

TROOP 152 NEWS

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EAGLE COURT OF HONOR

Please join Brandon McDonnell and his family as he is awarded Scouting's highest honor, the rank of Eagle Scout. Brandon's Eagle ceremony will be held on Sunday, 5/19/2013 at 2 PM in the Upper Gwynedd Twp Community Building. Attendance is a requirement for all Scouts of Troop 152. Scouts should arrive by 1:45 PM in class "A" uniforms.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

April 26, 2013 I am starting to get the garden ready. I will have to plant extra tomatoes for jam this year. Ask your scout about that.

The troop as a whole is doing well. Only a couple of minor disciplinary issues and when the scouts have been called on them they quickly realize the error of their ways and correct them. Our patrol of new scouts seems to be getting into the flow pretty well. Anthony Pacaro is in position to be our new Senior Patrol Leader. He and Henry Hoffman are signed up for NYLT. As usual Mr. Magee and company did a smash-up job on the Rod and Gun weekend. Everyone had a great time and no injuries. I issued a challenge to the scouts for the trip. Who could do the most cooking in a Dutch oven. The 2 older patrols took the easy road and did little or no Dutch-oven cooking. Surprisingly the youngest patrol did well by cooking 3 out of 4 meals in the DO. The middle patrol did excellent by going 4 for 4 + a desert in the DO.

Mr. Pacaro has a backpacking/hiking trip scheduled for May. We will again be walking in the Lansdale Memorial Day Parade. All scouts who are home should attend. Brandon McDonnell is having his Eagle Court of Honor on May 19th. Again all who are home should attend. ALL SCOUTS SHOULD RESPOND WEATHER THEY ARE ATTENDING OR NOT.

“Anything and everything you do will make a difference, so get your hands out of your pockets and do something”..

Mr. Belfield

MAY CAMPING TRIP

Join the Troop for a weekend of Hiking or backpacking on the Appalachian Trail. This trip is intended as an introductory backpacking experience and is open to all scouts except the new Webelos crossovers (they can join as a day hike). We will arrive at the State Game lands parking lot at Rt. 309 and the Appalachian Trail on Saturday morning and depart Sunday Afternoon. Backpackers will travel a 5-mile section of the Appalachian Trail and camp Saturday night on the Trail, returning along the same segment on Sunday. Day hikers will hike with the Backpackers on Saturday, and return on Saturday from the Bake Oven Knob parking lot. Permission slips due 5/7/2013 Contact Tony Pacaro on 610-584-8788 for more information.

SCHEDULE for May 2013

5/ 5	Committee Mtg 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/ 7	Δ TROOP MTG 7:00PM Summer Camp Fee Due PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
5/14	Δ TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
5/17 - 19	Camping - Back Packing - Bear Rocks on the AT	(Pacaro)
5/19	Eagle Court Brandon McDonnell	2PM
5/21	Δ TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
5/27	Lansdale Memorial Day Parade	(TBD)
5/28	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

BEING PREPARED IN 2013

6/ 2	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)
6/21 - 23	Camping - BootNPaddle Mohican Outdoor	(Niroomand)
6/25	FAMILY NIGHT	
7/ 7	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)
7/15 - 24	2013 National Jamboree – Bechtel Summit	
7/19 - 21	Camping – 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	Camping – TBD	(TBD)
9/24	FAMILY NIGHT	
10/ 6	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)
10/11 - 13	General Nash Cub-O-Ree	(Blauvelt)
10/25 - 27	Camping – Gettysburg	(Davey)
10/27	Lions Club Pancake Breakfast	(RNagele)
11/ 3	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)
11/22 - 24	Camping – 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 the entire balance 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. or Kris Neild on 215-631-1250 for more info.

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

Please help Troop 152 attain its first 100% participation in Council's Friends of Scouting fund drive. Let's be a perfect troop. Give what you can, but please give. If you have already turned in your FOS form, THANK YOU VERY MUCH! Return FOS forms to Rob Nagele. Contact him on 215-699-4779 if you have any questions.

JUNE CAMPING TRIP

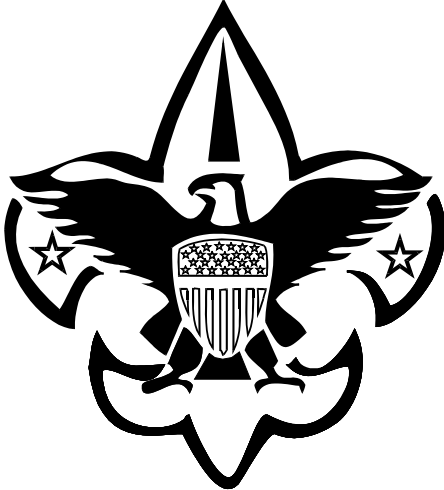
June's trip will be a new boot and paddle experience at the Mohican Outdoor Center. Watch for the permission slip on the web site. Contact Shahriar Niroomand for more information on 215-855-0270

MEDICAL FORMS

The Boy Scouts of America requires that all youth and adult members have annual medical evaluations by a certified and licensed health-care provider. In an effort to provide better care to those who may become ill or injured and to provide youth members and adult leaders a better understanding of their own physical capabilities, the Boy Scouts of America has established minimum standards for providing medical information prior to participating in various activities.

Our troop is very conscious of this new annual requirement and we are striving to have all Scouts provide the troop with their current annual physical – using the prescribed forms found on our web site (www.troop152westpintpa.org) “Latest Medical Forms”. Those standards are offered through the completion of the three-part medical form and signed and dated by their physician. In addition to the completed medical forms, each family must attach a copy of both sides of their insurance card as stated in Part C of the medical form.

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