

Will Exploring continue to have six experience levels?

- Exploring programs are based on five areas of emphasis: career opportunities, life skills, service learning, character education, and leadership experience.
- *That is a big no! What was wrong with Career, Social, Citizenship, Outdoor, Service, Fitness?*

What about Exploring uniforms?

- Many Explorer posts have already developed their own uniform appropriate to their specialty. They will be encouraged to continue to do so.
- *What about the Explorer Post that wear the spruce green uniforms that were given to the Ventures?*

Will we continue to have national Exploring Conferences?

- We expect to have a very successful Law Enforcement Exploring Conference and Exploring Leadership Conference this year. Although some of our conferences may look somewhat different in the future, national support for high school-age youth will continue to be very high priority.
- *What will happen on the second through nth year?*

Will we continue to have a national Exploring president?

- Youth membership will be represented on the BSA National Executive Board by a Venturing president and the national Order of the Arrow chief.
- *That was a big no! Apparently Exploring will have no representation on the National Executive Board.*

## What Scouting is doing is unfair and WRONG!

James D. Corder

For the first time in my Scouting history [most of my life] I am ashamed of the Boy Scouts of America. I use to have a bumper sticker that read: "America is returning to the values that Scouting never left!" Well, until now.

Every time Boy Scouts of America was sued for their strong beliefs, they won. Unfortunately the liberals have sued the cities and now have made it illegal to support the Scouting movement inside municipal properties because of Scouting's commitment to their religious beliefs. Rather than fighting, or eliminated Law Enforcement and Fire Posts BSA has decided to remove all membership requirements and religious dedications from Exploring. Moreover, they have decided to remove Exploring from Scouting and make it a part of the Learning for Life program.

I believe that a Man must stand on his principals. Therefore, either Explorer Post 369 will become a Venture Unit, or a BP Scouting Unit, or Complete remove itself from Scouting! These decisions will be made in the month of August!

Will we continue to have Exploring Magazine?

- No. The June issue of Exploring magazine will be the last one. Venturing leaders will receive Scouting magazine. Methods of communicating with Exploring leaders and Exploring and Venturing members are still being studied.
- *Will the Explorer Posts be a part of this "study?"*

Will Explorers be able to participate in national high-adventure programs like Philmont, Northern Tier, and Sea Base, as well as national and world jamborees?

- No. Participation in Scouting programs at national high-adventure bases or jamborees is restricted to BSA members. A new Guide to Learning for Life Activities is being developed in support of appropriate outdoor activities for Learning for Life groups and Explorer posts. All current reservations at National High-Adventure bases will be honored.

Will boys be able to earn their Eagle rank in Exploring?

No. They will need to earn their Eagle rank as members of a Boy Scout troop, Sea Scout ship, or Venturing crew. Only boys who have attained first-class rank in a Boy Scout troop may continue toward

Eagle as a Venturer or Sea Scout. Boys currently working on the Eagle rank in Exploring may continue to do so until December 31, 1999.

### Exploring Motto:

Our Best Today for a Better Tomorrow.

- *What happens to the Explorer Code? Does Ventures get it or does Exploring Keep it?*

### The Venturing Oath

As a Venturer, I promise to help strengthen America, to be faithful in my religious duties, to help others, and to seek truth, fairness, and adventures in our world.

- *Do the units get to choose if they become Ventures and keep the values that make their program strong or will they be forced into moving to Learning for Life?*

When Explorer Post 369 becomes Venture Crew 369 who is going to pay to have our 382 page web site converted? 382 pages \* 4 hours a page \* \$10.00 an hour for unskilled labor = \$15,280.00 or 382 pages \* 4 hours a page \* \$125.00 an hour skilled labor = \$191,000.00. Ok, maybe this can be a youth project: 382 pages \* 4 hours a page = 1,528 hours / 2 hours a week = 764 weeks or 14+ years.

## Exploring and Venturing Offer Unit-Serving Executives Unique Opportunities.

*ProSpeak, June 1998*

Recently announced changes in the Exploring program and the introduction of the Venturing program offer unit-serving executives some unique opportunities. For Exploring, it's the challenge of repositioning the program as a workplace-based component of Learning for life. With Venturing, unit-serving executives have the rare chance to participate in the launch of a new program group - the first since Exploring was adopted in 1950. To clarify some of the issues surrounding Exploring and Venturing, *ProSpeak* has compiled answers to some of the most frequently asked questions.

