



Food for Thought
~~ A 2017 Jamboree *Food Team* Communiqué ~~
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It is a chilly evening here at the Summit. That has not deterred me from starting to write what is the final *Food For Thought* . . . before the 2017 Jamboree. It will be exciting to welcome the rest of the Food Team volunteer staff to the site and hopefully you will find a warm welcome here . . . like the showers are now.

I can surmise there will be interesting moments as you course your way through the gauntlet called Jamboree arrival. Once you get past the check in at Ruby Welcome Center and navigate to the staff camp by shuttle, come find us at our very own Food Team ‘Welcome’ Center. Where is that you may wonder. It is a special portion of the Staff Dining hall dedicated to serving our Food Team volunteers. It is an easy place to find – just look for the biggest tent around—and come to the entrance immediately under the Welcome flag. Here is a glimpse of where to look and what you will find:



Upon arrival at our reception area you will be greeted by many of our team. The Welcome Wagon staff (Kathy, LaDonna, Linda and Ray) will help with all aspects of your joining the Food Team, dealing with any residual housing questions, going over any training you may have taken so we record its completion, and getting you settled with your Food Team area so you may join them in starting to work.

As a reminder, the Food Team introductory meetings at the Food Team Welcome Center take place every three hours starting at nine am -- so 9am, 12 noon, 3pm, 6pm and 9pm are the times.

Let me now take two issues to cover some further like last minute items as you pack to leave. Things you want to be sure not to forget include your water bottles, coffee cup if so inclined, a small bath mat for your tent and some form of shower shoes. Yes, the showers are warm and the intrigue will be to see how the hot water holds when there are thousands of us here. Fingers crossed.

Another thing I would like to remind you, from an interesting array of personal experience, is to bring your youth protection training proof. Almost half of the management on the Food Team had to produce that at registration because the system didn't show compliance. So, I'll just say you should be prepared yourself to establish that you have taken YPT!

Beyond that we wish all safe travels and look forward to seeing you soon at the Summit. It will be our pleasure to have you on the Jamboree Food Team and together we will make this event a memorable one.