TROOP 152 NEWS

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EAGLE COURT OF HONOR

Please join Andrew Dougherty and his family as he is awarded Scouting's highest honor, the rank of Eagle Scout. Andrew's Eagle ceremony will be held on Sunday, April 19, at 2 PM in the Sanctuary Methodist Church, Hancock & Prospect Rds, North Wales. Attendance is a requirement for all Scouts of Troop 152. Scouts should arrive by 1:45 PM in class "A" uniforms.

TRUSCOTT'S TRAIL

Welcome to Spring with Troop 152. We had an active March. The Troop enjoyed a great weekend ski trip to Shawnee. Good food, Lots of skiing and many Basketballs. Thanks to Mr. Murdoch for running this trip. The First Aid meet was well attended. This year the First Aid Meet had a record number of patrols. The Bear Chested Men patrol brought home the bacon with the best teamwork award. See the trophy on the awards mantle. Thanks to Mr. Nagele for organizing this event.

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

Do you have your gear ready? The most anticipated troop event is about to take place. Wolfe's Farm Rod and Gun spring weekend is around the corner. Join us for a weekend among the hemlock trees. Enjoying good company, good food, and good fun. 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.

Bill Truscott

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. Joe Magee will hold his NRA sanctioned Gun Safety Presentation 4/07/2009. Attendance is mandatory for trip participants, scouts and parents, alike. See the attached flyer or contact Joe Magee 215-723-1615 or Dave Walsh 215-393-5042 for more information.

LIFE TO EAGLE SEMINAR

Interested in the process to advance from Life to Eagle Scout, here is your chance to get the inside scoop from Rob Nagele's General Nash Life to Eagle Seminar, held at the Upper Gwynedd Twp Community Bldg, 9:00 AM Sharp (the doors get locked). Contact Rob Nagele, 215-699-4779 to sign up.

SCHEDULE for APRIL 2009

4/ 4	LIFE TO EAGLE Seminar (RNagele)		
4/ 4 - 5	Camping – New Scout Trip (Truscott)		
4/ 5	New Scout Parent Orientation 1:30 PM(RNagele)		
4/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM (DeLong)		
$4/7$ Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00PM		
	Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM		
4/14	TROOP MTG 7:00PM		
4/19	EAGLE COURT – Andrew Dougherty 2 PM		
$4/21$ Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00PM		
	Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 P		
$4/24-26 \Omega$	Camping – Wolfe's Farm (Walsh/Magee)		
$4/28$ Δ	TROOP MTG 7:00PM		
Ω or Δ	Attendance required for outing participation		

BEING PREPARED IN 2009

5/ 1-3 Δ 5/ 3	Camping – COL Jambo Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(Blauvelt??) (DeLong)
5/17	EAGLE COURT - Alex Murdoch	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
5/25 6/ 7	Lansdale Memorial Day Parade Cherokee Nation Pow-Wow (Tem Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	aple Ambler) (DeLong)
6/19 - 21 6/30 7/12 7/26 - 8/1	Camping – World's End FAMILY NIGHT Committee Meeting 6:30 PM SUMMER CAMP-Goose Pond	(Truscott) (Pakhtigian) (DeLong) DeLong/Hornberger
8/21 - 23 9/18 - 20 9/29 10/ 9 -11 10/23 -25 10/25	Camping – Trapp Pond Camping – Gettysburg FAMILY NIGHT Cub-O-Ree Camping – Delaware Water Gap Lions Club Breakfast	(TBA) (DeLong) (Pakhtigian) (TBA) (TBA) (TBA)
11/20 -22 DEC 12/22	Camping – Philadelphia WREATH SALE Holiday Party	(Hornberger) (Blauvelt) (DeLong)

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

Gen Nash Web Site www.escrip.com/ ID# 2106440 http://www.generalnash.org/

NEW SCOUT CAMPOUT / ORIENTATION

Welcome to our new scouts and their families for 2009. Encourage your scout to attend the Troop 152 new scout campout on 4/4 - 4/5. Your scout will enjoy an overnight camping experience and learn the basics of pitching a tent and cooking in camp. Then join your scout on Sun 4/5 in the Community Bldg at 1:30PM, to attend Rob Nagele's great New Scout Orientation presentation. Get the inside scoop on being a Scout in Troop 152. See the scoutmaster, Bill Truscott, for further info.

Member News

Please welcome Etienne Ayoub and his family to Troop 152.

SUMMER CAMP DEPOSITS DUE

We need your \$55 summer camp reservation deposit NOW, to establish the number of scouts attending. See the Summer Camp Payment sheet. Copies are available on the web site.

BASICS BOX TRIP PLANNING

Troop 152 camps each month throughout the year, except in December. Getting ready for a trip is always easier with a little planning.

TROOP PLANS - Organizing a trip for the troop is challenging but rewarding. Don't be afraid to volunteer to take us somewhere or help one of the organizers. It is important to let the troop know that you plan to attend, at least two (2) weeks before the trip. Getting the permission slip in by this due date helps the organizer submit the tour permit with Council, schedule transportation, assign tent partners, and distribute cash to the patrols to buy food.

If you wait until the last Tuesday, planning becomes difficult.

PERSONAL PLANS - The information that you and your scout need to prepare for the trip are provided on the permission slip, and at the meetings marked on the newsletter schedule as "required" for trip attendance. This is typically the Tuesday prior to the trip. Some points to

Cooking - By troop, patrol, or tent partner. You may have to bring your own food or buy for the patrol.

- Special activities Pack what you need for the weather expected and activities published, swimming, hiking, skiing,
- Spending money for road stops or special activities.
- Medications are usually held by the scoutmaster or designee. Make sure meds are in their original bottles with dosage instructions.

So, do a little planning. Do it early. Let us know that you are going ASAP. Pack for the trip and have a GREAT time!

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