COUNCIL CHECKLIST: WHERE DO YOU STAND?

Should Already Be Done

- Confirmed transportation and tour arrangements.
- Finalized council fee and payment schedule.
- Designed council shoulder insignia.
- Contact your regional jamboree coordinator in writing regarding hosting international Scouts.
- Promote jamboree at council events.*
- Established a PAS event for the jamboree (council registrar). (See below.)

In Progress

- Promote jamboree at roundtables.*
- Promote jamboree at troop meetings.*
- Make individual calls to Scouts who indicate an interest in attending.*
- Hold monthly committee meetings.
- Schedule the troop junior leader training for early 2005.
- Schedule the troop prejamboree training campout for late May 2005.
- Pay third and final payment for troops before February 1, 2005.
- Order jamboree troop flags from Supply Division by May 1, 2005.
- Gather information for kosher menu request due by February 15, 2005.

Next 30 Days

- Order council shoulder insignia.
- Order custom unit numeral.
- Order equipment packages from the Supply Division by October 31, 2004.

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

HEALTH AND MEDICAL RECORD

Scouts, Leaders, and Staff Members

The 2005 National Scout Jamboree Health and Medical Record forms will be mailed to councils during the month of October. The form is No. 67-34412-05 for youth and adults. It is the only medical record form that will be acceptable to attend the jamboree. In section I of the form is a box to denote staff or participant; please check the appropriate box.
The medical records will be optically scanned, creating a database in advance of the jamboree at the national office. This will enable our medical teams to have access to an individual's medical records where the individual is being treated at the jamboree. For this reason, it is not acceptable to return a photocopied, scanned, or faxed form to the BSA. The medical records must be on the original paper stock.

Local councils will need to produce bar-coded labels for each person through PAS. A special bar-code label report will be available. The bar-coded labels must be affixed by the council to the medical forms before returning the forms to the jamboree medical officer.

Troops are to make copies for their files and bring their copies to the jamboree. Section V of the medical records form is to record current changes in the records 30 days prior to the jamboree. The updates may then be shared with the jamboree medical staff upon check-in at the jamboree site.

The Health and Medical Record can be completed anytime after October 1, 2004.

The entire troop's medical records should be returned at the same time by May 1, 2005, marked "Personal and Confidential," to:

- Boy Scouts of America
- Jamboree Medical Officer, S208
- 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane
- P.O. Box 152079
- Irving, TX 75015-2079

Jamboree staff members will be sent medical records forms by their staff leaders in November. Please return it to the person who sent you the form. That way, your records will be able to be submitted with the rest of your staff’s records.

Look for additional information in future issues of this newsletter.

**TROOP EQUIPMENT SHIPPING**

Contingent/troop equipment must enter Fort A.P. Hill at the same time as the contingents on the arrival day of July 25, 2005. The equipment may not be shipped or arrive at the jamboree site prior to troop arrival. There is no dead storage or holding area for prestaged troop equipment shipped or brought by jamboree staff members reporting to the site. This is a security issue. Exceptions are not possible.

It is recommended that equipment carriers and jamboree troop contingents make arrangements to meet/join with the carrier of their equipment the evening before or early on the day of arrival at the jamboree. This joining up of the contingent with the equipment needs to take place at least seven miles from the site.

**TRAVEL POLICY**

It has always been the policy of the Jamboree Division that council contingents travel as a group to and from the jamboree site. Scouts and leaders are not authorized to travel separately from their contingent.

In the event that a Scout or leader needs to leave the jamboree site early, a set procedure must be followed with the appropriate release form completed and filed. The form may be found in Appendix R of the *Troop Leader Guide* available on this Web site.

**POLICY OF TRAFFIC SAFETY**
In the process of running the jamboree, it is essential that motor vehicles be used to transport materials, supplies, and certain personnel through the site. The Boy Scouts of America has established common safety guidelines over the years; it is in the best interest of all jamboree participants to follow these guidelines.

Participants' and staff members' personal bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, in-line skates, and scooters (both power and foot propelled), along with golf carts and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) are not permitted at the jamboree.

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS

The jamboree Food Service Group is not able to satisfy all of the many special dietary needs of those attending the jamboree. If you have special food needs because of medical reasons, you should be sure the information is on the medical form, advise the jamboree chief medical officer of your situation, and ascertain that you are eligible to attend the jamboree. After medical permission is granted, you should plan to make your own arrangements for the satisfaction of that need. You can do this by bringing a supply of nonperishable food products with you, much as you would with medications.

KEEPING KOSHER

The Food Service Group has put together a great team to manage the Kosher Food Service. Judy and Mike Poretsky, who served in this capacity at the 2001 jamboree, will return as the kosher meals managers/supervisors. Judy and Mike have recruited several volunteers who will work directly with them. Questions regarding kosher food should be directed to Mike or Judy at kosher-at-jamboree@jewishscouts.org or Special Food Director Paul Beal at 817-430-5335 or pbeal@netbsa.org

The Kosher Food Request Form is now available on the forms page of this site. Jamboree troops and individuals serving on staff must complete the form and return it to the Jamboree Division by February 15, 2005.

Please note that kosher meals are not available prior to July 25, 2005.

QBSA

The jamboree radio station, QBSA, will be an excellent source of information and entertainment for the subcamps. The station will also offer Scouts the chance to be radio broadcasters covering events on site. They can also take a crack at being a DJ on a live broadcast. Scouts can sign up at the radio station and receive training before going on the air. When participants take the controls, the station records the broadcast and presents it to them as they leave. The experience will allow the Scouts to complete some merit badge requirements. Bringing small radios to the jamboree is encouraged, but not boom boxes.

TRIVIA

Presidents who attended national jamborees are:

- Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1937
- Harry S. Truman in 1950
- Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1957 and 1960
- Lyndon B. Johnson in 1964
- George H. W. Bush in 1989
- William J. Clinton in 1997