

# TROOP 152 NEWS

April 2013

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## Rod N Gun 2013

Join Troop 152 for a weekend of camping, fishing, archery, 22 rifle target and shotgun trap shooting, April 19 – 21, 2013. We will return to the private campground in New Ringgold, PA. With limited fire ring capacity, cooking will be by patrols. Enjoy camp and fishing Saturday morning. New scouts will complete many requirements for Tenderfoot, and Second Class ranks. Saturday afternoon will be filled with shooting activities. A **MANDATORY** gun safety program will be presented Tuesday, **April 2, 2013**. All scouts and adults attending this trip must attend. For more information contact Joe Magee on 2157231615.

## SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Only a few Boy Scout things happened in March, we had the First Aid Meet March 2<sup>nd</sup> where the older boys took 3<sup>rd</sup> place out of about 35 patrols and they also took 1<sup>st</sup> place for patrol cooperation. The Ski trip went off without a hitch. We had 8 boys join our troop from 2 different packs. Mr. Neild, Mr. Fleck and I survived our IOLS weekend. We are now officially trained. **Watch out.** We had the Order of the Arrow callout on Saturday night. The 8 scouts from our troop who were eligible were nominated. All of you now need to plan to do your "Ordeal".

April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> we will have the new scout camp out. Hopefully all you new guys can make it. We have the Rod & Gun weekend on 4/19 to 4/21. Don't forget in order to go on the rod & gun you must attend the safety meeting on Tuesday 4/2.

With the First Aid Meet behind us we need to get together and plan what we will be doing for future meetings. A good turnout at the PLC will be a start.

Summer camp will be here before you know it. We had a contingent of leaders go to the kickoff meeting on March 18. Goose Pond is looking good. Boys, you need to start thinking about what you are going to do.

Some people say why plan, it never happens that way. But if you don't make a plan you can't prepare. And it's that preparation for something that allows us to get through that anything that usually happens.

Mr. Belfield

## MEMBER NEWS

Please extend your congratulations to our newest Eagle Scout, Paul Steuer. We look forward to celebrating an Eagle Court of Honor with Paul and his family. Also, welcome 8 Webelos and their families as they cross over to join Scouting with Troop 152; Trevor Keaton, Matthew Keith, Tommy Lorenson, Brendan MacNeal, Tommy Pacaro, Jackson Taylor, Jake Ulmer, and Maxwell Yorgey. They should all get ready for the New Scout Campout 4/6 – 4/7!

## SCHEDULE for April 2013

|           |   |                              |                   |
|-----------|---|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 4/ 2      | Δ | TROOP MTG 7:00PM             | <b>GUN SAFETY</b> |
|           |   | PLC Meeting 6:30 PM          |                   |
| 4/ 6 – 7  |   | NEW SCOUT CAMPOUT            | (Belfield)        |
| 4/ 7      |   | Committee Mtg 6:30 PM        | (DeLong)          |
| 4/ 9      | Δ | TROOP MTG 7:00PM             |                   |
| 4/14      |   | Lions Club Pancake Breakfast | (RNagele)         |
| 4/16      | Δ | TROOP MTG 7:00PM             |                   |
| 4/19 – 21 | Δ | <b>Camping</b> - Rod N Gun   | (Magee)           |
| 4/23      |   | TROOP MTG 7:00PM             |                   |
| 4/30      |   | TROOP MTG 7:00PM             |                   |

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

## BEING PREPARED IN 2013

|            |  |  |                     |
|------------|--|--|---------------------|
| 5/ 5       |  | Committee Meeting                                    | (DeLong)            |
| 5/17 - 19  |  | <b>Camping</b> - Back Packing - Bear Rocks on the AT | (Pacaro)            |
| 5/19       |  | Eagle Court Brandon McDonnell 2PM                    | ( )                 |
| 5/27       |  | Lansdale Memorial Day Parade                         | (TBD)               |
| 6/ 2       |  | Committee Meeting                                    | (DeLong)            |
| 6/21 - 23  |  | <b>Camping</b> - BootNPaddle Mohican Outdoor         | (Niroomand)         |
| 6/25       |  | FAMILY NIGHT   |                     |
| 7/ 7       |  | Committee Meeting                                    | (DeLong)            |
| 7/15 - 24  |  | 2013 National Jamboree – Bechtel Summit              |                     |
| 7/19 - 21  |  | <b>Camping</b> – TBD                                 | (TBD)               |
| 8/ 4 - 10  |  | SUMMER CAMP – Goose Pond                             | (Hornberger/DeLong) |
| 8/ 6       |  | Committee Meeting at Goose Pond                      | (DeLong)            |
| 9/ 8       |  | Committee Meeting                                    | (DeLong)            |
| 9/20 - 22  |  | <b>Camping</b> – TBD                                 | (TBD)               |
| 9/24       |  | FAMILY NIGHT   |                     |
| 10/ 6      |  | Committee Meeting                                    | (DeLong)            |
| 10/11 - 13 |  | <b>General Nash Cub-O-Ree</b>                        | (Blauvelt)          |
| 10/25 - 27 |  | <b>Camping</b> – Gettysburg                          | (Davey)             |
| 10/27      |  | Lions Club Pancake Breakfast                         | (RNagele)           |
| 11/ 3      |  | Committee Meeting                                    | (DeLong)            |
| 11/22 - 24 |  | <b>Camping</b> – Ellis Island & Statue of Liberty    | (TBD)               |
| 12/ 1      |  | Committee Meeting                                    | (DeLong)            |
| 12/17      |  | Holiday Party  | (Committee)         |

## INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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## SUMMER CAMP 2013

Reservations for the Troop's 2013 Summer Camp at Goose Pond, 8/4 – 8/10, 2013 are in full swing. Camp this year is \$290. We need a \$50 deposit as soon as possible to hold your scouts spot in camp. The balance is due by May 7, 2013. The registration / payment schedule form is on the Troop's Web Site under the "Summer Camp" page. Contact Barry Hornberger on 215-368-2253.ot Kris Neild on 215-631-1250 for more info.

## LION'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please help our sponsoring organization and attend their April Pancake Breakfast, Sun 4/14/2013, 8 AM – Noon, at the West Point Fire House. It's a great breakfast! Bring the whole family! Scouts interested in service hours can see Rob Nagele to sign up!

## MAY CAMPING TRIP

The permission slip for the May Back Pack and Day Hike trip May 17 – 19 is available on the Troop Web Site. Contact Tony Pacaro on 610-584-8788 for more information.

## BASICS BOX TRIP PLANNING

Troop 152 camps each month throughout the year, except in December. Getting ready for a trip is always easier with a little planning.

**TROOP PLANS** – Organizing a trip for the troop is challenging but rewarding. Don't be afraid to volunteer to take us somewhere or help one of the organizers. It is important to let the troop know that you plan to attend, at least two (2) weeks before the trip. Getting the permission slip in by this due date helps the organizer submit the tour permit with Council, schedule transportation, assign tent partners, and distribute cash to the patrols to buy food.

If you wait until the last Tuesday, planning becomes difficult.

**PERSONAL PLANS** – The information that you and your scout need to prepare for the trip are provided on the permission slip, and at the meetings marked on the newsletter schedule as "required" for trip attendance. This is typically the Tuesday prior to the trip. Some points to watch for:

- **Cooking** – By troop, patrol, or tent partner. You may have to bring your own food or buy for the patrol.

- **Special activities** - Pack what you need for the weather expected and activities published, swimming, hiking, skiing, etc
- **Spending money** for road stops or special activities.
- **Medications** are usually held by the scoutmaster or designee. Make sure meds are in their original bottles with dosage instructions.

So, do a little planning. Do it early. Let us know that you are going ASAP. Pack for the trip and have a GREAT time!

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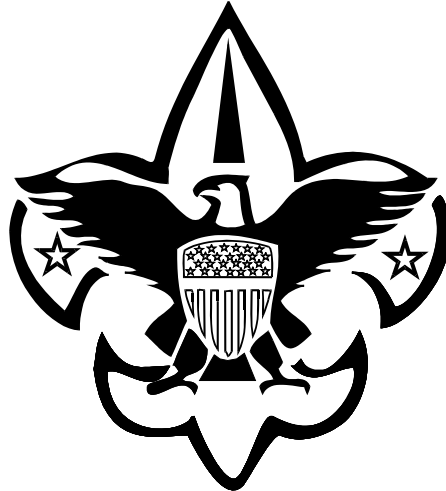
### COMMITTEE

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

### MEMBERS AT LARGE

|                |                    |
|----------------|--------------------|
| Larry Brasch   | Kris Neild         |
| Frank Davey    | Shahriar Niroomand |
| Alan Fleck     | David Owens        |
| Mark McDonnell | Tony Pacaro        |
|                | Wynton Stewart     |

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**Azad Niroomand**

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SINCE 1930  
OUR 83<sup>rd</sup> YEAR***

### **SCOUTMASTER STAFF**

**SCOUTMASTER**      **Fran Belfield**

### ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

|               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Ken Bauer     | Joe Magee       |
| Lee Blauvelt  | Steve McClellan |
| Al Hibbert    | Gavin Murdoch   |
| Nick Iaquinto | Bill Truscott   |
|               | Harry Weber     |

### EMERITUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

|                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| Alex Bauer     | Bryan Kobe   |
| Chris Bauer    | Dave Kobe    |
| Kim Bauer *    | Alex Murdoch |
| John Bickel    | Mike Nagele  |
| David DeLong   | Bill Thorpe  |
| Robert Hausler |              |

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