



the  
Area 4 Area Venturing Officers Association  
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# Quest 2008

April 11 - 13, 2008



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The Northeast Region, Area 4, Area Venturing Officers Association invites Venturers, Sea Scouts, and their guests to attend the 3rd annual Area 4 **Venturing Quest**. The 2008 Quest weekend will be held on Friday, April 11, through Sunday, April 13, 2008, at Camp Bucoco (near Slippery Rock, Pa). Participants may attend the Quest as members of a council VOA/TLC coordinated contingent, their crew/ship, or as individuals.

The purpose of the Quest weekend is to bring Venturers together to share ideas and information, and encourage relationships that will promote communications and the growth of Venturing at all levels. The Area 4 Quest has been designed by the AVOA to emphasize FUN, FRIENDSHIP, and ADVENTURE, not award requirements or advancement. Participants will have the opportunity to sample a variety of activities and may find some they wish to incorporate in their crew program. You will meet potential consultants and establish contacts who may help your crew in their pursuits. Our goal is that your only regret is that the weekend ended too soon!

The Quest weekend begins with a big party on Friday night (that includes lots of great food, music, and cool ice breakers) and culminates on Sunday morning with the annual Area 4 meeting and election of officers. The theme for this year is “**Viva Venturing**”! Be prepared for Las Vegas-style bright lights and games, at the theme party, on Saturday night! The party will offer plenty of choices - awesome food, a variety of games, dancing and even a movie marathon featuring (of course) Las Vegas themed movies!

Saturday activities include: LAN Party, Climbing and Repelling, handgun shooting, 3-D Archery, Ballroom Dancing, Bottle Rockets, Black Powder Rifle shooting, Geocaching, text messaging competition, Shotgun Shooting, Ultimate Frisbee, Tomahawk Throwing, canoeing, and much, much more. In addition adults (and youth) may choose from: an advisors coffee lounge, Consultant Fair, training sessions, and discussion forums. An Ethical Controversy forum will be held to reflect on Las Vegas-style “entertainment” and related topics.

The fee for the 2008 Quest is **\$40 per person** (for tent camping) or **\$50 per person** (for cabin camping). The fee covers all food, program (except as noted), event patch, event T-shirt, facilities, and program materials. The fee applies to all youth and adults. For those who can only attend on Saturday we offer a \$30 “day pass” (includes meals and program as noted above). Please note the deadlines and details on the registration form! **On-time registrations must be postmarked by Thursday, March 20, 2008.**

Participants must bring tents and personal camping gear, or register (in advance) for a bunk in a cabin. Meals will be served in the dining hall and include Friday night snack, Saturday meals (3) and snacks, and Sunday breakfast. Please contact us with any questions about food, camping accommodations or special needs.

Please wear your crew activity uniform for meetings, breakfast, and dinner. We encourage Venturing/Scouting “class B” for activities. Consider dressing up for the Vegas party on Saturday evening. ...Any Elvis impersonators out there?

If you plan to attend, or are just thinking about it, please send us an email at [quest@ne4avoa.org](mailto:quest@ne4avoa.org). We will notify you of program updates, requirements for off-site activities, and important information to assist your preparation. If you have questions or any special needs please contact us so we can assist.

Please visit our web site for information and to see pictures from our past events - <http://ne4avoa.org/>

We thank our 2008 host - the volunteers and staff of the Moraine Trails Council!

[http://www.doubleknot.com/openrosters/view\\_homepage.asp?orgkey=887](http://www.doubleknot.com/openrosters/view_homepage.asp?orgkey=887)

**For driving directions search** - 150 Bu Co Co Ln. Slippery Rock, PA 16057-3506



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## 2008 NE4 Quest – tentative Schedule

### Friday, April 11, 2008

- 6 – 9:00 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival/check-in/camp setup
- 7 – 9:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Open House (snacks, music, and more)
- 9:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Welcome and introductions
- 9:45 – 11:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Themed Crackerbarrel/Icebreaker activity
- 10:15 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Officer and Advisor meeting

### SATURDAY, April 12, 2008

- 7:30 – 8:30 am \_\_\_\_\_ Breakfast
- 8:00 am \_\_\_\_\_ Welcome/program information
- 9 – 11:45 am \_\_\_\_\_ Morning Program Activity Period
- 12 – 12:30 \_\_\_\_\_ Youth and Adult Forums
- 12:30 – 1:15 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Lunch
- 1:30 – 4:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Afternoon Program Activity Period
- 5 – 6:00 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Dinner
- 6 – 6:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Religious services
- 6:30 – 8:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Program Activity Period
- 8:45 -11:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Themed Party/Crackerbarrel
- 09:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ Officer and Advisor meeting

