

Northeast Region

2nd Quarter Newsletter



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President's Message

Hi Northeast Region!

Thank You

Congratulations on an incredible year! The Northeast Region is growing and Venturers are actively engaging with program, and that's thanks to you!

As we welcome our incoming officers and thank our outgoing officers, it is my pleasure to announce that Katelyn St. Louis will be our next Northeast Region Venturing Officer's Association President.

This year, the Northeast led the nation in CSVE submissions-coming in at almost 95%. We now hold the National and Regional record for highest submission rates EVER and that is thanks to all of your hard work and dedication.

Every Area held at least one event and attendance across the Northeast ranged from 130-300 Venturers. Our Belt Buckle fundraiser helped raise funds to bring Venturers from Puerto Rico to VenturingFest this summer, giving them a chance to join us for the Premier Venturing Event of the year. Together, we helped build 7 new CVOA's, and strengthened our relationships with existing CVOA's.

We also know that the time to plan for the next year is upon us. This is an exciting time for Venturing in the Northeast Region, and I know we're all incredibly excited for what's coming next.

Once again, thank you for everything you do for our program. I hope to see you at our Region Conference and at VenturingFest this summer!

Yours in Venturing,
Ripley Price
NER President



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Meet the Incoming Region Officers

President-Elect's Message

Hello everyone,

I'm so grateful to have given the opportunity to be the NER President for this upcoming term! First of all, I'd like to thank the previous RVOA Officers for their consistent support and advice this past year. Also to Area 1, thank you for a great two years and I trust you'll do great things this coming term!

My team and I have been working on our goals to release to the rest of the NER, but here are a few we've developed so far:
- Strong advertisement from NER and AVOAs to show what Venturing is all about

- Create and frequently use an Instagram account for the NER
- Open communication among AVOAs and RVOA
- Create a weekly spotlight on content submitted by youth in the region on social media
- Compile spreadsheet of JTE (CSVE) and use it to determine how to help the AVOAs help their councils

I can't express how excited I am to work with the rest of the NVOA, my Vice Presidents, and all 6 Areas in the Region. I'm definitely looking forward to seeing what lies ahead of us in this upcoming term!

Yours in Venturing,

Katelyn St. Louis



Jeanine Reilly

Region Vice-President of Administration

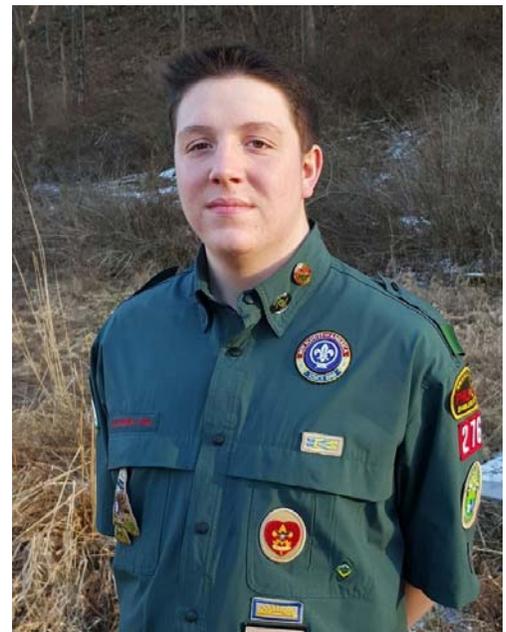


Jeanine Reilly is from National Capital Area Council in Area 6. She joined Venturing and Sea Scouts at age fourteen because of the unique high adventure activities offered. Jeanine has also earned her Silver Award, Summit Award, GSA Gold Award, and is working on Quartermaster! She currently attends The Catholic University of America with a major in mathematics, and a minor in actuarial science. Her goals as the NER VP of Admin are to provide direct support to all the areas, and maintain organization of contact information and data for the region.

