## INTERNATIONAL ADVENTURE

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## upcoming EVENTS

## **2016** June 13–18, Week 2 International Representative Conference, Philmont Training Center

**July 20–28** International Finnjamboree, Roihu, Finland

July 30–Aug. 6 Essex International Jamboree, UK

Aug. 3–9 <u>14th Korea National Jamboree,</u> <u>Nakdonggang Riverside, Dalseong-gun,</u> <u>Daegu-city, Korea</u>

**Oct. 15–16** <u>Jamboree-on-the-Air</u> and <u>Jamboree-on-the-Internet</u>

Dec. 27–Jan. 2 Interamerican Jamboree and Interamerican Scout Camporee, Guayaquil, Ecuador

2017 July 19–28 2017 BSA National Scout Jamboree, Summit Bechtel Reserve

July 22–30 Jamboree 2017, Sønderborg, Denmark

July 25–Aug. 2 World Scout Moot, Iceland

**Oct. 21–22** <u>Jamboree-on-the-Air</u> and <u>Jamboree-on-the-Internet</u>

## 2016 INTERNATIONAL SCOUTING CONFERENCE

There are still openings in our biennial conference for anyone interested in international Scouting! Please register soon at <u>www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc</u> to secure your spot at the 2016 conference.

Local council International Representatives (IRs) will gain tools to enhance their council's international Scouting experience. This session will motivate IRs with information about the following: the council international committee structure, international tours and exchanges, world Scout jamborees, the World Friendship Fund, Messengers of Peace, and international camp staff programs. Your IR toolbox will be full of new information and techniques to bring home to your packs, troops, teams, ships, and crews.

If your IR cannot attend this year's conference, with his or her approval, a representative from your council may attend in that person's place. Questions about who can attend and how to confirm "representative IR" registration approval may be sent to <u>international@scouting.org.</u>

## WORLD FRIENDSHIP FUND

#### Where do contributions go?

Collected contributions are used to assist developing National Scout Organizations (NSOs) around the world.

Any NSO that is recognized by the World Organization of the Scouting Movement (WSOM) can submit a grant request for projects to enhance their growing organization. Every February, May, and October



the United States Fund for International Scouting Committee (USFIS), appointed by the National International Committee, reviews these grant requests. The approved grants receive the funds requested and must validate the appropriation of these funds toward their proposed enhancement projects.

In 2015 the United States Fund for International Scouting Committee approved the following grants:

- Guatemala Scout Association's request for assistance in hosting the 2015 Interamerican Leadership Training
- Scout Association of Mongolia's Safe Scouting project providing a shower, modern toilet facilities, and clean water for hand washing at their National Scout Camp
- Scout Association of Dominica's Scout Den construction to be used for troop meetings, council meetings, and training camp
- The construction of the Bhutan Scout Association's National Scout Center

Do you know how to get World Friendship Fund brochures, coffee can labels, or posters for your next collection? Well, let us tell you! Contact your local council, and ask them to order the items from the National Distribution Center via bin inventory. You will need these item numbers:

> Brochure, No. 130-159 Label, No. 22620 Poster, No. 22609

We also can accept World Friendship Fund donations online! To donate online or to download the brochure, **please visit** <u>www.scouting.org/international/worldsupport.</u>



## EUROPEAN SCOUT VOLUNTARY PROGRAM

### **Application for European Camp Staff Program Changes**

The BSA developed the European Camp Staff Program to further screen applicants for the European Region's European Scout Voluntary Program. As the digital age has progressed, it has become much easier to apply to the European centers directly. Therefore, to make participation less cumbersome for the prospective applicants and the European Region, the BSA will no longer implement the European Camp Staff Program application process. All applicants will apply directly to the European Region's European Scout Voluntary Program. For more information, please visit www.scouting.org/International/ecamp.aspx or http://rovernet.eu/site/esvp-map/.

#### **Spotlight on the UK Scout Activity Centres**

We're looking for volunteers from all over the world who want to have fun, make friends, and get qualified. Each year, we recruit up to 100 volunteers, from more than 30 countries, to help run our activity centres across the UK.



What Will You Be Doing? Our volunteers help with all aspects of running our centres, so no two days will be the same! For example, volunteers may be lead a kayaking session, check in guests, clean lodges and toilets, or possibly run a wide game for 50 Scouts. They'll be responsible for helping our visitors have a quality experience at Scout Activity Centres.

What Is Included? In return for our volunteers' hard work, we provide all food, accommodations, and uniforms for the duration of placement. All volunteers also receive a weekly allowance to cover out-of-pocket expenses. They'll receive comprehensive

training and experience across a wide range of areas, plus the opportunity to attend accredited courses and gain recognized qualifications.

