TROOP 152 NEWS SEPTEMBER 2011

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SEPTEMBER TRIP - OCKANICKON

Join the troop and camp at our summer camp, Ockanickon 9/16 – 9/18. Enjoy September camping at its best - warm days and cool nights. Fish at the lake, hike to the Ralph Stover Cliffs, cook and if you have been riding bikes with Troop 152, we have a whole weekend of cycling adventures in store. Does it get any better than this? Get your permission slip in by 9/ 6/2011. Contact Barry Hornberger for info 215-368-2253.

BAUER'S BACKCOUNTRY BLOG

Summer camp at OSR was a great success this year! Forty nine scouts earned over 225 merit badges and a number of other awards including the Mile Swim and Honor Camper award. Finger Printing and Textiles merit badges were a big hit and a number of scouts (and leaders!) completed some nice wood-burning projects. Funnel cake, Dutch oven desserts, the volley-ball tournament and a few intense card games rounded out the week. We even hosted another troop for the pizza party Thursday night. A special thanks to Joe Magee, Fran Belfield, Bill Kelso and scouts Eddie Bogert and Alex Chaser for completing a service project for the camp. They remodeled the latrine at the pool, built doors and gave it a fresh coat of paint, all in an afternoon!

A few short weeks after summer camp 24 scouts had the opportunity to spend 4 days and 3 nights on the Wallenpaupack trip. Two days of tubing, canoeing and swimming, plus an extremely entertaining cardboard boat race. I can safely say that each patrol sharpened their cooking skills while preparing some great meals. Who knew meatloaf could be cooked so many different ways? We surely redefined the definition of "loaf"!

My blog challenge this month goes out to the entire troop - I'll give a prize to any scout that gives me a written list of 5 camping trips they would definitely go on in the next year. These can be new trip ideas or previous trips you would like to see repeated.

Thanks to all the leaders who made these recent trips possible. Thanks also to Mrs. Bickel for hosting the pool party and providing the food, snacks and good weather!

Yours in Scouting, Ken Bauer.

CUB - O - REE

It's time to start planning for General Nash's Cub-O-Ree which will be held at Upper Gwynedd's Parkside Place on 10/7 - 9, 2011. A selected crew of scouts and scouters will camp with our Webelos guests. Stop by to see the "prehistoric" theme activities of the District's troops and Webelos crossover candidates. All of the traditions of the Cub-O-Ree will be there too!

UPPER GWYNEDD CARNIVAL

Come on down to Park Side Place and enjoy the Township's carnival Sept 22 – 25. Check their website for special activities. www.uppergwynedd.org

SCHEDULE for SEPTEMBER 2011

9/6	TROOP MEETING	
	Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM	
9/10	Lansdale's Bike Night	(R Nagele)
9/11	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
9/13 Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
9/16-18 Ω	<i>Camping</i> – Ockanickon	(Hornberger)
9/20	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
9/27	FAMILY NIGHT 7:00PM	
Ω	or Δ Attendance required for outing participation	

BEING PREPARED IN 2011

10/ 2	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)	
10/7-9	Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)	
10/21 - 23	<i>Camping</i> – Resica COPE	(Pacaro)	
10/30	Lions Club Pancake Breakfast 8 – Noon	(Rnagele)	
11/ 6	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)	
11/12	Scouting For Food – Bag Drop	(TBD)	
11/18 - 20	Camping – Ft Washington SP	(Davey)	
11/19	Scouting For Food – Bag Pick Up	(TBD)	
11/25	Wreath Pick Up 8:00 AM		
12/11	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)	
12/20	Holiday Party	(R Nagele)	
PEEKING INTO 2012			

2/10 - 12	Klondike	(L.Blauvelt)	
7/22 - 28	SUMMER CAMP - Hawk Mountain	(DeLong/Hornberger)	
7/15-24	2013 National Jamboree - Bechtel Sur	ee – Bechtel Summit	

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST				
Genuardi Credits	<u>www.escrip.com/</u> ID# 2106440			
Gen Nash Web Site	http://www.generalnash.org/			

LANSDALE'S BIKE NITE

Come on out and support General Nash District at Lansdale's Bike Nite, 9/10/2011. Come early to enjoy the sights and sounds of Harleys, Indians, Customs, and the import bikes as they thunder in and out of town. Earn service hours by assisting in the trash can set up between 5 – 6:00 PM. Report to the General Nash tent (but you will have to find it in Madison Ave Lot) to register!

FAMILY NIGHT

Please join the Troop 152 at its 3rd Family Night for 2011 on Tuesday, 9/27, 2011 in the Twp Community Bldg. Come and recognize our Scouts' achievements since Summer Camp. Meet our scouts, troop leaders and the families of Troop 152!

2011 WREATH SALE !!!

Can you believe it, the Wreath Sale is just around the corner. Now is the time to get those wreath customers lined up before they buy from someone else. We need your sales count in **October**, to know how many wreaths to order. Don't let down your valued customers. See this year's wreath chair, will be announced shortly,

OCTOBER'S CAMPING - RESICA

Planning is underway to experience the COPE course at Resica Falls 10/21 - 23. This should be a great fall camping trip, with plenty of campfires and great cooking. Watch for more details with the permission slip. Contact Tony Pacaro for more information on 610-584-8788.

December is quickly approaching, and it is once again time to begin planning this year's wreath sale. This is the Troop's one and only fund raising project, and provides the Troop with the largest part of its operating funds.

In addition, the wreath sale provides an opportunity for each Scout to build up points in their Scout Account to use towards the expense of scouting activities.

For those new to the troop, this fund raiser is about as painless as they get. The wreaths really sell themselves. They are an excellent buy, attractive,

and hardy. Once you get a customer, repeat sales are a snap.

THE BASIC BOX TROOP 152 WREATH SALE

Each scout is expected to participate. Profits from the sale are split between the Troop's general fund and your Scout's Account. The Troop Committee will be deciding the details on price and the percentage split offered at their September meeting.

This year's wreath chair will be announced soon. If you have questions concerning your orders, please contact Lee Blauvelt on 610-222-0897

For our existing Scouts, remember to canvass last year's customers and get a count to submit as an advance order. This will help insure delivery to those customers counting on your wreath this year.

Don't forget to set aside the mornings of Fri 11/25 to help unload the delivery truck and pick up your wreaths for delivery.

This fund raiser is a lot of fun, but also a very serious financial undertaking. Some 1200+ wreaths will pass through the hands of the Troop, and provide the funds that

make our Scouting program so successful. We appreciate everyone's participation. Watch for more details coming from the Committee this month.

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