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# 2013 National Scout Jamboree

## What is a Jamboree?

In 1916, Sir Robert Baden-Powell, founder of the Scouting movement, knew what success looked like for the 10th anniversary of Scouting. It was the sight of thousands of youth gathered together to celebrate. The Jamboree was born! In his words, "The secret of its growth lies in that indeterminate force which we only know as the 'Scout Spirit,' and grow it has!"

Since 1937, more than 654,000 Scouts and leaders have shared the jamboree experience and hiked the trails, paths, and roadways at previous national Scout Jamborees. Now, it's your turn to celebrate!

It is the opportunity of a lifetime, one you will never forget. DON'T MISS OUT on this special moment in time! A Jamboree is truly a Scout's mountain-top experience.

## Dates and Location

The 2013 National Scout Jamboree will be held Monday, July 15, through Wednesday, July 24, 2013, at the brand new Summit Bechtel Reserve in the wilds of West Virginia.

## Organization and Leadership

The Western Los Angeles County Council has been authorized to organize a council contingent consisting of 4 Troops and 1 co-ed Venturing Crew. The Jamboree is open to all Scouts and Venturers who are qualified on a first-come basis. After these units have been filled, a stand-by list of alternates will be established. Scouts will be assigned to a Jamboree Troop consisting of 36 Scouts and four adult leaders. Venturers will be assigned to a Venturing Crew of 8 Venturers and two adult leaders.

The leaders for these units are as follows:

Troop A - Jon Orlick, Robert Shannon, Scott Goldman, Kirk Truax

Troop B - Steve Rodgers, Ron Nohles, Steve Miller, Zach Rodgers

Troop C - John Overton, Geoff Gunn, Arif Halaby, Matthew Goldberg

Troop D - Kent Jacobsen, John VanVeen, Glenn Crites, Curtis Noonan

Venturing Crew E - Vicky Goldberg and Tanadet Itsarapakdetam

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## **Tour and Travel Plans**

Troop “A”—The “Behind the Scenes of America – The GO BIG GET WILD TOUR” departs Los Angeles July 8th, 2013. This exciting tour focuses on visiting behind the scenes of manufacturing, research, entertainment, government, military, educational and other select locations not normally accessible to the public. We will be touring amazing and historic places in the Philadelphia area, Washington, D.C., Orlando, Florida, Cape Canaveral, Florida and the Bahamas. A few highlights include touring the US. Mint, Independence Hall, Hershey’s Chocolate World & Theme Park, Smithsonian Museums, Ford’s Theater, White House, Ft. McHenry, Baltimore Orioles Game, Monticello, US Naval Academy, Harley Davidson Motorcycle Factory and more. This once and a lifetime tour will also visit the Islands of Adventure Amusement Park (Hogwart’s Castle & Village and Harry Potter Adventure Ride), The Animal Kingdom Park (behind the scenes), Gatorland and includes a tour of the Kennedy Space Center (with special lunch with an astronaut) plus a cruise to the Bahamas to BSA reef snorkel and more!!! Parents and families may join in on the fun and attend the portion of this troop’s tour beginning on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in Florida and the Bahamas, for a separate price to be determined. Troop A returns to Los Angeles on July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013. **Cost \$5,995.00**

Troop “B”—The “Passport Required Tour” departs July 5th, 2013 with visits to the CN Tower, Royal Ontario Museum, Casa Loma Castle, Niagara Falls, the Baseball Hall of Fame, key sites in New York (Nintendo World, 9/11 Memorial, and a Broadway show), Philadelphia, Lancaster to check out the Amish way of life, Hershey (Founders Hall, Hershey’s Chocolate World), and Gettysburg Visitor Center and Museum. Then off to the 2013 Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Scout Reserve, West Virginia. After the Jamboree we will check out the Hazy Center and then catch an afternoon flight home. **Cost \$5,830**

Troop “C”—The “Hall of Fame Tour” We depart Los Angeles July 12, 2013, beginning an adventurous fun trip!! The tour includes cities with various Halls of Fame, such as Rock and Roll, Football, and America’s favorite pastime, Baseball! Other highlights of the tour include exciting boat rides, a Broadway show, a visit to the Statue of Liberty, Constitution Hall, White House and Capitol tours, the Mall, baseball games, the Smithsonian Museums and the very beautiful Mount Vernon. We will experience the founding and growth of America by visiting the city where our nation began and other cities which influenced who we are today. History will come to life as we visit Washington DC, Baltimore, Cleveland, Canton, Philadelphia, and New York. This is sure to be an experience of a lifetime!!! **Cost \$5,188**

