds with common bathroom/shower facilities. The dorms are quite comfortable, but they were built with the occasional summer or fall tropical storm in mind which means they are on the second story and do not have elevator access.



## January 18th-24th

- ◆ Overview of Commissioner Service
- ◆ STEM-tastic!
- ◆ Youth Protection Champions

### Conference fees include:

- ◆ Housing
- ◆ Meals
- ◆ Snacks
- ◆ Bedding & Towels
- ◆ Meeting Facilities and Course Materials
- ◆ Sunset Cruise (weather permitting)

## Don't miss the boat!

Registration will open soon at [www.scouting.org/training](http://www.scouting.org/training) in the "quicklinks" section and **2015 Florida Sea Base Conferences**.

Registration fees: \$495 per conference participant

\$300 per non-conference attending spouse

All registrations must be received **no later than December 31, 2014**. A confirmation letter will be sent along with additional conference information and medical forms.

Please note that due to the conference and Sea Base schedule early arrival and/or late departure will require you to find off-site housing.

## Questions?

Conference-related: 972-580-2459

Facilities-related: 305-664-5612



### Available Spouse Opportunities:

- Sunset Cruise
- Stand-Up Paddle Board
- Kayaking
- Dolphin Research Center
- Snorkeling
- Gallery Tours
- Everglades
- The Turtle Hospital



## VENTURING

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA  
1325 WEST WALNUT HILL LANE  
P. O. BOX 152079  
IRVING, TEXAS 75015-2079  
[HTTP://WWW.BSA.Scouting.org](http://www.bsa.scouting.org)

In case something about Venturing crosses your desk, one of the firm rules about Venturing-speak is that the name of the program is Venturing

Therefore, a crew is a Venturing Crew,  
not a Venture or Venturer crew.

A youth is called a Venturer.  
Not a Venture Scout

Advisors and other leaders are Venturing  
Advisors and such, not Venture or Venturer  
leaders.

Venturing leaders take Venturing training,  
not Venture or Venturer training.

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# BSA Outdoor Ethics Conference

Please "Save the Date" for a Super-Regional Outdoor Ethics Conference, scheduled for **November 6-9, 2014**, at Camp Alpine in northern New Jersey. Council Outdoor Ethics Advocates, and supporters of Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly! Programs are welcome and encouraged to attend. We will help to arrange carpools, and shuttle service from the New York City airports will be available. This conference is a great opportunity to learn about BSA's Outdoor Ethics awards and other programs, and how to most effectively implement programs in your council that will help to protect and restore your council camp properties and other natural places. Meet experts and peers from many different councils for idea sharing and fun. Please watch for more details, and please watch for and respond to our survey as we gather input regarding the program and scheduling. Contact David O'Leary ([daveol@earthlink.net](mailto:daveol@earthlink.net)) for more information.

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Thanks,  
David O'Leary  
Outdoor Ethics / Leave No Trace Coordinator  
Northeast Region, BSA



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# Venturing Crew 276 attends "Doctor Who" Themed Rendezvous

By Kathryn Livesey

On the weekend of May 16 – 18, Crew 276 attended Rendezvous at Camp Acahela in Blakeslee, Pennsylvania. The Doctor Who theme was seen throughout all of the activities that happened the entire weekend. These activities included building a sonic screwdriver, painting a Tardis, forging an arrow head out of steel, tin molding, rocketry, handgun and rifle shooting and working with a giant Tesla coil. A very fun activity was action archery where we were even able to shoot the adipose from a Doctor Who episode. By the end of the weekend we met crews from our area and even as far away as Virginia.

Crew Secretary Stephen Rozek said, "This was my first time going to Rendezvous and it was a blast! I enjoyed all the activities and all classes that participated in. My favorite class was Rifle Shooting where I got to shoot a Ruger, a Mossburg and a Thompson aka Tommy Gun. My favorite activity was playing Ga Ga. I had a great time with my crew and the new friends I made."

Chris Rozek, Crew Vice President of Program said, "My favorite part of the trip was the fishing with an NFL star, Action Archery and the Knife Throwing event. This trip was amazing and I learned a lot while having fun. I also met really cool people from Virginia, which helped make this trip an incredible experience!"



