

INFORMATION FOR SCOUTING PROFESSIONALS

'The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent' to the 2010 Jamboree

Working closely with Woody Wiley, Associate Director, Administration, for the Northeast Region, BSA, the National Jewish Committee on Scouting (NJCOS) is organizing special Jamboree Troops. The purpose is to eliminate all barriers to entry, and allow full access to the spectacular Jamboree experience, for Jewish Scouts/Scouters whose observance of the 12th point of the Scout Law includes observing the four requirements of:

- ① The Jewish dietary laws at all times (*Kashrut*),
- ② The Sabbath from sundown Friday to nightfall on Saturday (*Shabbat*),
- ③ Daily prayer services in the morning and afternoon/evening (*Tefila*),
- ④ Opportunities for ongoing religious learning (*Limudei Kodesh*).

Having been implemented over the past five Jamborees, this program has come to be called 'The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent.' In Hebrew, "*Shomer Shabbat*" means 'Sabbath Observant'—literally 'Guardian of the Sabbath.'

Monmouth Council, Morganville, NJ, will be the 'Host Council' for these Troops. The Scouting professional involved with Jamboree issues there, is John Kilduff: JKilduff@bsa.org.

All Scouts and Scouters must apply to attend the Jamboree through the MyScouting.org portal, which registers them with their Home Council.

Scouts and Scouters wishing to attend the Jamboree with 'The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent,' are instructed to send an email to their Home Council to 'opt-out' of their local contingent, and a copy of that email to the NJCOS to 'opt-in' to 'The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent.' We are working with the Jamboree Registrar to implement these transfer requests.

For further information:

A complete description of this program, and the registration process, may be found at: <http://www.jewishscouting.org/camping/2010nationaljamboree.asp>

If you may have any further questions on this program, or this process, please contact:

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