



Information Packet for JEWISH SCOUTS & SCOUTERS



on the 2010 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE

Jamboree Troops are now being formed for Jewish Scouts, from throughout the United States and other countries, wishing to attend the 2010 National Scout Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia.

These Troops will eliminate all barriers to entry, and will allow full access to the spectacular Jamboree experience, for Scouts whose observance of the Boy Scouts of America's 12th point of the Scout Law ... "A Scout is Reverent"... 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*).

The National Jamboree, typically held every four years, brings together over 40,000 Scouts from throughout the United States and many other countries. For young men, this is one of the premiere events in a Scouting career. Scouts participate in a Jamboree only as a member of a Jamboree Troop within an official Council contingent. In any Scout Council, there are only a small number of individuals with the requirements listed above, thus making it very difficult to respond to these needs: while preparing for the Jamboree (e.g. Troop meetings and the mandatory weekend-long Pre-Jamboree Training session), while traveling to and from the Jamboree (e.g. travel & touring schedules, and food), and while at the Jamboree (e.g. program schedules). If these requirements are not met, then these Scouts cannot attend the Jamboree.

To meet these requirements, in 1989 Dr. Howard Spielman created a program that has come to be called 'The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent.' In Hebrew, "*Shomer Shabbat*" means 'Sabbath Observant' – literally 'Guardian of the Sabbath.' This program has grown tremendously over five Jamborees.

- 1989 Jamboree 5 Participants from 2 States in 3 Scout Councils
- 1993 Jamboree 40 Participants from 8 States in 13 Scout Councils
- 1997 Jamboree 80 Participants from 16 States in 23 Scout Councils
- 2001 Jamboree 120 Participants from 18 States in 33 Scout Councils
- 2005 Jamboree 130 Participants* from 14 States in 16 Scout Councils

*Including additional 'Kosher Patrols' utilizing the infrastructure of The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent

Many of those participants cannot wait to return in 2010! A National Jamboree is truly a wonderful event! For the 2010 Jamboree, Dr. Spielman is again the Contingent Coordinator for 'The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent.'

The National Jewish Committee on Scouting has assumed the responsibility for facilitating this 2010 program and Monmouth Council in NJ has graciously agreed to be the 'Host Council.' Mr. Woody Wiley, Associate Director, Administration, for the Northeast Region, BSA, has stated: "The Northeast Region is proud to host 'The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent' and will do everything possible to support it."

This Contingent will gather at a camp in the Catskill Mountains area of NY on **Sunday, July 18, 2010**. Over the next eight days the Scouts will build teamwork and effective patrols, conduct a 'shakedown' experience for their Jamboree equipment, and complete all of the Pre-Jamboree Training Experiences. Plenty of time will be scheduled for touring on the East Coast, especially in Washington, D.C. The Jamboree will run for 10 days at Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia, from Monday, July 26 **through Wednesday, August 4, 2010** when Scouts will be brought up the East Coast, with drop-offs and connections made for their return home.

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- Organization & Training
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DON'T DELAY! — APPLY NOW TO HOLD YOUR PLACE!

The Shomer Shabbat Contingent to the 2010 National Scout Jamboree

Supported by the National Jewish Committee on Scouting
Hosted by Monmouth Council (NJ)

The 18-Day Schedule of Activities from July 18, 2010 through August 4, 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Arrive at Shakedown Camp Troop & Patrol Meetings & Teambuilding Dock Tests 18	Pre-Jambo Training Shakedown Set up campsite including all tents, tarps, & gateways. Strike camp & pack truck 19	Pre-Jambo Training Shakedown <i>Tisha B'Av</i> Continue some Teambuilding Activities in afternoon 20	Pre-Jambo Training Shakedown Back-up date if Monday is rainy. Troop/Patrol Organization Uniform Insignia Check 21	(Load Bus @ 9 AM) Touring in New York City 22	Touring at Historic Sites in PA and MD 23	Shabbat in MD 24
Touring in Washington D.C. Historic Sites and Museums 25	2 Hr. ride to Jamboree Arrive at Fort A.P. Hill 26	2010 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE				
JAMBOREE ...continues. 1			Break Camp Travel Home from Virginia 4	[Sleep Latewith wonderful dreams of the Jamboree!] 5	6	7

Housing Accommodations	
	Tent at 'Shakedown Camp' in Catskill Mountains area (4 nights)
	Touring in New York City, Philadelphia, and Baltimore (Synagogue social hall – 1 night)
	Touring in Washington, D.C. (School/Synagogue – 3 nights)
	Camping in Jamboree tents at Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia (9 nights)

Monmouth Council (NJ) Host Council Information Sheet for The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent

HOST COUNCIL • Monmouth Council will serve as “Host Council” for The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent to the 2010 National Jamboree. Two troops have been allocated to serve this special constituency with a unique program, schedule, logistics, and facilities. Monmouth Council and The National Jewish Committee on Scouting have asked Dr. Howard Spielman to serve as the Contingent Leader for this program.

