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UPCOMING EVENTS

2016

June 13–18, Week 2 International Representative Conference, Philmont Training Center

July 20–28 International Finnjamboree, Roihu, Finland

July 30–Aug. 6 Essex International Jamboree, UK

Aug. 3–9 14th Korea National Jamboree, Nakdonggang Riverside, Dalseong-gun, Daegu-city, Korea

Dec 27–Jan. 2 Interamerican Jamboree and Interamerican Scout Camporee, Guayaquil, Ecuador

2017

July 19–28 2017 BSA National Scout Jamboree, Summit Bechtel Reserve

July 22–30 Jamboree 2017, Sønderborg, Denmark

July 25–Aug. 2 World Scout Moot, Iceland

2016 INTERNATIONAL SCOUTING CONFERENCE

There are still openings in our biennial conference for anyone interested in international Scouting! Please register soon at www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc to secure your spot at the 2016 conference.

Local council International Representatives (IRs) will gain tools to enhance their council's international Scouting experience. This session will motivate IRs with information about the following: the council international committee structure, international tours and exchanges, world Scout jamborees, the World Friendship Fund, Messengers of Peace, and international camp staff programs. Your IR toolbox will be full of new information and techniques to bring home to your packs, troops, teams, ships, and crews.

If your IR cannot attend this year's conference, with his or her approval, a representative from your council may attend in that person's place. Questions about who can attend and how to confirm "representative IR" registration approval may be sent to international@scouting.org.

WORLD FRIENDSHIP FUND



Do you know how to get World Friendship Fund brochures, coffee can labels, or posters for your next collection? Well, let us tell you! Contact your local council, and ask them to order the items from the National Distribution Center via bin inventory. You will need these item numbers:

Brochure, No. 130-159
Label, No. 22620
Poster, No. 22609

Our supply of World Friendship Fund DVDs is limited, so be sure to order one today before they are gone!

We also can accept World Friendship Fund donations online! To donate online or to download the brochure, **please visit** www.scouting.org/international/worldsupport.



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INTERNATIONAL CAMP STAFF PROGRAM

Don't forget to apply for the 2016 camp season by visiting www.scouting.org/International/applications.aspx. The deadline is February 15, 2016. Check out success stories in our previous newsletters at www.scouting.org/International/newsletter.aspx.

Application for European Camp Staff Program Changes

The BSA developed the European Camp Staff Program to further screen applicants for the European Region's European Scout Voluntary Program. As the digital age has progressed, it has become much easier to apply to the European centers directly. Therefore, to make participation less cumbersome for the prospective applicants and the European Region, the BSA will no longer implement the European Camp Staff Program application process. All applicants will apply directly to the European Region's European Scout Voluntary Program. For more information, please visit www.scouting.org/International/ecamp.aspx or <http://rovernet.eu/site/esvp-map/>.

Spotlight on the UK Scout Activity Centres



We're looking for volunteers from all over the world who want to have fun, make friends, and get qualified. Each year, we recruit up to 100 volunteers, from more than 30 countries, to help run our activity centres across the UK.

What Will You Be Doing? Our volunteers help with all aspects of running our centres, so no two days will be the same! For example, volunteers may be lead a kayaking session, check in guests, clean lodges and toilets, or possibly run a wide game for 50 Scouts. They'll be responsible for helping our visitors have a quality experience at Scout Activity Centres.

What Is Included? In return for our volunteers' hard work, we provide all food, accommodations, and uniforms for the duration of placement. All volunteers also receive a weekly allowance to cover out-of-pocket expenses. They'll receive comprehensive training and experience across a wide range of areas, plus the opportunity to attend accredited courses and gain recognized qualifications.

Available placement dates for next year are as follows:

Intake Name	Placement Dates
January 2016—Youlbury only	10 months: 18 January–28 October
March 2016	8 months: 29 February–28 October 12 months: 29 February–24 February 2017
June 2016	5 months: 30 May–28 October
July 2016—Gilwell Park only	2 months: 15 July–16 September
September 2016	8 months: 29 August–28 April 2017 12 months: 29 August–24 August 2017

Interested Scouts can visit www.scouts.org.uk/sac, or contact us directly via email (volunteering.sac@scouts.org.uk), phone (0208 498 5301) or Facebook (/SACvolunteers).

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JOTA and JOTI REPORT



The 2015 JOTA-JOTI weekend was a great experience that made a difference in the lives of Scouts. It introduced them to other Scouts from around the world, their countries, their weather, and their cultures as well as increasing their knowledge of technology.

