



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

~ A 2017 JAMBOREE *FOOD TEAM* COMMUNIQUE ~
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The “*Back for Seconds*” patches are being earned and the first batch will be shipped out next as the Jamboree staff registration system is now live! For those who are in the dark about this, permit us to shed some light on things. First, a copy of the patch is shown above. Second note that it has nifty glow in the dark threads. Ok, now to what most want to know – how do I get it?

The 2017 Jamboree Food Team is offering this patch to those who attended the 2013 Jamboree and who sign up for 2017 and accept an appointment to the Jamboree Food Team. This is a limited edition patch and only the first 200 qualifying staff will earn it. Who was the first to earn it? Actually there was an eight way tie with that many folks accepting their Letter of Appointment on September 14th. The lucky staff members who will get the first batch of patches are: William Hawkins (Staff Dining), Katherine Hollifield (Chat ‘n Chew), Wes Oakley (Retail Food Ass’t Area Lead), Steve and Kim Tipton (Staff Dining Chairs), Ron Schoenmehl (Staff Dining), Ted Vinson (Staff Dining) and Maria Ward (Retail Food Director).

Let me move from talking about the patch to sharing with you our staffing progress during the first month the Jamboree registration system was live for us to issue appointments. So you have some perspective on our staffing task, Food Team seeks to employ (that’s a word used quite loosely to describe a volunteer who pays to work at the Jamboree) four hundred (400) staff for 2017. These staff will serve principally in one of our three food team areas – Jamboree Grocery Stores Food Distribution (90), Staff Dining (100) and Retail Food (210).

We are off to a great start with almost one hundred staff having accepted an appointment or are somewhere in the approval process **and** have indicated an area of Food Team as their “1st choice” of Jamboree jobs. We have work ahead of us to identify a full slate of staff, but to be anywhere near 25% as the game starts is quite nice.

Now it occurs to this author that there are a couple of reasons for this fine beginning. First, Food Team proved to be a good place to work in 2013 and we are seeing folks sign up for the same job they did then. Staffers also realized that there were certain perks of working some Food Team jobs – such as a very short walk to work if



your job was at Staff Dining or the Staff Camp Snack Bar (commonly called just the Chat 'n Chew). Other Food Team jobs offered different benefits – like working in the Snack Bar near where your child's camp was located. That's available again. Others yet may find the challenge of doing something new, while again still working near your child, and there is no doubt that will be the case in our Jamboree Grocery Stores. For those who haven't heard about them, the Jamboree leadership has decided to move from the old system of selecting and simply giving out food to the participants to what most call the grocery store model. Scouts who participate in the Jamboree will shop for their own food at one of six strategically located stores we will construct under canvas. In a future issue of *Food For Thought* we will go into the plan in detail.

So wherever your desire to help lies, Food Team can and will find you a job that suites. If you don't know precisely what you would like to do, let me share the contact information for our Food Team staffing manager Peter Ehni. His phone is (740) 769-2910 and his email is pehni@wju.edu. He has a full understanding of all the available positions and will gladly work with you to get you an appointment to the one that best matches you.

We have published the list of available positions before, but thought it worth repeating now that the system is live. On the next page you will find all the Jamboree Food Team job choices, with job descriptions.

For those who now want to apply, the link to more information and the Jamboree Registration system can be found here:

<http://www.summitbsa.org/events/jamboree/jamboree-registration/>

We want to send out all two hundred "*Back for Seconds*" patches sooner than later, so please consider joining our team. We promise you good communication and camaraderie while you help assure that participants and staff have a good Jamboree Food experience.



2017 Jamboree Food Team Staff Positions and Job Descriptions

Logistics – Food Distribution (Staff Troop #8210)

The logistics and distribution of all meals to the participants. Work involves Jamboree wide food distribution and support of the Jamboree Grocery Stores located in the Base camps.

Logistics – Ice Distribution (Staff Troop #8220)

The logistics and distribution of ice to the participants and staff as well as other Jamboree site ice distributions.

Logistics – Retail Food – Snack Bars (Staff Troop #8230)

The logistics of running snack bars throughout the Jamboree venue. Snack bars are permanent food stands that serve a full menu selection to participants, staff and visitors. The snack bars are located in program areas and also in the participant Base camp areas. Staff may rotate or work one location based on scheduling. Work involves food service and cleanup, cash register sales and snack bar stocking.

Logistics – Retail Food – Pop Up Stands (Staff Troop #8240)

The logistics of running mobile or “Pop up” snack stands throughout the Jamboree. Work locations may vary as the locations of the Pop-Ups change. Staff assignments also may rotate so that you get to see various parts of the Jamboree. Work involves set up of product daily at the location and cash register sales of prepackaged snack items and drinks to participants, staff and visitors.

Logistics – Retail Food – Catering (Staff Troop #8250)

The logistics of providing food to catered events held principally at Legacy Village. Work primarily involves food service and support of scheduled events in the Summit Center special reception tents as well as deliveries of catered food throughout the Jamboree site.

Logistics – Retail Food – Staff Camp Snack Bar (“The Chat-N-Chew”) (Staff Troop #8260)

Located within the staff Base camp, the Chat-N-Chew is responsible for providing a unique retail food experience. In addition to the snack bar, this environment will be a venue that allows staff to relax and recharge in a fun and entertaining social setting. Working at the staff camp Chat-N-Chew offers a short commute to work and allows you to meet Scouters from all around. Work involves receiving food, stocking merchandise, food service, cash register sales, and even special event hosting to help achieve a unique staff experience.

Logistics – Staff Dining (Staff Troop #8270)

Provide each Jamboree Staff Member breakfast and dinner using a buffet style service for each meal. Service is delivered at the Jamboree Staff Basecamp Dining Complex. In most cases Staff Dining Team residences are located adjacent to the event Dining Complex providing a pleasant walk to work. The primary goal of the group involves delivering a quality dining experience. The duties encompass logistics, process, dining area meal setup, food service, and delivery of specialty foods. Facility cleaning is of special importance to insure the health and safety of the participants all while achieving a high level of staff satisfaction.

Logistics – Staff Summit2Go Lunch Distribution (Staff Troop #8280)

Help to provide each Jamboree Staff member with a pack your own shelf stable lunch. Service is delivered at the Jamboree Staff Basecamp Dining Complex, adjacent to the dining area, and offers a short commute to work. Work primarily involves unloading pallets of product and setting up the service tables for staff to select their lunch on their way out from having breakfast.