

Dear Friends,

Welcome to Winterfest 2009 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.

Paige Reese / Jonathan Hall  
Youth Co-Chairpersons

### SCHEDULE

#### FRIDAY

**2:00-10:00 PM** - Participants arrive, check into hotels, and pick-up conference materials at the Convention Center  
**3:00-10:00 PM** - Skiing (for Friday ski package)  
**8:00 PM** - Event Leaders Meeting – Convention Center Gatlinburg Room  
**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  
**9:00 PM** - Advisor's Briefing in Convention Center Gatlinburg Room  
**10:00 PM** - Program Orientation Session and Event Sign-up (only one Explorer/Venturing and Advisor for each Post/Crew participating in events)-Convention Center Hallway outside of Rooms 1-7  
**10:00 PM** - Talent Show Qualifying Round – Greenbriar Room  
**10:00 PM** - Law Enforcement Posts Event Briefing - Convention Center Gatlinburg Room (only one Explorer and Advisor for each Post)  
**10:00 PM** - Fire Posts Event Briefing - Convention Center Rms. 1-3 (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  
**1:00-4PM** - 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. 1-3  
**8:15 PM-Midnight** - V.I.P. Reception (for adult leaders & staff) Convention Center – Gatlinburg 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 hotel room**

**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 → Feb 5 – Feb 7, 2010

#### EVENT INFORMATION

TIME	FRIDAY EVENTS	LOCATION
10:00 PM	Talent Show Qualifying	Greenbriar
TIME	SATURDAY EVENTS	LOCATION
8 AM - 4 PM	Accident Investigation	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
8 AM - 4 PM	Advanced Medical	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 4
8 AM - 4 PM	Air Rifle	Mills Auditorium
8 AM - 4 PM	Archery Free Shoot	Mills Auditorium
8 AM - 4 PM	Archery Match Shoot	Mills Auditorium
8 AM - 4 PM	Basic First Aid	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 4
10 AM - Noon	Backpack Challenge	Mynatt Park
10 AM - Noon	Backpacking Cooking	Mynatt Park
8 AM - 4 PM	Bomb Threat	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 8
8 AM - 4 PM	Bouldering Wall	Convention Ctr. Hall 1
8 AM - 4 PM	Caving Challenge	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
8 AM - 4 PM	Climbing Wall	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
8 AM - 4 PM	Crime Scene	Convention Ctr- Rms. 2/3
8 AM - 4 PM	DUI Traffic Stop	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
10 AM - Noon	Dutch Oven Cooking (youth and old goat)	Mynatt Park
8 AM - 4 PM	Engineering Design	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 9
8 PM - 9 PM	Explorer Roundtable	Convention Ctr - Rms 4/5

8 AM - 4 PM	Escaped Inmate	Twin Creeks Picnic Area (GSM Nat'l Park)
8 AM - 4 PM	Felony Traffic Stop	Catholic Church – Parking Lot
8 AM - 4 PM	Fire Arms	Convention Ctr. Vehicular Drop-off
8 AM - 4 PM	Fire Job Knowledge	Gatlinburg B
8 AM - 4 PM	Flying Squirrel	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
10 AM - 2 PM	Kayaking	Gatlinburg Recreation Ctr
8 AM - 4 PM	Law Enforcement Exam	Gatlinburg Room A
8 AM - 2 PM	Mock Trial	Convention Ctr. - Room 7
8 AM - 4 PM	Pittsburgh Drill	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
8 AM - 4 PM	Prusik Climb	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
8 AM - 4 PM	Rapid Dress	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
8 AM - 4 PM	Rescue Randy	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
8 AM - 4 PM	Rigging Event	Convention Ctr. - Hall 1
8 AM - 4 PM	Room Search	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 5
8 AM - 4 PM	Save Your Skin	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
8 AM - 4 PM	Sea Scout Skills	Mills Auditorium Foyer
8 AM - 4 PM	Suspicious Person	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 6
12 PM - 4 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. 10
8 AM - 4 PM	Unknown Trouble	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 11
8 AM - 4 PM	Urban Orienteering	Start at Information Desk (Lobby)
8 PM - 9 PM	Venturing Roundtable	Convention Ctr - Rms 1-3
Set up at 8:30 AM	Table-top Displays	Convention Ctr. Ballroom
As Scheduled	Volleyball	Gatlinburg Recreation Ctr
8 AM - 4 PM	Warrant Service	Convention Ctr. - Rm. 1
As Scheduled	Water Basketball	Gatlinburg Recreation Ctr

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## DIRECTIONS TO OFF-SITE FACILITIES

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### Ranger Camp 2009

- *An exciting week spent with the US Army Rangers of Camp Frank D. Merrill - July 12 - 17, 2009*
- *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 2009

- *Spend the weekend of August 1 - 2, 2009 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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#### Gatlinburg Recreation Center (865-436-4990)

- From the Convention Center, travel on US-441 north (away from the park; towards Pigeon Forge)
- At traffic light #3, turn right on to US-321 north
- Travel about 4.5 miles; you will enter a school zone
- Turn left on an unmarked road when you see Barnes Construction/TV Repair
- Go up the hill and take your first right
- The Recreation Center is located behind the High School

#### Mynatt Park

- From the Convention Center head "up" Airport Rd/Historic Nature Trail about ½ mile
- Park will be on your right

#### Twin Creeks Picnic Area

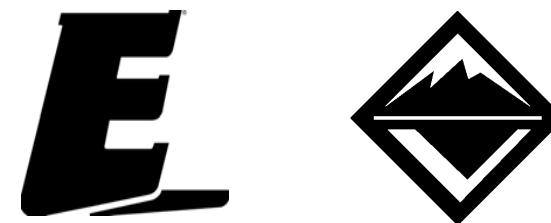
*(Great Smoky Mountains National Park)*

- From stoplight #8, follow Airport Road to 4-way junction at access road to Park Vista Hotel
- Go straight and continue 1.4 miles into the Park
- Turn right at Twin Creeks sign



## POCKET GUIDE

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> - Feb 1<sup>st</sup>



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