



Boy Scouts of America Monmouth Council

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Announcements

- Please be certain to maintain your Summit Dashboard! Be sure your E-mail and contact information is correct and update your rank and leadership experience if necessary.
- Don't forget to sign up for your Unit's Facebook Page. On Facebook search for your Troop or Crew Number (ie: Troop B238, C440, D418, or Crew F302)

Calendar

April 27	Shakedown for all participants
July 14-24	Jambo, departs 7/14 at 6:00pm

Jamboree Committee



Jamboree Committee Chairman
Steven Buckley

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PHOTO ID PICTURES

All applicants must have a current photo uploaded to their Summit account. Jamboree credentials will use these photo ID's. The photo must be similar in nature to a passport photo or driver's license meaning a clear, straight-on head shot with only the applicant visible in the photo. These photos should **NOT** be cropped, candid family photos showing the participant or staff member. **The dead line for this has been extended to the end of April.**

WAITING LIST

The very good news is that all of our units are now full including Adult Leadership. Our current need is more folks to sign up; so that we have a waiting list to fill possible future drop outs.

MEDICALS

All Medical forms by now should have been turned in to the Unit leaders. We must review them and mail them to National by April 15th.

Please keep in mind that after the Jamboree we will attempt to return Medical forms to the families. If for whatever reason this can't be done those medicals left over will be destroyed due to the nature of the private information they contain.

In all cases each family should also keep a copy of parts A, B & C.

SELECTING ACTIVITIES

All participants by now should have completed their electronic web based selection of what Activities they would like and in what order of preference. This process will close on May 14th. Changes if needed can be made up to the May 14th date.

At some point after May 14th you will be notified of what was assigned to you. If we have any late persons added to our group they will have to wait until the process is finished for the initial group and then National will reopen the selection process.

LOGO ITEMS

All Jamboree logo were ordered and have arrived. We will have these ready for distribution at the April Shake Down.

VISITORS

Everyone is still waiting for the Visitors sign up section to be added to the Summit National Jamboree web site

The time slots for the Day of Service and the Hike will be known on May 15th. With this information it becomes easier for friends visiting the Jamboree to know when they can schedule a visit with a participant at the Summit Center.

Remember you must register on the Official Jamboree web site as a visitor in order to get on site at the Jamboree.

CATALOG NOW AVAILABLE

The Jamboree specific catalog was mailed to all participants registered as of February 8. Those registered after that will get them slightly latter. I received my own catalog and up this point I have placed three orders and it worked very well for me.

More items will be available at Jamboree itself than are listed in the catalog which has been the practice in the past.

OFFICIAL DUFFEL BAG

We are still waiting for the duffel bags to arrive. They are being shipped to our Scout office. We plan to distribute these at the Shake down training weekend. Note for staff members ours will ship to our home addresses.

REQUIRED FEE PAYMENTS

Staff Advisor Chris Quakenbush inform us that a few families are behind in making their final payments and in order to correct this Invoices will be sent out soon.

VENTURE CREW

We are sending three quarters of a full Venture Crew or 26 Youth and 4 Adults. We have been notified that we are sharing the camp site with Jersey Shore Council, just to the South of us, and they are sending the other .25 portion of the full Crew or 8 Youth and 2 Adults. The good news is that this unit will have 6 Adults instead of the minimal number of 4.

We welcomed recently our newest Associate Crew Advisor Richard Pezzullo.

JAMBOREE FOOD

The menus of the standard food being served at the Jamboree have been issued. We are now waiting for the specific ingredients list to be published so folks with any allergies can determine their food needs and arrange to bring alternate nonperishable substitute items. This food can be separately packed and not in the Duffel Bag. Work with your unit leaders and if special help is needed Jan Rybnicky one of our Associate Venture Crew leaders has expertise in this area and has offered to help individual families.

YOUR DASH BOARD

If you do not remember your password to reenter your Dash Board please don't create a new account. Please use the "find user name" or "change password" function on the sign in / log in screen. Creating a new account will not link you with your previously submitted information.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

We are putting together a Monmouth Council specific Emergency Preparedness Handbook that among many topics discussed will contain all emergency contact information. Specific information that pertains to an individual Unit will be extracted and provided in a small credit card format so it can be added to the participants Layard along with their Photo ID Card.

By the time you read this virtually all Medical Forms would have been submitted to the four units, sent on to Monmouth Council for review and mailed by April 15th to National BSA for their review.

All Youth protection, Scout & Venture, must be dated July 24, 2012 or newer. This means the training must be within 365 days of the last day of the Jamboree July 24th. Just a side note for all Staff members you need to do both.

Shakedown

Please keep in mind that our Shakedown is April 27th just a couple of weeks away at QHSR. A copy of the day's schedule is included in this Newsletter. Lunch will be provided.

For the parents I will be holding a short one hour question and answer period right after check in which will end at 10:30. This is not mandatory but I'm making myself available to try and answer any question that you have either never asked yet or have not gotten an answer that makes sense. Even if you have no questions it helps to hear what other people are thinking.

HOMETOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Participants who wish to be Hometown News Correspondents will be able to find the application on Jamboree web site. Our subcommittee chair for this is Tom Kraeutler and he is collecting the necessary information from National that he needs to help inform a participant as to what it means to be a Hometown News Correspondent. Let me say I have never been one but I know my past Jamborees this is a very interesting opportunity to go behind the scenes of a Jamboree and report back to local news outlets what this event is all about. You get special access to places and famous people visiting the Jamboree, it's great fun. (Good typing skills will help but not mandatory, HA-HA)

AUGUST REUNION PARTY

While we don't have a date set for this yet I just wanted to remind everyone that we will have one. This will be a great time to share stories and have a good time. It will be in early August so that folks heading off to college can still attend.

MISSION

Our mission for this our 2013 National Jamboree is "to enrich the lives of youth participants, showcase Scouting as we start our second century, reinforce Scout skills, offer innovative programming, provide experience in leadership and teamwork, and offer a diverse, healthy, safe environment where everyone lives the values of the Scout Oath and Law."



2013 NATIONAL JAMBOREE
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Crew F512



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Meeting Information

Don't miss our Jamboree Shakedown on Saturday April 27th at Quail Hill. Yes, I have heard some of you call it the Mini Jambo Wiggle since it is our first Jambo Shakedown ever without Camping and far more like Cub Scout Day Camp from 9am to 430pm but we are trusting all the Scouts are First Class and have camped before (including at summer camp for a week) so this is being done to ease up on the pre-Jambo time requirements since many of you are so busy. Hey, at least we nixed the brown bag lunch like Cub Day Camp and are not suggesting you bring staves with you!

Our next Troop B238 Meeting is Sunday June 2nd from 630PM to 8PM at the Nerf Chapel behind the Old Tennant Presbyterian Church (same location).

Have you reviewed the Jamboree Menus? Some very interesting meals are planned. I think we do better at Forestburg Summer Camp but we have a plan B and you can help! If you have a parent or parent from your home Troop who is visiting the Jamboree, let's coordinate them delivering us some upgrades that we can cook and supplement the hunger of our growing young men!

How many of these Checklist items are not done yet?

- 1) Prioritize your Jambo Curriculum activities via the Dashboard? Due 5/13/13. See the previous Newsletter for more specifics on this. This is essential for getting a top choice item – don't miss out!
- 2) By now you should be getting more National Jamboree emails – if you don't recall getting any over the last couple weeks, it is highly recommended that you check the emails on your Jambo Dashboard.
- 3) Enter the Medical Parts A and B online and print a copy to be given to Mrs. Terri Ganczarski Ostovich. If you have not yet turned in a copy of Part C with your doctor's signature, you missed the deadline and you now have an extra step. Send that Part C (after you make two copies) directly to National per the instructions on the Medical. Give one of the copies of Part C to Mrs. O and keep one since it is good for a year. Mrs. O. also needs a copy of your Part A and B. If confused about Medicals, please email Mrs. O. at singredwol@aol.com. Our Troop has already provided Council with 23 of our 40 required Medicals. Council will no longer be forwarding these to National for us.
- 4) If you have not paid all your Jambo fees to Council, please make your final payments!
- 5) If you matured from that baby face photo from last year, upload a new manly photo until 5/15/13.

Upcoming Events

February 24	Crew Meeting
March 10	Officer's Meeting
March 17	Crew Meeting
March 31	Medicals Due
April 27-28	Shakedown Weekend
May 1	Activities Preference Due

Crew Officers

President – Jacob Thorpe
Vice-President – Cassie Mazza
Secretary – Colleen Nastro

Crew News

First, we want to extend a welcome to our second male adult advisor, Mr. Richard Pezzullo. Our crew is now complete with 4 leaders! You have an opportunity to meet Mr. Pezzullo at the shakedown on April 27.

We had a great turnout for our fundraiser cleaning the roadside in Colts Neck and we'll use that money for crew T-shirts. Thank you to Mr. Lutkewitte for organizing the event. After the clean-up we voted on a T-shirt design and will now need to collect size information.

The April 27 Shakedown is an important day for us to share what we know about the logistics of Jamboree in addition for parents to get their questions answered. **It is important that you make every effort to attend this event since it is the only Shakedown.** The morning session will be the most important to get the specifics of safety and logistics. Also at the Shakedown you will receive your duffel bag for packing your gear so you will know how many patches you can bring back after trading.

We have no meeting on the calendar for May or June and we'll let you know when those will be. We are also in the process of arranging a date for a swim test. Stay tuned for dates. Keep calm and Jambo on!

(Troop B238 continued)

- 6) How are you bringing money to the Jamboree? Jamboree Gift Cards may be a better deal (fee-wise) than the Discover Card but the Gift Cards are literally the same as Cash if lost!

Go Big and Get Wild – less than three months!!!