Crew member Carson Monks fishing with former Eagles Running back, Tom Woodeshick,

Crew Secretary Stephen Rozek shooting a Thompson



Crew Vice President of Program Chris Rozek forging an arrowhead



Crew Photo at Camp Acahela entrance

# Cape Cod & Islands Council VESS cup

**Caribbean weekend and V games combined for the first time at camp Greenough Venturing, Exploring & Sea Scout units from around the area plus a Sea Scout unit from Pennsylvania joined us for a weekend of competition and fun.**

**Units shot black powder and 22 rifles, shot bows, did some first aid and GPS. They learn Morse code, used a compass and did a water challenge all in an effort to win the now VESS cup.**

**Entertainment was provided by Dj. Brandon from ship 40.**

**Congratulations to Crew 140 from Old Colony Council 2014 winners of the VESS cup**

# WHAT DO I WANT FROM SEA SCOUTING?

It is at **CAMP NAUTICAL!!!**

Ordinary training Requirements    Able training requirements

Quartermaster teaching requirements



When: Sunday AM, August 4 through Saturday PM August 9, 2014

Where: June Norcross Webster Scout Reservation, Ashford, Connecticut

Cost: \$350.00 per Sea Scout (includes meals, 2 person tents w/cots)

Details: Camp Nautical is an opportunity for any Sea Scout attending to gain skills and experience. Advancement can be a source of pride and measure of your success in Scouting. Advancement in Sea Scouting is a measure of your nautical knowledge and your performance as a leader.

The Seamanship Program will allow you to experience most of the requirements needed for the Rank of Ordinary; Able and satisfy teaching requirements for rank of Quartermaster. With structured courses in the morning and evening, you will learn about boats, marlinespike seamanship, ground tackle, signaling, quarterdeck leadership training, ornamental rope work, and environmental concerns. You will find fun in the afternoons devoted to free time. You will graduate with a report of your accomplishments, new friends and memories to last a lifetime.



More Information & Registration Contact:

Allen Iott, Skipper Sea Scout Ship 584 "Dragon"

Cell: (860) 912-1417 or [aiott@tvconnect.net](mailto:aiott@tvconnect.net)

## Course Fees, Deadlines, Incentives & Refunds

Early Registration Fee of \$185.00 by Friday, July 18th

Regular Fee of \$210.00 starting Saturday, July 19th

*Special Offer at the 2014 University of Scouting - 3 Parts*

1. Register for the University of Scouting
2. Attend the Powder Horn Class
3. Pay in \$175.00 in FULL at the Class

## NO REFUNDS AFTER FRIDAY, AUGUST 1st

Individuals that cancel after Aug. 1st, must find a replacement. Be sure to contact the Course Director! Replacements must register for Powder Horn and indicate that he or she is a replacement for \_\_\_\_! Cancellations after Fri., July 4th, and before Aug. 1st, receive a refund minus the required \$50.00 Deposit!

### Course Size

The Powder Horn course is designed to accommodate no more than 48 Scouts and Scouters. All registrations will be dated according to when fees have been paid from deposit to fully paid. Priority will be given to those fully paid, should we exceed 48.

### What if I Have Some Special Needs?

Please contact the Course Director if you have needs not listed on the registration form. The sooner we hear about your needs, the better we'll be able to attempt to accommodate you. Sorry, having your child in attendance is not an option!

### Sleeping Accommodations!

Sleeping accommodations on weekend 1 will be indoors. On the 2nd weekend, you'll be sleeping in a site with your own gear.

### What Should I Bring?

A suggested list of items to bring will be provided in your Powder Horn "Welcome Packet" once your deposit is received.

# Powder Horn 2014



*The Program  
Activities Link  
Between*



*Boy Scout Troops  
and Venturing  
Crews*



One Weekend at Camp Gorton, Tyrone, NY  
One Weekend at Camp Brule', Forksville, PA  
Weekend Order TBD - {To Be Determined}

Aug. 22 - 24, 2014

Friday - Sunday

7:30 am - 4:00 pm

Sep. 12 - 14, 2014

Friday - Sunday

7:30 am - 4:00 pm

*A Hands-On High Adventure Skills  
Resource Management Experience*

Hosted by Five Rivers Council  
Council Website - [www.fiverivers.org](http://www.fiverivers.org)

## Pre-Training Requirements

**ALL** participants **MUST** have completed the following training **BY** the 1st weekend.

Venturing Youth Protection  
Hazardous Weather    Safety Afloat  
Safe Swim Defense    Climb On Safely

*Courses are ALL available at the BSA's on-line learning center.*

Training verification can be accomplished in a couple of ways!

1. Provide a copy of your certificate or cards
2. MYSCOUTING account print out of training courses
3. Your BSA membership number allows viewing of just your training records by the Course Director. You will be contacted if courses do not appear or are out of date. *{Not the best Option!}*

**NOTE 1:** VYPT, SA, SSD, & COS must have been completed **AFTER** 14 September 2012!

**NOTE 2:** Regular Youth Protection Training **IS NOT** a substitute for Venturing Youth Protection Training!

## How Youth & Adults Can Attend Powder Horn

**Adults** - Be currently registered at the Unit, District or Council level AND fully trained for your primary Scouting position.

