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Jamboree Committee



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LAST JAMBOREE NEWS LETTER???

It is our intention that the June issue will be our last, pre jamboree, issue of our newsletter. Any additional pre Jamboree information that might need to be sent out after that will be done via e-mail only. I am considering the publication of a final post Jamboree News Letter with a summary of our fun and experiences.

PERSONAL PHOTO ID PICTURES

May 27th is the most recent cutoff date for photos to be submitted. After that date, the Jamboree will be ordering I.D. cards for those having submitted acceptable photos. 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 holding a fish or such. Only photos meeting the above standard will be accepted. The Jamboree is working to provide councils with access to view the photos submitted and enable councils to chase those still missing. This is a critical need.

WAITING LIST

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

MEDICALS

Medical forms are now past due! Right now nationally only about 50% of the medicals have been submitted. If you have not submitted yours yet there might be some long delays at check in and you might spend some quality time with the Jamboree medical team. For sure do the on-line sections A & B.

All late Medical forms now should be mailed directly to National but please remember to give the requested copies to your Unit Leader.

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.

If you are having software issues with the National Jamboree Website, there is nothing we can do at the Council level to assist you. Please contact the National Jamboree Dept. at 2013Jamboree@scouting.org and/or the national help desk at 972-580-2000 for assistance.

If a problem is discovered upon review of the submitted form National hopes to advise you of that before the end of May so remedial action can be taken to avoid disappointments at the Jamboree site.

JAMBOREE SECURITY

You should have received the following as a Participant or a Unit Leader directly from National BSA.

As part of our ongoing efforts to provide a comprehensive security plan for the Jamboree we are trying to identify those persons whose presence at the Jamboree may attract unusual attention. We are asking all Jamboree leaders to advise us of any Scouts or leaders in their contingents that may fit in that category. Areas to be considered include high level political leaders (state-wide or federal office holders), highly visible corporate leaders or philanthropists, and nationally or regionally visible public figures. In addition, we would also like to identify immediate family members of those who may fit within those areas.

If there are any members of your contingent that may meet these descriptions, please send their names (with titles, categories, etc.) to me at your earliest convenience.

SELECTING ACTIVITIES

The activity scheduler closed on May 14. Any participants who failed to schedule their activities before May 14 will have to wait until they possibly reopen the scheduler or to when they arrive at the Jamboree. This also applies to new folks that might be added to the roster.

On June 21 the assignments will be done for the original units folks and the site will reopen for any new people who were added late to our units.

YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING - REMINDER:

A critical requirement for everyone attending the Jamboree is having current Youth Protection Training. 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. Contingent leaders must have completed either the General or Venturing versions of this training, depending on their Jamboree leadership position.

Youth participants must also arrange also to complete their training if they were unable to attend our training day. You must use the on-line version. You must provide a copy of your certificate to your Unit leader

It would be very wise to bring your proof of completing your training with you.

PART OF AN E-MAIL MESSAGE FROM CHRIS QUAKENBUSH SENT MAY 8TH

We still have lots of patches available for sale for collecting and patch trading. Our jamboree patches are listed on the order form he had attached although you do not need to use the order form to buy them. All these patches are available at the Council Service Center, not in the Scout Shop, but in Margie Ramirez's office where you sign up for activities and summer camp. Stop in anytime to pick up extra patches.

Our Order of the Arrow lodge has also created a special Jamboree Lodge Flap. There are two version - blue border - \$10.00; Metallic Gold Border (only 50 made) - \$25.00. They are also available in Margie Ramirez's office here at the Council Service Center.

The Dog Tags you received at the Shakedown are intended to be luggage tags. One is for use on your Jamboree Duffel Bag and one for you Jamboree Day Pack. These Tags will be critical when traveling on the bus to and from the Jamboree and also important if anyone loses their day pack at the Jamboree. The Rubber silencer around the tags is color coordinated by Unit. Please make sure you dog tags are securely attached to your Jamboree Duffel and Day Pack. If you like them and want to order your own for other purposes our Dog Tag Vendor is <http://dogtaggenj.com/storefront.htm>

Mess Kits, Jamboree Neckerchiefs, Jamboree Neckerchief Slides, and Name Plates (for uniforms) did not arrive in time to be distributed at the Shakedown but have arrived and each unit leader has them to distribute at their final Troop or Crew meeting prior to the Jamboree. Some of you might not have been aware you are receiving these so there is no need to order them from the Jamboree Catalog. Make sure you are at the final Troop/Crew meeting for you Jamboree Unit.

