



# Peak Performers' Lounge

## Exclusive for Advisors!

☆ Special Sessions for Saturday, April 12, 2008 ☆

- ⚡ This series focuses on how advisors can utilize what they already know to advise Venturers and crews
- ⚡ Four interactive sessions exclusively for Venturing crew advisors and other 21+ leaders
- ⚡ No preregistration needed - join in, and bring your friends!
- ⚡ Located at the Preston Environmental Center of Camp Bucoco
- ⚡ Coffee and light refreshments available

**9:30am - Recruitment:** Venturing seems like a great idea to you, but how do you get local teens to agree? This session aims to bridge the gap between advisors' beliefs and the contemporary needs of adolescents. Participants should be prepared to recall their own teenage years as a stepping stone exercise. This session looks at advising the Venturing crew.

**10:45am - Retention:** How do you keep the newly recruited teens coming around? Retaining this age group demands more than supporting the activities they seek. This session explores how a complete program offers Venturers an experience they may not admit to wanting, in a just-right environment. This session looks at advising Venturers as individuals.

**2:00pm - Fundraising:** Resources make activities possible, but sometimes too much money is thrown at ideas that lack ingenuity. What are you fundraising for? How much do you really need to accomplish your objectives? And how do you persuade the crew to consider your programming perspective? Advising the crew's fundraising will be discussed from this unusual angle.

**3:15pm - Adventure:** The Venturing BSA take on "adventure" for teens need not include the outdoors. This session delves into the basic components of an adventurous experience for teens by comparing and contrasting the participants' own observations of their Venturers and other young adults. The conclusions will target the delivery of adventure to individual Venturers.

Your Peak Performers Lounge host for the day is Josh Kirby, an out-of-school program specialist and educational researcher at Penn State University, and a member of the National Venturing Membership Committee.

