## **TROOP 152 NEWS**

**July 2012** 

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#### SUMMER CAMP

Planning for summer camp is well underway. We have 51 Scouts and 9 Leaders signed up and registered for summer camp at Hawk Mountain, July 22 – 28, 2012. Now is the time to select your tent partner, select merit badges and camp programs, and get those medical forms and over the counter drug forms to Mr Kelso. It's not too late to sign up for summer camp. The Camp fee has increased to \$325. Check out the Summer Camp page on the troop's website, or contact Barry Hornberger on 215-368-2253 or Paul DeLong 215-699-7125 if you have questions.

### SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

It was good to see so many scouts attend Mason Pakhtigian's Eagle Ceremony. Thanks for taking the time to attend. When you next see Alex Bauer please be sure to congratulate him becoming our Troop's newest Eagle Scout.

Thank you to Mr. Niroomand and Mr. Fleck for running the recent canoe trip to the beautiful Jersey Pine Barrens. A thank you goes to Mr. Delong for arranging the swim test. And thanks to the crew who took the time to build our new storage facility out behind the community center. It looks great, check it out!

July is summer camp month. I can hardly wait. We have a fabulous number of scouts and leaders attending. Summer camp was always an experience when I was a scout and I am sure it will be this year as well. There are so many cool things to see and do.

When it comes time to pack for camp please make sure your scout is involved. It sounds simple but every year we hear "Oh look, I didn't need to buy a new poncho, my rain coat was in my gear this whole week." Or "Hey, here's my flash light, great now I have two." "Swimsuit? What swimsuit?" Please have your scout look at everything he packs so he knows it is there. See you around the campfire.

Mr. Blauvelt

## LEADERSHIP CHANGES

Please welcome the troop's new Senior Patrol Leader, Brandon McDonnell, and thank Eddie Bogert for sharing his leadership skills as the SPL for the last six months. Great job Eddie, and good luck to Brandon. Also, welcome Wynton Stewart to the troop's committee.

#### AUGUST FUN NIGHTS

Watch the August newsletter for info on August meeting nights. With vacations and the heat of summer we offer several evening activities on August meeting nights. Mom/Scout mini-golf, a swim party, and an evening of games at Parks Side Place Pavilion are scheduled.

## **SCHEDULE for July 2012**

7/ 1	Committee Mtg 6:30 PM (DeLong)		
7/ 3	TROOP MTG 7:00PM		
	Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM		
7/10	TROOP MTG 7:00PM		
7/17	TROOP MTG 7:00PM		
7/22 - 28	SUMMER CAMP – Hawk Mtn (DeLong/Hornberger)		
7/24	NO TROOP MTG - Summer Camp		
7/31	NO TROOP MTG - Summer Break		
Ω or Λ Attendance required for outing participation			

#### BEING PREPARED IN 2012

8/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
8/ 7	24th Mom/Scout Mini-Golf Outing 6:30 P	M (DeLong)
8/17 - 19	Camping - Trapp Pond / Rehoboth	(Davey)
8/21	Pool Party – Nancy Bickel's Home	(N.Bickel)
8/28	FUN NIGHT – Parkside Place 6:30 PM	(R.Nagele)
9/ 9	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
9/22 - 243	Camping - Bloomsburg Fair	(TBD)
9/25	FAMILY NIGHT	
10/7	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
10/12 - 14	General Nash Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)
10/26 - 28	Camping - Back Packing	(CNagele)
10/28	Lions Club Breakfast	(RNagele)
11/4	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
11/16 - 18	Camping - Annapolis	(Fleck)
12/ 2	group Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
12/18	Holiday Party	(TBD)

7/15-24/2013 National Jamboree – Bechtel Summit

#### INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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

## AUGUST TRIP - TRAPP POND/REHOBOTH

Join Troop 152 on a great weekend at the beach. We will camp at Trapp Pond State Park in Delaware. Enjoy the park on Saturday morning, and then venture to Rehoboth Beach for a day at the ocean and enjoy the great atmosphere on their board walk in the evening. This is a great weekend get away. The permission slip is on the Troop's website. Forms and Fees are due by August 7, 2012. Try to get them in before summer camp, as we do not meet on 7/24 and 7/31. Contact Frank Davey for info on 215-716-3210 if you have questions.

#### MEETINGS IN JULY

Please note that the troop will NOT hold regular meetings on July 24, during summer camp, NOR on July 31, 2012 to give a break after summer camp to our leaders and scouts.

#### Member News

Please congratulate our newest Eagle Scout – Alex Bauer. He passed his board of review in June. We look forward to celebrating an Eagle Court of Honor with Alex and his family. Also congratulate Sidarth Giddu on achieving of the Rank of Star. Paul Steuer and John Blauvelt are participating in a Philmont Trek this month, and Ben Hoffman is on a 2 week OA Canadian Odyssey of Service and Canoeing in Canada. Let's see the pictures!!

## Ode to the Buddy Tag

By Barry Hornberger, Troop 152

When day is done at summer camp

And all are in their tents,

The buddy tags hang one by one Until the swimmers are sent

Buddies together, Keep track of each other, Is what you need to do.

Not only when swimming or Boating or fishing,

But in any venture you choose.

Never forget to return your tag, To where it belongs at night! Choosing a buddy and follow the rules, Is doing the thing that is right.

Before you know it, The sun is up.

The water front begins to thrive. Two by two is now the rule To keep our scouts alive Buddy check, buddy check is the cry! Stop all the swimming and count!

Match up the swimmers and tags that hang, And shout the alarm if there's doubt!



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Sr Patrol Leader Brandon McDonnell

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