

TROOP 152 NEWS

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MAY TRIP - PIONEERING @ RESICA

Come join us at Firestone camp for a long weekend of lashing, cooking, and fun. This will be a relaxed weekend without early wake-up calls. We will be patrol cooking with fire and dutch ovens, and planning big. The rest of the day will be spent building towers, shelters, and campsite facilities using the camp's stockpile of birch spars. If lashing isn't your thing, there are 4200 other acres to explore that are just as worthy of your attention. The permission slip is on the Troop's website. Contact Chris Nagele for more info on 215-820-2271

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

A couple of weekends ago we had our Rod & Gun weekend. 50 scouts and 27 adults attended. We all ran around shooting shotguns, .22 rifles, BB guns and Bow and arrows. Correction, we all calmly walked from station to station to shoot the guns and bows under trained adult supervision.

With the shooting done 6 patrols of scouts set out to cook their dinner. With some very minor help I was able to talk the 2 rookie patrols thru noodles and meat sauce. 1 older patrol, my son's, cooked breakfast for dinner. Another had chicken parm. I don't worry about the older guys any more. The 2nd year guys decided to attempt chicken and biscuits in a Dutch oven. One of the last things the directions tell you to do is oil the lid. Well they did but they did the top of the lid not the underside. If you saw the pictures you saw their "burnt" dinner. I am always telling the scouts "as long as it's cooked you need to eat it because you will need the fuel". So they peeled away the char and to their surprise dinner was really good.

When I finally sat down to eat I caught a dad giving his rookie son mashed potatoes from our dinner. I was about to give him grief when dad told me how on his own son tried to eat his dinner 3 times even though he hates tomato sauce. Don't tell the scouts but sometimes I will look the other way.

Tonight I was helping a scout with identifying 10 animals in the area when we came across a Killdeer (it's a bird that nests on the ground). As we watched the bird would run away from its nest and flop around on the ground. I asked him why? And with a little prodding the light went on and he realized the bird was trying to draw the predators, us, away from the nest.

Sometimes I see your boys do some pretty amazing things, especially when cooking. I would like you to see and taste some of them too. Our August trip will be to Delmont (20 minutes up Sumneytown Pike) where if we get enough parental commitment the boys will cook dinner for the moms and dads. Please let me know what you think.

Mr Belfield

SUMMER CAMP

The "early bird" discount has past, but you can still sign up for summer camp. Fill out the form and give us a small deposit. New scouts just crossing over to Troop 152 will be eligible for the "early bird" fee of \$325. Full Payment is due **5/26/2015**. See our summer camp sign up sheet on the web site or call Kris Neild on 267-640-5014.

SCHEDULE for May 2015

5/ 3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/ 5	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
5/12	Ω TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
5/19	Ω TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
5/22 – 25	Ω CAMPING – Pioneering @ Firestone	(CNagele)
5/25	Lansdale Memorial Day Parade 8:30 AM	
5/26	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	(DeLong)

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2015

6/ 7	Eagle Court of Honor – Alexander Holland 2 PM	
	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
6/12 - 14	CAMPING – White Water on Lehigh	(Fleck)
6/16	Family Night	(Fleck/Pahktigian)
7/12	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
7/19 – 25	SUMMER CAMP Camp Minsi	(DeLong/Neild)
8/ 2	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
8/??	Pool Party	
8/11	Mom/Scout Mini-Golf	
8/21 - 24	CAMPING – Delmont	(Belfield)
8/25	Fun Night	(RNagele)
9/ 5	Lansdale Bike Night	(DeLong)
9/ 6	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
9/18 – 20	CAMPING – Coast Guard	(TBD)
9/29	Family Night	(Fleck/Pahktigian)
10/ 4	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
10/ 9 – 11	Cub-O-Ree	(RNagele)
10/23-25	CAMPING - TBD	(TBD)
11/ 1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
11/20-22	CAMPING - BackPacking Delmont	(Belfield)
12/ 6	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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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. Return FOS forms to Rob Nagele. Contact him on 215-699-4779 for more info

JUNE TRIP - WHITE WATER RAFTING

Join Troop 152 for an exciting weekend of white waer rafting on the Lehigh River. We will camp at Hickory Run State Park and spend the day Saturday on the river. Watch for the permission slip. Space is limited. Sign up early. Contact Alan Fleck for more info on (215) 699-2963 – home or 215-264-8024 - cell

Lansdale's Memorial Day Parade

If you are NOT on the May camping trip, watch for more details to join General Nash's participation in Lansdale's Memorial Day parade on May 25, 2015. The parade usually steps off at 9:00 AM from Cannon & Main and concludes at Lansdale's Memorial Park. Join the troop and the district at Lansdale/s Memorial Park (Line and Main Sts) for a memorable ceremony to honor our Nation's veterans.

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 at http://www.scouting.org/filestore/healthsafety/pdf/680-001_abc.pdf

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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