



COUNCIL CHECKLIST: WHERE DO YOU STAND?

Should Already Be Done

- Finalized council fee and payment schedule.
- Made individual calls to Scouts who indicated an interest in attending to fill vacancies caused by Scouts needing to drop out. *
- Ordered equipment packages from Supply Division.
- Designed council shoulder insignia.
- Contacted your regional jamboree coordinator in writing regarding hosting international Scouts.
- Established a PAS event for the jamboree (council registrar). (See [August 2004 Bulletin](#).)

In Progress

- Check and finalize all tour plans by January 31, 2005.
- Collect all final fees from participants.
- Pay third and final jamboree fee due February 1, 2005.
- Gather information for kosher menu requests due by February 15, 2005.
- Promote participation in the Arts and Science contest.
- Promote the Hometown News correspondents opportunity.
- Earn the 2005 National Scout Jamboree Emergency Preparedness Award by July 1, 2005.
- Hold monthly committee meetings.
- Schedule the troop junior leader training for early 2005.
- Schedule the troop prejamboree training campout for late May 2005.
- Order jamboree troop flags from Supply Division by May 1, 2005.
- Distribute medical forms, which are due back to the jamboree medical officer by May 1, 2005.
- Return Travel Advisory Information form for council contingents no later than January 31, 2005, to Jamboree Transportation Services, S402.

Next 30 Days

- Order council shoulder insignia.
- Order custom unit numeral.

* The 2005 National Scout Jamboree is sold out; ongoing council promotion is only to fill existing council troops.

JAMBOREE SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE FOR A HANDICAPPED SCOUT

Michael Mayne Scouting for the Handicapped Memorial Fund, a scholarship for a handicapped Scout to attend the 2005 jamboree, is now online.

A Scout must meet all of the criteria to qualify for this scholarship. Applications must be submitted to the Jamboree Division by December 31, 2004. Decisions will be made by January 15. The application is available on the [jamboree forms page](#)

2005 STAFF NAMEPLATES NOW AVAILABLE--ADDRESS CORRECTION

The 2005 Jamboree Staff Nameplate Order Form (70-061A) INCORRECTLY states that orders should be sent to Boy Scouts of America, P.O. Box 909, Pineville, NC 28134-0909.

Orders for staff nameplates should be sent instead to Boy Scouts of America, National Distribution Center, P.O. Box 7143, Charlotte, NC 28241-7143.

Supply Division has requested that the postal service in Pineville forward orders to the correct address. Hopefully, there will not be a disruption in order placement.

Only the order form for staff nameplates is affected by the error. The information is listed correctly on the Participant Nameplate Order Form.

HOMETOWN NEWS--TROOP CORRESPONDENTS SOUGHT

The jamboree's Hometown News operation is an opportunity for Scouts to personally be involved with a "real-time" media experience.

Scouts will have the chance to write news stories about their 2005 jamboree experiences at the Hometown News media center on PC laptops. There they will work with professionals in developing their stories.

Stories for newspapers, radio, and/or television will be transmitted or sent directly from the Hometown News media center to a local news organization back home.

Applications, as well as a two-page fact sheet, for jamboree Hometown News correspondents are now available online - <http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/special/67-163/index.html>.

Hometown News correspondents will have special media credentials and will have the chance to attend press conferences and interview celebrities and VIPs at the Hometown News tent. They will also be eligible to use a bicycle after their first story is transmitted. Special patches and pins can also be earned.

Correspondents are required to establish a working relationship with a local news organization, getting permission to send stories to them straight from the jamboree site. Adult Scouter support is suggested to assist the correspondent in contacting the editor of his local news outlet to help establish this relationship.

Once a Scout has established his Hometown News organization contact, the jamboree Scoutmaster must approve the application, which can then be mailed to the national office.

To provide better jamboree news coverage for their local council, a jamboree troop is encouraged to have more than one Hometown News correspondent.

For more information, contact David or Mary Fisher by e-mail: mfisher@arkwest.com.

PATROL PICNIC TABLES

There are several ways to obtain a patrol picnic table in the Virginia area. One source is www.troop21.com/table.html.

Picnic tables are not furnished by the national Scout jamboree nor are they a part of the patrol or troop package from the national Supply Division. Council contingents must bring tables and then remove them from the site at the conclusion of the jamboree. Directions to build your own picnic tables are in the **Troop Leader Guide** appendix. <http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/guidebooks/67-155/index.html>

JAMBOREE COUNCIL CONTINGENT--TROOP ARRIVALS

Entering Fort A.P. Hill on Monday, July 25, 2005

The opening day of the jamboree is simply incredible. In one short day, 35,000 Scouts and Scouters arrive and set up camp, making it the fastest growing city in Virginia! Logistically, the day is well-orchestrated but requires every council contingent to follow certain procedures.

In planning for the 2005 National Scout Jamboree, the military task force commander and garrison commander have stated that the jamboree will take place in a safe and secure environment.