Additional information on Venturing and Exploring will be available at the National Leadership Training Conference in August.

### Venturing Q&A

Why did you choose the name Venturing?

- Around the world, many other Scout associations' teenage programs are called Venturing.
- *Australian Ventures are 14 - 18. Australian Rovers are 18 - 26. What will the age group of the American Ventures be?*

What are the proper names for Venturing members and units?

- Members of the Venturing program are called *Venturers*. Venturing units are called *crews*. Venturing crew adult leaders are called *Advisors*. and the Venturing crew youth leaders is the *crew president*.

Will we continue to have the Venture program in Boy Scout Troops?

- Yes, the Venture program in Boy Scouting has been part of the catalyst for increased Boy Scout retention and membership growth. Venture Scouts

in Boy Scout troops will be members of *Venture patrols*.

Will Venture crews be coed?

- Yes, at the option of the chartered organization. The Venture patrol in Boy Scout troops continues to serve only boys.

What about a Venturing uniform?

- The BSA will offer the traditional spruce-green uniform shirt for Venturers. It is recommended that crews adopt a charcoal gray casual pant and/or backpacking-style shorts for their uniform. However, each crew may determine what, if any, specific uniform pants or shorts they will wear on the basis of crew activities.

- *Who is going to pay to change over all of the Exploring shirts and patches to Venture patches?*

Will Venturing have an advancement program like Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting?

- Yes. Venturing's advancement will be based on achieving proficiency in a variety of skill levels. The awards include the Venturing Bronze, Venturing Gold, Venturing Silver, Venturing Ranger, and Sea Scouting Quartermaster awards.
- *Do Crews have to participate on this advancement? Can they continue their own program?*

How will youth register for Venturing?

- The registration process for venturing will be the same as the process of Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, and Varsity Scouting. Venturers will be registered members of the BSA.

What are the registration fees for Venturing and Exploring?

- Both Venturing and Exploring will retain the same \$7 annual fee. The venturing fee will be a BSA member-

ship fee; the Exploring fee will be a participation fee.

How will membership reports be changed?

- Membership reports will be called membership and Participation Reports." Venturers and crews will be listed with BSA membership; Explorers and posts will be listed as Learning for Life participants.

What will Sea Explorers be called?

- Sea Explorers will become Sea Scouts and will be registered in the venturing program.

### Exploring Q&A

Will Exploring continue to be counted as traditional membership?

- Effective August 1, 1998, Exploring will be part of the Learning for Life, and Explorers will be counted as Learning for Life participants. Venturers will be counted as traditional members. Historical numbers will be provided on a unit-by-unit basis so proper comparisons can be made.

By moving Exploring to Learning for Life, does this mean that Exploring is now an in-school program like Learning for Life groups?

- No. Learning for Life groups are part of a school-based program. Exploring will continue to be workplace-based program.

What are the proper names for Exploring members and units?

- Participants in the Exploring program are called *Explores*. Exploring units are *posts*. The adult leader of an Explorer post is the *Advisor*. And the youth leader of an Explorer Post is the *president*.

Domain	Deff.	Visits	%total
hu	Hungary	8	0.0
ve	Venezuela	5	0.0
cl	Chile	5	0.0
th	Thailand	5	0.0
id	Indonesia	4	0.0
co	Colombia	4	0.0
cr	Costa Rica	4	0.0
gr	Greece	4	0.0
si	Slovenia	4	0.0
do	Dominican Republic	4	0.0
ar	Argentina	3	0.0
at	Austria	3	0.0
is	Iceland	3	0.0
uy	Uruguay	3	0.0
cn	China	3	0.0
cy	Cyprus	2	0.0
sk	Slovak Republic	2	0.0
pk	Pakistan	2	0.0
host	IP Address	2	0.0
ae	United Arab Emirates	2	0.0
tr	Turkey	2	0.0
tt	Trinidad and Tobago	2	0.0
tw	Taiwan	2	0.0
eg	Egypt	2	0.0
arpa	Old style Arpanet	2	0.0
ro	Romania	2	0.0
ke	Kenya	1	0.0
ky	Cayman Islands	1	0.0
int	International	1	0.0
pe	Peru	1	0.0
ph	Philippines	1	0.0
lu	Luxembourg	1	0.0
lv	Latvia	1	0.0
ee	Estonia	1	0.0
mk	Macedonia	1	0.0
bg	Bulgaria	1	0.0
bh	Bahrain	1	0.0
yu	Yugoslavia	1	0.0
na	Namibia	1	0.0
jo	Jordan	1	0



