



May 2014



Sea Scout Update

Sailing, boating, swimming: summer is Sea Scouts' favorite time of the year and it is soon approaching! What are your plans for the summer? Here are some of the things that have happened this spring...

In the past month, there has been a lot of buzz about the newly elected officers to serve in the 2014-2015 VOA's. If you ran but weren't selected, there are still opportunities out there for you to hold a position! There are openings in the Sea Scout Central Region and Area Flotillas. The duties and responsibilities are very similar to those in Venturing. The "Boatswain," has similar duties and responsibilities as the Venturing President, and Boatswain's Mates are similar to the Vice Presidents. If you are looking to apply, you can email to me at: centralregionboatswain@gmail.com and I can send you more information about the positions and the application! Here is the link to the application: <http://seascouting.crventuring.org/document2.php?s=1&id=591>

Sea Scout Term of the Month:
Boatswain [bo-sun] (noun)
Definition: The Boatswain is similar to a Venturing President. Their job is to help run, maintain, and organize the Ship(Unit). On the boat, their job is to take care of the main body of the ship and all of its equipment



National Sea Scout Boatswain Selected:

There has been some big news in the Central Region recently. Peter Schmidt of Central Region Area 3 has been selected by the National Sea Scout Support Committee as the 2014-2015 National Sea Scout Boatswain. He is a member of Ship123 in the Abraham Lincoln Council out of Springfield, Illinois. Peter is a Quartermaster Sea Scout, an Eagle Scout, and has earned the Venturing Silver Award. He has received the Council, Area, and Regional Venturing Leadership Awards for his dedication to Scouting. He plans on attending SEAL this summer. Peter is the first National Sea Scout Boatswain from the Central Region in over ten years and will

represent Sea Scouts across the United States when he begins his term of office on June 1, 2014. His term of office ends on May 31, 2015. He will report to the National Commodore and the National Director of Sea Scouts. He will serve as the liaison with the Regional Boatswains' and other youth leaders. His goals for his term cover the areas of marketing, recruitment, and communication. To see Peter's biography and more information on his goals, you can visit: <http://www.crventuring.org/Home/Fulltext/s=1&id=329>

Upcoming Events:
Rendezvous May 16-18, 2014
Springfield, IL
Swift Base June, July 2014
Sea Scout Week June 22-29, 2014
Farmington, MO
NAYLE June, July, August 2014
Philmont Scout Ranch
NAYLE July 2014
Northern Tier
Fall Fun Rally Sept. 26-28, 2014
Beaumont, St. Louis, MO

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Central Region Sea Scout Boatswain