Troop “D”—The “History to Life Tour” or “The Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Gettysburg, Baltimore, Washington D. C., Charlottesville, and Hershey Express” Our tour departs July 5, 2013 and will include visits and tours in all of the above cities. Highlights include Freedom Trail, USS Constitution, Fenway Park and Plymouth Plantation in Boston, United Nations, Times Square, 911 Memorial and Museum, NBC Studio, and a Broadway Show in New York, Independence Hall, Liberty Bell, and US Mint in Philadelphia, Underground Railroad Stop, Cyclorama, and lunch in Amish Country in Gettysburg, Fort McHenry in Baltimore, US Capitol, Printing and Engraving, National Archives, Smithsonian Museums, and Ford’s Theater in Washington DC, and Monticello in Charlottesville. After 10 days at the 2013 Jamboree we head up to Hershey for Hershey Park and a visit to Chocolate World. There is more but there is just not enough room to list here. Join us for an exciting and rewarding trip through history and the modern day. **Cost \$5,095**

Venturing Crew “E”—The “Ad—Venture Tour” departs July 5, 2013 to Philadelphia, PA. We’ll take the historical Spirit of ‘76 Ghost Tour, explore the Constitution Tour on a cool Segway, visit Amish Country in Lancaster, and participate in 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gettysburg re-enactment. Then on to New York City to sail aboard the Clipper City, 158 foot schooner in the Manhattan Bay, visit the Empire State Building, Central Park Bike Tour, 911 Memorial, Times Square, and a Broadway show! Next, we’ll visit The Smithsonian, Washington Monument, Lincoln Memorial, and the Mall in Washington DC. Then meet with a Congressman and a private tour of the Capital. Then explore the Potomac river around Washington, DC on a kayak. Take a trip through time to Colonial Williamsburg with a day of fun at Bush Gardens. Get on board The Batteau, the re-enactment of Tom Sawyer’s overnight boat tour to a private island in Lynchburg, VA. Finally, we’ll have 10 exciting days at the Jamboree where the Venturers will get to repel, scuba dive, rock climb, white water raft, and many more fun activities. After the Jamboree we’ll visit Winston-Salem and Raleigh, NC before we return home on July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013. **Cost \$4,788**

## **Scout Participant Qualifications**

Scouts and team members must have a current BSA membership with a **Boy Scout Troop** or **Varsity Scout Team** (by July 1, 2013).

- Must have a current BSA membership with a Boy Scout Troop or Varsity Scout Team.
- Must be at least First Class Scouts.
- Must be at least 12 years of age by the first day of the Jamboree or an 11 year old that has graduated the 6th grade, but has not reached their 18th birthday by the last day of the Jamboree.
- Be approved by the unit leader and local council.
- Participate in a pre-Jamboree training experience.
- Have filed a Jamboree Personal Health and Medical record with the council Jamboree committee before the pre-Jamboree training.
- Submit all registration fees per the local council's payment schedule.

## **Venturing Participant Qualifications**

Crew members must have a current BSA membership with a **Venturing Crew** (by July 1, 2013).

- Must have graduated the 8th grade or be at least 14 years of age by the first day of the jamboree, but have not reached their 21st birthday by the last day of the Jamboree.
- Participate in a pre-Jamboree training experience.
- Be approved by the unit leader and local council.
- Have filed a Jamboree Personal Health and Medical record with the council Jamboree committee before the pre-Jamboree training.
- Submit all registration fees per the local council's payment schedule.



*Joseph Csotari 2001 painting titled "Jamboree"*

*To sign up to be a Western Los Angeles County Council 2013 National Scout Jamboree, contact Brenda Bradford at the council office to find out which troop has an opening. In addition, you will need to get approval from your home Scoutmaster and the council Jamboree steering committee.*



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**Make Checks Payable to:**

WLACC-BSA and please write NSJ Account #1-6801-170-20 in the memo field.

**Fees Include**

The fee covers all transportation, tours, admission fees, meals, lodging, and patrol and troop equipment, as well as insurance. The fee also covers the required pre-Jamboree training experience, Jamboree troop insignia, personalized nametags, travel bags and other contingent expenses. Additional expense will include each participant's personal equipment, uniforms, spending money, souvenirs, and trading items.

The Western Los Angeles County Council Jamboree fee is based on a tour and travel package quoted by the Jamboree Tour Operator. If the cost of the tour and travel package should increase or decrease, the total jamboree fee may be adjusted accordingly. Please note that due to the uncertainty with oil costs the airfare costs have been estimated and could increase or decrease prior to such time that the tickets can actually be purchased.

**Additional Information****Registration**

Register at [bsajamboree.org](http://bsajamboree.org) and print the completed document for your home Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor to sign. Send the signed form and your \$250 deposit to the Council Office. Detailed instructions can be found at <http://bit.ly/x7Sznf>

**Payment Schedule**

All payments must be made in accordance with a predefined schedule. Delinquent accounts may result in the cancellation of the participant's reservation and the forfeiture of all payments made.

**Fundraising**

The cost to participate in the Jamboree and accompanying tour has increased significantly over time. With that in mind, each Jamboree troop has pledged to devote substantial effort to money earning activities in order to offset as much of the cost as possible.