# **TROOP 152 NEWS**

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## SEPTEMBER TRIP - OCKANICKON

Join the troop for a fall trip to Ockanickon 9/13 - 9/15. Enjoy the warm days and cool nights of fall. Fish or hike to Ralph Stover Cliffs, cook and if you have been riding bikes with Troop 152, we have a whole weekend of cycling adventures in store. The permission slip is on the web site. Contact Alan Fleck for info 215-699-2963.

## SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Summer is all but done. Some of you have already started back to school and there is still a lot to do. Can you get it all done? Remember Family, School, and then Scouts. As much as we want to see you at every meeting and camping trip school must come before scouts.

Speaking about summer and camping-summer camp at Goose Pond (my 4<sup>th</sup> one) was the best week I have ever had. We did not have any home sickness, I did not have to referee any disputes, everyone got where they need to be, the camp was always neat and clean, and the food for camp food was pretty good. A big thanks to all the scouts for behaving and a bigger thanks to all of the adults who helped

In September Anthony Pacaro will end his tenure as SPL and Theo Fleck will be stepping up. Let's make sure we thank Anthony for a great job and welcome Theo and help him wherever we can.

9/7 is Lansdale bike night. We will need some volunteers (a couple of adults and 8 to 10 scouts) from 8:00 to 9:00 for trash detail.

9/13 is the Ockanickon bike trip. Those of you who are riding I hope you are training. Everyone who is not riding, we will be camping and cooking and having a good time too. 10/11 is Cub-o-Ree. The theme this year is Carnival. Is the gateway planned? What type of activity are you going to have for the cub scouts?

We quite often learn more from our mistakes than from our successes. Go out and make some big mistakes. Just try not to get hurt doing them.

Mr. Belfield

## **FAMILY NIGHT**

Please join the Troop 152 at its 3rd Family Night for 2013 on Tuesday, 9/24, 2013 in the Twp Community Bldg. Come and recognize our Scouts' achievements since June, especially the merit badges and awards from summer camp. Meet our scouts, troop leaders and the families of Troop 152!

#### **SCHEDULE for September 2013**

9/3	Ω T <b>ROOP MTG</b> 7:00 PM
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM
9/7	Lansdale's Bike Nite 8 – 9 PM
9/8	Committee Mtg 6:30 PM (DeLong)
9/10	Ω T <b>ROOP MTG</b> 7:00 PM
9/13 - 15	Ω <i>Camping</i> – Ockanickon / Bike Trip (Fleck)
9/17	T <b>ROOP MTG</b> 7:00 PM
9/24	FAMILY NIGHT 7:00 PM CLASS A Begins
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#### BEING PREPARED IN 2013

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)	
11/15 -17	<i>Camping</i> – TBD	(TBD)	
11/16	Scouting for Food Bag Drop	(TBD)	
11/23	Scouting for Food Bag Pick-Up	(TBD)	
12/ 1	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)	
12/17	Holiday Party	(Committee)	
7/20 - 26	LOOKING INTO 2014 Summer Camp- Resica	(Neild))	
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#### SUMMER CAMP 2013

Summer Camp at Goose Pond was an outstanding success. 103 merit badges were earned by 39 scouts. Our Pathways scouts completed many requirements for Tenderfoot, Second, and First Class. Thanks to all the leaders who attended and helped with the organization of our week in the woods. A special thank you to our SPL, Anthony Pacaro. His leadership was much appreciated. Get ready for summer camp in 2014 at Resica Falls.

## LANSDALE'S BIKE NITE

Come on out and support General Nash District at Lansdale's Bike Nite, Sat 9/07/2013. Come early to enjoy the sights and sounds of Harleys, Indians, Customs, and the import bikes as they thunder in and out of town. Earn service hours by assisting in the trash clean-up between 8 - 9:00 PM. Sign up Tue 9/3/2013 and register at the General Nash tent, usually near Wood & Mill St in the Madison Parking Lot.

## 2013 WREATH SALE !!!

Can you believe it? The Wreath Sale is just around the corner. Now is the time to get those wreath customers lined up before they buy from someone else. We need your sales count in **October**, to know how many wreaths to order. Don't let down your valued customers. This year's wreath chair will be announced soon.

## 2014 RECHARTER

Troop Recharter for 2014 is due in November. EVERY Scout and Scouter must re-register with Troop 152 for 2014. The Recharter registration form will be available on the troop website. Contact Bill Kelso for questions and information on 215-541-1112 December is quickly approaching, and it is once again time to begin planning this year's wreath sale. This is the Troop's one and only fund raising project, and provides the Troop with the largest part of its operating funds.

In addition, the wreath sale provides an opportunity for each Scout to build up points in their Scout Account to use towards the expense of scouting activities.

For those new to the troop, this fund raiser is about as painless as they get. The wreaths really sell themselves. They are an excellent buy, attractive,

and hardy. Once you get a customer, repeat sales are a snap.

## THE BASIC BOX TROOP 152 WREATH SALE

Each scout is expected to participate. Profits from the sale are split between the Troop's general fund and your Scout's Account. The Troop Committee will be deciding the details on price and the percentage split offered at their September meeting.

This year's wreath chair is to be announced shortly.

For our existing Scouts, remember to canvass last year's customers and get a count to submit as an advance order. This will help insure delivery to those customers counting on your wreath this year.

Don't forget to set aside the mornings of Fri 11/28 to help unload the delivery truck and pick up your wreaths for delivery.

This fund raiser is a lot of fun, but also a very serious financial undertaking. Some 1200+ wreaths will pass through the hands of the Troop, and provide the funds that

make our Scouting program so successful. We appreciate everyone's participation. Watch for more details coming from the Committee this month.

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