Not only that, but it was fun! The official BSA JOTA and JOTI report that was submitted to the World Organization of the Scout Movement will be posted at <http://scout.org/jotajoti>. You will find previous JOTA and JOTI reports there as well.

Be sure to visit www.scouting.org/jota and www.scouting.org/joti in the upcoming months for information on JOTA and JOTI 2016!

INTERNATIONAL SPIRIT AWARD UPDATE

The International Spirit Award is a temporary emblem that is awarded to registered Scouts and Scouters who have completed the necessary requirements, have gained a greater knowledge of international Scouting, and have a greater appreciation and awareness of different cultures and countries.



The International Spirit Award application has been updated. Effective September 1, 2015, the new application must be used as there have been changes to the requirements. International Spirit Award emblems are \$4 each and are purchased from the International Department.

Did you attend the 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan? If so, you've completed one of the experience requirements! Please visit www.scouting.org/international/applications to see the requirements and apply for this award.

COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL EVENT GUIDELINE

If your council is planning to host international Scouts as participants at a local council event, the International Department will work with your event registrar to verify that contingent leaders and International Service Team (IST/staff) members are registered and approved by their own WOSM Scout association to attend your event.

This may seem like an unnecessary step in your event planning, but it can be crucial to your event's success. At a previous large-council event, only 85 percent of the contingent leaders and 78 percent of the IST that applied were approved by their Scout association. Contact the International Department to verify the registration and approval of your international Scouts.

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UPCOMING CHANGES TO BSA CONTINGENT SUPPORT

With more than 160 member organizations within the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), there are many international Scouting events each year. They provide a great opportunity for our BSA members to connect with the world, to learn about other countries, people, and cultures through Scouting activities, and make new friendships as part of their Scouting adventure.

In the past, the International Department has performed the coordination and planning of BSA contingents to some of these events. For the most part, these contingents were very similar to your own units' planning and participation for adventures.

The International Department is in the process of updating our process to support BSA members interested in attending international Scouting events, but will no longer act as the coordinator and planner of participation at these events.

An important part of the change in our process will be the elimination of the current BSA Contingent Nomination process and the addition of the BSA Contingent Leader Nomination process.

Please watch our web page at www.scouting.org/international for updates to the process expected to be released in the first quarter of 2016.

BSA members who are interested in learning about upcoming international Scouting events should use the WOSM resources below:

In the [International Events List](#), you can find information about camps and other Scouting events taking place around the world where Scouts from other countries are invited to attend. Also, view the [WOSM events page](#).

23rd WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE MEMORIAL PACKAGE



Beautiful memories of the days in Kirara-hama, Japan, have been packed into a photo book and DVD! The DVD includes photos and videos from throughout the camp, footage from the arena events, digitalized archives of the jamboree newspaper, pre-event posters, and more. Orders can be placed at www.23wsj.jp/memorialpackage.html.

UPCOMING JAMBOREES

NATIONAL

Registration for the 2017 National Scout Jamboree has begun. We hope that many BSA members as well as international Scouts will register for the event and apply for positions on the contingent support and exhibit staffs. Invitations will be sent to other national Scout organizations soon.



WORLD

The first promotion for the 2019 WSJ was rolled out in Japan. This event will be held July 22–August 2, 2019, at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. Join co-hosts the BSA, Scouts Canada, and Asociación de Scouts de México, as we “Unlock a New World.”

To learn more about the 2019 WSJ as information becomes available, join our distribution list at 2019wsj.org. If you are a Facebook user, you can also like the Facebook page at 24th World Scout Jamboree–North America 2019.



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INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES



The following councils do not have an International Representative (IR) on file with our department. If your council is listed below, please nominate an IR to represent your council and help share all the wonderful international opportunities that are available! To find out who your IR is, visit <http://www.scouting.org/International/InternationalRepresentative.aspx>.

CENTRAL REGION

Twin Valley Council, #283
Gamehaven Council, #299
W.D. Boyce Council, #138
Greater Cleveland Council, #440
Muskingum Valley Council, #467
Mid-Iowa Council, #177
Pony Express Council, #311
Sagamore Council, #162
Glacier's Edge Council, #620
Blackhawk Area Council, #660

SOUTHERN REGION

Calcasieu Area Council, #209
Northwest Texas Council, #587
Colonial Virginia Council, #595
South Texas Council, #577
Pee Dee Area Council, #552

NORTHEAST REGION

Nashua Valley Council, #230
Five Rivers Council, #375
Moraine Trails Council, #500
Bucktail Council, #509
Laurel Highlands Council, #527

WESTERN REGION

Redwood Empire Council, #41
Great Southwest Council, #412

SCOUTING OUTSIDE OF THE U.S.