DATES AND TRAVEL PLANS: • Any Scout or Scouter in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent must arrive at ‘The Shakedown Camp’ in the Catskill Mountains area of NY (Details TBA) by Noon on Sunday, July 18, 2010. If traveling a distance, Scouts may arrive before *Shabbat*, at the nearby Forestburg Scout Reservation in Forestburg, NY on Friday July 16. **SEE BELOW.** (Cost for extra weekend in camp is \$50.)

OPTIONAL EXTRA: BEFORE THE JAMBOREE — SHOMER SHABBAT SCOUTING OPPORTUNITY FOR JULY 4–18, 2010!

(1 OR 2 WEEKS) A POSSIBLE EXTRA 7 OR 14 DAYS OF GREAT KOSHER SCOUTING! FORESTBURG SCOUT RESERVATION is the only Scout Camp in the world with *kosher* ovens in the kitchen, and a Synagogue Tent that is filled with over 100 Scouts and Scouters for daily *minyanim* and learning. This 1,200 acre Scout Reservation is southwest of New York’s Catskill Mountains and east of Pennsylvania’s Pocono Mountains. Jewish Scout Troops on the East Coast, from Boston, MA to Atlanta, GA, and beyond, regularly camp here every summer. In 2010, many of these Troops will camp here for the **two weeks** from Sunday, July 4 to Sunday, July 18.

SUMMER CAMP AT FORESTBURG – BEFORE THE JAMBOREE – IS AN OPTION, available to any Scout who will be a part of The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent. If interested, contact any of the leaders listed on the next page for details about this exciting opportunity. You will camp at this superb Scout Camp and get to know many of the Scouts with whom you will later travel to the Jamboree.

GETTING TO ‘THE SHAKEDOWN CAMP’: Buses will leave Forestburg Scout Reservation, at 10:30 AM Sunday morning, July 18. If traveling from a distance, transportation could be arranged with leaders coming from Boston, Providence, the New York/New Jersey Metropolitan Area, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington, D.C. A Scout from outside the East Coast could fly into one of these cities and have arrangements made to get picked up and brought to the camp. The leaders of The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent will arrange this in the months before the Jamboree. If a number of Scouts will be arriving at the same time and place, a bus or special van may be arranged, at cost.

THE 18-DAYS: THE SHOMER SHABBAT CONTINGENT JAMBOREE SCHEDULE COVERS 18 DAYS!

- Sunday, July 18, 2010 will be a day to move into the special Jamboree Troop Gathering Campsites at ‘The Shakedown Camp’ and begin activities. All should arrive by **NOON**, when the program will begin
- Monday, July 19, 2010 through Wednesday, July 21, 2010 will be full days of troop and patrol meetings/activities. Team building programs, cooperative games, and ‘dock tests’ will be scheduled. The Shakedown Experience—for checking-out all equipment—will be conducted.
- Thursday, July 22, 2010 the Contingent will leave by coach bus. Current plans call for a stop at an exciting spot in Manhattan, Wall Street, and a ferry across New York harbor. We plan to spend the night ‘camping’ in a synagogue social hall in the Philadelphia, PA area.
- Details to be finalized for Friday, July 23, 2010 through Sunday, July 25, 2010 include touring at historic sites in Philadelphia and Baltimore before getting settled for *Shabbat* in the Washington, DC area. Sunday will include historic sites and museums in Washington, D.C.
- Monday, July 26, 2010 we will arrive at the Jamboree in the morning, to immediately set up our campsite and gateway — and start the Jamboree experience!
- Tuesday, July 27, 2010 through Tuesday, August 3, 2010 will be filled with spectacular Jamboree activities. See “*What goes on at a National Scout Jamboree?*” in this packet—for a hint of the fun!
- Wednesday, August 4, 2010 all Scouts will leave the Jamboree in the morning by coach bus with pre-arranged drop-offs and travel connections made as the buses move up the East Coast to New York, New Jersey, and Massachusetts. The bus to Massachusetts is expected to arrive by nightfall.

ORGANIZATION: The Jamboree is open to all who are qualified on a “first come – first serve” basis. After our troops are filled, a stand-by list of alternates will be established. There will be 35 Scouts and 5 Leaders in each Jamboree Troop. Scouts must be at least First Class Scouts by July 1, 2010 and must have completed the sixth grade—or have been born before July 1, 1998, and must be born after August 4, 1992. (They must be 12 by July 1, 2010 and not have reached 18 by August 4, 2010.)