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### Available placement dates for next year are as follows:

Intake Name	Placement Dates
January 2016—Youlbury only	10 months: 18 January– 28 October
March 2016	8 months: 29 February– 28 October
	12 months: 29 February– 24 February 2017
June 2016	5 months: 30 May– 28 October
July 2016—Gilwell Park only	2 months: 15 July– 16 September
September 2016	8 months: 29 August– 28 April 2017
	12 months: 29 August– 24 August 2017

Interested Scouts can visit <u>www.scouts.org.uk/sac</u>, or contact us directly via email

(volunteering.sac@scouts.org.uk),

phone (0208 498 5301) or Facebook (/SACvolunteers).

PERSONAL EXPERIENCE



From Andrew Knott, a Scouter in the Heart of America Council:

"My time at Gilwell Park [in England] was definitely one of the most influential years of my life. I was able to live with 30 or so other people my age from all over the world. I had roommates and coworkers from Mexico, Ecuador, Australia, Germany, New Zealand, Korea, Ghana, and many other countries. We lived together, worked together, played together, and traveled together. I will never forget the experiences I gained from seeing all the different cultures mesh together. I still keep in touch with friends from Gilwell even four years later.

"The work we did for Gilwell was great as well. It was lots of fun, but it also developed really important skills that I use today. We learned about public speaking, presentation skills, time management, teamwork, customer service, safety enforcement, and first aid. Those skills are very applicable in school and future careers.

"Overall, my time spent at Gilwell was excellent, and I would highly recommend it to anyone who is able to go. It is truly an incredible opportunity. Free room and board, just a 20-minute train ride from central London, and the chance to travel all over Europe. Not very many people can say they moved to a different country by themselves at the age of 19. It is definitely worth taking a year off to go while you are young and able to. School, work, family, and friends will all be there when you get back."



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## SMILING AT THE WINTER BEAUTY OF KANDERSTEG

"As a Pinkie this winter season life has had its ups and downs, but nothing has been like the continued busy program schedule of ski week. This week I have had the opportunity to lead several Gemmi Hike 'n' Sleds, perhaps my favorite activity of the winter season. Sledding down from Gemmi pass, Daubensee, or Schwarenbach just alone can make anyone smile while having fun in this winter wonderland of Switzerland. Waking up every morning to the beauty of the snow-covered alps of Kandersteg makes me reflect upon the reasons why I came to Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC) as a short-termer this season. This is my first winter season coming to KISC, which makes it super special for me. Summer may have the highest influx of guests. However, nothing compares to the unique winter atmosphere at KISC during Christmas, New Year's, and February Ski Week.

"Even though the days this week are filled with strenuous work schedules, and tiresome duty calls, one can still have the time to smile and work to ensure that all guests have a remarkable time at KISC. I enjoy sharing with the guests all the unique facts about the village, mountains, valleys, and huts while hiking though this grand winter wonderland. It makes me smile even more knowing that the guests are having fun and learning. It was my own guest experience during summers of 2013 and 2014 that made me interested in becoming a Pinkie. If I can share with others my enthusiasm about this magical beautiful snowy place of Kandersteg, maybe I will inspire a guest this Winter Season to becoming a future Pinkie."

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## COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL EVENT GUIDELINE

If your council is planning to host international Scouts as participants at a local council event, the International Department will work with your event registrar to verify that contingent leaders and International Service Team (IST/staff) members are registered and approved by their own WOSM Scout association to attend your event.

ADVENTURE

This may seem like an unnecessary step in your event planning, but it can be crucial to your event's success. At a previous large-council event, only 85 percent of the contingent leaders and 78 percent of the IST that applied were approved by their Scout association. Contact the International Department to verify the registration and approval of your international Scouts.

## INTERNATIONAL SPIRIT AWARD UPDATE

The International Spirit Award is a temporary emblem that is awarded to registered Scouts and Scouters who have completed the necessary requirements, have gained a greater knowledge of international Scouting, and have a greater appreciation and awareness of different cultures and countries.



The International Spirit Award application has been updated. Effective September 1, 2015, the new application must be used as there have been changes to the requirements. International Spirit Award emblems are \$4 each and are purchased from the International Department.

Did you attend the 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan? If so, you've completed one of the experience requirements! Please visit <u>www.scouting.org/</u> <u>international/applications</u> to see the requirements and apply for this award.

## 23rd WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE MEMORIAL PACKAGE



Beautiful memories of the days in Kirara-hama, Japan, have been packed into a photo book and DVD! The DVD includes photos and videos from throughout the camp, footage from the arena events, digitalized archives of the jamboree newspaper, pre-event posters, and more. Orders can be placed at <u>www.23wsj.jp/</u> memorialpackage.html.

## **UPCOMING JAMBOREES**

#### NATIONAL

Registration for the 2017 National Scout Jamboree has begun. We hope that many BSA members as well as international Scouts will register for the event and apply for positions on the



contingent support and exhibit staffs. Invitations will be sent to other national Scout organizations soon.

