



Area 6

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Meet Your Area Officers!

Jennifer Bullock, President

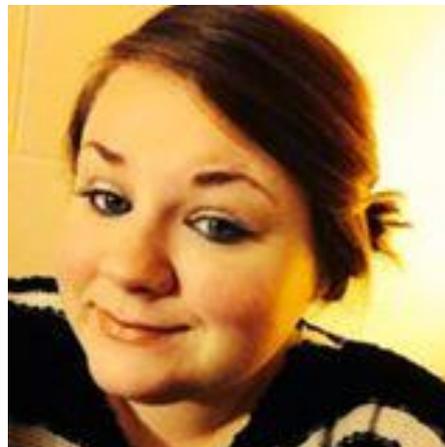


Hey Venturers! My name is Jennifer Bullock and I am your 2014- 2015 Central Region Area 6 Venturing President! I'm from Greenwood, Indiana, which is part of the Crossroads of America Council. I am a member of Crew 545, chartered at Christ United Methodist Church in Indianapolis. I have been the President of my crew since it formed in September of 2012. I served on the Crossroads of America Council VOA this past year as the Vice President of Communications. I have completed the Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews course and National Youth Leadership Training. I have also staffed an ILSC course in the Crossroads of America Council. This past April, I coordinated and ran a Boy Scout Camporee with 4 crews in order to promote Venturing in her District. I've earned the Religious Life Bronze Award and have been awarded the Council Venturing Leadership Award.

I'm currently a senior at Greenwood Community High School. I'm involved in a lot of clubs and organizations outside of Venturing. I just started my 12th year of dance. I'm also in two choirs at my high school. I'm in Rhapsody, which is the top choir, and I serve as the Soprano Section Leader. I'm also in a Vocal Jazz, which is a jazz and a cappella choir. I'm the President of my school's Best Buddies chapter. I am also a member of National Honor Society.

I am so excited to serve as your Area 6 Venturing President this year. If at any time you have questions, feel free to contact me at area6president@crventuring.org
Stay awesome Venturers!

Taylor Mull, Vice President of Program



Hey Area 6, it is great to be here for another year as the Vice President of Program. A little bit about myself- I am a junior at Franklin College in Franklin, Indiana studying History and

English. I am originally from Lafayette, Indiana and frequent home to see my Venturing Crew as much as possible. I spend my summers working at the wonderful Ransburg Scout Reservation in Bloomington, Indian and it is one of the greatest experiences ever. I get to spend my entire summer by Lake Monroe in the Hoosier National Forest being where I love most. Because I spend so much time moving around I have grown to love Venturing even more, it is a family I always have and a connection I can make almost anywhere. It is my go to speech topic and the thing I am passionate about the most. Venturing has helped me gain confidence and develop strong leadership skills all while having a great time and forming one of the closest bonds I have had with a group of people that seemingly don't exactly fit together. My favorite part about Venturing is that it brings different people together. I have friends all over through Venturing and the BSA. I want to share my love for Venturing throughout Area 6. I want you all to be as excited as I am, even if it is over something small. Sometimes the greatest memories I have were at a shopping trip or crew meeting. I want Area 6 to make the best of this year and I plan to help in as many ways possible. I know this is going to be a great year! Yours in Venturing – Taylor Mull

Mandi Forsythe, Vice President of Administration



Hello! I'm Mandi. I'm from Cincinnati, Ohio. I am a sophomore at the Honors College of Bowling Green State University, majoring in Inclusive Early Childhood Education. I have been in the Venturing program since my fourteenth birthday in 2009. During that time, I have held the position of Vice President for both Crew 194 and Crew 750 of Mason, OH. I have also been the Webmaster, Treasurer, and Secretary of Crew 194, President of Crew 750, and have been the President of the Dan Beard Council VOA for two terms. I was also the Central Region Area 6 President for 2013-2014.

I grew up in Scouting, having been a Girl Scout since age four. I have earned my Venturing Bronze, Gold, and Silver as well as my Girl Scout Silver. I am currently working on my Girl Scout Gold Award. I have also received the Council Venturing

Leadership Award and the Girl Scout Silver Torch Award for Leadership.