If you have questions specific to registration, payments, ordering logo items etc. please contact Chris Quakenbush. If you have any other questions please contact your Jamboree Scoutmaster.

JAMBOREE LOGO ITEMS

Most logo items were distributed at the April Shake Down. Please contact Chris Quakenbush for the small number

of you that did not attend the event he has them up stairs in his office area for pick up.

Of the many items still available for sale one item we need help in selling is our complete Gold 17 piece set that we are selling as a Fund Raising effort at \$100.00 each. See Margie Ramirez's to make a purchase. Since these will be of interest to collectors we will ship at no additional charge outside of Monmouth Council.

VISITORS COMING TO THE JAMBOREE

You should have received the following as a Participant or a Unit Leader directly from National BSA.

Jamboree Visitor Tickets Now Available

On line purchases are limited to 8 tickets per person/transaction. All requests for group ticket sales must send an email to jamboree.visitor@scouting.org with "Group Visitor Tickets" in the subject line.

Visitor tickets will be available to BSA members exclusively through May 31st and beginning June 1 the tickets will be available to the general public for purchase.

The direct link for the ticket purchases is www.visitjambo.org however soon you will also be able to link to it from our website at

<https://summit.scouting.org/en/Jamboree2013/Pages/Visitors.aspx>.

Complete pricing and visitor hours can be found on our website as well.

Invite your family, friends, neighbors, and any other Scouts to come and visit this summer's greatest thing ever—the 2013 National Scout Jamboree!

Visitors can do everything that is available in the Scott Summit Center—including BMX, skating, climbing, and zip lines, view all the exhibits this will be what we call a Jamboree Light Experience. You can even attend the Saturday night AT&T Stadium Show

Tell everyone to go to www.visitjambo.org. Here they will find everything they need to know about schedules, pricing, and how to register for their visitor ticket today. It's easy!

The time slots for the Day of Service and the Hike are now known. 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 but you still need to know what each youth has signed up for on their personal schedules if you want to be sure that you can see them in 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.

JAMBOREE CATALOG NOW AVAILABLE

The Jamboree specific catalog has now been out since February. It's not too late to place orders but do it soon so you are not disappointed with late delivers or items that might go out of stock. More items will be available at Jamboree itself than are listed in the catalog which has been the practice in the past.

JAMBOREE OFFICIAL DUFFEL BAG & MONMOUTH COUNCIL DAY PACK

We distributed these at the Shake down Training Day event. If you were absent you can pick these up at the Scout Office from Chris Quakenbush.

REQUIRED FEE PAYMENTS

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

JAMBOREE FOOD

We are still 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. We are expecting this in later May. This food can be separately packed 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.

I was informed today that this list is complete and it arrived today in the Jamboree office in WA and will be posted on the web site before the end of next. At that time I will have Chris send it out to everyone.

YOUR PERSONAL DASH BOARD

If you do not remember your password to reenter your Dash Board please do not 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.

FORMS – FORMS - FORMS

I ask myself will the forms needing to be filled out through your dash board never end. It appears that today I was informed that some of the previous hand filled out forms, are to my surprised, being replaced by electronic version in spite of the fact that we were previously told WV would not accept this method. Things have change but I'm not real clear on what is about to happen so keep checking your e-mail. It appears whatever this change is will appear as a new entry on all of our Dash Boards as a link for us to fill out and then hit the submit button. This is all I know so please don't ask any questions as I have no answers.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

We have put 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. The participant version will be in a small format but the full version will also be e-mailed to all participates and families.

This Handbook will not be available until June because that is when National said it will post its emergency contact information. I'm considering sending out a draft sooner than that so you can become familiar with the information provided.

MAIL AND PACKAGES

The official Jamboree address for sending mail or packages to the Jamboree will be available soon.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS AT THE JAMBOREE

Every Jamboree unit will be provided a cake with the dinner meal on Sunday even if you have no birthdays in your group.

