### Venturing

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#### Help sustain Venturing

How many 14 year old's do you have in your crew? Is your crew aging without new members? This fall would be a great time to schedule an open house. Get into the high school and recruit those new freshmen, they are the future of your crew. See if your high school has a "club" or "student organization" evening and if you can put up a table. Create a flyer and ask to have it distributed to all freshmen. Have your Venturers lead the recruiting and table discussions. On your flyer and display be sure to have the data and location of your open house. Contact Dennis Vargo, Venturing Staff Advisor, at dennis.vargo@scouting.org, 330-773-0415 ext. 214 to get ideas and help with your recruiting and open house needs or if you are ready to start a crew. Let's spread the Venturing spirit to others.

#### Does your unit have a succession plan?

And another thing...talk to your unit commissioner about this or shoot an email to info@GTCVenturing.org.

## Become a member of the Council Venturing Support Team

We are constantly open to new members to serve in a variety of adult support positions including advisors, committee members and unit commissioners. Maybe you are a few years out of being a member, perhaps you have been away from Venturing for a while. Talk to Dennis or email <a href="mailto:Chair@GTCVenturing.org">Chair@GTCVenturing.org</a> for more information.

### Be a Venturing Unit Commissioner

We really need help here and will train you. In fact, the College of Commissioner Science on **November 10** will feature a half day of focus on being a unit commissioner of a Venturing Crew. Interested? Email Info@GTCVEnturing.org.

### Super Heroes Weekend, November 2-4

In the last 4 years we have had super fun weekends such as The Halloween Monster Mash (2014); Star Wars: The Venturers Awaken (2015); Peace, Love and Venturing (2016); and The Triwizard Tournament (2017). This year save the date and plan to join us for more super fun with Super Hero Weekend that will top them all! If you want to get in on the planning just ask <a href="mailto:prescript">president@GTCVenturing.org</a>.

# **Crew Officer Training September 29-30 at Camp Stambaugh**

This overnight training will start on Saturday and is for all crew officers and advisors. After this seminar crew officers will be able to take charge of their program and conduct the annual planning conference and do other trainings for their crew. Topics to be covered will include (1) the roles and responsibilities of all officers and advisors plus how to (2) plan activities (Tier I, II and III adventures) (3) schedule a year's plan, (4) plan and run a typical crew meeting, and (5) create standard operating procedures and a crew code of conduct. They will learn the importance of ALPS to Planning, awards and JTE and learn about Venturing Resources. Separate sessions for advisors. Cost is TBD, but will be set to just cover the food and ammo for our planned pistol shoot.

This is designed for all current crew officers and is open to anyone interested in leadership in your crew.

This is not ILSC and is not specific training for advancing through the Venturing awards, however your youth will discover how to conduct both those types of training in the crew or how to get assistance to do so. Sponsored by the Great Trail Venturing Officer Association.

Registration when available will be at GTCVenturing.org/events. Questions? Advisor@GTCVenturing.org.

# Still time to register for Venturing's 20th Birthday Bash and Splash (Luau)

- \$12 for dinner, games, music, pool party and divein movie Saturday evening,
- \$25 more will add Shooting Sports all day on Saturday including rifle, shotgun, black powder, archery, tomahawks and pistols for Venturers at Manatoc Ranges and a Venturing Top Shot Competition.

August 10-12, (day only August 11 "Luau" available) at Manatoc pool and ranges. We are celebrating Venturing's 20th Birthday. Look for a great dinner, games, swimming, "the bull" and the dive-in movie.

How to register: Go to <a href="http://GTCVenturing.org/events">http://GTCVenturing.org/events</a> and click on the yellow "register here now" button. You will select how many Venturing Youth (13 to 20) and how many Venturing Adults (21+). Registration is by individual or by crews. When indicating the details on all participants you will be able to add the Optional Shooting program by selecting "Manatoc Trading Post" and choosing the shooting program. You do not have to add shooting for all members.