## A page from the **Venturing Notebook**



The Philmont Training Schedule for Venturing in 2010 is now integrated with other courses over the summer; i.e. there is no longer a Venturing week at Philmont. The weeks for the courses with Venturing components are included in the descriptions below.

The fee for the conferences participants is \$470 for the week. Fees are \$340 for spouses and children over 20; \$285 for ages 14-20; \$225 for ages 6-13; and \$180 for ages 5 and under. Mountain Trek is \$345 and NAYLE are is \$355. Fees include all conference and program materials, meals and lodging.

Philmont Training Center preview on <u>YouTube</u>. If and when information about Kodiak treks at Philmont become available, the information will be added. For more PTC information: check their <u>website</u>, contact your local council, call the training center at (505) 376-2281, fax (505) 376-2629, or <u>e-mail</u> them.

**PTC Registration** - There is a new process in place for PTC registration this summer. For easy to follow instructions, open this **PDF instruction file**.

The Philmont Training Center has developed a new knot called the PTC Masters Track Square Knot. The award is for PTC training taken after June 1, 2008. This would be a good year to begin working on the requirements. The requirements are in this <u>PTC Masters Track</u> (PDF) file.





Initiative Games for Packs, Troops, Teams and Crews

Initiative games are purposeful activities with specific goals and learning processes that are often less competitive and less rules oriented. These games require a lot of strategy, skill and cooperation between team members. Most of this course will take place outdoors and will teach participants how to effectively use games to achieve BSA program goals.

Week 2: 6/13/10 - 6/19/10



How to Develop Crews That Thrive

It's no secret in Venturing that if your crew isn't growing, it's dying. Our youth members get older each year and eventually leave Venturing. At this conference, you will learn how successful crews around the country have attracted new members to their ranks. You'll also learn how the successful crews have incorporated popular programs, activities, and leadership training into their annual programs. If you're a crew Advisor with older youth members, this is the conference for you. If you are a district or council membership volunteer, you shouldn't miss this conference. You'll return to your Venturing job with the knowledge to be a true volunteer hero.

Week 2: 6/13/10 - 6/19/10



Delivering Venturing to Your District and Council

It's no secret that Venturing has been the fastest growing program in the BSA for several years. If your district or council is not achieving its membership goals or if your district or council has seen growth followed by membership loss, you shouldn't miss this conference. You will learn how to incorporate proven techniques into your district's or council's operation. You will see how successful districts and councils have attained sustained growth without having negative impact on other Scouting programs.

Week 3: 6/20/10 - 6/26/10



#### Building Strong Packs, Troops, Teams and Crews

This conference will provide a forum to discuss strategies for increasing the number of youth who want to join our program, including what we can do to keep them involved in the program after they join. Come join the fun as we explore how to offer more young people an opportunity to be involved in one or more of the BSA's programs.

Week 6: 7/11/10 - 7/17/10



#### Specialized Programming for Crews

Surveys of Venturing youth have consistently shown that our youth members are seeking excitement. Whether you serve at the crew, district, or council level, you will return home with the tools you need. This session will touch on specialized areas offering opportunities to learn more about high-adventure and sports programs, arts and hobbies, and outdoor religious experiences.

Week 7: 7/18/10 - 7/24/10



## Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtables, and Venturing Forums

When you think you know all you need to know to conduct high-quality Cub Scout and Boy Scout roundtables, and Venturing Forums, it is time to attend this conference. The program is built around a forum of experienced roundtable commissioners who address roundtable ideas and lead discussions about problem solving techniques.

Week 7: 7/18/10 - 7/24/10



### Training Venturing Leaders - Youth and Adults

Successful leader training is the key to every successful organization. In this conference you will be exposed to all of the successful training programs available to youth and adult leaders in the Venturing program. Whether you are active at the crew, district, or council level, you will return to your Venturing job with skills that will make a real difference in the lives of Venturers, both young and old.

Week 9: 8/1/10 - 8/7/10



# Strictly for Venturing Crew Advisor

Venturing Crew Advisors will discuss proven and new methods for enhancing the quality of their crews. Subjects will include how to guide the youth leaders to become better leaders, how to have stronger activities, and processes for helping the youth to make ethical decisions.

Week 9: 8/1/10 - 8/7/10