Sam Brothman

Region Vice-President of Program

Sam Brothman is a member of Patriot's Path Council located in Cedar Knolls, New Jersey (part of Area 5). He has been registered in Crew 276 since 2014. Samuel became involved in Scouting in 2006 with Cub Scouts and has worked through the ranks. In 2017, he achieved the rank of Eagle! Sam Brothman is also a senior at Newton High School, where he is the President of the Technology Student Association. He also spends his time playing the tuba, sousaphone, and bass trombone. Sam will be attending Paul Smith's College in the fall where he will study Natural Resource Management. He hopes to improve communication among the area's to encourage inter-area programs.



Clare Toman

Region Vice-President of Communications



Clare Toman is from Washington Crossing Council, which is a part of Area 5! She's a proud member of Crew 4385 of Hamilton, New Jersey. Clare recently spent two courses on staff of her council's NYLT course as well having attended the 2017 National Jamboree and the 2015 World Scout Jamboree in Japan. She's a part of her school's Radio Club and Photography Club as well as being the tech director of her school's Drama Club. During her term, Clare aims to improve the region's social media presence to create a greater sense of unity online.

Area 1 Zenith By Penelope Fiaschetti

Northeast Region (#EastIsBeast) Area 1 Venturing (#VenturingIsAwesome) hosted our annual program event, Zenith (#ILoveZenith), at Lone Tree Scout Reservation in Kingston, NH on the weekend of April 27-29. There were about 130 in attendance, which breaks records for Area 1 (#SoMuchGreen). The event featured many trainings and activities. Significant activities to note included a Blind Canoe Teamwork Challenge, a Cub Scout Challenge



Course, and Dutch Oven Cooking. Saturday evening ended with an exciting campfire program that was #lit. The event featured special guests Michael Conroy, the Northeast Region Venturing Vice President of Communication, and Robbie DiBiagio, the Northeast Region Venturing Advisor. The event went smoothly and much fun was had. The Area 1 Venturing team looks forward to seeing everyone back for next year! #WickedAwesomeScouts #Memes #Fam #LitFam #MicDrop

Area 3 eVENT

By Alexis Bealer

Area 3 had a very successful spring eVENT during the weekend of May 18th-20th. We had over 40 people in attendance. Our theme for the program was Dare to Be Scared. We watched a Stephen King movie Saturday night along with a DJ and a dance. There was so much to be offered, from shooting sports to an escape room. Youth could always find something that interested them. The eVENT was held at Camp Babcock Hovey in the Seneca Waterways Council. The camp masters were always trying to help us in anyway possible. Saturday night during dinner, we held our Area elections. Michelle Noyes was elected Area 3 President for her second year. Our VP of administration is Natalie Chang. A previous Area president, Nick Bober will be serving as the VP of program. And finally, Kylie Simkins is our VP of communications. We had an amazing 2017-2018 term and hope for an even better upcoming term.