TOTAL COST: Total cost for *18-day* program: \$1,600 (U.S.) for Scouts \$1,400 (U.S.) for Leaders
If registering AFTER August 15, 2009 \$1,800 (U.S.) for Scouts \$1,600 (U.S.) for Leaders

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:	DATE DUE	SCOUT FEE	LEADER FEE
Reservation Fee	With Application	\$400.00	\$200.00
AFTER August 15, 2009, the Reservation Fee with Application is: \$600.00 \$400.00			
Second Payment	April 1, 2009	300.00	300.00
Third Payment	June 1, 2009	300.00	300.00
Fourth Payment	October 1, 2009	300.00	300.00
Fifth Payment	January 1, 2010	300.00	300.00

FEE INCLUDES: The program runs for 18 days and 17 nights. The fee includes all transportation (from Forestburg Scout Reservation on July 18 to East Coast drop-off locations on August 4), tours, admission fees, meals, lodging, most patrol/Troop equipment, and insurance, special Jamboree patches and T-shirts. The only additional expense will be your personal equipment, uniform, and spending money.

REFUND POLICY: Should a Scout need to cancel, send written notice to Monmouth Council. Of the Jamboree fee, \$100 is non-refundable, with the rest refundable only if there is an alternate to take your place. Otherwise, partial refunds will be made, less any expenses related to contractual agreements made on your behalf.

TRAINING:

- Monmouth Council will hold a “Mandatory Pre-Jamboree Training Session” for their Jamboree Troops at Quail Hill Scout Reservation in Manalapan, NJ on a weekend in May/June, 2010. Twelve members of each *Shomer Shabbat* Jamboree Troop will be expected to attend that program, at that time:
 - a) The five adult leaders (Scoutmaster, and 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Assistant Scoutmasters), and
 - b) The seven youth members of the Patrol Leaders’ Council (Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, and the four Patrol Leaders).

This leadership team will assemble at Quail Hill on Friday morning, to set up a campsite and *eruv* well before *Shabbat*, and hold Troop Leadership Development sessions. They will make *Shabbat* and observe the Pre-Jamboree Training session run by Monmouth Council so they can run a similar program when they assemble for their own Shakedown program, on July 18.

- **ALL** participants will be required to attend both the Pre-Jamboree Training Sessions on July 18–21, 2010, and the full itinerary from July 22 through arrival at the Jamboree on July 26, 2010.
- **ALL** of these Pre-Jamboree Training activities are critical to build the teamwork, cohesion, spirit, and cooperation that are required to have a smoothly functioning Troop and a most enjoyable experience for all Troop participants at the Jamboree.

LEADERSHIP: *Shomer Shabbat* Troop leaders will meet at least the same requirements as leaders of any other Jamboree Troop. In early 2009, three leaders were selected, but others with similar qualifications and strong *Shomer Shabbat* Scouting backgrounds will be selected later. Since Scouts will be applying who may not know the leaders of this program, a biographical sketch of each follows.

Dr. Howard Spielman, Contingent Leader, a resident of Sharon, MA for 36 years, was a founder of the Young Israel of Sharon (President for 2 terms) and a founder of Congregation Etz Chaim in Sharon. As a youth, in a *Shomer Shabbat* Scout Troop in Far Rockaway, NY, he earned Eagle Scout with four Palms, and the *Ner Tamid*. A Scout and Scouter for over 54 years, he has served as Scoutmaster of his *Shomer Shabbat* Troop 54 for over 23 years and has led his Troop for 23 summers to Scout camps with a *kosher* dining hall. He was Wood Badge trained in 1987 and has staffed two ‘Sabbath Observant’ Wood Badge Courses. He has been to Philmont three times. His previous Jamboree experience includes:

- **1960 National Scout Jamboree** in Colorado Springs with a *Shomer Shabbat* Troop from New York City.
- **1989 National Scout Jamboree** on NE Region Staff.
- **1993 National Scout Jamboree** as Scoutmaster of the *Shomer Shabbat* Jamboree Troop 1205.
- **1997 National Scout Jamboree**, Leader of the *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent and Scoutmaster of Jamboree Troop 406.
- **2001 National Scout Jamboree**, Leader of the *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent and Scoutmaster of Jamboree Troop 510.
- **2005 National Scout Jamboree**, Leader of the *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent

Dr. Spielman has been awarded the Silver Beaver, Shofar Award, and the Vigil Honor in the Order of the Arrow and is a member of the National Jewish Committee on Scouting Advisory Board. He holds BS, MA, MBA, & Ph.D. degrees, and is a Management Consultant. He is married with two Eagle Scout sons, both graduates of Yeshiva University. He and his wife have been honored by Yeshivat Sha’alvim.

