

TROOP 152 NEWS

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EAGLE COURT OF HONOR

Please join Alex Haugh and his family as he is awarded Scouting's highest honor, the rank of Eagle Scout. Alex's Eagle ceremony will be held on Sunday, 3/2/0223 at 2:00 PM in the Upper Gwynedd Township Building. Attendance is a requirement for all Scouts of Troop 152. Scouts should arrive by 1:45 PM in class "A" uniforms.

WASHINGTON, DC

Join Troop 152 for a trip to the nation's capital, Washington, DC 3/21-23. We will camp at Fort Belvoir and spend Saturday touring the Mall in Washington. This is one of our most popular trips. Get your permission slip in now! See the web site or call Harry Weber for more info 610-584-9055.

Gallagher's Gallery

It was a wet one. I think the singer Gene Kelly described it best when he sang that old favorite – *Ski'in in the Rain*. Wet as it was, the scouts had a ball. We stayed at a BSA camp called Camp Achahela. Many thanks to Dave Narkiewicz for finding the camp and for organizing the trip. It's never an easy task putting a trip together, but Dave did a great job ensuring a smooth trip that everyone enjoyed. If you ever visit Camp Achahela, make sure to stop in the dining hall. Up above, in the rafters, sits the scout hat of one Chris Vanek. Chris graciously donated his head gear to hang in those hallowed halls as a testament to our Camp Achahela experience.

Coming up - a patrol from the troop will participate in the Gen. Nash district first aid meet on 3/8. These scouts have been practicing their first aid skills for the last weeks in the hopes of "bringing home the gold". Our next trip is to Washington DC and following that, in April, is the annual shootout at Wolfe's Farm.

All scouts should plan to attend the troop meeting on March 4th to participate in the OA elections. Hope to see you there.

Don Gallagher

SCUBA CERTIFICATION

Eligible scouts of Troop 152 will be able to acquire scuba certification with The O'Donnell Diving School. This is the same outfit that offered the one time scuba demo last year. The tentative schedule is set for 2 nights a month from May through September. There also might be the option of attending additional nights to speed up the process. A special PARENT/SCOUT meeting will be held as part of the normal Tue. Night scout meeting on March 25th. Please plan to attend to find out more information. (Bob MacMinn 215-362-6467)

OA ELECTIONS

Scouts of Troop 152 will elect peers to the Order of the Arrow on Tuesday, March 4, 2003. Attendance at this meeting is very important, as it determines the number of members eligible for membership. Please be there

SCHEDULE for MARCH 2003

3/ 2	Eagle Court of Honor – Alex Haugh
3/ 4	TROOP MTG OA Elections 7:00 PM <i>Patrol Leaders Council</i> 6:30 PM
3/ 8	Gen Nash First Aid Meet (TBA)
3/11	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM
3/18	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM
3/20	Gen. Nash District Dinner
3/21-23	Camping Washington DC (Weber)
3/25	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM – SCUBA Info
3/30	Committee Mtg (Weber)

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

☉ Webelos activity

BEING PREPARED IN 2003

4/ 5	Gen Nash Life-Eagle UG Comm Cntr 9:00 AM
4/ 6	Eagle Court of Honor - Chris Pasquale
4/13	Committee Mtg (Weber)
4/25-27	Camping Wolfe's Farm (Magee)
5/ 4	Lions Club Pancake Breakfast (Gallagher)
5/16-18	Camping Rafting ?? (TBA)
5/19	Committee Mtg (Weber)
5/23-26	Scope Olympia (Hibbert)
6/20-22	Camping Battleship NJ (Gallagher/Vanek)
6/24	Family Nite
6/29	Committee Mtg (Weber)
7/20-26	Summer Camp Ockanickon (Hornberger)
8/22-24	Camping Cooperstown, NY (Dantzer)
9/20-21	Camping Knoebel's (DeLong)
10/ 3- 5	Camping Beach Jam (TBA)
10/11-12	Camping Cub-O-Ree (TBA)
10/26	Lions Club Pancake Breakfast (Gallagher)
11/??	Camping ?? (TBA)
Dec	Wreath Sale (TBA)

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

Genuari Credits www.escrip.com/ ID# 2106440
Gen Nash Web Site www.worldlynx.net/drzollers/nash

COMMITTEE MEETING

The troop's committee will meet on Sunday Mar 30, 2003, 7:00 PM in the Community Bldg. All committee members are requested to attend. Parents are always welcome. For more information contact Harry Weber on 610-584-9055.

SUMMER CAMP 2003

If you haven't signed up for summer camp yet, do so this month. We may not be able to reserve space if we do not have a commitment by the end of March. See the website for a reservation form. Summer camp reservations after 2/25 are \$255, \$240 for Webelos. Contact Barry Hornberger on (215) 368-2253, for info or to make reservations.

DUES

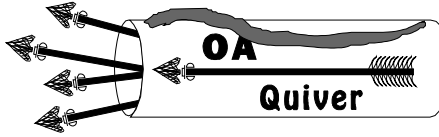
Don't forget your \$24 dues payments. Advancement and activity participation will be restricted until dues are paid..

Our scouts will soon be asked to nominate and elect several of their peers to the ORDER OF THE ARROW. This elite group exists to develop and maintain Scouting's sprit and camping traditions. It crystallizes the scout habit of helpfulness and leadership in cheerful service to others.

Each troop's scouts are asked to select candidates who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. The number of scouts eligible for election depend on the number of registered scouts and the number of scouts attending the meeting when the election is made.

Attendance for all scouts at this meeting is important! Once nominated, the local OA Lodge inducts the new members through an ordeal and ceremony. To really know the OA, you must become a member.

THE BASIC BOX OA ELECTIONS



This year's election date is
Tue March 4, 2003

The ordeal teaches the meaning of the OA to its new members. Many of our scouts and leaders are members of the organization.

They have participated in many service projects at Delmont and Resica to prepare the camps for a season's use. Some have advanced through higher levels of rank within the Order through study and higher levels of service.

Election to this elite group is truly an honor that carries great responsibility. The OA is much more than a "social club". It is service to Scouting and to the ideals that Scouting holds.

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COMMITTEE

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Secretary	Brian Haugh
Webelos Liaison	Rob Nagele
Advancement	Paul DeLong
Quarter Master	Larry Brasch, Sr
Newsletter	Barry Hornberger

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Phil Bickel	Floyd Nellett
Lorraine Burghart	Dave Narkiewicz
Chris Herman	Brian Sarris
Dave Kobe	Barry Simpson
Bob MacMinn	Bill Thorpe
Joe Magee	Mark Vanek

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Paul Tripp

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SCOUTMASTER STAFF

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ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

Paul DeLong	Steve McClellan
Jim Faber	Chris Nagele
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EMERITUS MEMBERS

Jason DeWitt	Jeff Kelso
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Brian Geiger	Scott McClellan
Jon Gorman	Matt Morvin
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