Top 15 Browsers	% of total
Mozilla/2.0 (compatible; NEWT ActiveX; Win32)	8.4
Mozilla/2.0 (compatible; MSIE 3.02; Win32)	7.7
ia_archiver/1.6	4.7
Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 4.01; Windows 95)	4.6
Mozilla/4.04 [en] (Win95; I)	4.4
Mozilla/4.05 [en] (Win95; I)	3.7
Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 4.0; Windows 95)	2.6
Mozilla/4.03 [en] (Win95; I)	2.4
Mozilla/2.0 (compatible; MSIE 3.02; Windows 95)	2.4
Mozilla/2.0 (compatible; MSIE 3.01; Windows 95)	2.3
Mozilla/4.04 [en] (Win95; U)	1.9
Mozilla/3.01Gold (X11; I; SunOS 5.5 sun4c)	1.9
Mozilla/2.0 (compatible; MSIE 3.0; Windows 95)	1.8
Mozilla/2.0 (compatible; MSIE 3.02; Update a; Windows 95)	1.5
Mozilla/3.0 (Win95; I)	1.5

### Hourly Statistics

Avg Hits/Hour	25
Max Hits/Hour	40
Min Hits/Hour	10
Avg Hits/Day	486

Hour	Hits
00:00	24.79
01:00	26.83
02:00	12.54
03:00	16.58
04:00	12.29
05:00	10.56
06:00	10.24
07:00	15.15
08:00	18.54
09:00	23.37
10:00	30.50
11:00	30.69
12:00	32.21
13:00	34.16
14:00	30.12
15:00	35.56
16:00	40.56
17:00	32.42
18:00	32.01
19:00	32.68
20:00	30.10
21:00	28.75
22:00	30.08
23:00	30.68

# WEB 369 STATISTICS

### Browsers

Browser Class	% of total
Netscape Navigator	45.8
Microsoft Internet Explorer	36.0
Other	18.3

Platforms	% of total
Windows 95	51.5
Other	26.7
UNIX	7.1
Windows NT	6.9
Windows 3.1 or lower	4.4
Macintosh	3.3
OS/2	0.0

### Top 15 Visitors, By Hosts

Host Address	Hits	%
leibniz.gregor.com	9885	4.97
www.proxy.aol.com	7595	3.82
joharve4.campus.vt.edu	3951	1.99
rtldial1.mps.ohio-state.edu	3716	1.87
rtldial2.mps.ohio-state.edu	3711	1.87
m4.columbus.rr.com	3533	1.78
scooter.pa-x.dec.com	2930	1.47
dt0b1n10.san.rr.com	2810	1.41
gate1.lci.net	2511	1.26
columbus.rr.com	2053	1.03
uranus.nationwide.com	2006	1.01
rtldial3.mps.ohio-state.edu	1738	0.87
green.alexia.com	1593	0.80
search.tenet.edu	1576	0.79
bertrand.gregor.com	1412	0.71

**A shift in time: An annual commentary on the new economy**

Joe Prinze

As times change so does the economy. This evolution is evident in the change from an agricultural based economy which began more than 200 years ago to the industrialized economy of today. For two centuries industrialization spread products, ideas, and communication through the world. Now is the dawn of a new economy, an economy who's sole commodity is information.

Already companies have been promoting this 'new economy' through the advent of the information super highway. Companies such as Amazon.com and CD Now are taking advantage of the hyped world wide web, and distributing their wares. Amazon.com is a web-based company who sells books throughout the world, and CD Now, also a web-based company, sells CDs through the world wide web. The information super highway is so hot right now that established companies like Egghead Software who sell computer related merchandise, now have sold all their stand alone stores, and have renamed themselves Egghead.com, in order to operate specifically on the internet.

