

ROAMING NEWS

Greatest Hits Edition

Fun at far, far below freezing

Boundary waters offer excitement for the winter months too.



During the coldest days of January, three Illowa Council Venturers traveled to Northern Tier High Adventure Base near Ely, Minnesota. Joe Tarnow, Dan Tarnow, and Charles DeWitt joined with members of Crew 007 from Champaign Ill to participate

in the Okpik Cold Weather Camping program. As a result they can now add snowshoeing on a frozen lake, cross-country skiing, riding in a dog sled, and spending a -40 degree night out in a quinzee (snow shelter) to their list of fun Scouting adventures.

President's Corner

At this point in time, the current VOA has been in their positions for nearly a year. We've had our hills and valleys, but this year has been the best yet for Illowa Council's Venturing Officers' Association. We have completed successful events, and we have worked as a team to start this very newsletter as well as some other projects. With that in mind, I wanted to tell you all that there will always be opportunities to lead, and opportunities to follow, and other things to do within Venturing and life. Thank you for taking the opportunities that led you here.

- Devan Terry



AND THE WORD IS OUT!

On February 28th, about 175 people gathered for the Illowa Council Recognition Dinner. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Venturing Leadership Award and recognition of several Scouters who also serve as Venturing leadership with the Silver Beaver. The VLA is presented to a Venturer who exhibits exceptional service to Venturing in Illowa Council. This year's recipient was Devan Terry, who currently serves as the VOA President. She has served in many leadership positions in her crew and District



VOA, served as V. P. of communications for the council VOA before taking her current position. She is also the past V. P. of Admin. for Central Region Area 3 VOA where she received the Area 3 VLA.

Devan fulfills the commitment to teaching others by being on staff for summer camp at LT, BALOO Cub training, Univ. of Scouting and other council and Area 3 programs. While doing all this, she is a senior at Erie H. S. and takes classes at Blackhawk College preparing for a major in Library Sciences.

ILLOWA COUNCIL VENTURERS HAVE A BLAST AT THE NATIONAL JAMBOREE



And of course always shenanigans

The Illowa council sent half a Venture crew to the 2013 Nation Jamboree at the BSA's new site, the Bechtel Summit. Crew F401 was made up of Illowa scouts as well as Venturers from Winnebago Council.

There was lots of fun, mud, rain, sun, heat, sore feet, new experiences, new friendships, white water, zip lines, boats, shotgun shooting, experiencing other cultures, and a great fun time had.

On the way to Jambo we visited Kings Island, the Columbus Zoo, Mammoth Caves, the Indianapolis Speedway, and Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.



THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS YEAR GREAT



We've had a great year here with the newsletter, we have told some cool stories, promoted events, and had an all round good time with it.

None of this could have happened without the tireless efforts of all of the people who've stepped up to write for

it. The first two I'd like to thank are Devan Terry and Ina Pearsall. They have both written articles for the vast majority of the last ten issues.

I'd also like to thank all those who have written for the Roaming News. Dakota Benway, Tazin, Catie Pearsall, Dan Tarnow, Joey McAllister, Casey Dewitt, Jen Coe, Greg Kowitz, Jamie Petersen, Ashley Vanspeybroeck, Jonathan Crouse, Erika Delp, Delaney Adams, Crew 212, Matt Tarnow, Bob Sutton, and everyone else who has played a part. We couldn't have done it without you.

-Joe Tarnow

Calendar

August 30th, 2014

Mobile Lock-in (more info coming)

Sunday, September 14th, 2pm

First VOA meeting of the year at Loud Thunder (tentative)

September 26-28th, 2014

GSLAC's Fall Fun Rally



NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

The Minister of Propaganda, Heir Gnomofsky would like to remind you that we would love to have you (yes YOU!) write for the Roaming News. If you want to tell us how awesome your crew event was, or if you want to invite other crews to an upcoming event just let us know. If writing isn't your thing pictures of Venturers in action are always appreciated.