



*Celebrating the Adventure Continuing the Journey*

# WR Jamboree News!



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*A periodic collection of news and information for members of the Western Region 2010 National Scout Jamboree Staff. Please submit articles or ideas for inclusion in future issues to: [jvandreee@netbsa.org](mailto:jvandreee@netbsa.org).*

## Some Recent Questions...

**Q:** Since the BSA will be 100 years old in 2010, can we wear the "100 year bar" emblem between our council shoulder patch and our jamboree troop number on our uniform?

**A:** No. The 100 year bar is recognition for chartered troops who have been around for 100 years...not jamboree troops!

**Q:** What's the deal on jamboree staff patches? Some of our folks have them, some don't, some received patches with gold borders (instead of black with the words "staff" on them)... what gives?!?



**A:** The Jamboree division is issuing a staff patch to everyone who has applied on line for a staff position and submitted their \$100 registration fee. Even if a person hasn't been approved by their council yet, they get a patch. Eventually, if they are not accepted, they get \$50 of their fee back and can still keep the patch. The yellow/gold border patches were sent by mistake. If you know of anyone who received one of these, they can get it replaced with a black border staff patch by sending it back. Have them send it to:

Jamboree Division, S203  
Attn.: Robin Hunt  
1325 W. Walnut Hill Lane  
P.O. Box 152079  
Irving, TX 75015-2079



**Q:** I applied for a Jamboree staff position over a month ago and still haven't heard anything. What's going on?

**A:** There are a number of things that could be going on:

- The most common reason is that the application has yet to be approved at the council level. (At the time of this writing,

there are 267 applications in the system waiting on council approval.)

- Once the application has been approved by the Western Region and then National (about a week after it's been approved by the council), it goes to the person(s) responsible for staffing the area of the applicant's "First Choice". It can remain there for up to 20 business days, at which time it moves to the applicant's "Second Choice", and so on. So this, too, can take some time.



So, if it seems like it's taking way too long, check first with your council to make sure the application has been approved. If it has, call or email John Van Dreese. I'll at least be able to update you on your application's status.

## Jamboree Trivia

The 1950 Jamboree, held at Valley Forge, was featured on the July 24, 1950 cover of LIFE magazine. The Jamboree was attended by 47,163 scouts.



## On-Line Registration

If you have accepted a staff position, but haven't officially registered, please go to the jamboree site and register! If you are a volunteer scouter, go to [www.MyScouting.org](http://www.MyScouting.org) to register. If you are a professional scouter, go to [www.MyBSA.org](http://www.MyBSA.org) to register. In both cases, be sure to have your membership number handy. (This is the number that appears on the bottom center of your registration card. If you don't have a card, contact your council's registrar to obtain your number.)

Jamboree Countdown:

# 592 DAYS!

