



COUNCIL CHECKLIST: WHERE DO YOU STAND?

- Returned kosher menu requests by February 15, 2005. (See [October 2004 Bulletin](#).)
- Paid third and final jamboree fee by February 1, 2005.
- Collected all final fees from participants.
- 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.
- Contacted your regional jamboree coordinator in writing regarding hosting international Scouts.
- Ordered council shoulder insignia.
- Ordered custom unit numeral.
- Conducted the troop junior leader training in early 2005.
- Finalized and cross-checked all tour plans by January 31, 2005.
- Established a PAS event for the jamboree (council registrar). (See [August 2004 Bulletin](#).)
- Returned Troop Transportation Advisory form for arrival at Fort A.P. Hill to Jamboree Transportation Services, S420, no later than January 31, 2005.

In Progress

- 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 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, for final approval. Original forms must be mailed (in bulk) to:
Boy Scouts of America
Jamboree Medical Officer, S212
325 West Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079
- Return Staff Transportation Advisory form for arrival at Fort A.P. Hill to Jamboree Transportation Services, S203, no later than March 31, 2005.

Next 30 Days

- Plan a distinctive gateway for your troop site(s)

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

KEEPING YOUR JAMBOREE TROOPS FULL

Councils should take the following action if a registered troop participant withdraws:

- Replace the participant with an applicant from your waiting list.
- Recruit a new replacement.
- Contact nearby councils that may have applicants on a waiting list.
- Contact your regional jamboree coordinator for suggestions of any council in the region that may have a waiting list.

RECRUITING STANDBYS

So your council contingent is full. You think it is time to shut the recruitment door? Not so, say the most successful councils. The continued recruitment of standby Scouts is indispensable for covering the unexpected drop that might occur in the last 90 days.

Councils with full contingents are urged to continue promotion and recruitment. Every Scout who signs up as a standby may also be able to attend the jamboree with a contingent that is not quite complete. Don't turn any Scouts down.

2005 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE STAFF OPPORTUNITIES

Jamboree staff positions are still available, but the spots are limited. Applicants should be flexible and open-minded when offered the opportunity to serve on staff. Positions are still available in **Security/Parking** and **regional action centers**. In addition, the **Arena Shows'** experienced video crew is looking for adult editors and a cameraman. Please complete the staff application form (available [online](#)) and send it to your local council.

FOOD ALLERGIES AND THE JAMBOREE

A few requests have come to the Jamboree Division that special accommodations be made for individuals with food allergies. Our position has been clearly communicated in the *Troop Leader Guide* and *Jamboree Staff Guide*, both of which are available on our Web site. We want to welcome all Scouts, but due to the complexity of the jamboree, we must ask Scouts to take steps to ensure their own safety related to food allergies. Although menus are essentially set, the product/packager/processor have not been finalized. This prevents us from being able to provide detailed information in advance. Plus, substitutions are always a possibility while at the jamboree. For more information, please visit our Web site and review the jamboree *Troop Leader Guide* and *Jamboree Staff Guide*.

Scouts and leaders need to "Be Prepared" to read labels and substitute food they have brought from home when there is a potential conflict.

STAFF AND PARTICIPANT NAMEPLATE ORDERS DUE NOW

It is time to order staff and participant nameplates for the jamboree. Please note that orders for staff nameplates should be sent to Boy Scouts of America, National Distribution Center, P.O. Box 7143, Charlotte, NC 28241-7143. The address on Staff Nameplate Order Form 70-061A is incorrect. Here is a link to the [correct Staff Nameplate Order Form 70-061B](#).

2005 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE OFFICIAL CATALOG

Take advantage of easy and convenient online ordering at www.jamboreestuff.org. All registered jamboree participants and staff members can order jamboree merchandise online using their user ID and password.

If you do not receive a user ID and password, or if the user ID or password you received won't allow you to log in, contact the National Distribution Center at 800-323-0732 for assistance.

Please keep in mind any changes to addresses must be made by the participant's local council, and online orders are only shipped to that address.

All orders must be placed between February 3 and June 17, 2005.

SPECIAL GUESTS RECEPTION

As your council makes plans to participate in the 2005 National Scout Jamboree, you may want to consider planning a visit by your executive board, key contributors, and prospects. Numerous councils have visited past jamborees and have experienced positive results.

The scheduled guests reception group can provide transportation to and from area airports for council groups and help arrange for meals and tours while at the jamboree site. New meal options are in the works for this year, and we will provide details as they are finalized. Your group will want to stop by the Scouting history area near the main parking lot.

Please contact Mark Moshier at 972-580-2208 or mmoshier@netbsa.org to begin planning your participation, or use the [Special Guests Reception Form](#). We will have a Web site available soon to help support your visit.

All members of national endowment recognition programs will receive an invitation from the Chief Scout Executive to visit the jamboree. These invitations will be mailed in March 2005. To ensure that your donors receive these invitations, please make sure that your ScoutNET records are accurate.

Don't let another five years go by! The national Scout jamboree is a showcase event for Scouting. A visit to this event will galvanize support for Scouting and your council.