Have a BSA Annual Health & Medical Record, which must have been completed **AFTER** 14 September 2013.

**Youth** - Must be 16 years old by Friday, August 1st, 2014 and be currently registered in a Boy Scout Troop or Venture Crew.

Must have completed the Youth Leadership Skills Course for Troops or Crews **AFTER** 14 September 2012 & approval to attend by the Scoutmaster or Advisor on the registration form.

Have a BSA Annual Health & Medical Record, which must have been completed **AFTER** 14 September 2013.

## Need More Info or Have Questions?



Vaughn L. Neiley - Course Director

Phone: 607-732-0885    Email: TeamVK@aol.com

Marc McGrain - Council Training Chair

Phone: 607-857-9646    Email: mdmcgrain@gmail.com

## What's Powder Horn For?

To introduce leaders & youth to a variety of exciting high adventure program possibilities for their Troop or Crew. It is important to understand that Powder Horn is not a personal development course or certification course. It's designed to educate the Scout leaders and youth about specific high adventure skills, through hands-on experiences and to connect them to resources in order to use the skills, and ultimately to get them excited about delivering those skills in a challenging way to older youth.

## **RANGER**

Powder Horn activities are from the Venturing Ranger Award!

*Backpacking - Caving - Conservation - Project COPE - Mtn. Biking - Expedition Planning - Wilderness First Aid - Equestrian Fishing - Hunting - Map & Compass - Geocaching - Astronomy Climbing & Rappelling - Outdoor Living History - Plants and Wildlife - SCUBA/Snorkeling - Canoeing/Kayaking - Shooting with Pistols, Rifles, Shotguns, Black Powder & Archery - Small Boat Sailing - Wilderness Survival - Winter Sports*

All older Boy Scout & Venture Patrols within a Troop and Venturing Crews can use all the skills that will be demonstrated.

## Powder Horn Recognition

Upon successful completion of the Powder Horn course, participants are awarded a certificate and the silver Powder Horn device, which is worn hanging from the left pocket of any official Scout uniform. Successful completion requires full attendance at both weekends.



## Where to Send Your Registration Form:

FRC Powder Horn, 3300 Chambers Rd.,  
Suite 5190, Horseheads, NY 14845

## Register On-Line and Avoid the Mail:

<http://www.fiverivers.kintera.org/ph>



# VENTURING BSA

## Powder Horn Registration - Part 1

Please Print All Information Clearly!

Check Level:  Adult  Youth  
Date of Birth for Youth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

BSA Membership # - Required: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address/City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone: {\_\_\_\_} \_\_\_\_\_ **T-Shirt Size**

Work Phone: {\_\_\_\_} \_\_\_\_\_ S M L

Cell Phone: {\_\_\_\_} \_\_\_\_\_ XL 2X 3X

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Council Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle Unit Type: Pack Troop Crew/Ship #: \_\_\_\_\_  
District Council

Adult Scouting Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Leadership Position: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature Date

### Medical - Food - Allergy Information

C-Pap I  Have or  Do Not Have a C-Pap Battery

Mobility Restriction/s of: \_\_\_\_\_

Gluten Free:  Mild  Moderate  Severe

Food Allergy to: \_\_\_\_\_

Medicine Allergy to: \_\_\_\_\_



# VENTURING BSA

## Powder Horn Registration - Part 2

Please Check Mark All Boxes!

### Training Acknowledgement!

I fully understand I must be trained for my registered position in Scouting, adult or youth, and complete the 5 additional training requirements in order to participate in Powder Horn. If not listed in the BSA's My Scouting system, I will provide copies of my completed training record/cards.

### Scoutmaster or Advisor Approval for Youth!

I have completed the Youth Leadership Skills Course.  
Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ {Must be AFTER Sep. 14, 2012}  
 SM Approval: Name - \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 NL Approval: Name - \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Medical Requirement!

I understand I must provide at check in or earlier an official BSA Medical Record Form, dated AFTER Sept. 14, 2013 in order to participate in Powder Horn and if one is not provided, I will not be allowed to stay and no refund will be provided.

### Refund Policy!

I have read & understand the policy stated in the brochure.

### \$50.00 Required Deposit or Full Payment

Deposit or  Full Payment - Check Mark Payment Below  
 \$185.00 **BY** July 18th or  \$210.00 **AFTER** July 18th  
Payment Method:  Cash  Check  Credit Card  
CC#: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Credit Card Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Circle Credit Card: MC VISA AMX DISC



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# National Youth Leadership Training

Northern New Jersey Council

## NNJC Prepares For Ambitious 2014

In August of 2013, a large group of scouts arrived at Camp Turrell in upstate New York for a week of training in leadership skills. While many arrived unsure of what the experience would hold for



them, most left wishing they could stay another week. From the very first night, the staff unveiled their most innovative and creative program to date. The entire camp had been decorated by the staff in the week before everyone arrived, and the enthusiasm was palpable.