Troop C440



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Calendar

April 27	– Shakedown at Quail Hill
May 1	– Curriculum Preferences Due
May 6	– Troop Meeting
May 10	– Newsletter Deadline for Scribes
July 14	– Board the bus for the Jamboree
July 15-24	– Jamboree!

Announcements

We have a new Scout joining our Troop, please welcome aboard Joey Scillia!

Troop News

Please make sure you are familiar with the schedule above. Everyone is expected to attend the Shakedown on Saturday 27. Read more about the Shakedown below. Our last meeting prior to getting on the bus will be on Monday, May 6th.

Shakedown

The Shakedown has been reduced to one day to make it as easy for everyone to attend as possible. Several critical sessions will be held including a mandatory Youth Protection and Code of Conduct class.

Parents will have the opportunity to meet with Steven Buckley, Jamboree Committee Chairman, and get answers to any outstanding questions.

The Shakedown is Saturday, April 27 from 9:00am until 4:30pm at Quail Hill Scout Reservation.

Troop T-Shirts

We have a Troop T-shirt designed! By the time you receive this you will have received an email with an order form. The Form can also be found on the Facebook page. Please bring your Order Form and **EXACT CASH** to the Shakedown or the May 6th Meeting.

Jamboree Visitors

Our **Day of Service** will be Thursday, July 18th, our **Garden Ground Trek** is Tuesday, July 23rd (our last full day at Jambo), and our **Technology Quest** session is Friday morning, July 19th. If any families want to visit us during Jambo, those would be the days to **AVOID**.

Troop D418



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Troop News

We have emailed everyone with the instructions for completing the Jamboree Activities signup. The Jamboree Activities signup is open so please sign in and rank your activities. The three highest ranked activities so far are (in order) CANOPY TOUR, SHOOTING SPORTS, AND ADVANCED KAYAKING. Sign up for the jambo activities will be closing early May so make sure you sign up.

If you have any questions or concerns, contact Mr. Sweetnam.

Youth Leadership

SPL - Andrew Jablonski

ASPL - Andy Gao

Scribe – Ethan Rice

Quartermaster – Open

We are looking for a new Quartermaster. The responsibilities are as follows:

- Is responsible for Troop equipment and supplies.
- Works with the second assistant Scoutmaster for physical arrangements in controlling the storage and issuance of all equipment and supplies belonging to the Troop or issued to it at the Jamboree.
- Maintains an inventory of all equipment and supplies and is responsible through the second assistant Scoutmaster for the return in good repair of all equipment to the subcamp equipment and maintenance officer and to the local council.

If you are interested in the role, please contact Mr. Sweetnam.

Troop Meetings

We will hold our last Troop Meeting on Sunday, May 19th. The meeting will be held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 136 Wemrock Road, Freehold. All meetings will be held at the LDS Church from 4pm – 5:30pm. Scouts must wear their Class A uniform and bring a notepad and pen to each meeting.

Communication

The Facebook page is up and running. If you wish to join the Facebook page you'll need to search for **Troop D418 – National Scout Jamboree 2013** and send a request. The Scoutmaster is administrator of the site and will grant you access.

We'll see you all at the Shakedown on April 27th!

Agenda – Jamboree Shakedown

<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>LEADER</u>
9:00	Check-in	
9:30 – 10:30	Meeting w/parents Troop Meetings	Steve Buckley Troop Leaders
10:30 – 11:30	Session 1	
11:30 – 12:30	Lunch – TO BE PROVIDED, Scouts do not need a bag lunch.	
12:30 – 1:30	Session 2	
1:45 – 2:45	Session 3	
3:00 – 4:00	Session 4	
4:00 – 4:30	Troop Meetings to distribute contingent items	
4:30	Dismissal	

Session Activities: (1 hour each)

A: Safety: Youth Protection **Craig Sherman & Amanda Cregan**
Code of Conduct
Emergency Planning

B: Jamboree Life: **Terri Ostovich & Ed Carroll**
Typical daily schedule
Merit Badges offered
Review activities available
Patch Trading

C: Health & Hygiene: Camp Setup **Pete Grasso & Tim Thompson**
Cooking & Dishwashing
Personal Hygiene
Review what to pack & carry in daypack

D: Team Building: (15 minutes each)

- 1) **Helium Stick** **Brad Daniels**
- 2) **Blind-folded Obstacle Course** **Mike DeSocio & Frank Nastro**
- 3) **Pipeline** **Perry Jost & Tom Kraeutler**
- 4) **Human Overhand Knot & Blind Polygon** **Pete Placek**

	Session 1 10:30 - 11:30	Session 2 12:30 – 1:30	Session 3 1:45 – 2:45	Session 4 3:00 – 4:00
Activity A: Safety	F512	D418	C440	B238
Activity B: Jamboree Life	B238	F512	D418	C440
Activity C: Health & Hygiene	C440	B238	F512	D418
Activity D: Team Building	D418	C440	B238	F512