



Green Mountain Council, BSA  
National Scout Jamboree, 2010  
July 22-August 4, 2010

**Contingent Overnight at  
Camp Sunrise, March 27-28th**

**Jamboree Bulletin,  
March, 2010**

**126 Days to Jamboree!**

Dear Jamboree Scouts, Parents, Scouters and Friends,

We are now closing in on the Jamboree Departure date, but lots of things remain to be completed!

**Next Jamboree Contingent Meeting: Overnight at Camp Sunrise in Benson,  
Saturday March 27-Sunday March 28<sup>th</sup>**

Your Scoutmasters and the Jamboree Committee have a terrific program planned for you at Camp Sunrise, you will have a lot of fun, and learn a lot more about the Jamboree. Plan to **arrive** at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, and **depart** for home at 9:00 AM on Sunday. If you have special arrival or departure needs, please contact your Scoutmaster directly. When you check in, we will be checking on your rank advancement status, and noting any size changes for Contingent-issued clothing items. The program will include more work on organizing your troops and patrols; choosing of Jamboree patrol names and design of patrol flags and patches; lots more information about the Jamboree program and camping; and youth protection training which is required for all Jamboree participants, whether you have had the training before in your troop or not. We will also have videos from a number of past Jamborees to show, so that you can see just what it is like when 30,000-plus Scouts descend for a Jamboree!

The Jamboree Scoutmasters will be interviewing candidates for youth leadership during the meeting at Sunrise. If you are able to arrive at Camp Sunrise as early as 9:30 AM on Saturday morning, the Scoutmasters will be there to meet with you

about leadership. Other opportunities for interviews will be presented during the course of the day.

Here are **the things that you will need to bring with you:**

**Bag lunch, for Saturday.** All other food will be provided, we will also have soup and something to drink for you for lunch on Saturday.

Your Scout Uniform.

A filled water bottle (there will be fresh water at Sunrise to replace your water)

Necessary medications.

Winter Outdoor Clothing—yes it has been warm but don't count on it. Winter coat, hat, pants, boots, long johns, gloves, extra socks, etc. You will be outside at various times during the event.

Rain gear.

One complete set of dry and warm clothes to change into, for sleeping, or if your clothing gets wet during the day.

Winter Sleeping Gear—a sleeping bag for winter conditions; air mattress or thermarest, insulation below you to keep warm (sleeping will be by patrol on the wood floor in the Sunrise Dining hall).

A note pad or notebook for your Jamboree notes.

Flashlight or headlamp.

Small personal first aid kit (we will have equipment for other first aid needs).

Tooth brush/toothpaste

Extra Socks (it doesn't hurt to mention this item again)

Remember to mark all of your personal items, so that you can find them if necessary.

**Scouts on the waiting list** are welcome to attend the overnight at Camp Sunrise, and will be included in all activities.

### **Foul Weather Plan for 3/27-28?**

The long range forecast for March 27-28th calls for sunny, clear weather.

However, if that doesn't prove to be the case, check your email for a message that will be posted no later than 6AM on the morning of Saturday March 27th as to the status of the meeting. If you can't or won't have internet access at that time, call your Scoutmaster to check on the status of the meeting. If the weather is clear and sunny, there will likely be no message at all, just assume that the meeting will proceed as scheduled.

### **Parent Support Team**

We have a very enthusiastic group of parents who have signed up to help out with various aspects of Jamboree logistics. Thanks to you all! If you are

interested in helping out in any capacity, please send an email message to Walt Morris, GMC Jamboree Chair, and we will be pleased and honored to have you join us! We are still in need of help from some folks with graphic design skills and equipment to help us with troop gateway design and construction.

The parents support team are sponsoring a pot luck crackerbarrel for the Scouts at our March 27<sup>th</sup> overnight. If you are able to send a small (no more than patrol-size) quantity of a snack (cookies; fruit; crackers) to Sunrise, that would be much appreciated for the crackerbarrel which will be held at 8:30 pm on Saturday. The Jamboree Souvenir collection effort is also proceeding well. If you have any Vermont related mementos or items to contribute (buttons, patches; pen/pencils; key chains; small flags; other objects) we will be gathering them together at the Sunrise overnight as well. Jim Coulson, Tom Ballam and Bob Thompson will be serving as the registrars for the Sunrise overnight, and just make sure that any items (for crackerbarrel, or souvenir trading items) are delivered to them when your Scout signs in for safekeeping. Thank you to all of our parents, we can't do it without you! Souvenir items will also be gathered at our May 28-30 weekend at Mt. Norris.

### **Jamboree Troop Communications**

Troop Facebook pages are in the process of being set up, if they have not already been established. You may want to check with your Scoutmasters, if you have not heard from them about Jamboree Troop Facebook pages. Also, keep in mind to access the Council webpage from time to time to check for any information updates there.

### **Still not too late to sign up for the Jamboree.**

Even now, if you know of a buddy who has been on the fence and would now like to sign up to go to the Jamboree, it is not too late. Please encourage anyone interested to visit the National Jamboree website to sign up, or just call the Council Office to get the process started. It is definitely not too late to decide to go.