The course rests on the foundations of leadership, teaching participants the essentials of what a leader ought to be, know, and do. Over the duration of the week, staff members taught their peers how to find visions, set goals, and lead themselves. The presentations, designed by the youth staff, were mixed in between activities designed to reinforce the skills being taught. The days were long and energetic, ending in camp-wide events like Songfest or Movie Night before participants headed off to sleep before the next day.

In 2014, the staff has reassembled bigger and stronger than ever. They've created a better

program, using feedback from previous participants and staff to tighten up every aspect of the week. They've meticulously evaluated each presentation and activity as a part of their vision for this year's course. They're introducing new initiatives to improve communication, increase on-course efficiency, and more accurately target personal growth.



Interested in joining us for NYLT 2014?

Register now at [nnjbsa.org/training](http://nnjbsa.org/training)

Date: August 17-23, 2014

Eligibility: Open to all Scouts and Venturers 14 and up (First Class for Scouts) by August 1.

Contact: Christian Emering, Course Director -- [caemering@gmail.com](mailto:caemering@gmail.com)

# V-Week 2014

August 3<sup>rd</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup>

Don't miss out on one of the greatest Venturing programs on the East Coast!



**SCUBA DIVING**



**ATV RIDING**



**WATER SPORTS**



**PROJECT COPE**



**OVER-NIGHT SAILING**



**SHOOTING SPORTS**



**AND SO MUCH MORE**

WWW.BALTIMOREBSA.ORG/WEEK

The Last Chance To Earn The Original Bronze/Ranger Awards  
And Something for everyone in old crews.

POC: Robbie DiBiagio  
Robbie\_D@comcast.net

# RANGER

## Scout Rendezvous 2014

On June 6-8<sup>th</sup> 2014, the New England Sea at Fort Trumbull State Park, New London committee deemed the Gathering of the depicted in the Pirates' of the Caribbean the together to elect a leader and of course have for Sea Scouts in our area and considering



Scouts met the Venturers CT for what the youth Brethren Court. As Ships and Crews came some fun. This was a first the many challenges and obstacles this group had to overcome the event was a success.

Considering all other scheduling conflicts and events in our region the event had in attendance Four Ships and Six Crews from Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York totaling 65 people in attendance. The weekend was jam packed with many opportunities for the scouts to choose. Some of these events were sailing, ballooning, visiting the Coast Guard Station to participate in a Search and Rescue

activity, touring the historic Fort Trumbull and Fort Griswold, touring Light Houses, and learning about the Coast In addition the Project the NOAA in the area and sailing beside the Charles W. Morgan during her 38<sup>th</sup> sea trial voyage and one group of scouts was able to assist with receiving dock lines and setting the gang plank at the City Pier New London.



Guard Research and Development Center. Scouts were treated to a visit by the Oceanography Boat and the ability to tour Thomas Jefferson Ship that was working docked with our boats. We experienced



In the late evening of this event, the staff of Fort Trumbull re-opened the the youth to within the music and on Scouts Own



doors to allow have a social fort, with DJ Sunday for a Service.



Thank you to that assisted planning this

all those that the youth in event. All that attended were blessed with beautiful

weather, great opportunities, and new friendships were created.

Marshall Parsons New England Flotilla Commodore [twinpars@earthlink.net](mailto:twinpars@earthlink.net)

# 41<sup>st</sup> Annual BSA WINTERFEST

## February 6-8<sup>th</sup>, 2015



What is BSA Winterfest? Winterfest is the world's largest gathering of Explorers, Sea Scouts and Venturers. It is held in the beautiful mountains of Gatlinburg, Tennessee. Each year over 3,000 participants come to participate in over 70 events and competitions. Competitions include specialties, such as various Law Enforcement, Fire,

Engineering and Medical competitions. Shooting sports are also offered in Shotgun, Rifle and pistol. Sporting events include volleyball, bowling, basketball, dodge ball, ultimate Frisbee and more. High Adventure activities include repelling, climbing, bouldering, outdoor cooking, navigation skills and much, much more.



An Awards Ceremony and dance are held on Saturday night and is second to none!

Estimated conference cost for the 2015 Conference is \$45 per participant. To find out more about the 2015 BSA Winterfest and see event details from the 2014 event, go to Facebook, search and "like" BSAWINTERFEST to get updates as they are posted. If you have specific questions you can call Susie Ryan, Winterfest Staff Advisor at 770-962-2105 Ext: 229.

Southern  
Region

Powder Horn may be yet another training offered by the Boy Scouts of America, but it's not your typical training. Rather than focusing on the leadership side of the BSA program, Powder Horn aims to give leaders and youth the ability to "think outside the box" in an experiential way.

