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JAMBOREE BULLETIN EXTRA, MAY 2010

We are now 66 days away from the opening of the Jamboree, actually 62 days away from Jamboree Departure Day. Some news items before our PreJamboree Training Weekend at Mt. Norris on May 28-30, 2010:

New Contingent Member; New Scout on Waiting List

Dominick Turcotte of West Charleston has become an official member of Troop 328. Ethan Jeffrey of Isle La Motte has joined our waiting list in hopes of attending Jamboree.

Jamboree Pre-Training Weekend

This is a mandatory-attendance event, as required by the National Office of B.S.A. Please Be Prepared and plan early for everything that you will need for the weekend. The personal equipment list is included in the May Jamboree Bulletin. You will be able to access that Bulletin, this Bulletin, and all of the Jamboree

Bulletins by going to the GMC Jamboree Website and clicking on Jamboree Resources. You will find everything you need to know right there. Remember, as nice as it can be, come prepared for cold at Norris. Winter jacket and hat. We will be going for Jamboree swim tests at Johnson State College on Saturday morning, so be sure to bring a bathing suit and towel. You will need to take the swim test to participate in aquatics at the Jamboree. Report in Class A uniform on Friday evening no later than 6PM, to set up your patrol tents for camping. Wear the very same uniform that you will plan to wear to and at the Jamboree, if you have the complete uniform at this time. You will need complete Summer uniforms (yes, including BSA shorts and socks) to attend Jamboree. If you have ordered summer uniforms for Jamboree and they haven't arrived yet, don't worry, wear the official uniform (including pants) that you have. The weather will be beautiful, but Be Prepared for any Scout outing conditions. Dinner will be served at 7PM sharp on Friday 5/28. For the meals that you will be eating in your patrol sites, you must bring your own utensil (fork, knife, spoon) kit, none will be provided. These are essential as well at the Jamboree, none are provided. Remember that special food needs are not accommodated as pertains to Jamboree food, there is plenty of variety of food to eat, but if you are a "fussy" eater, there is no way to address that with all of the meals that must be quickly and safely provided to thousands of Scouts.

If you do have food allergies, as opposed to likes and dislikes, please make sure to let your Scoutmasters know. That is a serious matter that we all want to know about, so that you don't have any health issues getting in the way of your Jamboree experience.

For details of what to bring and the schedule, check our May Jamboree Bulletin, or contact your Scoutmasters.

Completion of Jamboree Fee Payments

Please make every effort to complete your Jamboree fee payments, so that you don't have to worry about attending the Jamboree. We will be checking on the status of Jamboree fee payments at the Pre-Jamboree training weekend. If there are any special circumstances, please contact Richard Stockton at the Council Office immediately. You won't be able to get on the bus to Jamboree if there are any fees remaining unpaid.

First Class Rank

Remember to close in on your First Class Rank requirements if you haven't already done so, as this is also a requirement of attending the Jamboree. Make sure that your Scoutmaster is aware of your need to complete First Class rank, so that you can work together to make sure that that happens.

Parents' Support Team; Collection of Jamboree Trading Items for Scouts

We have put the call out for donations of souvenirs, trinkets, and items unique to Vermont that might be provided to each of our Jamboree Scouts to exchange with Scouts from around the country at the Jamboree. We are thankful for all of the contributions and support shown by our terrific Parents' Support Team, we couldn't do it without you! If any parents have trading items to donate, please bring them to the Pre-Jamboree Training Weekend and leave them with either Jim Coulson or Tom Ballam, who will be at the registration desk, for safe keeping. Carrie Wolcott is coordinating our gathering of trading items to be provided to each Scout.

Jamboree Uniform Pre-Orders; Jamboree Contingent Clothing Items; Jamboree Patch Sales

Jamboree Uniform pre-orders, and the various Contingent clothing items will be distributed to each Scout at the conclusion of the Pre-Jamboree Training Weekend at Mt. Norris. As part of the official issue, you will each receive a GMC Jamboree cap, t shirt, fleece jacket, duffel bag, 2 Jamboree Troop numerals, 2 patrol patches, 2 Contingent Member Jamboree Shoulder Patches, and two patches of Troop or Patrol office if you are serving in an office at Jamboree. Each Contingent member will receive four Jamboree Shoulder Patches (see first page) for trading at the Jamboree after you board the bus on July 22nd. Our Jamboree Patches were conceived by Loren Murphy with generous assistance and artwork by the original artist, Woody Jackson, a true friend of Scouting. Additional JSPs (see design on first page) can be purchased for \$5 each. Ajapeu Lodge, Order of the Arrow is also offering a special Jamboree pocket flap and patch for sale (see last page of this bulletin). The Lodge will also have a variety of patches and items for sale to Contingent members at the conclusion of the weekend at Mt. Norris as well.

Spending Money at Jamboree

Remember, all of your meals, lodging and admissions on the tour and at the Jamboree are included as part of your fee. However, on tour you may wish to purchase snacks or souvenirs, and at the Jamboree you may want to do that as well. For expenses at the Jamboree, it is recommended that Scouts and parents consider purchasing the "Smart Band" or prepaid spending accounts that are offered through the Jamboree supply catalogue. You will probably want some funds to spend on the tour before the Jamboree, this is up to each Scout and parent(s). Any questions about spending money should be addressed to your Scoutmasters.

Getting Ready for the Jamboree

2005 Jamboree Scoutmaster Bob Thompson will have a briefing for you on Saturday May 29th about all of the great events, and how to best plan to make the most of your Jamboree experience. Subcamp 3 Commissary Chief George Beach will also be speaking with you about how Jamboree food is received, distributed to and prepared by each patrol. You can also start doing some thinking yourself to make the most of your Jamboree experience. For instance, take a look at a United States map and identify a state or states that seem particularly interesting to you. Learn a bit about that state, and then plan to go and meet with Scouts from that state in their Subcamps about what things are like there. You'd be surprised at the things that you have in common, and the things that are different. You will also find some international Scouts at the Jamboree, especially from major Scouting nations such as Britain, Canada, Japan, South Korea, and Thailand. Seek them out at the Jamboree, you won't forget that experience. If you are interested in particular merit badges, careers, or sciences, plan to partake of some of those events or exhibits at the Jamboree while you're there. This is BSA's biggest event, it is our 100th Anniversary Jamboree, and it will all be there!

See you at Mount Norris on May 28-30!