### SUNDAY, April 13, 2008

- 8:00 am \_\_\_\_\_ Breakfast
- 8:30 am \_\_\_\_\_ Quest wrapup/2009 Quest information
- 8:45 am \_\_\_\_\_ Area 4 Annual Business Meeting and Elections
- 9:30 am \_\_\_\_\_ Break camp and go home

A Quest Program and Schedule will be provided for each participant, at the event check-in, to assist them in planning their activities for the weekend. The majority of activities are an open format and do not require pre-registration – we will provide a map of where the activities are located and when they will be open – Quest participants can decide what they want to do and when they want to go. SCUBA will require advance registration (and additional cost). SCUBA is off-site and will consume the entire morning or afternoon activity period.

The Area 4 Quest is planned and conducted by the area Venturing Cabinet and representatives to the AVOA from each of the 20 council that make up Area 4 of the Northeast Region. Being part of the AVOA is fun and running a Quest is a BLAST! Talk to the cabinet and find out how to get involved. Please consider becoming an area officer! The Area Rules, including officer duties can be seen at <http://www.ne4avoa.org/aboutus.html>

#### 2007/08 Area 4 Officers

Justin Gilmore – Acting President, and  
Vice President, Administration  
Erika Briggs - Vice President, Program  
Matthew Jenkins - Secretary  
Katie Larkin - Treasurer

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## Contingent, Unit, and Individual Registration Form

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\* Saturday-only – \$30 - Reduced fee for those who can only attend on Saturday - includes meals and program as noted above. Same deadlines apply.

\* **On-time registrations must be postmarked by Thursday, March 20, 2008.**

\* **Late/on-site registrants will not receive an event t-shirt and 2008 Quest patch** as part of their registration fee.

\* Late registration, by mail, must be postmarked by Wednesday, April 2nd.

\* Late registration may be accepted at the event – please notify us by email (by Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup>) to enable us to prepare for your arrival. \* to control costs we will not build extra food into our preparations, you must let us know if you plan to attend!

\* Cabin accommodations are dormitory style (separate male and female cabins), by individual, not crew. The limited number of bunks will be allocated in the order reservations are received. \* priority will be given for special needs. We will notify units of the status of their cabin reservation – both if accepted and for any received after space is full.

\* SCUBA is an optional activity and will cost extra. Arrangements are pending. Please email us if you have youth interested. We will send additional information as soon as it is available. Preregistration and prepayment will be required.

Please contact us if you are interested in the event and want updates and information about the 2008 Quest emailed to you. Also, please share any questions or concerns to enable us to assist you in your preparation. Email to – [quest@ne4avoa.org](mailto:quest@ne4avoa.org)

Council: \_\_\_\_\_ VOA/TLC Contingent – YES / NO (circle one)

If registering as a Crew/Ship # \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone – [preferred] (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ [secondary] (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Additional email contacts: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**I am registering the following participants** (Female = F, Male = M)

<u>Weekend</u> (\$40)	<u>Cabin</u> (+\$10)	<u>Day</u> (\$30)	
_____ Youth (F)	_____ Youth (F)	_____ Youth (F)	
_____ Youth (M)	_____ Youth (M)	_____ Youth (M)	
_____ Adult (F)	_____ Adult (F)	_____ Adult (F)	
_____ Adult (M)	_____ Adult (M)	_____ Adult (M)	
_____ <b>Total</b>	_____ <b>Total</b>	_____ <b>Total</b> = _____	<b>[Total People]</b>
x \$40 = \$ _____ + x \$10 = \$ _____ + x \$30 = \$ _____			<b>[Total Reg. Fee]</b>

An event T-Shirt is included with on-time registration. Indicate number of each size below:

Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ 2XL \_\_\_\_\_ 3XL \_\_\_\_\_

Do you anticipate a lack of adult leadership that we can assist your unit in overcoming (by pairing you in a site with another unit) \_\_\_\_\_ Yes – Male / Female (circle one)

Mail to: BSA 630 Janet Ave. Lancaster, Pa. 17601

Make checks payable to: **Pennsylvania Dutch Council BSA**

Please mail no later than Thursday, **March 20, 2008** (for on-time registration)

\* Full refunds available if requested by March 24th. Refunds are not possible after that date \*