So what do you actually do in the Powder Horn course? Well that's easy: anything and everything. The only limitation is the area the course is held in. Any Powder Horn course you attend will provide you the opportunity to participate in a myriad of activities. These "electives", as we call them, are taught by a consultant that is highly knowledgeable in the field. The point here is that you will learn how to use your resources to provide a high quality high adventure program by using people like the consultants used in the course.

Who's the course for? Boy Scouts and Venturers are welcome to take the Powder Horn course. Adults AND youth can participate in the course.



At the Area 4 Powder Horn course, we will be having tons of electives and loads of fun. The course will be held October 9-12, 2014 in St. Augustine, FL. We will be running the course in and around the St. Augustine area. Some of the highlights of the course are windsurfing at Anastasia State Park, geocaching around downtown St. Augustine, and experiencing some Greek heritage at the annual Greek Festival, and much more. We have consultants coming from all over to assist with this amazing course; the Anastasia Watersports staff will be teaching us the ins and outs of windsurfing, catamarans, and other watercraft, there will also be tons of knowledgeable individuals in and around the city of St. Augustine as the oldest city displays its' colorful history. We will be utilizing the St. Augustine KOA just south of the city for our camping.



### **Southern Region Area 4 Powder Horn October 9-12 2014**

You can register online at <http://www.nfcscouting.org/event/1442685>. If you have any questions contact Leann Lewis – Powder Horn Director at [leann.lewis@scouting.org](mailto:leann.lewis@scouting.org) or Ashley Friesen – Powder Horn Assistant Course Director at [ashley@nfcbsa.org](mailto:ashley@nfcbsa.org).

## LDS Crew 131

Crew 131 of Central Florida Council on High adventure to Florida Keys (Key West) and Dry Tortugas Island.





# VENTURE QUEST 2014

## Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> - Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

### BOARDING NOW

DESTINATION: 57 Pipsico Road, Spring Grove, VA 23884

DATE: Labor Day Weekend, Friday August 29<sup>th</sup> - Monday September 1<sup>st</sup> 2014

COST: \$55.00 \*\$15.00 late fee after close of business August 2, 2014\* Registration Deadline: Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>

PASSENGERS: Venturers, Explorers, and Sea Scouts \*\*Open to all Area 7 & beyond Councils\*\*

*Grab your boarding passes, and join in on a global experience! Explore the 7 wonders of Pipsico Scout Reservation. Cruise our trade waters, meet scouts from all-over, and be a part of our celebration.*

#### Registration Form

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ (circle one) Crew Ship Post Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Leader/Advisor/Skipper \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Tidewater Council  
1032 Heatherwood Dr.  
Virginia Beach, VA 23455-6696

POC: Ramon Villa, VOA Advisor  
760-405-3179  
[ramonvilla@cox.net](mailto:ramonvilla@cox.net)

Account# 1-6801-605-20 SW=6800  
Credit Card Payments are charged a 5% fee

*\*Hosted by the VOA & Mid-Atlantic Venturing, Exploring and Sea Scout Division (M.A.V.E.S.)\**

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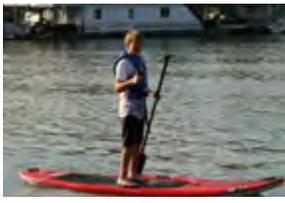
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# Texas Powder Horn Gazette

Sixth Edition –June 2014

## 2014 - Powder Horn is Coming!! Are you READY??!



**Diane Morrison**  
2014 Course Director

We are honored to introduce your 2014 Course Director, Diane “Di” Morrison. Diane lives in Colleyville, Texas. She is the Longhorn Council Training Chair, and serves supporting Wood Badge, National Youth Leadership Training, Outdoor Ethics/Leave No Trace, and other training programs. Diane has held leadership positions in nearly every aspect of Scouting including Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Sea Scouts. She has been the Cub Scout Day Camp Director, and has served in Council Camporees. She has held several Boy Scout positions, including Committee Chair (5 years), summer camp medical officer, and has assisted with starting a new troop. Diane is currently a committee member of Sea Scout Ship 4, and a member of her District Committee.

Diane attended and serves on staff for Wood Badge. In 2010 she was Course Director for course SR 1041. She has staffed NYLT, and was Course Director for both the 2012 and 2014 summer courses. Diane attended Powder Horn in 2009. She loved it so much that she came back to staff the event. She has been the Powder Horn Assistant Course Director of Support, and worked her way to the top to become the 2014 Texas Powder Horn Course Director.

