



2005 National Scout Jamboree Greater St. Louis Area Council Contingent

Five Troops from across the Greater St. Louis Area Council will be attending the 2005 National Jamboree leaving St. Louis on July 21, 2005 and returning August 4, 2005. Each Troop will have 36 Scouts and 4 adult leaders (Scoutmaster and three Assistant Scoutmasters, one of whom will be an 18-21 year old).

The tour before the Jamboree will include visits to Washington, D. C., Busch Gardens, and Colonial Williamsburg. After the Jamboree, the tour is expected to include Monticello, home of Thomas Jefferson.

The nine days at the Jamboree will be packed with rappelling, trap shooting, kayak fun, raft encounters, archery, bikathlon, black powder rifle shooting, buckskin games, confidence course, conservation programs, Order of Arrow exhibits, daily stage shows, patch trading, military exhibits, merit badge midway, national BSA exhibits, arena shows, fireworks....too much to do in nine days.

Scouts can make a reservation to attend the Jamboree by downloading the application from the Council web site and sending it to the Council office with a \$50 deposit. Applications can also be sent to a Scout by calling the Activities Office at the Council (314-361-0600). Scouts must have completed the sixth grade or be at least 12 years of age and a First Class Scout by July 1, 2005. His 18th birthday must not be before August 2, 2005.

We encourage Scout leaders to apply for the adult leader positions by visiting the Council web site at www.stlbsa.org/activities/jamboree and downloading the application. As noted on the web site, the application is sent to Kathy Carrier, Director of Activities for the Council.

Interviews of interested Scout leaders will be held September 2004, with selections made by October 1. Training begins in October. The Troops will form by January 1, 2005 and meet monthly until after the Jamboree.

The cost per Scout leader and Scout attending the Jamboree is expected to be \$1495. This includes all transportation, meals, hotels, and attendance at the Jamboree.

For more information, visit the Council Jamboree web site at www.stlbsa.org/activities/jamboree or contact Barry Bingham, Council Contingent Leader at barrybingham.aol.