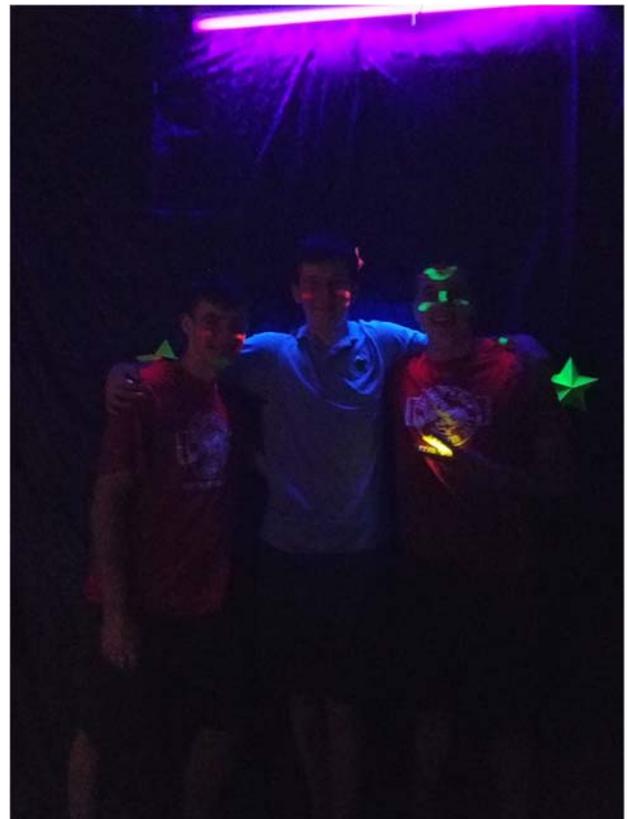


Area 4 - Bringing the Scouting Experience to a Galactic Level

By Luke Heckman

This past April, Venturers from Area 4 participated in QUAD 2018 — an area-hosted event held at Camp Karoondinha this year. This year, the event was sci-fi themed and called Area “4” in reference to Area 51.

The event started with the Crews arriving at the event Friday night and participating in games, a crackerbarrel, and beginning to become acquainted with one another and fellowshipping. Saturday’s daytime events included COPE, cooking, handicraft, canoeing, rifle shooting, and several others. A scavenger hunt as well as an obstacle course canoe race were added into the mix of activities for the Scouts to do in order to give the youth even more freedom of their weekend. Some decided to explore the area for a geocache or take some fun photos with the AVOA. Some attempted to claim the fastest times for the lakefront course in various watercrafts or hone their shooting skills in an attempt to hit a bullseye at the range. Towards the evening, an awards ceremony was held for those receiving Venturing Leadership Awards, both at the Area level and one at the Region level. A Wood Badge Ceremony was held before elections for the 2018-2019 Area 4 VOA took place. Once the ceremonies ended and the elections were wrapped up, scouts took part in a “capture the alien” event outside as yet another part of the cosmic experience, and as a way to end the night, a dance was hosted inside the dining hall with music, glow-in-the-dark paint, disco lighting, and — of course — some food. Youth and adults alike requested songs, danced, laughed, and ate together as a closer to Friday’s activities. Sunday morning came with breakfast, packing up of camp, and the Crews checking out. All Scouts had been respectful of the camp, leaving it cleaner than it was when they arrived, and headed home after what was truly a galactic weekend!



Advisor's Corner

by Robbie DiBiagio

Hello Northeast Region!

Wow, where has the time gone? It seems like yesterday we were welcoming our new officers, working on fall events, and talking about our plans for the spring. Now look! We are thanking our officers for an incredible year and we are starting to plan for the future.

I'd like to congratulate all the Areas for hosting amazing events. It has been a pleasure to travel and visit each program event. The overarching theme I'm seeing is Venturing is strong and we ready to celebrate our anniversary! This is such an exciting time for Venturing. I can't wait to see what happens next.

With the change of officers, we also like to thank our Area Advisors who are transitioning and welcome some new faces to our leadership team. I'd like to thank Lea Denette (A1) Dave Barkstedt (A2) and Earl Baker (A6) for your service as Area Advisors. We have grown and prospered tremendously under your leadership. Now I'd like to welcome Nick Bouyea(A1) Francesca Imbrogno (A2) and Gordon Leary (A6) to our team. I can't wait to see what innovative ideas each of you bring to the table.

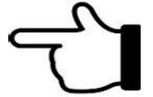
It has been a true pleasure serving each of you this year. I can't wait to see you at our Region Conference and VenturingFest!

Yours in Venturing
Robbie DiBiagio
Northeast Region Venturing Advisor





WE NEED YOUR INPUT!!!



**YOU can submit articles, flyers,
pictures, and ideas for this
newsletter too!**

- Have you done something awesome through Venturing?
- What about your Crew, Council, or Area?
- Have you written an article on something Venturing related?
- Is there something you would like to request more information on?
- Do you have pictures from a recent event?

