

TROOP 152 NEWS

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NOVEMBER TRIP – West Point Academy

Get ready for a special trip – The West Point Military Academy. Enjoy a scout weekend, 11/21 – 23, at the world famous military academy. You will get a tour of the facility, and attend the Army vs Fordham football game. Reservations were due **OCTOBER 28, 2014** as we need to buy the tickets for the game. Contact Alan Fleck for more info on 215-699-2963.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

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The Boy Scout Motto is “Be Prepared”. We are often asked by the scouts and ask the scouts, “What are we to be prepared for?”

This past weekend we took 25 scouts to Gettysburg. On Saturday we hiked 10+ miles, mostly on concrete and black top, had a wrong turn or 2 and covered more ground than we intended. By late afternoon some of the scouts were dragging and needed a little encouragement to keep moving. If we would have billed the trip activity this way, how may scouts (especially the younger ones) would have said that sounds too hard I can't do it?

Then we had to go back to camp and cook dinner. First you hear the pots banging around, then “which pot should I use?” “I don't know how to do this.” Inevitably a scout will come over for directions. Most of the time I try to answer “it's your dinner go figure it out” and they walk away a little mad and dejected. Yet they all manage to cook what they have and eat it too.

Tonight when we review the trip some will complain about something or another but in the end most all of the boys will say they had a great time and would go again.

It is rumored that I am a mean leader. I correct and sometimes yell at the boys when they do something wrong. I get on their case when they haven't done what they should. And I tell them to do what they think they can't. It is my intension to be behind the scouts and give them words of encouragement and on occasion a preverbal “kick in the pants” to help them “Be Prepare” to do (what they will see as) the impossible.

Mr Belfield

2014 WREATH SALE !!!

Get your final wreath sales count to the wreath committee. Wreaths will arrive on the Friday after Thanksgiving. Your scout's help will be needed on **Friday, Nov 28**, 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 Tim Bonitz , 215-285-8492 or Arun Giddu, 610222-0163, if you have questions concerning or your orders.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Scouting and Service to others are synonymous. Please help with this important District project, and help those in need right here in the North Penn area. The annual Scouting for Food Drive will be running on two Saturdays. Help is needed **11/8** and **11/15**. Sign up at the leaders table.

SCHEDULE for November 2014

11/ 2	Committee Mtg 6:30 pm	(DeLong)
11/ 4	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
11/ 8	Scouting for Food Bag Drop	(D.Kobe)
11/11	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM Re-Charter Due	(Kelso)
11/15	Scouting for Food Bag Pick Up	(D.Kobe)
11/18	Ω TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
11/21 – 23	Ω Camping West Point Military Academy	(Fleck)
11/25	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
11/28	Wreath Pick Up	

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

BEING PREPARED IN 2014

12/ 7	Committee Mtg	(DeLong)
12/23	Holiday Party	(DeLong)

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2015

1/ 4	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
1/16 – 18	CAMPING - TBD	(TBD)
2/ 8	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
2/ 6 - 8	Klondike – Hart / Schweiker Lodge	(Davey)
2/13 – 15	CAMPING – Valley Forge Pilgrimage	(Fleck)
3/ 7	First Aid Meet	(RNagele)
3/ 8	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
3/17	Family Night	(Fleck/Pahktigian)
3/20 – 22	CAMPING – French Cr/Delmont	(Fleck)
3/29	New Scout Orientation	(RNagele)
4/ 4 – 5	New Scout CAMPOUT	(Belfield)
4/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
4/17 – 19	CAMPING Rod N Gun	(Magee)
5/ 3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/ 5	Family Night	(Fleck/Pahktigian)
5/15 – 17	CAMPING - TBD	(TBD)
6/ 7	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
6/20 – 22	CAMPING – Canoe Trip	(TBD)
7/19 – 25	SUMMER CAMP Minsi Trails	(DeLong/Neild)
8/21 - 24	CAMPING – TBD	(TBD)
9/18 – 20	CAMPING – Coast Guard	(TBD)
10/ 9 - 11	Cub-O-Ree	(RNagele)

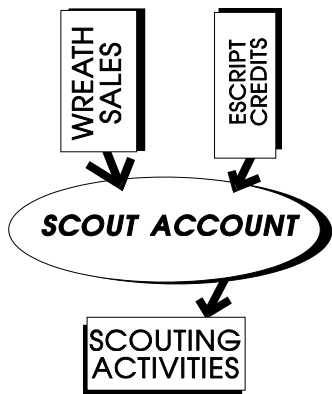
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2015 RECHARTER

Troop Re-charter for 2015 is in full swing. EVERY Scout and Scouter must re-register with Troop 152 for 2015. Registration forms and fees are due no later than **November 11, 2014**. If we do not have your re-charter form and fee by this date, you will lose the rights and privileges of being a Scout with Troop 152. Adult leaders MUST have Youth Protection current to 4/1/15 to re-charter. The re-charter registration form is available on the troop website, under “Permission Slips”. Contact Bill Kelso for more information on 215-541-1112.

THE BASICS BOX SCOUT ACCOUNTS



With our wreath sale looming in full swing, a review of the Scout Accounts is in order. All profits from our fund raisers are credited to the Troop's general fund.

A portion of each scout's contribution from the wreath sales and any Escrip credits, submitted are tracked as account points. The troop's committee determines the number of points to be credited for each contribution.

Don't forget to use these points to pay for troop activities or purchasing Scouting related clothing or camping equipment.

Your scout's account point balance is available at any regular Scout Meeting. When registering for any troop activity, request payment to be taken from the scout account.

Credit for trips will be made from the troop treasury, provided the scout account balance is sufficient to cover the expense.

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