Diane has earned the following awards in

### **Powder Horn** **“Challenge by Choice”**

- Archery ✧ Backpacking ✧
- Biking ✧ Canoeing ✧ Caving ✧
- Climbing ✧ C.O.P.E. ✧ Ecology
- ✧ Equestrian ✧ Expedition
- Planning ✧ First Aid ✧ Fly
- Fishing ✧ Kayaking ✧ Land
- Navigation ✧ Leave No Trace ✧
- Lifesaving/Aquatics ✧ Living
- History ✧ Scuba ✧ Shooting
- Sports ✧ Water Sports ✧
- Wilderness Survival

recognition of her service in Scouting - Silver Beaver Award, District Award of Merit, and Lakeview District Award. However, she is quick to point out that she believes there is no greater reward than to serve and develop our youth into great leaders!

Diane has been married to Marvin for 34 years and has 3 sons. Two achieved the rank of Eagle Scout, and the third is a sniper in the Army National Guard. Diane worked in adult ICU for 27 years as a Registered Nurse, has been a Foster Parent for 18 years (141 babies/toddlers!) She enjoys serving in her church and on community projects as much as she loves traveling, snow skiing, biking, hiking, and many other outdoor activities. Diane lives by her personal motto, “Life is about the journey, not the destination.”



2013 Course Participants engaged in Living History Day’s Artillery Launch



# Texas Powder Horn 2014

September 5-7 and  
September 19-21, 2014  
at Camp Tahuaya

Co-Sponsored by Long Horn  
and Capitol Area Councils

## Planned topics include:

- Backpacking
- Canoeing
- Caving
- Climbing
- C.O.P.E.
- Ecology
- Equestrian
- Expedition Planning
- First Aid
- Fly Fishing
- Kayaking
- Land Navigation
- Leave No Trace
- Lifesaving/Aquatics
- Mountain Biking
- Living History
- Scuba
- Shooting Sports
- Watercraft
- Wilderness Survival

## Participant Qualifications:

1. Registered member of BSA.
2. Adults must have completed youth protection and training for their position.
3. Youth must submit a recommendation from their Adviser/Scoutmaster to the Course Director for approval.
4. Be able to meet physical requirements of BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C).

Scouting leaders often face the dilemma of having a strong desire to provide challenging and fun outdoor programs to meet the needs of their older youth, while lacking the knowledge and/or resources to do so. **Powder Horn** responds to this quandary by exposing all Scout Leaders to a wide range of outdoor/high adventure activities. More importantly, **Powder Horn** provides participants with valuable resources and contacts to assist them in delivering the promise of Scouting's high adventure. Longhorn and Capitol Councils are proud to co-host the 2014 Powder Horn training course at Longhorn Council's beautiful Camp Tahuaya, located near Belton, Texas.

During **Powder Horn**, we "learn by doing" with expert consultants who demonstrate the skills and explain where resources, such as equipment, facilities, guides, instructors, and certifications can be obtained. You will sample the activities yourself so you will know how much fun your crew or troop will be able to have. We recruit an all-star staff of experienced Scouters and experts from all over Texas to guide you through the adventure!

**Powder Horn is for everyone, including older youth leaders!**

Check out the fun at our  
Facebook page at:

**Texas Powder Horn**

**Powder Horn 2014** is a resource course designed to introduce and expose Boy Scouting, Venturing, Sea Scouting, both adult and youth (over the age of 14) leaders to the activities and resources necessary to operate a successful outdoor/high adventure unit-level program.

**What others have said about Powder Horn** (comments from prior courses):

- "Lots of fun! My inner child got to come out and play!"
- "Like drinking from a fire hose of information!"
- "Awesome Powder Horn, had a lot of fun, learned a lot of new stuff! You guys did a great job!"
- "Summer camp for adults!"
- "Best adult training I've attended"

## Course Details:

- Two Full 3-Day Weekends from Friday morning through Sunday afternoon.
- Enrollment for this course is limited to the first 48 fully paid participants.
- There is a \$75 deposit due upon registration;
- Total Price - \$250 Balance of payment, due on or July 1, 2014

## DON'T DELAY

Registration can be completed at  
<http://www.longhorncouncil.org>

For further information regarding the Powder Horn course, please contact Course Director Diane Morrison, [demrm80@verizon.net](mailto:demrm80@verizon.net)

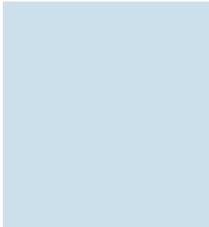


# 2014 Powder Horn

Area 4 Cluster Course



An experience where fun comes before training.



Windsurfing

Fly Fishing



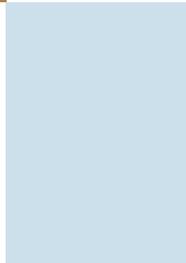
THE TRAINING  
OF THE  
GODS



October 9-12,  
2014



Greek  
Festival



Shooting  
Sports



Geocaching



St. Augustine



Powder Horn is an experience for both youth and adults interested in providing a unique and challenging program to their units



# 2014 Powder Horn

Some Details about the course.