<http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/special/67-163/index.html>

HOMETOWN NEWS HOT BUTTON

Need Hometown News correspondent information? We now have a hot button on the jamboree Web site that you can click on for Hometown News information. [Check it out.](#)



EARN YOUR AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE AT THE JAMBOREE

Scouts, Leaders, and Staff Members - Here's your opportunity to join a diverse group of people in the friendly, high-tech hobby of amateur (ham) radio. Your age, gender, and physical ability are not limitations to passing the entry-level exam and earning your amateur radio license. Not only is it a fun hobby, but you will also make friends worldwide. As a ham, you will communicate with other hams by voice, Morse code, and computer. During emergencies when regular communications systems fail, you will roll into action handling messages for police and other public service organizations.

The license group of amateur radio station K2BSA is teaching no-code technician license classes during the jamboree. The class is using the ARRL book *Now You're Talking!* and W8BBS's *Amateur Radio No-Code Technician License Examination Study Guide and Workbook*. The license group and the no-code class are located adjacent to the Radio merit badge classes on the Merit Badge Midway. The license class is taught daily.

Exams for all amateur radio elements will be given during the jamboree. Remember to bring your photo ID. If you are upgrading an existing license, bring a copy of your current license and CSCE (if applicable). The exam cost is \$14 per exam session.

The Web link for the license group is <http://home.comcast.net/~nsj2005ham/wsb/html/view.cgi-home.html-.html>.

The Web link for K2BSA is www.bpmlegal.com/k2bsa.html.

The Web link for the ARRL book is www.arrl.org/catalog/lm/.

The Web link for W8BBS's guide and workbook is www.geocities.com/w8bbs/.

For the current location and schedule of both the classes and exams, check the first two Web links above and with the staff at the K2BSA station during the jamboree. Start studying today by downloading W8BBS's guide and workbook. If you have questions, you can e-mail them to nsj2005ham@comcast.net.

ENTER THE JAMBOREE ARTS AND SCIENCE CONTEST

Attention all budding writers, artists, and scientists attending the 2005 National Scout Jamboree. Show your stuff at the Arts and Science Expo. Special recognitions and grand prizes—512 MB iPod Shuffle digital audio players—will be given to the top arts and science categories winners. Adult experts such as NASA rocket scientists will award prizes for Scout creations in the following:

- Photography
- Painting/drawing/printmaking
- Sculpture
- Computer graphics
- Literature (poetry, short stories, essays)
- Crafts
- Neckerchief slides
- Science

Find complete contest details, including an entry form, at <http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/guidebooks/67-155/pdf/expo.pdf>. Scouts may enter as often as they want: each entry must have an entry form. The deadline is May 31, 2005. Send entry forms to:

Boy Scouts of America
Stephen Hernandez, S314
1325 West Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

Note: Literature projects must be mailed in by the May 31 deadline. Bring all other projects to the Arts and Science Expo on the first day of the jamboree.

ATTENTION: JAMBOREE CONTINGENTS!!!



James Madison's
MONTPELIER

On your way to Fort A. P. Hill this summer, visit and camp at Montpelier, the home of James Madison, welcomes jamboree-bound Scouts for tours and overnight camping as part of their visit to Virginia. Montpelier is located in the beautiful rolling hills of the Virginia high piedmont, just 45 miles from Fort A.P. Hill and 90 miles south of Washington, D.C. It is a perfect place to visit on your way to the national jamboree this summer.

Scouts, leaders, and their families will be offered a discounted admission rate from July 20 to August 7. Scout groups can also camp overnight at Montpelier for a modest fee (which includes admission). Call 540-672-2728, ext. 401, or e-mail education@montpelier.org with questions or for reservations.

Montpelier was home to three generations of Madisons--from 1723, when President Madison's grandfather was first deeded the land, to 1844, when Dolley sold the estate. The lifelong home of James Madison, our fourth president and father of the Constitution, Montpelier is currently undergoing one of the most significant architectural restorations in American history. Scouts will be able to tour the restoration, seeing the work in progress, and gain an understanding of period construction crafts, like brick making, blacksmithing, and carpentry, through hands-on activities and displays. Other features include the Madison and slave cemeteries, archaeological excavations, and a hiking trail into the 200-acre James Madison Landmark Forest, one of the best preserved old-growth forests in the Southeast. Scouts can also experience the newly opened walking trail through the Confederate Army's winter encampment of 1863-64, experience a recently restored freedman's home of the 1870s, and learn from exhibits on the U.S. Constitution and the Madisons' furniture and lifestyle.

Montpelier consists of 2,750 acres of gardens, forests, fields, and an expansive view of the Blue Ridge Mountains. It has expansive fields for camping (water will be supplied), and room for walks and hikes.

Scouts will also be able to complete the James Madison Historic Scout Trail and earn a distinctive Montpelier patch. Geared towards conservation and education, the trail takes approximately two hours to complete and winds through all Montpelier's rich histories. By hunting for answers to questions in their guide booklet, Scouts will experience the 1730s Mount Pleasant archaeological site, the

Montpelier mansion itself, and the 200-acre old-growth forest. A Scout group can also earn the Montpelier patch by organizing a wreath-laying ceremony at President Madison's grave. Scouts should be prepared to perform the ceremony in full dress uniform with their American flag and troop colors. Or, if you have more time to spend, participate in a conservation project either on Montpelier's formal grounds or in the old- growth forest. Any of these three activities will earn Scouts a Montpelier patch.

For more information on James Madison and Montpelier, check out www.montpelier.org.

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