Area 3: July 2017



Summer is in full swing and Area 3 has a bunch of new activities and fun events coming up! With National Jamboree well under way, July's been an exciting month.

Go Green For Venturing: August 1

As most of you know from the posts on Facebook, on August 1, 2017, Venturing will be celebrating its 19th birthday. What better way to celebrate that than to let the world know about your Venturing experience? All you have to do is change your profile picture to something Venturing related, let your followers know of something you did this summer with Venturing or why it's important to you, and be sure to tag all your posts with #GoGreenForVenturing, #SummerOfVenturing, and #CRVenturing

Solar Eclipse



Picture this: It's August 21, 2017, the sun's light suddenly starts to dim, although it's only 11:50 am. You look up, and see the sun is not the circle it normally is—something seems to have a bite taken out of it. You ask your Crew Advisor what it is... the answer: a total solar eclipse. Only a few hours away from you, you can witness the first total solar eclipse in America since 1979. But what is a solar eclipse? When the moon covers the sun, a solar eclipse is made. Usually lasting 2-3 hours, the light from the sun to the earth is blocked by the moon, creating a shadow on the earth. An incredible sight, the next solar eclipse won't happen in North America until 2024.

FALL FUN RALLY

Have you ever wanted to play in a human sized board game, a real life version of Clue, or see a blacksmith in action? Fall Fun Rally is the place to do all of these and so much more. September 22-24, it's sure to be a weekend to remember. As the first ever national Venturing event, Fall Fun Rally will be celebrating its 44th anniversary this year. With an expected attendance of over 1500 this year, Fall Fun Rally has games, food, trainings, discussions, and plenty of other things to experience. Join us at Beaumont Scout Reservation in St. Louis this fall for a weekend of excitement and fun.

Award of the Month

Area 3 is happy to announce we will be starting an Award of the Month segment in every newsletter. Our first award will be the Venturing Award, the first award in the Venturing's core awards. To earn this award you must complete four steps

- 1) Participate in a crew activity outside of a crew meeting
- 2) Participate in an interview conducted by your crew president and your advisor
- 3) Complete Personal Safety Awareness training
- 4) State your intention to join the participating in an induction ceremony during which you repeat and commit to live by the Scout Oath and Scout Law and the Venturing motto.

This award focuses on learning about Venturing Crew and participating in Crew activities. Getting new members to work for this award is a great way to get them more involved in the Venturing experience and get them excited about what's to come in the Crew's future.



Advisor's Minute

The 2017 National Jamboree at the Summit marks the second Jamboree that Venturers are allowed as participants! What a great way to promote the Venturing program at the Jamboree by showing the nation of the Venturing Program. The Summit has some amazing programs and activities at the Jamboree and in the years that it doesn't offer the Jamboree. Did you know that in 2018, the Summit will host the second Venturingfest to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Venturing! If not, I suggest that you read up about Venturingfest so you and your unit can plan on attending.

There are plans being worked on for participants and units that wish to go to Venturingfest within Central Region Area 3. Stay tuned to this Newsletter and the Social Media outlets of Area 3. For everyone that went to the National Jamboree this summer and enjoyed the Summit, come back next summer for a week with Venturers across the country at Venturingfest.

The Area 3 officers and committee members are finalizing up an amazing year with the Venturing conference and other events. Please make sure to follow Area 3 on the different social media outlets. As always, Go Venturing!

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