Through Venturing, I have attended ILSC, NYLT, and NAYLE, and have staffed each three times. I am thrilled to be the new Area 6 VP Administration, and am ready to serve. – Mandi Forsythe

Fallon Prather, Vice President of Communications



Hello there! I'm Fallon Prather. I'm originally from Kokomo, Indiana, now living in West Lafayette.

I am a member of Crew 2372 chartered at Christ United Methodist Church in West Lafayette. I am currently the VP of communications for the crew.

I was involved in Girl Scouts when I was younger, but after my troop disbanded, was not involved in Scouting until I joined my crew in January, 2014.

I graduated from Taylor High School in Kokomo, IN, class of 2013. I am currently attending Purdue University and am a Sophomore in Theatre Design and Production.

My Academic Awards include: National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, and Americanism Award, American Legion Post 6. My Leadership Positions have been: VP of Communications, Crew 2372 and Brass Section Leader for Taylor Marching Titans.

I also participated in the Robotics Team 1760, the Robo-Titans, Marching Band, Indoor Drumline, Concert Band, Pep Band, and Jazz Band. I attended Hoosier Girls State summer before senior year of high school and played echo taps every evening as flag was lowered.

I joined Venturing because of the opportunities and experiences it could provide me. I saw that it would give me the possibility of making new friends, trying new things, developing team and leadership skills, and instilling a new confidence in myself and the things I am capable of doing. I look forward to helping Venturing grow in the Area. –Fallon Prather

News

Books

The new Venturing Youth Handbook and Venturing Advisor Guidebook are now available! Order online or visit your local Scout Shop to pick them up!

Pants

-Taylor Mull

Have you seen the new Venturing pants???? At the Area 6 Summit in February 2014, Area 6's Mandi Forsythe was able to get a pair of the new pants and I believe that everyone who saw them was jealous and would recommend them. In this version, the pants are made from a much higher quality material that is still water proof. They are also pretty ice proof, tested personally by Mandi. There are no longer completely mesh pockets that could play peek-a-boo, these new pants have pockets that are only mesh at the very bottom to let the water drain. They are also more proportionate than the previous version. The bottom cuff is no longer Velcro that was getting stuck on socks and instead has a zipper and snap. The pant legs have color coded zip offs for easy reattachment. All in all we are in complete amazement at the updates and overall quality of these Venturing pants and encourage you to go to your Scout store today to find a pair!

Upcoming

Taste of Venturing!

What are you doing November 7-9? The best answer is the Taste of Venturing! The Taste of Venturing is an exciting event for all of Area 6's Venturers with a cooking theme! With events like a camp wide game, nerdy board games, a favorite venturing dinner contest (we want to be impressed!), geocaching/ scavenger hunt, and more! Located at Franklin L. Cary Camp in Lafayette, Indiana we hope to have a great time! Hurry over and register at www.scoutingevent.com/?TasteVenturing to reserve your spot! Area 6 can't wait to see you there. Let's lead the adventure to the TASTE OF VENTURING!

President's Corner

-Jennifer Bullock

Hey Venturers!

Every newsletter, I'll be focusing on something super cool and awesome that's going on in our Area! Last month, Anthony Wayne Area Council hosted their 47th Annual Makahiki event in Warsaw, Indiana. I had the opportunity to go and be a judge for

their Ali-Nui competition! While I was there, I got the chance to meet with crews in that area, meet with Anthony Wayne Area's VOA President, and meet Area 6's Boatswain! I had a great time meeting everyone and I recommend this event for and crew! The really cool thing about Makahiki? It's open to Venturers, Sea Scouts, Explorers, Boy Scouts, Mariner and Senior Girl Scouts! Not only do you get the chance to meet other Venturers, you get to meet other Scouts! Make sure to like Anthony Wayne Area Council's Facebook page and mark your calendars for Makahiki 2015 on July 31- August 2, 2015!



Want to be in the newsletter?

Anything big coming up in your council? Crew doing anything awesome? Let us know! Send us descriptions and details of your event or pictures of your crew out having fun with a short caption of what you were doing! Share your fun with the whole area!

Contact me, Fallon Prather, on Facebook or send me an email at 321honeybee@gmail.com and I will get you set up with a shout-out in the next newsletter!

I wish you happy trails and safe adventures!

-Fallon Prather