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Mr. Sheldon Freidenreich, Lead Scoutmaster, a life-long resident of the Highland Park, NJ area, is a Board Member of Rabbi Pesach Raymon Yeshiva and Board Secretary at the Highland Park Conservative Temple/Congregation Anshe Emeth, as well as a past Board Member of the Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County. A Life Scout as a youth, he is a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned the *Ner Tamid*. In Scouting for over 41 years, he has served as the Scoutmaster of *Shomer Shabbat* Troop 55 for over 30 years. Wood Badge trained in the ‘First Sabbath Observant Wood Badge Course’ in 1992, he has attended Scout Summer Camp with his Troop for 23 years. In 2000, he participated in a *Shomer Shabbat* Philmont trek. His previous Jamboree experience includes:

- **1964 National Scout Jamboree** in Valley Forge, PA with a Troop from Highland Park, NJ.
- **1997 National Scout Jamboree**, Scoutmaster of *Shomer Shabbat* Jamboree Troop 446.
- **2001 National Scout Jamboree**, Scoutmaster of *Shomer Shabbat* Jamboree Troop 511.
- **2005 National Scout Jamboree**, Scoutmaster of *Shomer Shabbat* Jamboree Troop 540.

Mr. Freidenreich has been awarded the District Award of Merit and Shofar Award, and is a member of the New Jersey State Jewish Committee on Scouting, and the National Jewish Committee on Scouting Advisory Board. He holds BS & MA degrees in Mathematics & Computer Science and is a Lead Software Developer for Telephone Network Applications. He is married, with two daughters and one son, Avi, an Eagle Scout. He and his wife were recently honored as ‘Parents of the Year’ by the Moshe Aron Yeshiva High School.

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Mr. Neil Schmerling, Scoutmaster, a life-long resident of the Philadelphia, PA area, is a past President, Vice-President, and Treasurer of Adath Zion Congregation. A Scout and Scouter for over 40 years, in 1998 he became Scoutmaster of his boyhood *Shomer Shabbat* Troop 185 (which has had the same charter organization for 83 yrs). From 1975 to 1998, he was Assistant Scoutmaster to Mervyn Sluizer, Jr., who had been Scoutmaster since 1947. He is an Eagle Scout, a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow, and has earned the *Ner Tamid*. As a youth he camped over 300 nights with his troop including a three-week trip to Israel, and participated in a two-week National Junior Leader Training Course at Schiff Scout Reservation. Wood Badge trained, in the ‘Sabbath Observant’ course held in 1998, he has helped plan and implement many “Summer Treks,” each four-to-six weeks long, for which Troop 185 is renowned. In 2003, he participated in a *Shomer Shabbat* Philmont trek.

His previous Jamboree experience includes:

- **1973 National Scout Jamboree**, at Moraine State Park, PA with a *Shomer Shabbat* Troop.
- **1973 Israeli Scout Jamboree**
- **2001 National Scout Jamboree**, 1st Assistant Scoutmaster of Jamboree Troop 510 in the *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent.
- **2005 National Scout Jamboree**, Scoutmaster of *Shomer Shabbat* Jamboree Troop 541

Mr. Schmerling has a BS in Accounting and is a practicing Certified Public Accountant & Certified Financial Planner. He is married with one daughter and one son, Joey, an Eagle Scout who has learned at Yeshivat Sha’alvim in Israel.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT ANY ONE OF THE ABOVE LEADERS.

Addendum to the “Code of Conduct” for Participants in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent

The announcement of this special *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent, as a resource to Jewish Scouts from throughout the United States and other countries, was introduced with the following statement.

“These Troops will eliminate all barriers to entry, and will allow full access to the spectacular Jamboree experience, for Scouts whose observance of the 12th point of the Boy Scouts of America’s Scout Law ...

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- ④ Opportunities for ongoing religious learning (*Limudei Kodesh*).”

Scouts invariably attend a National Jamboree with their local Council, or country, contingent. In the eyes of Scouters and Scouting professionals across the U.S., there is only one reason why a Jewish Scout would not attend the Jamboree with his regular local contingent Troop: Because the program of the regular Troop would be a barrier to this Scout’s observance of the 12th point of the Scout Law ... “*A Scout is Reverent*”... which, for this Scout, includes observing the four requirements of *Kashrut*, *Shabbat*, *Tefila*, and *Limudei Kodesh*. There is thus the clear expectation that all Scouts in these Jamboree Troops will be observing these four requirements.

Expectations: We are privileged to be able to form these Jamboree Troops. Any participant not living up to the expectations for this *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent may cause difficulty and embarrassment for others in the Contingent. We want to make the expectations for all participants in this Contingent explicitly clear.