The move to the internet is a big step for a company large or small, but it can be extremely rewarding and fruitful. When a company moves to the internet they have the ability to be reached from across the globe with a click of a mouse. The business can operate 24 hours a day with little expense for operation.

However, this phenomenon poses a problem - the dividing of the economic classes. The consumer must have access to a computer equipped with a connection to the internet. This is a problem for the lower class and for those who do not possess the means of purchasing or operating a computer. This is also a problem for the "mom and pop" stores who are too small to reap the benefits of being an on-line store.

At the risk of making a value judgment about business on the internet, I merely would like to generate food for thought. This is happening in the business world right now, and it is something that will affect us all.

**369's Home Page Statistics, Period from May 1, 1997 to June 14, 1998**

The past 12 months of our page has seen tremendous growth. The front page once again got restructured. We won two web awards: one Scouting related and one Commercial, for a total of three. In the November 1997 issue of the ExpNews we stated that the cost of a professional web page would be between \$100,000.00 and \$1,000,000.00 to develop with between \$1,000.00 and \$6,000.00 a month to maintain. I have found this to hold true with most sites. I am proud of Explorer Post 369 for it is truly of commercial grade and it was all done for free:-)

**Summary**

During this period, there were 68458 accesses and 198899 hits. Each visitor viewed an average of 3.7 pages and downloaded 76.3 kilobytes. Hosts visited Explorer Post 369's Home Page an average of 1.8 times, for a total of 18657 unique visits by 10096 unique hosts.

There were 1.9 visits per hour, and a sustained rate of 20.2 hits per hour. Of these visits, 1145 (6.1%) originated from Ohio State University, and 17512 (93.9%) were from outside networks.

Explorer Post 369's Home Page served 1389.5 megabytes of information during this time period.

**Daily Statistics**

Average Accesses/Day	486	
Maximum Accesses/Day	4829	on day 19970529.
Minimum Accesses/Day	20	on day 19980410.

**Accesses by Domain**

Domain	Def.	Visits	%total
com	US Commercial	7968	42.7
net	Network	3819	20.5
numeric	IP Address	2397	12.8
edu	US Educational	2361	12.7
au	Australia	244	1.3
ca	Canada	227	1.2
us	United States	174	0.9
uk	United Kingdom	173	0.9
org	Non-Profit Organization	162	0.9
gov	US Government	141	0.8
de	Germany	105	0.6
mil	US Military	97	0.5
nl	Netherlands	81	0.4
jp	Japan	64	0.3
se	Sweden	64	0.3
fr	France	49	0.3
sg	Singapore	35	0.2
it	Italy	35	0.2
my	Malaysia	28	0.2
no	Norway	27	0.1
br	Brazil	25	0.1
fi	Finland	24	0.1
pt	Portugal	23	0.1
es	Spain	22	0.1
nz	New Zealand (Aotearoa)	22	0.1
dk	Denmark	21	0.1
be	Belgium	20	0.1
ch	Switzerland	20	0.1
il	Israel	18	0.1
mx	Mexico	16	0.1
pl	Poland	15	0.1
ru	Russian Federation	13	0.1
hk	Hong Kong	12	0.1
ie	Ireland	12	0.1
za	South Africa	10	0.1
cz	Czech Republic	10	0.1
in	India	9	0.0
kr	Korea (South)	8	0.0
hr	Croatia (Hrvatska)	8	0.0

## Post Finances

Explorer Post 369 has **-\$1,608.00**  
Floor Fund Need **\$2,500.00**

Floor Fund On Hand		\$798.00
Flower Sale	\$608.74	
Cost	\$408.81	
Gross Profit	\$199.93	
M, Aaron	\$(12.00)	
Schlegel, Jon	\$(5.00)	
Thorton, Mike	\$(1.00)	
Net Profit	\$181.93	\$181.93
Garage Sale		\$471.64
Donation*		\$700.00
Sub Total		\$2,151.57

Room Fund Needed **\$3,800.00**

## Up-an-Coming Post Expenses

12/01/98 Post Charter **\$30.00**  
12/01/98 Post Insurance **\$85.00**  
Monthly ExpNews **\$75.00**

## Up-an-Coming Member Expenses

Registration 11/01/98 **\$15.00**

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**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

## Our Principals:

- 1) Honor before all else.
- 2) The difference between a winner and a loser is that the winner tried one more time.
- 3) K.I.S.M.I.F.