CHANGES IN SUPPORT SERVICE

If you are moving or live outside of the United States, you can continue to be a member of the Boy Scouts of America. The World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), of which the BSA is a member, is divided into six regions: Africa, Arab, Asia-Pacific, Eurasia, Europe, and Interamerican (North, Central, and South America and the Caribbean).

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR SCOUTING OUTSIDE THE U.S.

Far East Council (Asia-Pacific Region)

Phone—within Japan: 098-970-2400;
international: +81-98-970-2400

Address—Far East Council BSA,
Unit 35049, FPO AP 96373-5049

Web—www.fareastcouncil.org; www.fareastcouncil.org/about/service-centers

Transatlantic Council

(Africa, Arab, Eurasia, and Europe Regions)

Phone—CIV: +39-050-54-7795; mobile: +39-346-319-5814

Address—Transatlantic Council BSA, Unit 31301, Box 25,
APO AE 09613

Web/email—www.tac-bsa.org; vince.cozzone@scouting.org

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1325 W. Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, TX 75038

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JAMBOREE 2017 IN DENMARK



Photo: Jon Kristensen

Approximately 40,000 Scouts will be meeting in Denmark for Europe's largest jamboree of 2017! The five Danish Scout associations will come together, along with 6,000 international participants, in southern Denmark to make Jamboree Denmark 2017.



Photo: Kurt Stæcker Jensen

The jamboree will take place close to the German border and is easy to access from Hamburg or Copenhagen. The camp will run from the 22nd to 30th July and could easily be combined with visits to other locations across Europe. This is a fantastic opportunity to give your Scouts an international experience of Scouting and to make an exciting trip to Northern Europe.

A Danish jamboree is all about life together at the camp. Groups will cook their own food over open fire, and the focus will be on interacting and living with the thousands of Scouts around you. There will be three "travel" days with activities on- and off-site. Another day will be a subcamp activity day. This leaves another three days for free activities. There will be many opportunities to participate in walk-in activities, go on hikes to the beaches and

forests, or maybe spend a night out under the stars. The area surrounding the camp is rich in nature, history, and culture with many options to explore.

Scouting in Denmark is for boys and girls, and has high standards of safety. The organizers will be ready to assist BSA groups with all their arrangements

and give practical

advice. There will be a great focus on making sure that whatever your language is, you will be able to participate fully in the



Photo: Morten Clausen



Photo: Frederik Andreas Joergensen

jamboree. The jamboree organizers will also be able to offer advice on options before or after the jamboree, such as stayovers in Copenhagen, Scout centres in Denmark, or other locations nearby.

QUICK FACTS

What: Jamboree Denmark 2017

When: 22–30 July 2017

Where: Sønderborg, Southern Denmark, with easy connections to Copenhagen and Hamburg, Germany

Who: The primary age group is 10 to 17, but it is open to all ages. There are options for Venturers and younger Scouts, families, and staff. You can come as your own Scout unit or as a mix of units.

Temperatures: Average daytime temperatures will be around 70 degrees Fahrenheit in July.

How many: There will be 40,000 participants, of which 6,000 will be international participants.

For more information: <http://spejderneslejrdk>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/jamboree2017>

Email: int@sl2017.dk

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BSA INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT

In order to identify who you need to speak to regarding specific programs, see the overview of the department responsibilities below.



Robynn Watson
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- Donations to foundations: World Scout Foundation, Interamerican Scout Foundation, European Scout Foundation, Kandersteg International Scout Center, Gilwell Park Foundation
- Administrative support for the International Department
- World Friendship Fund donation processing
- Visits to the BSA office and coordination with other departments for national Scouting organizations
- BSA Contingent Support—Administration
- 2016 IR Conference Support



Lisa Cristiano
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- Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA)/ Jamboree-on-the-Internet (JOTI)
- International, European, and Korean Camp Staff Programs
- International Representatives
- 2016 Interamerican Region Conference
- 2017 NSJ International Staff and Exhibit support
- 2016 IR Conference