## Why Powder Horn?

Powder Horn is designed for Adult **AND** Youth who want to do activities that stretch their imagination. Interested in doing something more than the usual campout? Powder Horn helps you find resources in your area, while also giving you access to consultants that can help you even after the course is over!

## What is a Cluster Course?

In addition to giving you the experience for which Powder Horn is known for, this course will also act as a cluster course for Southern Region - Area 4. One of the purposes of a cluster course is to provide a Powder Horn experience to all of the councils within geographic area when some of those councils have the challenge of experience, numbers or resources to execute their own.

## Course Specifics

The experience will run from Thursday, October 9, 2014 through Sunday Evening, October 12, 2014. You **MUST** attend the entire time and participate in at least 10 of the 12 activities the event will have. Participants will be camping at the Fountain of Youth the entire time, so camping gear will be necessary.

## Activities

The course will consist of 12 different activities that participants will be presented with. Some of these include: windsurfing at Anastasia Beach, geocaching in downtown St. Augustine, Experiencing the authenticity of Greek culture at the annual St. Augustine Greek Festival, and much, much more!

## Costs

The cost for attending the 2014 NFC Powder Horn is \$175. This includes all meals and program costs. It is highly recommended, however, that you bring spending money to event. Since the course will be in St. Augustine and we will be attending the Greek Festival, there will be many opportunities to buy souvenirs or snacks at your own expense.

## REGISTRATION

Registration for this event will be 100% online at the following link:

<http://www.nfcscouting.org/event/1442685>

*This web page will be available no later than January 15th*

## Contacts



If you have questions you can contact the following individuals:

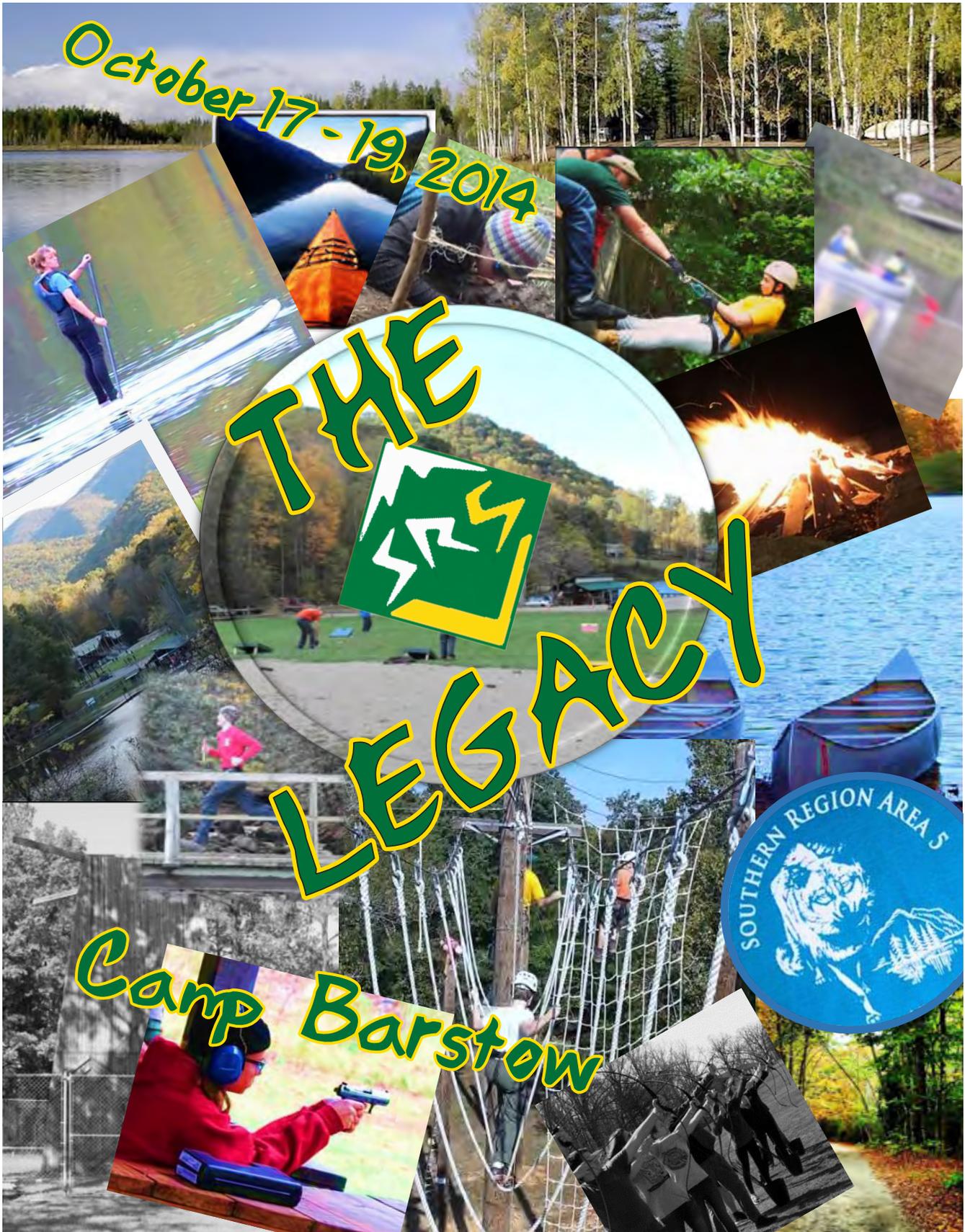
Leann Lewis: [LLewis@NFCBSA.org](mailto:LLewis@NFCBSA.org)—Course Director