1. **Behavior:** While all Jamboree Troops are on public display, our *Shomer Shabbat* Troops will attract special public attention. We must live by the Scout Oath & Law, and work to create a *Kiddush Hashem* in all we do.
2. **Kashrut:** Scouts will have three full *kosher* meals daily. Scouts will not eat non-*kosher* food at any places such as, stops in transit to the Jamboree, the Jamboree Trading Post, or other Jamboree Troop campsites.
3. **Shabbat:** Our Jamboree experience will include one *Shabbat* in a community, and one at the Jamboree. Scouts will observe *Shabbat* in accord with the tone set by their hosts and Jamboree Troop Scoutmaster.
4. **Tefila:** Our Jamboree Troops will pause for ‘Grace’ before and after meals and for morning, afternoon, and evening services (*Shacharit*, *Minchah*, and *Maariv*). While individual boys and adult leaders in our Troops may have many different personal perspectives on prayer, as a community our Troops will gather as one. Scouts will arrive on time and wear a Scout hat or *kipah* at meals and services. During services Scouts may follow along with the *davening*, practice reading some of the prayers in Hebrew, read the English translation or commentary in the *siddur* or *Chumash*, or meditate — as they stand and sit with the congregation.
5. **Limudei Kodesh:** Scouts will have the opportunity to set up a *chevrusa* or participate in other learning activities. There will be *limudei kodesh* programs scheduled for the whole Contingent, especially on *Shabbat*.
6. **Tisha B’Av:** This fast-day occurs Tuesday, July 20, 2010, during our program. Fasting will be an individual decision. Those eating, though, should use discretion around those fasting. For some individuals, fasting in the hot environment, where we will be, may affect their health. There are clear *halachic* requirements for when one may, and in fact must, drink and/or eat on a fast-day. Scouts for whom this is a concern should review this with their local rabbinic authorities before our program. Rabbis, familiar with the *halachic* requirements, will be in close communication with our Jamboree Troop Leaders and Medical Personnel. It is expected that all participants will follow the instructions of these adults, based upon this rabbinic advice.
7. **Dress:** From July 18 through August 4, the duration of the Jamboree experience, we will be in Scout uniform. There is no need to bring any other clothes, since they will not be worn at any time.* Do not bring clothes such as: sports caps/jackets, bandannas, military fatigues, or ‘civilian’ clothes. **They will not be worn at any time.** The details of a “Class A” & “Class B” uniform will be described in another communication, but it should be clear that only a Scout uniform is to be worn during the Jamboree experience. Footwear should be a muted color such as brown, tan, black, or dark green. (There is nothing like pink, or black-&-white zebra-stripes, to make a Scout stick out like a sore thumb.) Headgear will be an official Scout hat or, at times, a *kipah*.
*A “black hat” and a jacket (preferably the red Scout Jamboree jacket) may be worn during *davening*
8. **Duration:** Participants in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent will be engaged in the program from noon on Sunday, July 18, 2010 through their drop off point after noon on Wednesday, August 4, 2010.
9. **Scoutmaster & Local Scout Council Approval:** The Scoutmaster & local Scout Council of each applicant must approve their participation in the 2010 National Scout Jamboree.

WHAT GOES ON AT A NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE?

A Jamboree is divided into about 20 Subcamps, each holding 40-50 Troops. Through the Fall & Winter of 2009–2010 *Boy's Life Magazine's* articles will give more details on the 2010 Jamboree. There will be four identical **Action Centers** around the Jamboree and a number of special **Exhibits & Displays**, along with the ever popular **Merit Badge Midway**.

Over 35,000 Scouts in uniform are in attendance from across the U.S., with tents and interesting gateways everywhere. Many countries send delegations and these Scouts, in their nation's uniform, are always friendly and eager to chat (in English!) about life in their country ... and to trade patches. There are spectacular Arena Shows for the 35,000 Jamboree participants and nearly 20,000 visitors, often including a (very!) low level military jet fly-by. While part of the fun of a Jamboree is experiencing the surprise of new discoveries, the following is just a sampling of the type of activities.

ACTION CENTERS:

- **ACTION ALLEY** - This physical fitness course is not just another obstacle course. It is a combination of COPE, "Challenge Valley," and a traditional obstacle course.
- **AIR RIFLE AND ARCHERY** - Expert instructors and expert equipment.
- **BIKATHLON** - Patterned after the Olympic Biathlon, participants ride cross-country and occasionally shoot for a score.
- **BUCKSKIN GAMES** - Black-powder rifle shooting, a knife throw, action archery, bullwhip cracking, and branding.
- **CONFIDENCE COURSE** - A COPE-type course run as a patrol activity to promote and reinforce a Scout's confidence.
- **MOTOCROSS** - A bicycle motocross course with a series of obstacles.
- **PIONEERING** - A practical application of pioneering skills to move objects & build structures – woodsman engineering.
- **TRAP SHOOTING** - Instruction, safety training, and an opportunity to fire shotguns at clay pigeons.
- **RAPPELLING** - A rappelling tower with room for the whole patrol to rappel as a group.
- **FISHING** - More than 20,000 bass and other fish are stocked in Fishhook Lake.
- **RAFT ENCOUNTER** - Two Scouts per raft meet in a challenge to every other raft in a splash-and-dash hand paddle experience where everyone gets wet.
- **RACING SHELL RUN** - Two Scout crews in sleek, lightweight racing shells race each other down Upper Travis Lake.
- **CANOE SPRINT** - Two Scout crews will run a canoe race maneuvering through a set of buoys over a timed course.
- **KAYAK FUN** - Learn basic kayak handling skills and run a set course for time.
- **CANOE SLALOM** - A 2-Scout crew runs through Olympic style slalom gates using canoeing skills over a timed course.
- **DISCOVER SCUBA** - Led by experienced instructors, receive instruction and experience an initial SCUBA adventure.
- **SNORKEL SEARCH** - Following instruction, Scouts will use a snorkel to find souvenirs in a clear-water pool.

