

TROOP 152 NEWS

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WOLFE'S FARM (ROD N GUN)

Join Troop 152 on its most popular camping trip, Rod N Gun weekend at Wolfe's Farm. This is camping at its best, nestled in a virgin hemlock stand along a babbling trout stream, our campsite will come alive with wood fires and the sizzle of bacon and eggs. Fish to your heart's content, right outside your tent, and don't forget the shooting sports activities on Saturday afternoon. The Senior Scouts will be instructing scouts on packing and cooking for this trip. Joe Magee will present a gun safety program on **Tues 4/1/08**. Attendance at this meeting is mandatory for trip participants, scouts and parents, alike. See the attached flyer or contact Joe Magee on 610-584-5467 for more information..

TRUSCOTT'S TRAIL

Longer days, temperate rising, wild flowers popping, New Scout Campout and Wolfe's Farm can only mean one thing. **SPRING IS HERE!**

The First Aid Meet gave us more of a challenge this year with the exceptional competition from our neighboring troops. More prep time will pay off for next year. Order of the Arrow elections completed. The Washington DC trip is underway this weekend. New Scout Trip/Parent Orientation Meeting and the district wide Order of the Arrow Call Out will all take place the first weekend in April. Come to the Call Out to see who was elected.

Are YOU ready? Wolfe's Farm Rod and Gun spring weekend is finally here! Come along and join us for a tranquil weekend in the Hemlock grove where the rain never hits the ground. Indulge in shooting sports, fishing, good (at times bizarre) food and fun just hanging out. Prepare your campfire-cooking meals now so you can practice cooking them at home. The Wolfe family graciously allows Troop 152 to use their farm. Please remember the Outdoor Code while camping on their property.

I would like to congratulate all the New Scouts for earning the Scout Rank. Keep up the good work.

Bill Truscott

SUMMER CAMP DEPOSITS

If you haven't signed up for Summer camp at Heritage – Camp Freedom 7/27 – 8/2, please turn in a \$50 deposit ASAP. Full payment of the \$250 fee is due by May 6, 2008. After 5/6, the camp fee increases to \$260. Get your reservation slip and fee in now to reserve your scout's spot. Call Barry Hornberger 215-368-2253 or Paul DeLong 215-699-7125 for more information.

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

We are about 10 families short of goal of 100% participation. Forms are available at the meetings. Please help Troop 152 be the pride of the Council. Any amount given will help. Contact Rob Nagele for more information.

SCHEDULE for APRIL 2008

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| 4/ 1 | Δ | TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| | | <i>Patrol Leaders Council</i> 6:30 PM | |
| 4/ 5 | | Life to Eagle Seminar 9:00 AM | (RNagele) |
| 4/ 5 | | OA CALLOUT | (CNagele) |
| 4/ 5 - 6 | | Camping New Scout Campout | (Truscott) |
| 4/ 6 | | New Scout Orientation 1:30 PM | (RNagele) |
| 4/ 6 | | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 4/ 8 | Δ | TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| 4/15 | Δ | TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| 4/18 – 20 | Δ | Camping Wolfe's Farm | (Magee) |
| 4/22 | | TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| 4/27 | | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 4/29 | Δ | TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| | Ω or Δ | Attendance required for outing participation | |

BEING PREPARED IN 2008

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| 5/ 2 - 4 | | Camping French Creek | (Murdoch) |
| 5/27 | | FAMILY NIGHT | (Pakhtigian) |
| 6/ 1 | | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 6/20 - 22 | | Camping – White Water Hickory SP | (OPEN) |
| 7/27 - 8/ 2 | | Summer Camp – Heritage | (Hornberger/DeLong) |
| 8/21 - 24 | | Camping Promised Land | (CNagele) |
| 9/19 - 21 | | Camping Bloomsburg Fair | (Blauvelt) |
| 10/10 - 12 | | Cub-O-Ree | (Truscott) |
| 10/24 - 26 | | Camping Ockanickon | (KenBauer) |
| 10/26 | | Lion's Club Breakfast | (KimBauer) |
| 11/21 - 23 | | Camping Harrisburg ?? | (KimBauer) |
| DEC | | WREATH SALE | (Blauvelt) |
| 12/16 | | Holiday Party | (DeLong) |

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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Gen Nash Web Site <http://www.generalnash.org/>

NEW SCOUT CAMPOUT / ORIENTATION

Welcome to our new Webelos crossovers and their families for 2008. Encourage your scout to attend this introduction to Troop 152 camping on 4/5 – 4/6. Your scout will enjoy an overnight camping experience and learn the basics of pitching a tent and cooking in camp. Start completing those requirements for Tenderfoot! Then join your scout on Sun 4/6 in the Community Bldg at 1:30PM, to attend Rob Nagele's great New Scout Orientation presentation. Get the inside skinny on being a Scout in Troop 152. See the scoutmaster, Bill Truscott for information and the required camping permission slip.

MAY TRIP – FRENCH CREEK

Coming up quickly in April will be the reservations for the May trip to French Creek 5/2 – 5/4, 2008. The troop will camp at French Creek State Park and participate in an orienteering competition on Saturday. A few practice sessions are being planned during April. The reservation forms were sent out with the March Newsletter and are available at the every meeting and on the Troop's Web site. Contact Gavin Murdoch for more information (215) 997-1805.

The scouting program has a strong emphasis on outdoor activity. Camping, hiking and canoeing are just a few of the activities in which we participate.

Besides having fun, these activities help your scout become more independent, more responsible for his own safety and

the safety of others, and become more aware of the consequences of his own actions.

The BSA Outdoor Code is explained in The Boy Scout Handbook. It reminds us to have as little impact on the environment as possible while pursuing Scouting's activities.

BASICS BOX The Outdoor Code

*As an American,
I will do my best to –*

*Be clean in my outdoor manners
Be careful with fire,
Be considerate in the outdoors,
and
Be conservation minded.*

Leave nothing behind!
Carry out what you carried in. Respect all living things, from the grandest eagle to pesky poison ivy. Respect fire! Use it wisely for warmth and cooking. Be observant and leave an area as you found it!

Troop 152 will be discussing the Outdoor Code during the coming months. Review the Code with your scout, so our discussion will have greater meaning for him, his children, and his children's children.

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MEMBERS AT LARGE

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| Ken Bauer | Greg Katucki |
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