



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

~ A 2017 JAMBOREE *FOOD TEAM* COMMUNIQUE ~
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As 2016 begins we enter a new type of Jamboree mode – the two year Jamboree cycle. Think about this: we prepare in 2016, have a Jamboree in 2017, prepare in 2018, have a World Jamboree here in 2019, prepare in 2020 and again have a National Jamboree in 2021. That odyssey begins now, and you are part of it.

So how will you know what you need to know to be prepared for the Jamborees? On the Jamboree Food Team we will share the information with you in many ways and our thought for this monthly newsletter article is that we should highlight those methods.

Since getting ‘good’ information is key, let’s start with where you will find that. First, with a bit of self-interest, we suggest you read these *Food For Thought* issues. We have parked back issues online and they can be found through the following link:
<http://jamboreefoodteam.org/2017-jamboree-food-team-documents/>

For those who want a more interactive information experience, we have a Facebook Group for the Jamboree Food Team that is principally run by our own Food Team Director Rick. This is a great resource to keep current with the somewhat humorous aspects of Jamboree Food provisioning but also know that we will preview all key communications there first. Here’s the link to that:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2013jamboreefoodteam/>

Next is the link to the ‘official’ stuff from the Jamboree Division and the Summit. This page itself is filled with an array of information about what will be different and better in 2017 (housing, transportation, laundry, etc). You can also find key information on staff fees, payment schedules and even links to every Staff Bulletin they have disseminated. Are you reading those? These official newsletters have a wealth of information, key dates and even updates on the possible solar water heater solution for the shower houses. Here is the connection to that top shelf of information location:
<http://www.summitbsa.org/events/jamboree/volunteers/>



There is another location that may interest you and that is the page with links to the official Jamboree Webinars. Though many of these are geared to the councils and the participant leaders, the topics will continue to be informative and will surely include food related information before all is said and done. Here's the way to get to that resource: <http://www.summitbsa.org/events/jamboree/council-resources/jamboree-webinars/>

Now sometimes you will have questions to ask and having a way to do so may be helpful. We thought instead of all roads leading to Rome (read Rick and/or Squire) that it would be wiser to share the key leadership of each Food Team area so that questions can be directed to those who will be dealing with specific portions of the food provision at the Jamboree. Reach out to these key volunteers if you have inquiry:

Food Distribution (Area Leaders Denny Wright and Gary McClure): dwright@crhtransport.com

Staff Dining (Area Leaders Steve and Kim Tipton): kltipper61@gmail.com

Retail Food (Area Leaders Jane Becker and Wes Oakley): scoutsall4@sbcglobal.net

Chat 'n Chew (Area Leaders Trey Moran and Robbie Hill): tmoran@devitainc.com

Now if you want to join the Food Team or modify your staff job selection to indicate one of the Jamboree Food Team areas, and earn your *Back For Seconds* patch and *Early Bird Neckerchief*, here is the link to the Jamboree Registration website page: <http://www.summitbsa.org/events/jamboree/jamboree-registration/>

There are some bigger publications out there that may be of interest to you or friends of yours who will be attending as participant leaders. Here is the link to the *Council Planning Guide*: <http://www.summitbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/2017NSJ-Council-Planning-Guide-V1.pdf>

Want more information . . . well now you will just have to wait for that. We will have it for you about such topics as Food Team trainings and much more in the months ahead. Now if you or someone you know would want to join our team, we would love to have you. If instead you just want to live Jamboree Food Team vicariously, that's ok too if you lurk on the Facebook Group. We appreciate all the roles that each and every staff member performs to make a Jamboree a reality and hope to see you there one way or another.