

Dear Friends,

Welcome to Winterfest 2008 in the great City of Gatlinburg, TN. Over 2,000 participants are gathered from 12 states to experience what Venturing and Exploring are really all about.

Winterfest brings the opportunity to meet new people, learn new skills, share ideas, compete against other posts and crews, and have fun. While you are here in the Great Smoky Mountains there are endless possibilities. If you choose to, you may go shopping, ride the sky needle, visit museums, and many other attractions in addition to the many events of Winterfest.

This year will be the best Winterfest yet with all the new events as well as many of your favorite old events. We hope everyone has fun. Please follow all the rules for everyone's safety. If you have any questions or concerns please let one of our staff members know and we will be glad to assist you.

Catherine DeRoth / David Snively  
Youth Co-Chairpersons

### SCHEDULE

#### FRIDAY

**2:00-10:00 PM** - Participants arrive, check into hotels, and pick-up conference materials at the Garden Plaza Hotel - Laurel A.

**3:00-10:00 PM** - Skiing (for Friday ski package)

**8:30 PM-Midnight** - Dance - Convention Center Ballroom

**9:00 PM** - Opening Program - encourage all post/crew officers and advisors to be present - Convention Center Ballroom

**9:30 PM** - Advisor's briefing in Convention Center Rms. 1&2.

**10:00 PM** - Program Orientation Session (only one Explorer/Venturer and Advisor for each Post/Crew participating in events)-Convention Center Hallway outside of rooms 1-7.

**10:00 PM** - Talent Show Qualifying Round - Convention Center Rm. 3

**10:00 PM** - Law Enforcement Posts Event Briefing - Convention Center Rms. 1&2 (only one Explorer and Advisor for each Post)

**10:00 PM** - Fire Posts Event Briefing - Convention Center Gatlinburg Rooms (only one Explorer and Advisor for each Post)

**1:00 AM** - Everyone in own room - Curfew

#### SATURDAY

**7:30 AM-Midnight** - Late/On-Site registration - Convention Center lower level - "Registration" Room (near entrance to Hall 1)

**9:00 AM-12:00 NOON** - Competition and Events begin

**1:00-5PM** - Competition and Events continue, also sightseeing, shopping, skiing, etc.

**5:00-10:00 PM** - Skiing (for Saturday ski package)

**8:00 PM** - Venturing Roundtable - Convention Center Rms. 2&3

**8:15 PM-Midnight** - V.I.P. Reception (for adult leaders & staff)  
Convention Center - Greenbrier Room

**8:30 PM - Midnight** - DANCE - Convention Center - Hall 1

**9:00 PM** - Awards Presentation for competitive events, Talent Show Finals, and closing ceremony. Convention Center Ballroom

**1:00 AM** - Everyone in own room - Curfew

#### SUNDAY

**9:00 AM-4:00 PM** - Skiing (for Sunday Ski Package)

**For Sunday Worship opportunities see church listing in your conference package**

**Checkout time is before 11 a.m. Advisors and contingent leaders are responsible for checking conditions of each room before check-out. Individuals will be responsible for all damages and charges to their rooms. Thanks for your participation and have a safe trip home.**

**SEE YOU NEXT YEAR → Jan 30 – Feb 1, 2009**

### EVENT INFORMATION

TIME	FRIDAY EVENTS	LOCATION
10:00 PM	Talent Show Qualifying	Convention Ctr. Rm. 3
TIME	SATURDAY EVENTS	LOCATION
8 AM - 5 PM	Accident Investigation	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
9 AM - 5 PM	Advanced Medical	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 3
9 AM - 5 PM	Advisor Rapid Dress	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
8 AM - 5 PM	Air Rifle	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
9 AM - 5 PM	Archery Free Shoot	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
9 AM - 5 PM	Archery Match Shoot	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
9 AM - 5 PM	Basic First Aid	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 3
10 AM - Noon	Backpacking Challenge	Mynatt Park
10 AM - Noon	Backpacking Cooking	Mynatt Park
8 AM - 5 PM	Bomb Threat	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 8
9 AM - 5 PM	Bouldering Wall	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
9 AM - 5 PM	Caving Challenge	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
9 AM - 5 PM	Climbing Wall	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
9 AM - 5 PM	Combat Challenge	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
9 AM - 5 PM	Communications Drill	Gatlinburg Rooms
8 AM - 5 PM	Crime Scene	Convention Ctr.- Rm. 1/2
8 AM - 5 PM	Domestic Violence	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 5

8 AM - 5 PM	DUI Stops	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
10 AM - Noon	Dutch Oven Cooking (youth and old goat)	Mynatt Park
9 AM - 5 PM	Engineering Design	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 11
8 AM - 5 PM	Escaped Inmate	Twin Creeks Picnic Area (GSM Nat'l Park)
8 AM - 5 PM	Felony Traffic Stops	Catholic Church - Parking Lot
9 AM - 5 PM	Flying Squirrel	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
9 AM - 5 PM	Hose Roll	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
8 AM - 5 PM	Hostage Negotiation	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 10
10 AM - 2 PM	Kayaking	Glenstone Lodge Pool
9 AM - 2 PM	Mock Trial	Convention Ctr. - Room 7
8 AM - 5 PM	Orienteering	Start at Headquarters Desk
9 AM - 5 PM	Prusik Climb	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
9 AM - 5 PM	Rapid Dress	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
8 AM - 5 PM	Room Search	Convention Ctr. - Greenbrier Room
9 AM - 5 PM	Save Your Skin	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
9 AM - 5 PM	Sea Scout Events	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
12 PM - 5 PM	SWAT Demonstration	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
9 PM	Talent Show Finals	Convention Ctr. Ballroom - backstage
8 AM - 5 PM	Uniform Inspection	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 9
8 AM - 5 PM	Unknown Problem	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 6
8 PM - 9 PM	Venturing Roundtable	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 2/3
Set up at 8:30 AM	Venturing Table-top Displays	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
As Scheduled	Volleyball	Gatlinburg Recreation Ctr
As Scheduled	Water Basketball	Garden Plaza Tower Pool
8 AM - 5 PM	Warrant Service	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 4

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**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Ranger Camp 2008**

- *An exciting week spent with the US Army Rangers of Camp Frank D. Merrill - July 13, 2008*
- *Climb and rappel with Army Rangers*
- *Eat in the Mess Hall*
- *Camp, climb, and rappel at Camp Merrill and on Mount Yonah*
- *Open to Venturers and Explorers*
- *For more information:*  
[www.nega-highadventure.org](http://www.nega-highadventure.org)

**Great Escape 2008**

- *Spend the weekend at beautiful Camp Rainey Mountain - where the South prefers to camp!*
- *Sail, canoe, and swim*
- *Hike, climb, rappel, and camp*
- *For more information:*  
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First Aid is available in Convention Center Room 12 (downstairs)

**POCKET GUIDE**

Feb 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>



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