

VENTURING RENDEZVOUS 2009



A delicious Venturing potluck!

In September, Venturing Crews from across the San Diego-Imperial Council gathered at the Youth Aquatic Center for their annual Rendezvous. Saturday morning was filled with discussion groups from environmental to ethical issues, classes on cooking and camping, and of course activities like boating and biking all taught and organized by the Venturing youth. A very successful "Intro to Venturing" program was run by Teen Leader Council President MacKenzie Lardie for girls in 8th and 9th grades. The afternoon allowed for the activity nearly universally enjoyed by teens, hanging out on the beach with friends new and old: sailing, kayaking, swimming and, of course, relaxing.

The evening time was filled with a potluck dinner and awards ceremony. Special Guest, Matthew McGroarty, the 2009-2010 National Venturing President and National Youth Cabinet President, joined members of the Teen Leader's Council and the Venturing Committee in recognizing those Venturers who had earned various awards over the past year, culminating in the awarding of the 2009 Council Venturing Leadership Awards for both youth and adults.



This year's youth recipients are Joseph Garcia, R. Blaine Shelton, James Winchell and Annie Wandrey. The adult recipients are Dave Herndon, Stan Miller, and Karl Shelton.

The Teen Leader's Council and the Venturing Committee are both to be congratulated for an excellent event and continued for the third straight year with a special thank you to Melissa Lardie who worked with the Teen Leader's Council as the adult activity chair for



Past & Present VLA Recipients!