TRANSPORTATION

A couple of shorts rest stops will be done on the way down. The breakfast meal on the way down will consist of Bagels, buttered or cream cheese, with orange juice. If you wish bring your own breakfast please do so. On the way home the group will eat at a Golden Corral with a formal sit down meal.

An estimated departure time from QHSR is 6 pm Sunday July 14 and a return time of 9 pm July 24th. These estimates will be refined latter. When the buses are about 1 or 2 hours from QHSR a unit phone chain will be activated to provide you with a more exact arrival time so you can know better when to arrive at QHSR.

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

A suggested date of August 21st has been set. We are trying to determine if we have a large number of conflicts with this date. If this is a bad date please inform your Unit Leader so they can bring back this information at our May Committee meeting. This will be a great time to share stories and have a good time. We tried to select an early August date so that folks heading off to college can still attend.

CASH NEEDED AT THE JAMBOREE?

Yes if you intend to make purchases from the vending machines.

ATM MACHINES

Yes there will be ATM machines that will accept all major credit/debit cards.

SWIM TESTS

I'm not going to provide any details but **NO SWIM TESTS ARE REQUIRED.**

JAMBOREE SPECIAL SMART PHONE APPLICATION

The long awaited Jamboree Smart Phone application is now available for iPhone and Android compatible phones.

You are not required to have a smart phone as there will be ways for participants to get all the information they require to enjoy the Jamboree.

PARTICIPANTS WHO WISH TO LEAVE THE JAMBOREE BUT NOT WITH OUR GROUP

This question has come up and while it might be possible it is extremely difficult. If this must be done please notify your Unit Leader as soon as possible.

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.”

PATCH PLACEMENT

Hopefully by now everyone has received their uniform patches. Pictured below is an adult leader shirt with the Jamboree Patch, Shoulder Patch, Troop Numeral, Position Patch, and Order of the Arrow Pocket Flap sewn on. Notice the placement of the Jamboree Patch on the right breast above the pocket. You must leave space between the top of the pocket and the bottom of the patch for your Name Plate.



2013 NATIONAL JAMBOREE
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Crew F512



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SHAKEDOWN & OTHER IMPORTANT STUFF

Thanks to everyone who carved out their time to come see us at the Shakedown. Here's what you should know:

1. While there, we received our gear and Youth Protection Training. Anyone not attending the event needs to take the Venture Youth Protection Training on-line. You'll need to print out the training card.
2. We additionally collected the liability forms. Please bring them to the next meeting!
3. T shirt designs have been finalized and they are in production. We went with the sizing given to us at the Shakedown. Stay Calm and Venture On!
4. We decided on tent-mates. If you weren't present, please make contact with one of the other Venturers so that tent arrangements are settled before we get there.
5. Medicals were collected by the Council and have been sent to National. Please continue to give us those copies if you have not already.
6. The Venturers will be split into three buses on the way down to Jamboree. We will tell you your bus assignments at the next meeting.
7. Extra shirts and patches are on-sale at Council. Grab them while you can!
8. We did get an idea of how long of a walk from the "F" site of Seldom Seen to the activities. Activities will take between 40-95 minutes to walk to from our camp. Make sure you are breaking in those boots now!
8. Hometown Correspondents – We're looking for Scouts to be a link back to Monmouth County, or your hometown, either in newspapers (online or in print), blogs, etc. If you're interested, please let Mr. DeShong know as soon as possible.

UNIFORMS

An important change for us are the uniforming requirements. National has now indicated that any pair of grey cargo shorts are acceptable as the official venture uniform pants. You are required though to have the green shirt and socks. You will still need to bring any pair of long pants for the Day of Service that can get stained or dirty.

IMPORTANT DATES

Next meeting date is re-scheduled from June 9 to June 26

Trek	July 17 (all day)
Day of Service	July 21
Tech Quest	July 22

Troop C440



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CALENDAR

- June 3 – Troop Meeting
- July 14 – Board the bus for the Jamboree
- July 15-24 – Jamboree!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We have a new Scout joining our Troop, please welcome aboard Rohan Sharma!