Ashley Friesen: [Ashley@NFCBSA.org](mailto:Ashley@NFCBSA.org)—Asst. Course Director

October 17-19, 2014

# THE LEGACY

## Camp Barstow



Who should I contact with questions?

The Legacy email: [thelegacy.barstow@gmail.com](mailto:thelegacy.barstow@gmail.com).

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/?thelegacy>

Please check our website:

<http://www.sr5venturing.org/> or our Facebook Group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/120255005555/>





The FORUM Newsletter is looking for Western Region Newsletters, events and stories from Crews, Ships, Post, Councils, Areas and the Region.

Keep Venturing, Sea Scouting and Exploring active and send the FORUM your articles.

Thanks for all you do for youth.

Bob "the BEAR"  
FORUM Editor

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# Western Region Venturing Youth Extravaganza!

## Western Region Venturing Youth Extravaganza!!!

Presented by the Venturing Committee of the Denver Area Council

***ARE YOU TOUGHER THAN A VENTURER? Join us and find out!***

Mark your calendar ... The WRVYE and DAC X-Games will be held August 29-31, 2014, at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch located at 7,000 feet elevation near the town of Elbert, CO. (Peaceful Valley is 90 minutes from the Denver International Airport.)

X-Games is a late night event (Friday, August 29) where the youth split into 4 – 6 person teams and use their orienteering skills to go from station to station. Each station is a fun, scored event, and at the end of the evening the scores are totaled and the Crew with the highest score wins the coveted 'Traveling Trophy'.

This is a great place to meet other Venturers and put your skills to the test. Learn more about the Venturing Program. There will be a banquet and lots of open activities, tentatively including: climbing, repelling, scuba, mountain biking, rifle, pistol, shotgun, muzzle loading, archery and disc golf – as well as the Venturing X-Games Friday evening.



**Dates:** August 29, 30 & 31, 2014

**Place:** Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch – Elbert, CO

**Cost:** \$60.00 per person (includes X-Game fees, camping, food and most of the open activities costs)

**For more information go to [denverareacouncil.com/xgames](http://denverareacouncil.com/xgames)**

You can contact Scott Elzas at [scott@elzas.net](mailto:scott@elzas.net) or 303-868-2774 or Dave Whitner at [Dave.Whitner@scouting.org](mailto:Dave.Whitner@scouting.org) or 720-266-2101, or the Western Region VOA Vice President of Program at [vpprgm@wrventing-bsa.org](mailto:vpprgm@wrventing-bsa.org) for more information.

# Websites

## National Exploring

<http://www.learningforlife.org/news-events/news-exploring/>

## National Venturing

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

## National Sea Scout

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

## Central Region Venturing

<http://www.crventuring.org>

## Northeast Region Venturing

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

## Northeast Region Sea Scout Net

<http://seascout.net/>

## Southern Region-Venturing

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

## Southern Region Sea Scout

<http://sregion.seascout.org/>

## Western Region Venturing

[www.wrventuring-bsa.org](http://www.wrventuring-bsa.org)

## USA Scouting Service-Venturing

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

## Maine High Adventure Base

[http://www.katahdinareabsa.org/content/4126/Maine\\_High\\_Adventure\\_Base/](http://www.katahdinareabsa.org/content/4126/Maine_High_Adventure_Base/)

## Venturing Magazine

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

## Yahoo Groups

### Central Region

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/crventuring/>

### Northeast Region

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nerventuring/>

### Southern Region

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/srventuring/>

### Western Region

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/wrventuring/>

### National

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/venturinglist/>



# the FORUM

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Thanks for all you do!

**Bob "the BEAR" Monto**—Editor in Chief

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