MERIT BADGE MIDWAY, EXHIBITS & DISPLAYS:

- **MERIT BADGE MIDWAY** - There are usually around 100 very large booths representing different Merit Badges. Scouts meet with expert counselors in each area with many exciting hands-on activities planned including a healthy dose of computers and electronics. Scouts should be able to earn some Merit Badges completely at the Jamboree or get substantial 'partials' to be completed at home.
- **NATIONAL EXHIBITS** - Six large tents and several outdoor areas for exhibits from *Boy's Life* (don't miss seeing Pedro!), the major divisions of the BSA, the armed services and federal agencies.
- **ARTS AND SCIENCE EXPO** - More than 1,000 entries are expected in the Arts and Science Expo. Arts categories include photography, sculpture, crafts, painting, print making, computer graphics, drawing, and literature. Science entries may be based on any merit badge subject that is science related. All exhibits will be judged by experts and appropriate ribbons will be awarded. Special recognition will be given to category winners.
- **BROWNSEA ISLAND CAMP** - An historical recreation of the 1st Boy Scout camp, conducted by Baden-Powell in 1907 on Brownsea Island, off the coast of England. Features demonstrations, games and activities conducted by Scouts dressed in the costume of the time. British and Canadian Scouts will be included in the Brownsea Island experience.
- **DAILY STAGE SHOWS** - Near the Merit Badge Midway there will be non-stop entertainment with bands, military drill teams, bicycle stunt shows, presentations by Scouts from other countries, and many surprises.
- **AMATEUR RADIO STATION** - K2BSA Amateur Radio Station is set so that Scouts will have an opportunity to talk with someone from another part of the world, operate a TV station, track satellites, work on the Radio Merit Badge, earn an amateur radio license, or send a message. This activity area is usually located near the Merit Badge Midway.
- **SCOUTS ON STAMPS** - Programs run by members of the Scouts on Stamps Society International showing the use of Scout themes on the postage stamps of countries throughout the world.

Patch trading is everywhere ... and that's just the beginning. It sure looks as if we have many great activities in store!

Don't wait! ... Fill out your application! ... Sign up now!

THE *SHOMER SHABBAT* CONTINGENT to the 2010 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE YOUTH APPLICATION PROCESS

ADULT INFORMATION IS ON PAGE 9.

1. Read: Carefully read ALL of the information on the above six pages.
2. Register on-line at MyScouting.org:
 - A. A parent or guardian must initiate the registration process, and pay the \$10 National Processing Fee with a credit card at the end. Go to www.MyScouting.org
 - B. The adult needs to create an account, if necessary (just follow the instructions), and log in.
 - C. Click 'Event Reservations' in the upper left corner, 'Jamboree' on the next menu, and the third item on the next list: **2010 National Scout Jamboree Youth Participant Application.**
 - D. You need to know your Council Number and your Member ID. You can find this on your BSA Membership Card, or your Scoutmaster (or Council office) should be able to help you with this.

Note: So far, this is the same procedure all Scouts use to attend the Jamboree and it registers them with their local Council.
3. Agree: When you check the box next to "I have read the Code of Conduct and agree to the terms and conditions," you also agree to the Code of Conduct Addendum on page five above.
4. Change Application from Home Council Contingent to *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent:
After you complete the above Registration process, and pay the \$10.00 fee: you, and your Home Council, will both get a Confirmation Email with a subject line of "2010 NSJ Participant Application Submitted."
Now, your Home Council has every reason to expect that you want to go to the Jamboree with them.

This is the ONLY way to register for The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent, otherwise you stay with your Home Council.

- **Conceptually, what you MUST DO IMMEDIATELY is indicate your intention to both:**
 1. OPT 'OUT' of your Home Council Contingent, and
 2. OPT 'IN' to The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent
- **The date/time that you do this will determine your sequence on any Waiting List that may develop.**

You MUST follow the next instructions EXACTLY as written.

