2017 JAMBOREE STAFF BULLETIN #2

Staff registration is now live! Sign up at bsajamboree.org

Jamboree top leadership close to completion

The Jamboree Executive Committee has been working to fill in the top leadership for our Jamboree and we are pleased to announce we have filled more than 80% of our top leadership positions. Attached is an updated copy of the current top leadership organization:



Solar shower test being conducted this summer

We are pleased to announce that this summer we are testing the installation of a solar water heater solution. Five sets of three shower houses, are being fitted with solar water heating capability. The Summit staff will be monitoring participant feedback this summer to determine if this solution can be utilized throughout the site. Here's a picture of an installation currently underway on top of one shower house.



SharePoint site now online

A SharePoint site has been established to keep you apprised of ongoing preparations for the 2017 National Jamboree. Instruction for accessing the site will be sent to authorized staff members through respective group chairmen.

National Annual Meeting marketing kickoff

This month's National Annual Meeting in Atlanta was the official kickoff for our marketing campaign. Attendees saw plenty of evidence of that fact including handouts, presentations and a video encouraging early registration. More importantly, online participant registration was opened and marketing resources were made available to councils. You can access those resources at bsajamboree.org.

Important changes

As we continue to develop the format and program for the 2017 National Jamboree, some changes are starting to surface that may interest you. Highlights include:

 TechQuest will become STEMtastic in 2017 and be relocated to the area adjacent to The Pools



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- An "Oasis" will be established in the area previously occupied by TechQuest which will
 house a transportation pickup point, a Trading Post and a retail food outlet
- A new military experience area is planned on the trail to the Oasis
- We will shift from a prepackaged food issuing process to the grocery model used at World Scout Jamborees
- A new vertical challenge course will be available to participants at The Ropes
- Simplified scheduling for participants will be introduced, giving them more flexibility to choose activities and respond to weather impacts

Key dates for your calendar

Here's an updated list of key dates to assist with planning for your 2017 Jamboree staff experience:

2016

- · January—Youth scholarship forms become available
- · January—First payment due
- · July—Second payment due

2017

- · January—Final payment due
- · April—Medical forms due
- · July 14-16—Primary staff arrival period
- · July 19—Participant arrival

Communication lines are open

Keep in mind there are several ways in which you can access current information on Jamboree happenings:

- The Jamboree website at <u>bsajamboree.org</u>
- The new Jamboree SharePoint site (instructions on access to be provided by your Group Chairman at the appropriate time).
- You can also get answers to specific questions by emailing 2017jamboree@scouting.org.
- Suggest a particular topic you'd like to see covered in a future staff bulletin by emailing your suggestion to 2017Jamboree@scouting.org.
- Check out <u>www.scoutingwire.org</u> for major Jamboree updates.

Let us know what you think. We hope to see you as a staff member in 2017!