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 Troop will be instructing scouts on packing, cooking, and gun safety during the weeks before the trip. The gun safety program is mandatory for trip participants, scouts and parents, alike. See the attached flyer or contact Joe Magee on **215-723-1615** for more information.

BAUER'S BACKCOUNTRY BLOG

It's been another busy month for the troop. For the Shawnee ski trip, Mr. Murdoch gets the award for demonstrating the "unofficial" 13th part of the Scout Law – "A scout is Flexible"!! He was quick to find an alternative place to stay when the original location was no longer an option. Thank you Mr. Murdoch for making the trip a success!

This was the first year that the First-Aid Meet was held at the St. Stan's gym and the district had a record turnout with 38 patrols attending. The troop sent 17 scouts in 3 patrols, with an average age of just over 12 years old. With the experience these scouts are gaining now, I am confident that the troop will do very well at future events. Creativity is another scout trademark, so if you know the names of the three First-Aid Meet patrols make a point to see me.

Our annual Wolfe's Farm camping trip is fast approaching and I encourage everyone to attend. This is the best trip for practicing your basic scout skills. Spending time with your tent partner, cooking over an open fire and generally hanging out in the woods – classic Boy Scout fun! On top of that we spend an afternoon practicing shooting sport activities including .22 rifles, shotguns and archery. Spending time with Mrs. Wolfe on Sunday tops-off the morning, and if we get packed up earlier enough we have a trip to Cabella's planned. It is a perfect scouting weekend!!

I want to give a special welcome to all the new scouts that joined the troop in March. There is something for everyone in Troop 152 and if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to talk to me or any of the leaders. We enjoy our time spent with the troop and I'm sure you will too.

Yours in Scouting, *Ken Bauer*.

NEW SCOUT CAMPOUT / ORIENTATION

Welcome to our new Webelos crossovers and their families for 2011. Encourage your scout to attend this introduction to Troop 152 camping on 4/2 - 4/3. Your scout will enjoy an overnight camping experience, learn the basics of pitching a tent, and cooking in camp. Get those requirements for Tenderfoot started! Then join your scout on Sun 4/3 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, Ken Bauer for information and the required camping permission slip.

SCHEDULE for APRIL 2011

| 4/ 2 - 3 <i>Camping</i> – New Scout Campout | (KBauer) |
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| 4/ 3 New Scout/Parent Orientation 1:30 P:M | I (RNagele) |
| 4/ 3 Committee Meeting 6:30 | (DeLong) |
| 4/ 5 Δ TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM | |
| $4/12$ \triangle TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| $4/15 - 17 \Delta$ <i>CAMPING</i> - Wolfe's Farm | (Magee) |
| 4/19 TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| 4/26 TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation | Į. |

BEING PREPARED IN 2011

| 5/ 1 | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
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| 5/15 | EAGLE COURT Greg Steuer 2 PM | |
| 5/20 - 22 | Camping – Washington DC | (Weber) |
| 6/ 5 | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 6/17 - 19 | Camping – French Creek | (Blauvelt) |
| 7/ 10 | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 7/ 24 - 30 | Summer Camp - Ockanickon (DeLo | ng/Hornberger) |
| 8/ 7 | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 8/14 | EAGLE COURT James Stevenson 2 PM | |
| 8/18 - 21 | Camping – Wallenpaupack | (TBD) |
| 9/16 - 18 | <i>Camping</i> – Ockanickon. Cycle Trip | (Hornberger) |
| 10/ 7 - 9 | Cub-O-Ree | (TBD) |
| 10/21 - 23 | Camping – TBD | (TBD) |
| 10/30 | Lions Club Pancake Breakfast 8 - Noon | (RNagele) |
| 11/18 - 20 | Camping – TBD | (TBD) |
| 12/20 | Holiday Party | (R Nagele) |
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COMMITTEE MEETING

The troop's committee will meet on Sunday April 3, 2011, 6:30 PM in the Community Bldg. All committee members are requested to attend. Parents are always welcome For more information contact Paul. DeLong on 215-699-7125...

SUMMER CAMP

This year's Summer Camp will be at Camp Ockanickon in Bucks County. The Camp fee will be \$354 if paid in full by 4/19/2010. Webelos crossing over into the troop are eligible for the camp's early bird fee of \$335 if paid by 5/24/2011. The troop will offer a lay-a-way plan. See the full fee schedule listed on the "Summer Camp" page on the Troop Website.

Member News

Please welcome 13 new scouts and their families to Troop 152: Connor Chonko, Benjamin DiCristo, Eric Fan, Matthew Franco, Daniel Haynes, Alex Hotchkiss, Christopher Li, Ryan McDonnell, Daniel McGee, Ryan O'Neil, Zach Owens, Daniel Paul, and Joshua Stewart. Our new scouts are the life blood of the troop. Take time to get to know them. A scout is friendly.

MAY TRIP - Washington DC

Planning is underway for Troop 152's May camping trip to Washington DC. Get your permission slips in early. Watch for more details.

BASICS BOX EMERGENCY PHONE CONTACTS

Emergency phone number contacts are critical when your scout is attending a scouting function. Please keep the leaders informed as to where you will be and how you can be reached while your scout is attending a troop 152 function.

Scout leaders are responsible to assess your scout's need for medical assistance. In the event of a medical emergency, the leaders will get your scout to a hospital. Hospital medical

professionals will not treat your scout unless a family member has been consulted, even if a consent signature is on their BSA medical form. If you or another family member cannot be reached, treatment will be delayed.

This delay can be agonizing for a scout, and the Scout leaders who must accompany him to the hospital. So here are some tips to keep in mind when your scout is out and about with the troop.

- Make sure emergency contact phone numbers are listed on trip permission slips and on your scout's BSA medical form.
- Keep a pager or cell phone with you and give us the numbers
- Use answering machines and check them often during the outing
- List an alternate family member and phone number and let them know where you can be reached.

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Brian Bauer * Jonathan Hibbert *
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