- A. Prepare to **FORWARD** your Confirmation Email. We will call this new email your 'Forwarding Email.'
- B. In the header of the Confirmation Email (now, inside your Forwarding Email), you will see a 'Cc:' address. It will probably be something like: [\[person-name\]@bsamail.org](mailto:[person-name]@bsamail.org) .
(This is the Scouting professional in your Home Council who is handling Jamboree issues.)
COPY that full 'Cc:' email address [\[person-name\]@bsamail.org](mailto:[person-name]@bsamail.org) (or whatever it is) and **PASTE** it into the 'To:' address of your Forwarding Email.
- C. Now you need to add a message for that Scouting professional. Put your cursor at the very top-left of the **text** in your Forwarding Email, and prepare to type the following in a nice big and bold font:
This Scout[er] intends to join 'The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent'.
The Jamboree Registrar will transfer them shortly.
For more information, see: www.JewishScouting.org/SSJC
- D. In the 'Cc:' address of your Forwarding Email, type:
ShomerShabbatJamboreeContingent@JewishScouting.org
(This address, at the National Jewish Committee on Scouting, is ONLY for the purpose of collecting a copy of your Confirmation Email, to inform the Jamboree Registrar to make a transfer.)
- E. Review the instructions above, and make sure you have followed them EXACTLY as written.
- F. Now, you may hit the **SEND** button.

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5. Secure Scoutmaster Approval & Submit Payment:
- A. Print your Confirmation Email, and get your Scoutmaster's Approval signature in the space provided.
 - B. PAYMENT BY CHECK: Mail ① this signed Confirmation Email sheet, along with ② a check payable to 'Monmouth Council' for the appropriate payment, shown on page 3 above.

Mail both of these items to:

***Shomer Shabbat* Jamboree Contingent
Monmouth Council
705 Ginesi Drive
Morganville, NJ 07751**

PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD: If you wish to pay by Credit Card, you still MUST mail the Confirmation Email sheet with the Scoutmaster Approval signature (as described above). Add a note saying 'Will call-in credit card information.'

Credit card company fee: Note that the 3% credit card company fee will be added to your charge. (This means that for a \$400 Reservation Fee payment, you will be charged \$412. and for a \$300 payment, you will be charged \$309.)

To pay by credit card: After mailing your Scoutmaster Approval, call Monmouth Council at:

732 536-2347 EXT 10.

Along with your Credit Card information, you will need to give:

- ① Your Name,
 - ② Address,
 - ③ Phone Number,
 - ④ Scout Council Name,
 - ⑤ Troop Number, and
 - ⑥ 'Registration Code' from your Jamboree Confirmation Email
6. Official Transfer of Registration from your Local Council:
Once your payments are up-to-date, we will request approval for your participation from your Home Council and have the Jamboree Registrar transfer you to The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent.
7. Rest on the seventh step! (Appropriate for the seventh step, yes?)
Periodically you will get emails from The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent, and later, from your Jamboree Troop Scoutmaster. By the fall/winter of 2009 you will get a number of very important communications.

SIX EASY STEPS TO JOIN THE JAMBOREE FUN!

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ADULT APPLICATION PROCESS

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ADULT LEADERS

JEWISH SCOUTERS MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE JAMBOREE IN ONE OF FOUR WAYS.

Jewish Scouters, concerned with the four religious requirements listed above (*Shabbat, Kashrut, Tefila, & Limudei Kodesh*), can usually serve on ❶ Regional Staff or ❷ National Staff.

Here, they arrange their own transportation to and from the Jamboree, can arrange a schedule of work responsibilities around *Shabbat* and the time for *Tefila*, and can easily get *Kosher* food delivered to them at the Jamboree. Most of these positions require a time commitment of 10 to 14 days.

To serve in this way:

- A. Go to www.MyScouting.org.
- B. Create an account for yourself, if you need to, and log in.
- C. Click on 'Event Reservations' in the upper left corner, and then click on 'Jamboree'.
- D. The top of the next list is a link to '2010 National Staff Jamboree Staff Application.' Adult staff positions are open to men and women currently registered with the BSA who were born before July 26, 1984.

Jamboree Troop Leaders travel with a Council Contingent. If the four requirements above are a concern, then either a local Scout Council may make accommodations for a ❸ Council Jamboree Troop Leader (these are much easier to do for an adult than for a small group of Scouts), or application may be made to serve as a ❹ Jamboree Troop Leader in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent. The process for either of these two options is to follow Steps A, B, and C, as above. Instead of Step D, though, do Step E.

- E. The second item on the next list says '2010 National Scout Adult Troop Leader Application.'

If your own Council can make accommodations for your religious needs, then you may stop at this point and pursue your application with your own local Council.

INFORMATION FOR ADULT LEADERS APPLYING FOR THE *SHOMER SHABBAT* CONTINGENT

Number of Positions: Two Jamboree Troops have been allocated. Each Troop will have five adult leaders. One of the five is the Scoutmaster, introduced above, and each Troop has four Assistant Scoutmasters. The 4th Assistant Scoutmaster positions, and possibly the 3rd Assistants, are held for an adult, over age 18 but under 21.

