

HOAC VENTURING EVENT INFORMATION

Venturing Camp – June 19-23, 2012. This is a five-day, four-night camping experience open to all registered Venturers and Explorers. Activities range from mountain biking to pistol shooting and we've taken trips off camp for community service work or just to catch a T-Bones game! The cost of Venturing Camp is only \$125 (through 5/23/12) and includes tenting, food, activities, and a t-shirt.

VENTURING OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION (VOA) EVENTS

2012 VOA Pool Party – August 11, 2012. The VOA will run events and activities that will encourage current Venturers to invite potential new members to learn about Venturing and join the Venturing program.

2012 VOA Haunted Trails – October 27-28, 2012. Venturers from throughout the council will find their spookiest costumes and decorate the trails of Cub World at Camp Naish for Cub Scouts and their families to hike the Haunted Trails of Cub World.

2013 Winter Event – January 25-26, 2013. This is an annual event in which all Venturers are invited to participate. They have been snow tubing and downhill skiing; look forward to some fun activities to get through the cold winter months.

2013 VOA Banquet – April 19-20, 2013. The VOA holds an annual banquet to recognize those Venturing leaders for their outstanding contribution to Venturing at the unit, district, and council level and to introduce the new officers for the next year.

The VOA meets on a monthly basis to plan events at the council level. Any member of a Venturing Crew is welcome to come to these meetings. In Venturing, youth, led by youth officers who form the VOA, are responsible for planning and executing these events at the council level. VOA Meetings are where the process starts. Those meetings are scheduled for the next year as follows:

June 22 @ 3:00 p.m. @ Camp Naish (during Venturing Camp)
July 8 @ 2:00 p.m. @ Olathe Bass Pro
August 11 @ 4:00 p.m. @ Camp Naish Pirate Ship Water Park
September 9 @ 2:00 p.m. @ Olathe Bass Pro
October 14 @ 2:00 p.m. @ HOAC Office
November 11 @ 2:00 p.m. @ Olathe Bass Pro
December 9 @ 2:00 p.m. @ HOAC Office
January 13 @ 2:00 p.m. @ Olathe Bass Pro
February 10 @ 2:00 p.m. @ HOAC Office
March 10 @ 2:00 p.m. @ Olathe Bass Pro
April 14 @ 2:00 p.m. @ HOAC Office

Council Venturing Forums are held quarterly and provide additional opportunities for youth and adult advisers to share and learn new ideas, exchange contacts, and talk about individual crew successes. Those meetings are scheduled for the next year as follows:

May 12 @ 1:00 p.m. @ Lifetime Fitness, Lenexa. Register @ <http://VenturingForum.kintera.org/>
August 11 @ 2:00 p.m. @ Camp Naish Cunningham Shelter, next to Pirate Ship Water Park
November 11 @ 1:00 p.m. @ Olathe Bass Pro
February 10 @ 1:00 p.m. @ HOAC Office

Summer 2013 International trip to Kanderstag, Switzerland: In partnership with the HOAC International Committee, the VOA is inviting 48 Venturers and leaders in HOAC to Kandersteg, Switzerland from **June 28 – July 7, 2013**. The estimated cost of the trip is approximately \$2000, including travel to Switzerland. Each Crew will get to set their own itinerary upon establishing Crews.

For additional information about Venturing events at the council level, contact Cortland Bolles at 816.569.4955 or cortland.bolles@scouting.org.