Desiree LaPointe
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- 2016 Interamerican Region Conference support
- 2017 NSJ Registration
- International Spirit Award
- International Letter of Introduction
- International Camp Staff Program support
- Verification of participants and staff from other national Scouting organizations attending BSA events
- Verification of BSA participants and staff attending non-BSA national contingent trips
- BSA Contingent Support—Registration



Janine Halverson
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- Leadership of programs in the International Department
- Relationships and support to World Scout Bureau, World Scout Foundation, World Scout Committee, WOSM Regional Directors, Interamerican Region Office, Interamerican Scout Foundation, and Interamerican Region Committee
- Support to BSA International Commissioner/Chairman, USFIS Committee members, and International Committee members with or without world Scouting assignments
- United States Fund for International Scouting (USFIS) committee advisor and grants
- 2017 NSJ registration development for internationals
- 2019 WSJ BSA contingent
- 2017 NSJ contingent support
- Messengers of Peace

Contact Us!

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ROIHU

WELCOME TO ROIHU

Be sure to check out our website at www.roihu2016.fi/en/
There's a lot of information of the arrangements of the camp, as well as
an awesome video about scouting in Finland and Finnjamboree!

You can keep up with us at Facebook at "Roihu International", go give us a like! We will be updating
information about the camp among with funny facts about Finland and scouting. Also, on Instagram the
hashtag **#roihu2016** has a lot of photos from both the people arranging the camp and from future campers!

Check them out, and please share your photos with us!

If you have any questions concerning the camp or preliminary arrangements,
feel free to contact us at: INTERNATIONAL@ROIHU2016.FI

We are happy to answer any questions you have!

KEEP CONNECTED! #ROIHU2016

HERE'S A CHALLENGE FOR YOU!

We challenge you to take a picture of you or your troop and share it
with us on our Facebook page! Tell us why you're interested in our
camp or how are you preparing for the camp.



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THE CAMP OF YOUR LIFE 20.7.-28.7.2016

June 2015

Have you been camping in real woods? Roihu is the must-see summer camp of 15 000 Scouts and Guides in the Finnish forest! We are expecting 1 500 participants from all over the world to come and experience the Finnish summer.

Roihu 2016 is the 7th International Finnjamboree organised by the Guides and Scouts of Finland. The previous Finnjamborees were Kilke (2010) and Tarus (2004). It is to be held in the Evo campsite in Southern Finland, near the town Hämeenlinna. The camp starts on July 20th 2016 and ends on July 28th 2016. The campsite is a pine and spruce forest, surrounded by beautiful lakes.

The camp will be run in three languages: English, Finnish and Swedish. All participants will have a program of their own age group: **trackers** (12-15-year-olds), **explorers** (15-17) and **rovers** (18-22). The activities will take place in "valleys" where Guides and Scouts have for instance a chance to do Guiding/ Scouting activities in real woods - safety taking naturally into account. The area of Evo will offer good opportunities also to water activities, being placed in proximity of several lakes. There are several joint activities for the

whole camp as well, such as the opening and closing ceremonies - and of course a big campfire, a roihu.

The camp fee would be around **220-240€** including programme, meals (served, no need for own cooking gear) and accommodation in your own tents. Roihu camp fee is based on the number of participants. The more Guides and Scouts we have, the lower the fee will be. So bring your friends along!

Home Hospitality is offered just before the camp starts and gives you an excellent opportunity to experience how Finnish people live. We are also offering a trip around Finland right after the camp (for extra fee). Both options will take around 3 days. There will be different kind of trips to choose from. Trips and HH will have their own price tag.

The camp registration is open until 24.01.2016. You are welcome to have the experience of your life!

We are looking forward to seeing you at Roihu 2016!



ABOUT FINLAND

Finland has about 5,5 million inhabitants and two official languages, Finnish and Swedish. The country is up to 80% covered with woods and 10% with lakes. Approximately 188 000 of the lakes are bigger than 500 square meters and smaller lakes exist beyond count. The biggest lake is Lake Saimaa in south eastern Finland. The Finnish archipelago is the largest in the world, with almost 180 000 islands and skerries.

Aurora Borealis, or northern lights, are usually associated with cold nights, but occur all year around when the Sun is active. They are best seen during clear weather against a dark night sky and are more common in the north than in the south.

Both girls and boys, Finnish and Swedish speakers are united under the same organisation - the Guides and Scouts of Finland (Suomen Partiolaiset - Finland's Scouter). We have 65 000 members in 850 local groups. The Guides and Scouts of Finland is a member of both the World Association of the Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) and World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) and the only Guide and Scout organisation in Finland.