### **Jamboree Shoulder Patch (JSP) Competition**

The Vermont Cows—"Vermont's Finest" design from Loren Murphy was chosen as the winning design for our council Jamboree Shoulder patch by vote of all Scouts attending our Jamboree Contingent Meeting in January. Loren has been working with Woody Jackson, the original artist, on the final design of our JSP, and we should have news of that before too long. Thanks to Loren, Matt Sem, and Benjamin Barrup for their entries in the JSP competition.

### **Completion of Jamboree Health Forms**

Except for waiting list Scouts, if for some reason you have not yet submitted your completed Jamboree health form, please contact Richard Stockton, our Council Executive, at the office in Waterbury immediately. The deadline is now past, and we do have Scouts on the waiting list eager to go.

### **Jamboree Fee Payments**

The Seventh Jamboree fee payment is now due. At this point, each Scout's Jamboree account should be indicating payment of a total of \$1,750. Please make every effort to keep payments up to date, we are now in the process of completing the Jamboree fee payments to the National Office, and paying for transportation, lodging and other tour expenses for everyone. Thank you.

### **Jamboree Souvenir/Supply Catalogue**

The Jamboree Souvenir/Supply Catalogues have been sent out; if you have not received your copy, please call the National Jamboree Office, or the National Supply Group, at 800-323-0732. Remember, it is a good idea to buy souvenir items from the catalogue, so that you won't have to worry about getting them and getting them home from the Jamboree.

### **Reminder on buying cots**

If you are planning to buy a cot for use at the Jamboree, remember that given the size of the tents (Eureka 4-person Timberlines), your cot must be low, no higher than 6", and must have tubular, aluminum legs so that it does not punch through the floor of the tent (no wire legs or posts).

### **Discount Uniform Purchase**

The group discount uniform purchase (10%; no shipping charge) will take place in April. A pre-order form will be sent to everyone in April, with a closing date for prepaid orders. The uniforms will be delivered at the Pre-Jamboree training weekend on May 28-30<sup>th</sup> at Mt. Norris. More information will follow about this.

### **Spring Popcorn Sale**

The Spring Popcorn sale is on right now, with substantial financial incentives for Jamboree Scouts who sell as a fundraiser for Jamboree Fees. Contact Mr. Richard Stockton at the Council Office as soon as possible if you are interested in participating in the sale.

### Service in Youth Leadership

Scoutmasters Towle and Baker would like to hear from you if you are interested in a Jamboree leadership position. At this time, they are looking for Scouts who are interested in serving as Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, or Scribe in their Jamboree Troop. If you are interested in serving as a Patrol Leader, the Scoutmasters would like to hear from you as well.

**Interviews for those Scouts interested in Jamboree youth leadership positions will take place at Camp Sunrise during the March 27-28 overnight.** Please let your Scoutmasters know right away if you are interested in Jamboree leadership.

### Jamboree Visiting

The Jamboree is open to visitors beginning Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, through Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Visitor hours are from 9AM to 5PM daily, except for Wednesday July 28<sup>th</sup>, when visitors will be admitted after 11AM, and Saturday July 31<sup>st</sup>, when visitors are permitted until 11PM (That is the date of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Arena Show). Please remember that visitors are not permitted to be on Jamboree premises outside of the specified hours. And, while there are snackbars available, a Jamboree visit means a great deal of walking, so it would be best to treat it as a day long hike in hot weather, bringing suitable footwear, clothing, some food items, and water with you as well. You'll find it to be an adventure! If you are visiting, please also remember to let the Scoutmasters know of your plans, so that your Scout will actually be at a location where you can visit him! The Jamboree site is vast, and it is possible for Scout and visitor to be as far as a two hour walk apart if there are no advance plans to meet up.

### Subcamp 3 Staff Meeting, Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup>

For those GMC Scouters and Scouts serving on the Subcamp 3 Staff, a Staff meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 17, 2010 at the Double Tree Hotel, Carrier Circle, in Syracuse, NY. If you are interested in attending the Staff Meeting, please contact George Beach, our Subcamp 3 Commissary Officer, for more information. This meeting is not for staff serving in other Jamboree areas, just for those who will work in Subcamp 3 itself. Subcamp 1 Staff have a meeting in Massachusetts on March 27<sup>th</sup>, if you would like more information about that meeting, please contact Dick or Barry Simays.

### GMC Jamboree Staff Meeting in Vermont

A teleconference for Jamboree Staff looking to car pool to the Jamboree was held on March 18<sup>th</sup>. Remember that if you are serving on staff, you must file a transportation advisory form with the National office No later than March 31<sup>st</sup>

indicating your travel plans and information about the driver and the vehicle. There will be a meeting for all Green Mountain Council Jamboree Staff, in all jobs, held in the Spring, in April or early May here in Vermont. That meeting will carry forward our discussion of Jamboree essential info for staff, and we will be talking about opportunities for Staff service at our Council Pre-Jamboree Training weekend on May 28-30.

### **Key Jamboree Dates**

March 27-28—Contingent Overnight at Camp Sunrise, Benson

May 15, 2010—Eighth and final Jamboree Fee payment of \$250.00 is due

May 28-30, 2010—Mandatory Pre-Jamboree Training Weekend

July 22, 2010—Jamboree Departure Day

### **Scoutmaster Contacts**

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See you on March 27<sup>th</sup> at Camp Sunrise!