## Our Creed:

*Exploring: Enthusiasm, Energy, & Excellence.*

## Explorer Post 369:

Explorer Post 369 was chartered on December 31, 1994 to the Reformation Lutheran Church.

Explorer Post 369 specializes in UNIX for Programmers while emphasizing a deep theme of Engineering Computer Information & Science

Membership in Explorer Post 369 is open to young men and women between the ages of 14 [and in high school] and not yet 20. Annual Membership fees are \$15

## Our Web Page:

<http://post369.columbus.oh.us>

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# ExpNews

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## The Death of Exploring:-(

### Calendar of Events:

July 30/ August 2 Fort Knox  
 7/28/78 DJ Gregor  
 8/4/98 Round Table Main Library 7:00 - 9:00  
 8/15/98 Leave this date open  
 8/18/98 First Nighter Planning Session  
 8/25/98 FN Planning Session  
 8/29/98 Next Year's Calendar Planning Meeting  
 9/4/98 FN Letters are Mailed  
 9/8/98 FN Dress Rehearsal  
 9/10/98 2nd FN Letters are mailed  
 9/11/79 Jon Lehman  
**9/15/98 First Nigher**  
 9/22/98 Classes Begin  
 9/26/98 Garage Sale  
 10/6/98 Round Table Main Library 7:00 - 9:00  
 10/24-25/98 Halloween Outing  
 11/1/98 Pop Corn Sale Begins  
 11/10/81 Joe Prinz  
 11/20/98 Pop Corn Sale Ends  
 11/21-22/98 Activity?  
 12/1/98 Deposit are due for National Exploring Conference  
 12/1/98 Round Table Main Library 7:00 - 9:00  
 12/5/98 Pop Corn Pickup  
 12/11/78 Joe Harvey  
 12/14/98 Rechartering Reception  
 12/18/98 Annual Exploring Business Meeting  
 12/18/98 Silver Beaver applications are due  
 12/19-20/98 Explorer Outing  
 12/21/98 Pop Corn Money is due  
 12/22/98 Christmas Pizza Party  
 12/31/98 National Young American Award Deadline  
 1/9/99 Key Leader's Workshop  
 1/15/99 Sky Trip Peak-to-Peak NY \$100.00  
 1/30/99 Pow-Wow  
 3rd Monday @Month EOA Meetings Council Office 7:00 - 9:00

### Fun Raisers

James D. Corder

The Numbers are in Explorer Post 369 made \$181.93 on the Flower Sale. Explorer Post 369 made \$471.64 on the Garage Sale. 369 Spent \$12.10 awards for Recognition dinner!

### Floor Fund

James D. Corder

Explorer Post 369 has \$2,151.57 in their Floor Fund. They need \$348.43 before the committee will allow them to get their building permits:-)

### 369's Garage Sale

James D. Corder

I would like to thank the Whitehall Kiwanas, The Macavinas, The Caranbaws, The Drakes, and The Corders for their generous donations; without whom there wouldn't have been a garage sale. I would also like to give a special round of thanks to Mom & Dad Corder their efforts where most definitely felt and appreciated.

With about two weeks of collecting junk, and I do mean JUNK and one day's effort Explorer Post 369 raised one fifth of their floor fund's needs.

### World Book Encyclopedias

James D. Corder

Explorer Post 369 donated a complete set of World Book Encyclopedias to the Reformation Lutheran Church.

### Web Status, For June

Files	Pages	Subjects
3640	977	exploring
23259	3547	ExpNews
15229	1213	links
60406	5874	post
5435	968	calendar
27042	2030	members
17327	1528	Adults
1682	399	Toadies
3524	506	Youth
7692	823	program
387	202	project
9731	1467	scouting
10447	1780	bible

### The Explorer Code

As an Explorer-

I believe that American's Strength lies in her trust in God and in the courage and strength of her people

I will, therefore, be faithful in my religious duties and will maintain a personal sense of honor in my own life.

I will treasure my American heritage and will do all I can to preserve and enrich it.

I will recognize the dignity and worth of my fellowmen and will use fair play and goodwill in dealing with them.

I will acquire the exploring attitude that seeks the truth in all things and adventure on the frontiers of our changing world.