Due to increased security precautions at all U.S. military installations, entry to Fort A.P. Hill on arrival day will be highly regulated at all entrances, compared to previous jamborees.

During the first quarter of 2005, council Scout executives will receive specific information from the military and Jamboree Division on opening day procedures for council contingent buses and troop equipment trucks and trailers for entrance to Fort A.P. Hill.

Councils will be receiving the Travel Advisory Information form by the end of December for council contingents (troops). It must be completed and returned no later than January 31, 2005, to Jamboree Transportation Services, S402.

We expect all council contingents will understand the need for these security precautions, since a part of the jamboree mission statement pledges to provide a secure setting for our Scouts, leaders, staff, and visitors.

Buses bringing the Scouts and leaders and their equipment vehicles must arrive together at Fort A.P. Hill. Arrival times will be between the hours of 6 A.M. to 4 P.M., and contingents must be set up in their campsites no later than 5 P.M. To facilitate this, council contingents/troops need to rendezvous with their equipment vehicle at least seven miles away from the fort. This simple step is not optional; it is a security requirement. Everyone on the bus will be required to have a photo ID, and drivers must have a valid driver's license.

Contingent vans, buses, and equipment trucks will be allowed to enter the base between the hours of 6 A.M. and 4 P.M. on July 25, 2005.

With your cooperation, opening day will run smoothly. Your Scouts will be able to set up camp and quickly swing into program activities. On the closing day of the jamboree, you may plan your departure starting no earlier than 5:30 A.M. and before 11 A.M. on Wednesday, August 3, 2005.

VISITING SCOUTING UNITS

Troops, crews, teams, and packs planning to visit the 2005 National Scout Jamboree are welcome. The jamboree is Scouting's showcase, and visitors are encouraged to stop by for a day of excitement. Please remember the jamboree is first and foremost for the Scouts attending full time with their council contingents. Units arriving on tour buses will be dropped off and picked up in the public parking area at the heart of the jamboree. The tour buses will then be relocated to a remote holding area and will not be accessible to the unit during their visit.

Visitors may view all areas of the jamboree and may participate in the exhibit area, attend the daily stage show and arena shows, and purchase items at the trading posts. A full day of adventure is possible! When your unit comes to the jamboree, we do have a few requests:

- Plan your visit to be between Tuesday, July 26, and Tuesday, August 2, 2005, between the hours of 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. (except on the arena shows evenings of July 27 and July 31, when the opening is noon and the closing is 11 P.M.).
- Plan to visit only one day.
- Scout troops and visiting Scouting groups are not to stay at Quantico Marine Corps Base, Dahlgren Naval Surface Warfare Center, or other military bases within a 50-mile radius of the jamboree.
- All adults must have photo identification.
- All youth not accompanied by their parents should have photo identification. A school ID is acceptable.
- All drivers must have valid driver's license.
- Vehicles are subject to search.
- Bring great walking shoes. Bicycles, scooters, etc. are not allowed at the jamboree.
- Food and beverages are available at the three trading post areas.

JAMBOREE YOUTH PROTECTION POLICIES

Completion of the BSA's Youth Protection Training for Volunteer Leaders is required of each jamboree adult member. You are responsible for taking this training in your local council before coming to the jamboree. In most councils, it may be taken through the Internet. This training helps prepare you to fulfill the Youth Protection responsibilities of your jamboree position. It contains information to enable you to identify and report suspected child abuse. It also sets forth in detail the BSA's Youth Protection policies.

All youth are required to complete personal protection training, view the video *A Time to Tell*, and review the material in the Youth Protection Meeting Guide (see appendix Z in the **Troop Leader Guide** [<http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/guidebooks/67-155>]) before attending the jamboree. The guide describes situations in which sexual abuse could occur and emphasizes the "three R's"--Recognize, Resist, and Report--of Youth Protection.

At the jamboree you must report all cases of suspected abuse to your subcamp director. The BSA Youth Protection training you receive will provide information about signs that could indicate the abuse of children. If you observe these signs, you must make a report.

As a jamboree troop leader, you may be told by participants about abuse that happened to them. It is your responsibility to believe any boy or girl who tells you of sexual molestation or abuse of any kind. They will tell you this only if they feel they have your trust, and you must respect that trust. To comply

with the BSA Youth Protection policies, you must report any disclosures of abuse to your subcamp director. The subcamp director will follow up with the individual and with the appropriate child protection agencies to ensure the safety of the victim.

The sample form, appendix X in the **Troop Leader Guide** [<http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/guidebooks/67-155>], contains the information necessary to report suspected child abuse. If you need to make a report of suspected child abuse, try to provide as much information as possible. If the form is not available, write down the information on a sheet of paper. Your subcamp director needs to receive these written reports from you shortly after you tell them of your suspicions.

Child abuse is against the law. The Boy Scouts of America does not tolerate any form of child abuse.

FEBRUARY PAYMENT

Just a reminder, the third and final payment of \$245 per person or \$9,800 per troop is due on or before February 1, 2005. After February 1, 2005, the payment will be \$275 per participant or \$11,000 per troop.