TROOP 152 NEWS

November 2011

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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. See the trip flyer or contact Frank Davey for more information on 215-716-3210.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Aloha,

My, this has been a busy month. We had the Cub –O-Ree, and the Ressica Falls COPE trip. Two of our scouts had a "shakedown" hike to prepare for going to Philmont Scout Ranch this summer for 10 days of back packing. The Lions Club pancake breakfast was this past Sunday. The Lions Club does so much for our troop and the community the least we can do is go have breakfast with them.

A big wahoo thanks to: Mr. Belfield, who ran another 1st class orientation course in October, Mr. Chris Nagele for coming in early and working with the scouts on their P.E. requirement, Mr. Pacaro for organizing the COPE trip, and to Mrs. Holland for taking the wreath sales position.

In November we have the "Scouting for Food" food drive. This is a really great way to help our neighbors; giving a few hours of your time will make a big difference in many families' lives. I really would like to see everyone make an effort to come out and help. During the November campout the campers will be coming back to town to help out with the food bag collection.

Coming up are the Klondike, the Valley Forge Pilgrimage and Encampment, (100th year I believe), and the annual First Aid Meet.

And in closing this month we started a monthly "Scoutmaster's Cooking Challenge": cook something using an egg.

Aloha, Mr. Blauvelt

LION'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Every troop family should plan to 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!

RE-CHARTER / REGISTRATION

Once each year every Scout and Scouter must re-register with BSA and Troop 152. Don't forget to return your Recharter & Dues form to Bill Kelso by *NOV 29, 2011*. Bill needs to gather this information to submit to Council. All scouts and scouters must re-register for continued participation in the Troop. See the Re-Charter information sheet or contact Bill Kelso on 2155411112.

SCHEDULE for November 2011

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BEING PREPARED IN 2011

12/10	DAY TRIP – Roadside America / Cabela's	(Hornberger)
12/11	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
12/20	Holiday Party	(R Nagele)

PEEKING INTO 2012

1/ 8	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
1/20/ - 22	Camping Doylestown Rock Wall	(L.Blauvelt)
2/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
2/10 - 12	Camping - Klondike	(L.Blauvelt)
2/17 - 19	Camping - Valley Forge Pilgrimage	(K.Bauer)
3/ 4	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
3/9 - 11	SKI TRIP – Shawnee	(G.Murdoch)
3/31-4/1	New Scout Campout / Orientation	(L.Blauvelt)
4/ 1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
4/20-22	Camping - Rod N Gun	(Magee)
5/ 6	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/18 - 20	Camping – Worlds End Back Packing	(TBD)
6/ 3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
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

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

2011 WREATH SALE!!!

Get your final wreath sales count to Angela Holland by 11/1/2011. Wreaths will arrive on the Friday after Thanksgiving. Your scout's help will be needed on Friday, Nov 25, usually in the morning, to unload the truck and pick-up their wreaths for delivery. Scouts will receive a call on Thanksgiving night with a firm time of arrival. Contact Angela Holland, 215-393-1756, if you have questions concerning sales or your orders

DAY TRIP - ROADSIDE AMERICA / CABELA'S

How many times have you passed by Roadside America on I-78 and wondered what is inside. Here is your chance. Join Troop 152 for a day trip on Saturday 12/3/2011 to this amazing miniature village and Lionel scale train layout. A morning visit to Roadside will be rounded out with lunch and a chance for holiday shopping at Cebela's (just down the road) Bring plenty of spending money. See the flyer or contact Barry Hornberger for info! Get more info on http://www.roadsideamericainc.com

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BASICS BOX - The Lions Club

Every BSA troop has a sponsoring organization. Troop 152's sponsor is the Lions Club of Upper Gwynedd Township. Jim Alago is our coordinator with this organization.

The Lions Club is a service organization whose members represent local businesses and residents. Many of their service projects concentrate on helping people with visual and hearing disabilities. They work closely with the Montgomery County Association for the Blind.

Sponsoring our troop is another service that they offer. They hold the Troop's charter and any equipment that is needed.

They have helped us in building the Community Center and locating our storage trailer. The Lions Club also donates a plaque to each of our Eagle celebrants.

The Lions Club raises funds through many activities sponsored throughout the year. These include raffles, car washes, a turkey shoot at Thanksgiving and the most famous pancake breakfast in the area. Twice a year, the Lions Club calls upon Troop 152 to assist at this event by busing tables. It's a very relaxed affair, not to be missed.

The Lions Club is always searching for candidates to join their organization. If you are interested, please contact Jim Alago on 610-584-6193

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Sponsored by the Lions Club of Upper Gwynedd Township **James Alago**, Coordinator

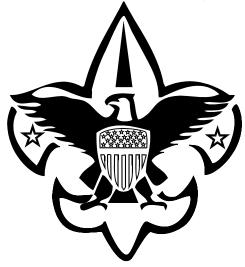
COMMITTEE

Paul DeLong Chairman Rob Nagele * Vice Chair Treasurer Nancy Bickel Donna McDonnell Scout Accts Registration / Dues Bill Kelso * Steve Hoffman Secretary Suren Pakhtigian Advancement Chaplain Jim Faber * Newsletter Barry Hornberger **Quarter Master** Chris Nagele * Training Coordinator Chris Nagele * Web Master Dave Walsh, Sr Webelos Liaison Shelly Yost

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Fran Belfield Isaac Holland Larry Brasch Mark McDonnell Frank Davey Tony Pacaro Alan Fleck

Boy Scouts of America **TROOP 152 West Point**, PA



Sr Patrol Leader Ben Hoffman

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SCOUTMASTER STAFF
SCOUTMASTER Lee Blauvelt

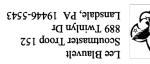
ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

Chris Bauer Steve McClellan Ken Bauer Gavin Murdoch David DeLong Alex Murdoch Al Hibbert Bill Truscott Nick Iaquinto Mike Walsh Jesse Gehringer Harry Weber Joe Magee Chris Yang

EMERITUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Brian Bauer * Jonathan Hibbert *
Kim Bauer * Bryan Kobe *
Graham Bickel * Dave Kobe
John Bickel * Mike Nagele
Don Gallagher * Bill Thorpe

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