TROOP MEETING

Our next meeting will wrap up any outstanding questions. If there is anything you still need to know or don't understand don't hesitate to ask!

The remaining items that Council ordered have arrived including neckerchief, slide, name plate, and mess kit. We'll be handing these items out so don't miss the meeting.

SHAKEDOWN

by Dom Squillaro – Troop Scribe

On April 27th, the Jamboree patrols of Monmouth Council's Troop C440 met at Quail Hill Scout Camp to participate in a Jamboree Training/Shakedown. This was a 7 hour shakedown to farther our preparation for the 2013 National Jamboree. The shakedown consisted of four sessions of activity and training. These sessions instructed us on several things, such as camp setup and organization, personal hygiene, emergency planning, and a review of our packing list. But above all, not only did it teach us skills and conduct, it taught us leadership. The team building part of the session demonstrated how leadership and teamwork need to be applied in order to accomplish tasks. It was an overall success and a great time.

TROOP T-SHIRTS

Our T-Shirts have been ordered and will hopefully be in for the June 3rd meeting. Be sure to thank Mrs. Klinecicz for volunteering to handle the shirts! Thanks Mrs. K!

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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TRAINING DAY

by Ethan Rice – Troop Scribe

At the April shakedown, Troop D418 was informed about the finer points of the schedule for the 2013 Jamboree. It commenced with a troop meeting at the parade field where Mr. Sweetnam filled us in on what updates he received on the specifics for the Jamboree. We all were very pleased to learn that Zach Johnson has stepped up to become our new quartermaster.

From there we continued on to the team building station. There the Sporks lost their marbles at the marble run, the Monkeys were all tied up at the rope test, the Llamas were tripped up at the obstacle course, and the Spartans felt light headed at the helium stick. The senior patrol took a crack at them all too.

Troop D418 then continued to learn how to survive in the harsh landscape of the most perilous neighborhood in the Jamboree, the patch trading wilderness. We went over how to trade our valuable patches for the genuine entity and not a ten cent scrap of fabric, and the importance of staying away from pros, adults, and their clandestine tactics.

The subsequent course taught us a lesson of the upmost precedence, cleanliness. Much groaning was heard at this station. Our very own quartermaster assisted the teachers with a lesson in kitchen patrol. In addition we learned how to take proper preservation of our gear. Showering was highly suggested at pain of being thrown in the lake. If they do not follow that “suggestion” it will be evident, for they will be covered in soil.

This was a great learning experience for us all.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP

SPL - Andrew Jablonski
ASPL - Andy Gao
Scribe – Ethan Rice
Quartermaster – Zach Johnson

Sporks: PL Ian Baum and APL Michael Maier
Monkeys: PL Tony Picciano and APL Brandon Luo
Llamas with Hats: PL Jake Nelson and APL Joey Tyrrie
Spartans: PL Kevin Sweetnam and APL Konnor Fahy

TROOP MEETING

Our FINAL Troop Meeting will be on Sunday, May 19th from 4 - 5:30pm at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-

Day Saints. The address for the church is 136 Wemrock Road, Freehold

We'll be handing out the mess kits, neckerchiefs and slides, name tags and patrol patches at the meeting

ACTIVITIES / CURRICULUM

The dashboard closes on May 14th (**NO EXCEPTIONS**). Therefore you only have a few more days to rank your activities and make any changes to your rankings. You also can still sign up for the Whitewater Rafting and Rock Climbing. Beginning May 15th they will start to assign scouts to the activities. Still don't know when they will tell you what curriculum you were given.

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The direct link for the ticket purchases is www.visitjambo.org Complete pricing and visitor hours can be found on the website as well ***Remember that Troop D418 will be offsite on Wednesday July 17th and Monday July 22nd so you will not want to visit on those days.

Here is a link to some additional tourist information.
<http://scoutingmagazine.org/west-virginia-tourism/>

TROOP T-SHIRTS:

We are finishing up the design of the Troop T-Shirt. It should be completed prior to our meeting next week. I'll be taking orders for the T-shirts at the troop meeting. The shirts will be available for purchase for the entire family.

SWIM TESTS:

Swim tests prior to the Jamboree are NOT required since everyone is a First Class Scout.

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.

