# **TROOP 152 NEWS**

#### OCTOBER 2011

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### OCTOBER TRIP - RESICA C.O.P.E

Join Troop 152 on the COPE course at Resica Falls 10/21 - 23. Enjoy the foliage color of October in the trees at Resica. This should be a great fall camping trip, with the challenge of COPE and plenty of campfires and great cooking. Permission slips are due 10/4, the Troop's and Resica's special forms for COPE. All participants must have up to date medical forms on file with the Contact Tony Pacaro for more information on Troop. 610-584-8788

## BAUER'S BACKCOUNTRY BLOG

The tenth point of the Scout Law is "Brave." A person can demonstrate bravery and courage by taking on new challenges, especially those things that they have never done before. Now that my time as Scoutmaster is coming to an end I think back to when Mr. DeLong asked me to take on the position. I was reluctant at first since I had never been a Scoutmaster before but I decided to do it anyway. It was one of the best decisions I have ever made!

My final Bauer's Backcountry Blog challenge for you: I challenge you to have confidence in yourself and your abilities. Be brave and don't be afraid of the unknown! Try new things, learn new skills, meet new people and take on new challenges - I am sure you won't be disappointed!

I would like to take this opportunity to write a few words of thanks. Thanks to Mr. Truscott for your help in the early days, Mr. Nagele, Mr. DeLong, Mr. Faber, Mr. Magee, and Mr. Weber for their ongoing support, Mrs. Bickel, Mr. Hornberger, Mr. Fleck and Mr. Pakhtigian for their organizational skills, and Mr. Blauvelt for your courage to take on your new challenge!

I also want to thank the scouts. Getting to know you all on camping trips, at our weekly meetings, and during our Scoutmaster's conferences has been truly rewarding. You are an incredibly talented group of young men. A special thanks to my SPLs of the past 2 years - Chris Bauer, Joe Van Galen, Rob Hausler and Ben Hoffman. Your maturation as leaders occurred before my very eyes – what a sight to see! Chris and Joe are Eagle, Rob is so close he can smell it, and Ben is nearly there, he just better watch that Henry doesn't pass him! Best of luck to you all!

Yours in Scouting, Ken Bauer

## CUB - O - REE

Come and visit 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!

#### LION'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please help our sponsoring organization and attend their October Pancake Breakfast, Sun 10/30/2011, 8 AM - Noon, at the West Point Fire House. It's a great breakfast! Bring the whole family! Scouts interested in service hours can contact Rob Nagele on 215-699-4779 to sign up!.

#### SCHEDULE for OCTOBER 2011

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10/ 2	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
$10/4$ $\Omega$	TROOP MEETING	
	Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM	
10/ 7-9	Cub-O-Ree	(Blauvelt)
$10/11$ $\Omega$	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
10/18	Δ TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
10/21-23	Δ <i>Camping</i> – Resica COPE	(Pacaro)
10/25	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
10/30	Lions Club Pancake Breakfast 8 – Noon	(Rnagele)
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#### BEING PREPARED IN 2011

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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

1/20/ - 22	Camping Doylestown Rock Wall	(L.Blauvelt)
2/10 - 12	Camping - Klondike	(L.Blauvelt)
2/17 - 19	Camping - Valley Forge Pilgrimage	(K.Bauer)
3/9 - 11	SKI TRIP – Shawnee	(G.Murdoch)
3/31-4/1	New Scout Campout / Orientation	(L.Blauvelt)
4/20-22	Camping - Rod N Gun	(Magee)
5/18 - 20	Camping – Worlds End Back Packing	(TBD)
6/22 - 24	Camping - COL Camporee	(TBD)
7/22 - 28	SUMMER CAMP – Hawk Mountain	(DeLong/Hornberger)
7/15-24/2013	National Jamboree – Bechtel Summit	

#### INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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www.escrip.com/ ID# 2106440 http://www.generalnash.org/

#### **2011 WREATH SALE!!!**

December is approaching quickly. Now is the time to get those wreath customers lined up. We need your order counts by October 25. The price remains at \$16. Wreaths will arrive the Friday after Thanksgiving. Order forms and sales information sheets are available to help your scout(s) with their sales. Contact Angela Holland 215-393-1756, if you have questions concerning sales or your orders.

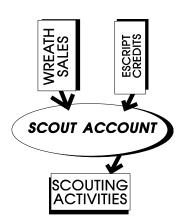
#### NOVEMBER'S TRIP - MILITIA HILL

Planning is underway for a deep fall camping trip to Militia Hill in nearby Ft Washington State Park. Explore this nearby gem and learn more about the local hawk migration watch. Campers will also have an opportunity for service hours as we return to the scout building to help with the Scouting for Food Bag Pick-Up on Saturday morning. Watch for the trip flyer. Contact Frank Davey for more information on 215-716-3210.

#### TROOP LEADERSHIP CHANGES

It is time for Troop 152's Scoutmaster rotation. Please thank Ken Bauer for his excellent guidance and leadership as the Troop's scoutmaster for the last two years. His influence will be remembered and we hope to see him remain active with the troop. Also, welcome the Troop's new scoutmaster, Lee Blauvelt. We are all in for a memorable two year reign.

## THE BASICS BOX SCOUT ACCOUNTS



With our wreath sale looming in full swing, a review of the Scout Accounts is in order. All profits from our fund raisers are credited to the Troop's general fund.

A portion of each scout's contribution from the wreath sales and any Escript credits, submitted are tracked as account points. The troop's committee determines the number of points to be credited for each contribution.

Don't forget to use these points to pay for troop activities or purchasing Scouting related clothing or camping equipment.

Your scout's account point balance is available at any regular Scout Meeting. When registering for any troop activity, request payment to be taken from the scout account.

Credit for trips will be made from the troop treasury, provided the scout account balance is sufficient to cover the expense.

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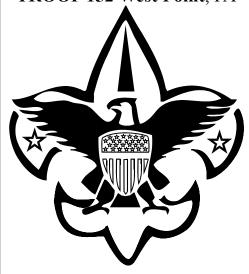
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