

# Two Rivers District

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## Roundtable & District Meetings

It is fall again, and that means it is time to start up our Roundtables and District Meetings again. The next Roundtable meeting is September 4th at the Methodist Church in Shelbyville. The meeting starts at 7:00pm.

The next District Meeting is going to be held at 6:30pm on September 25th at Ryan's Steakhouse in Effingham.

If you have not attended a Roundtable in the past, you should try to be at our next one. Not only is there a lot of information given out, but it is a chance to meet with other unit leaders and ask questions of each other. The more you talk with other leaders, the more ideas you can take back to your own unit.

## What Is Venturing?

Venturing is a youth development program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women who are 14 (and have completed the eighth grade) through 20 years of age. Venturing's purpose is to provide positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults.

Venturing is based on a unique and dynamic relationship between youth, adult leaders, and organizations in their communities. Local community organizations establish a Venturing Crew by matching their people and program resources to the interests of young people in the community. The result is a program of exciting and meaningful activities that helps youth pursue their special interests, grow, develop leadership skills, and become good citizens. Venturing Crews can specialize in a variety of avocation or hobby interests.

### Young adults involved in Venturing will:

- Learn to make ethical choices over their lifetimes by instilling the values in the Venturing Oath and Code.
- Experience a program that is fun and full of challenge and adventure.
- Become a skilled training and program resource for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and other groups.
- Acquire skills in the areas of high adventure, sports, arts and hobbies, religious life, or Sea Scouting.
- Experience positive leadership from adult and youth leaders and be given opportunities to lead.
- Have a chance to learn and grow in a supportive, caring, and fun environment.

An important goal of Venturing is to help young adults be responsible and caring persons, both now and in the future. Venturing uses "ethical controversies" to help young adults develop the ability to make responsible choices that reflect their concern for what is a risk and how it will affect others involved. Because an ethical controversy is a problem solving situation, leaders expect young adults to employ empathy, invention, and selection when they think through their position and work toward a solution. For any information about starting a Venture Crew in your area, contact Doug Zaring at 217-620-0772.

## From Your District Executive

Well folks, Fall Roundup is once again upon us. I have heard from most of you and have dates set for Join Us nights. I am working to get everything set up to help each of you have a successful roundup this year. If you want any posters, flyers, or any other recruitment materials, please let me know as soon as possible and I can get them to you.

I will be bringing handbooks in adequate supply since the boys need to get their hands on them as soon as possible. If you have any special requests for an item that you know many parents will want to buy at your Join Us give me a call by the Friday before the meeting and I will pick it up from the Scout Shop. Remind your parents that they can call in orders to the Council Scout Shop and they will ship the merchandise to you, or I can drop it off on my way through town.

## Friends of Scouting

Final pledges and gifts are still coming in for the 2008 FOS Campaign. There is still time for you to make your contribution. Contact Doug Zaring at 217-620-0772 for more information.



## Two Rivers District Calendar

### September

4	Roundtable
8	Popcorn Sale Begins
25	District Meeting
26	All Fall Roundup Applications Due

### October

2	Roundtable
4	CS Rookie Camp
17	Popcorn Sale Ends
20	Popcorn/Prize Orders Due
23	District Meeting