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COUNCIL CHECKLIST: WHERE DO YOU STAND?

Should Already Be Done:

- Appoint staff adviser and select chairperson and committee.
- Start monthly committee meetings.
- Complete selection of troop leaders (include in monthly committee meetings).
- Finalize council fee and payment schedule.
- Confirm transportation and tour arrangements.
- Prepare for district jamboree promotion rallies (jamboree troop leaders promote and conduct).
- Hold allocation by having made first payment on February 1, 2004.

In Progress:

- Promote jamboree at council events.
- Promote jamboree at roundtables.
- Promote jamboree at troop meetings.
- Make individual calls to Scouts who indicate an interest in attending.
- Hold monthly committee meetings.
- Develop promotion for summer camps.
- Design council shoulder insignia.
- Follow up on Scouts not adhering to council's fee schedule.

Jamboree Staff Opportunities

Our hats are off for a great job in recruiting to International Operation Chairman Bari Saunders, Registration Chairman Scott Payne, Subcamp Food Receiving Chairman Charles Lang, Subcamp Food Distribution Chairman Caryl Sharpe, Central Region Rappelling Action Center Chairman Wilson Gum, and the Southern Region Archery Action Center Chairman Mike Lyster, just to recognize a few of the 34 jamboree service areas with 100 percent staffing!

There are still lots of opportunities to be a part of this great adventure by staffing the 2005 National Scout Jamboree! With over 183 services at the jamboree, there's a total need of 7,500 staff members. All of the major groups still have staffing opportunities available. The action center administration, the public safety group, security/parking, trading posts, the food warehouse, and all subcamps staffs, among others, still have positions available.

We encourage you as a troop leader, current staff member, or prospective staff member to **assist us in identifying other Scouters who may not have applied in the past**. Help us to reach out and implement our 2005 mission statement: "to provide a diverse group of Scouts and Scouters a meaningful and memorable experience that will reinforce the lasting values of the Boy Scouts of America, and our highest priority will be to conduct the jamboree in a safe and secure environment."

To be considered for a rewarding voluntary staff position, applications may be found on the jamboree Web site: <http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/pdf/67-104.pdf>

Council Shoulder Insignia

It is time to design and order your council jamboree shoulder insignia. These should be ordered from the Supply Division, 1-800-323-0732, in the immediate future so that as Scouts register for the jamboree, they can be presented a patch. This will also help promote the jamboree.

A reminder: The Insignia Guide #33066E states that council jamboree shoulder patches cannot have pictorial representations or descriptive remarks relating to commercial corporations or commercial products.

Plan Now to Protect Our Environment

In the last bulletin, we promoted the idea of practicing recycling now so it becomes second nature at the jamboree. Another environmental issue we can impact is to plan ahead so that we use items that are friendly to the environment. Cups and other materials made from styrofoam are generally not biodegradable, nor capable of being easily recycled. Such items should not be included in your supplies coming to the jamboree. Let's think, plan, and practice environmental responsibility.

Amateur Radio for Emergencies

Amateur radio operators attending the jamboree, either as staff members or with a council contingent, can help with emergency communications. Possibly, there are ham operators in the councils who would provide backup communications during travel to or from and at the jamboree. Identify them through word of mouth and council newsletters, and then make sure they're in your contingent--or pass their names on to your regional coordinator to fill a possible position at the subcamp. You might not need a ham-radio operator's services, but it is good to have them available just in case. Information on specific frequencies will be announced later so operators can prepare their equipment for the jamboree.

For more information, contact the amateur radio coordinator at the national office: 972-580-2595.

Silver Bay Camp

In the late summer of 1910, the first Scout camp in America was held at Silver Bay, New York. Leaders of the newly formed Boy Scouts of America, like Ernest Thompson Seton and Dan Beard, organized and led the experimental camp.

The Silver Bay camp exhibit features many of the essentials that remain an integral part of American Scouting today: patrol method, youth leadership, outdoor living skills, nature study, Native American culture, character building, noncompetitive advancement, games with a purpose, pageantry, and ceremony.

The exhibit experience includes playing games, as well as presentations of pre-Scout organization uniforming, 1910 camp photos, and turn-of-the-century camp equipment. Silver Bay exhibit staff members are outfitted in turn-of-the-century clothing to enhance this encounter with Scouting history.

Come visit our Silver Bay Scout Camp at the corner of Thomas Road and Fort A.P. Hill Drive by the Heth headquarters area.

Got Adrenaline? MOUNTAINBOARDING Event

Do you skateboard, snowboard, or wakeboard? If you said "yes," then let me tell you about mountainboarding. A mountainboard is an oversized skateboard with composite decks, aluminum trucks, and bindings to keep your feet attached to the board. When cruising down a hill or dirt road, it feels like a cross between snowboarding and wakeboarding.

Mountainboards come in all shapes, sizes, and weights and are designed to be matched up with riders based on weight. Smaller riders generally have smaller boards, and bigger riders have bigger boards. Once you have the right board picked out for you at the mountainboarding event during the 2005 National Scout Jamboree, your next step is to pad up with elbow pads, knee pads, wrist pads, and helmet. With your pads on and helmet strapped, you're ready to tackle the grassy hill of Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia.

Make plans to attend the 2005 National Scout Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill, Caroline County, Virginia, and try out the newest event offered by the action center administration. Here, mountainboarding pros from all around the country will be setting up exhibits for the jamboree, giving tips, and performing tricks, as well as showing you how to ride a downhill course.

Staffing opportunities are still open for mountainboarding.

Special Dietary Needs

The jamboree food service does not have the capability of satisfying all of the many special dietary needs of those attending the jamboree. If you have special food needs because of medical reasons, you should first advise the jamboree chief medical officer of your situation and ascertain that you are eligible to attend the jamboree. After medical permission is granted, or if your special dietary needs are of a religious nature other than kosher, 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. You can also purchase food products at local groceries in Bowling Green.*

Camping Facilities

Archer Camp at Fort A.P. Hill will have only a few pads, and they will not be available for staff and leader recreational vehicles in 2005. This is due to the fact that we have doubled the number of professional food service personnel supporting the jamboree who need RV accommodations. But there are other options. The following campgrounds are being offered as an alternative for those individuals who have in the past brought recreational vehicles to the jamboree as alternate living accommodations.

Campground 721--Route 721, near Sparta (Route 207 to 301S to 721), four miles from Bowling Green, VA 22427, phone: 804-633-9515. 43 campsites, 12 with electrical hookup. Small playground, dumping station, sanitary facilities with showers.

KOA Hidden Acres Campground--Located at US 301 and Route 2, two miles south of Bowling Green; information: 804-633-7592, reservations: 800-KOA-2482. Open all year. Offers quiet shaded sites, game/club rooms, stocked fish pond, paddle boats, water ride, swimming pool, playground, mini-golf, full hookup sites, bathhouses, laundry, camp store, and more.

Visiting Scouts and Scouters are to stay at least 50 miles away from the jamboree site. Please see the March 2004 National Scout Jamboree Bulletin for addition clarification.