This means that there are at least two, but no more than a maximum of four positions for adults between 18 and 21. This also means that there are at least four, but no more than a maximum of six positions for adults over 21.

If we have enough youth to fill three Jamboree Troops (105 youth) then there is a strong likelihood that we would be allocated an additional Troop, and would then have need for five additional adult leaders. This would require that by the middle of August, 2009 we have a deep 'Waiting List' of youth, beyond the 70 who fill two Troops,.

Selection of Assistant Scoutmasters: Any adult leader in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent must meet the same National BSA standards as a leader in any other Jamboree Troop. As Jamboree Troops operate solely under the auspices of a Scout Council, the Jamboree Troop Leaders in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent will be recommended by the Troop Scoutmaster and Contingent Leader, and approved by the National Scout Jamboree Committee of Monmouth Council.

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Additional Qualifications for Adult Leaders of The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent:

Since Scouters invariably attend a National Jamboree with their local Council Contingent, in the eyes of Scouting professionals and other Scouters across the U.S., there is only one reason why a Jewish Scouter would not attend the Jamboree with his local Council Contingent: Because the program of the regular Troop would be a barrier to this Scouter's observance of the 12th Point of the Scout Law ... "*A Scout is Reverent*"... which, for this individual, includes observing the four requirements of *Kashrut, Shabbat, Tefila, and Limudei Kodesh*. Thus, there is the clear expectation that all Scouters in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent will have:

- A history of observing these four requirements in their public engagement with Scouting in their local Council.
- Demonstrated ability to serve as a role model in the implementation of these four Jewish requirements.

Since local Council Jamboree Troops have frequent leader's meetings, pre-Jamboree Troop meetings, and Junior Leader Development sessions, The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent must do much of this through remote communication, but will need some particular times for leaders to be together. There is thus an expectation that these leaders will:

- Be in frequent e-mail and telephone contact with other leaders in the months before the Jamboree..
- Commit to arrive at the Forestburg Scout Reservation, Forestburg, NY, by **Friday afternoon, July 16, 2010** to spend *Shabbat* with ALL of the other leaders, to participate in final Saturday night/Sunday morning pre-Jamboree preparations, and to participate fully with The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent in all of its activities from: **Sunday morning, July 18, 2010 through Wednesday evening August 4, 2010.**
- Make every effort to attend two very important pre-Jamboree activities in Massachusetts and New Jersey, if at all possible. While trans-continental travel may be difficult, it is important for *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent leaders to be together, to build a cohesive leadership team, to meet youth who will be participants in the Jamboree program, to conduct Jamboree Troop Junior Leader Development, to conduct business meetings with Contingent leaders, and to make program decisions.
 - a. **Dates: Sunday, December 27, 2009 through Wednesday, December 30, 2009.**
Event: The 23rd Annual Boston Minuteman Council Traditional Jewish Conclave at Camp Sayre, Milton, MA
 - b. **Dates: Friday, May 28, 2010 through Monday, May 31, 2010 (Memorial Day Weekend)**
Event: The New Jersey Kinus at Camp No-Be-Bo-Sco, Blairstown, NJ
- Expect to attend the **Monmouth Council Jamboree 'Shakedown' Experience** at Quail Hill Scout Reservation, Manalapan, NJ, Friday morning through Sunday afternoon, Dates TBA (May or June 2010). Here, The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent's adult leaders and Junior Leaders will observe the 'Shakedown' Experience for the other Troops that Monmouth Council is sending to the Jamboree, conduct business meetings with Troop and Contingent leaders, and make final Jamboree program decisions and preparations.

To apply for an Assistant Scoutmaster position in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent: When you get to Step E, as described above in completing the '2010 National Scout Adult Troop Leader Application,' you are in the Adult Leader version of Step 2 as described for Youth earlier. Complete the Adult Leader Registration Form on-line (Step 2), and carefully follow steps: **3-Agree, 4-Change Application from Home Council Contingent to *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent, and 5-Submit Payment,** just as described above for Youth. Your Application will then be in the pool of candidates interested in Assistant Scoutmaster positions in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent.

Setting Expectations Regarding Timing of Decisions: If there is going to be a chance for filling three Troops in The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent we will need to have enough Youth registrations by the 'Late Fee' deadline of August 15, 2009. This means that the exact size and complexion of our youth constituency, and the pool of interested adult leader applicants, may not be fully known until then. The 1st Assistant Scoutmasters will be announced earliest, but it is anticipated that the full adult roster will not be decided until the fall of 2009.

An effort will be made to find viable positions at the Jamboree for ALL qualified adult applicants, whether within The *Shomer Shabbat* Contingent, or near enough to participate in daily *minyanim* and *Shabbat* activities.