#### WORLD

The first promotion for the 2019 WSJ was rolled out in Japan. This event will be held July 22–August 2, 2019, at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. Join cohosts the BSA, Scouts Canada, and Asociación de Scouts de México, as we "Unlock a New World."

To learn more about the 2019 WSJ as information becomes available, join our distribution list at <u>2019wsj.org</u>. If you are a Facebook user, you can also like the Facebook page at 24th World Scout Jamboree–North America 2019.



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## INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES



The following councils do not have an International Representative (IR) on file with our department. If your council is listed below, please nominate an IR to represent your council and help share all the wonderful international opportunities that are available! To find out who your IR is, visit <u>http://www.scouting.org/International/</u> <u>InternationalRepresentative.aspx</u>.

#### **CENTRAL REGION**

Twin Valley Council, #283 Gamehaven Council, #299 W.D. Boyce Council, #138 Greater Cleveland Council, #440 Muskingum Valley Council, #467 Mid-Iowa Council, #177 Pony Express Council, #311 Sagamore Council, #162 Glacier's Edge Council, #620 Blackhawk Area Council, #660

### SOUTHERN REGION

Calcasieu Area Council, #209 Northwest Texas Council, #587 Colonial Virginia Council, #595 South Texas Council, #577 Pee Dee Area Council, #552

### NORTHEAST REGION

Nashua Valley Council, #230 Five Rivers Council, #375 Moraine Trails Council, #500 Bucktail Council, #509 Laurel Highlands Council, #527

### WESTERN REGION

Redwood Empire Council, #41 Great Southwest Council, #412

## SCOUTING OUTSIDE OF THE U.S.

### **CHANGES IN SUPPORT SERVICE**

If you are moving or live outside of the United States, you can continue to be a member of the Boy Scouts of America. The World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), of which the BSA is a member, is divided into six regions: Africa, Arab, Asia-Pacific, Eurasia, Europe, and Interamerican (North, Central, and South America and the Caribbean).

### CONTACT INFORMATION FOR SCOUTING OUTSIDE THE U.S.

Far East Council (Asia-Pacific Region) Phone—within Japan: 098-970-2400; international: +81-98-970-2400 Address—Far East Council BSA, Unit 35049, FPO AP 96373-5049 Web—www.fareastcouncil.org; www.fareastcouncil.org/about/service-centers

### **Transatlantic Council**

(Africa, Arab, Eurasia, and Europe Regions)

Phone - CIV: +39-050-54-7795; mobile: +39-346-319-5814

Address – Transatlantic Council BSA, Unit 31301, Box 25, APO AE 09613

Web/email-www.tac-bsa.org; vince.cozzone@scouting.org

### **Direct Service Scouting**

Phone - 972-580-2489

Address – Member Care and Shared Services Department, 1325 W. Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, TX 75038

Email - directservicescouting@scouting.org

## WHAT IS WOSM?

"World Scouting," or the Scout movement at the global level, is governed by the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM).

WOSM is an independent, non-political, non-governmental organization that is made up of 161 National Scout Organizations (NSOs). These NSOs are located in 223 countries and territories around the world. With more than 40 million members in 1 million local community Scout groups, WOSM is one of the largest youth movements in the world.

The BSA became an approved and recognized NSO of WOSM in 1922.

## JAMCAM 2017 IN ECUADOR

## 15TH INTERAMERICAN JAMBOREE AND 2ND INTERAMERICAN SCOUT CAMPOREE



December 27, 2016–January 2, 2017 Park "Los Samanes" in the city of Guayaquil, Ecuador

With more than 160 member organizations within the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), there are many international Scouting events each year. These events provide a great opportunity for our BSA members to

- Connect with the world
- Learn about other countries, people, and cultures through Scouting activities
- Make new friendships as part of their Scouting adventure

In the past, the International Department has performed the coordination and planning of BSA contingents to some of these events. For the most part, these contingents were very similar to your own units' planning and participation for adventures.

BSA Scouts will be attending the 15th Interamerican Jamboree and 2nd Interamerican Scout Camporee. However, the BSA

International Department will not be hosting a national contingent to this event. You can self-register your unit online at www.scoutsecuador.org/jamcamecuador.

#### **Things to Note**

• Councils are to attend as their own contingent.

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- Every participant must complete a registration in the <u>JamCam Registration System</u>, entering all the data requested.
- All BSA membership verification requests will be made directly to the BSA International Department from the JamCam host, Asociación de Scouts del Ecuador.

#### How to Pay

Payments can be made by a council contingent or by individual participants. All payments must be made via international bank transfer using the following information:

## **JAMCAM ECUADOR 2017**

#### **Ecuador Transfers and Deposits**

• Beneficiary: Asociación de Scouts del Ecuador, Banco Pichincha C.A.; current account # 3359501304

#### **For International Transfers**

- Intermediary bank: Citibank N.A., 111 Wall Street, 6th Floor, New York, USA; ABA: 021000089; Swift Code: CITIUS33
- Beneficiary bank: Banco Pichincha C.A.; account # 10923802; Swift Code: PPICHECEQ
- Beneficiary: Asociación de Scouts del Ecuador, Account # 3359501304
- Beneficiary address: América N35-101 y Mañosca Quito-Ecuador

Each participant must log back into the JamCam registration system using their username and password (created during online registration) and upload their payment confirmation document or email the confirmation to jamcamecuador@scoutsecuador.org.

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## INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT

In order to identify who you need to speak to regarding specific programs, see the overview of the department responsibilities below.



## Robynn Watson

(<u>Robynn.Watson@scouting.org</u>, 972-580-2403)

- Donations to foundations: World Scout Foundation, Interamerican Scout Foundation, European Scout Foundation, Kandersteg International Scout Center, Gilwell Park Foundation
- Administrative support for the International Department
- World Friendship Fund donation processing
- Visits to the BSA office and coordination with other departments for national Scouting organizations
- BSA Contingent
  Support—Administration
- 2016 IR Conference Support



#### Desiree LaPointe (Desiree.LaPointe@scouting.org, 972-580-2368)

- 2016 Interamerican Region Conference support
- 2017 NSJ Registration
- International Spirit Award
- International Letter of Introduction
- International Camp Staff Program support
- Verification of participants and staff from other national Scouting organizations attending BSA events
- Verification of BSA participants and staff attending events outside the U.S.
- BSA Contingent Support—Registration



## Lisa Cristiano

## (Lisa.Cristiano@scouting.org, 972-580-2405)

- Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA)/ Jamboree-on-the-Internet (JOTI)
- International, European, and Korean Camp Staff Programs
- International Representatives
- 2016 Interamerican Region Conference
- 2017 NSJ International Staff and Exhibit support
- 2016 IR Conference

## Janine Halverson

## (Janine.Halverson@scouting.org, 972-580-2401)

- Leadership of programs in the International Department
- Relationships and support to World Scout Bureau, World Scout Foundation, World Scout Committee, WOSM Regional Directors, Interamerican Region Office, Interamerican Scout Foundation, and Interamerican Region Committee
- Support to BSA International Commissioner/Chairman, USFIS Committee members, and International Committee members with or without world Scouting assignments
- United States Fund for International Scouting (USFIS) committee advisor and grants
- 2017 NSJ registration development for internationals
- 2019 WSJ BSA contingent
- 2017 NSJ contingent support
- Messengers of Peace



The national Key 3—Dr. Robert M. Gates, BSA national president, Tico Perez, national commissioner, and Michael B. Surbaugh, Chief Scout Executive—sent out the following email on February 11:

To: National Board, National Advisory Council, National Council Staff, Scout Executives

We regret to inform you that our dear friend and colleague, BSA International Commissioner Roger Schrimp, unexpectedly passed away following surgery Wednesday afternoon, February 10, 2016.

Roger was an admired and respected member of our Scouting family. His experience in Scouting as a youth led to a lifelong association and strong feeling of responsibility to support Scouting's growth in our local communities, as well as on a national and international level.

Roger most recently served as International Commissioner after being appointed to that important post in June of 2014. He was very proud of that role and passionate about our ongoing Messengers of Peace commitment, described by many as a long-term, effective advocate for BSA's participation in World Scouting. Roger also actively supported the 2015 World Scout Jamboree in Kirara-hama, Japan, and the 2019 World Scout Jamboree to be co-hosted by the BSA, Scouts Canada, and Scouts Mexico at the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve in West Virginia. Roger's roles and accomplishments during his Scouting career have been many. He served on the National Executive Board; the International Committee as chairman; the Operations Committee; the General Services Committee; the Youth Protection Committee; and the National Court of Honor and the United States Fund for International Scouting Committee. Roger was also a member of the 2015 Chief Scout Executive Selection Committee.

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An Eagle Scout and a member of the Order of the Arrow, he was also a recipient of the Explorer Silver Award, Silver Beaver, Silver Antelope, Silver Buffalo, Award of Merit, and Distinguished Eagle Scout Award.

An attorney in Modesto, California, Roger was also very active in his community, with memberships on numerous boards and commissions. He was also a cattleman and served on a number of committees of the California Cattlemen's Association.

Roger was a friend to Scouts and leaders all over the world, ensuring that our mission of providing a quality Scouting experience did not waver, and our service to young people always achieved excellence. He will be truly missed.

It is anticipated a memorial service will be held in a week or so. We will share information about that when it is known. [The service was held on Feb. 20 in Oakdale, California.]

Please join us in extending our prayers and thoughts to Roger's wife, Delsie, and their family at this difficult time.