TROOP 152 NEWS

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SCOUT SKILLS DAY

Troop 152 is doing a "Scout Skills Day" this Sat 4/02/2016 from 9AM – 4PM. Scouts that need rank advancements for Tenderfoot, Second or First Class can come out and work on and demonstrate their advancement skills. Additionally scouts that are Star or Life are also welcomed. They will be able to work on troop leadership skills, as part of their position of responsibility and giving back to scouting. We'll be meeting behind the Nor-Gwyn swimming pool. Scouts will need their **handbook** and a water-bottle. Depending on when your scout is there, they can also bring a bagged lunch or snack. A scout doesn't need to be there all day but should expect to spend at least 3 hours on skills and advancement.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

As this April newsletter goes out, we will be close to the Scout Skills Day. Scout skills are what come to mind with Boy Scouts: Tents, camping, cooking, first aid, rope, knots, lashing. The things that are large part of Scouting. However there is another part of scouting for those scouts that are Star or Life rank, Two of their larger requirements are taking part in service projects and holding a position of responsibility. Star and Life scouts are expected to give to scouting and being responsible is a key part. A key requirement for all scouts is to demonstrate scout spirit by living the scout oath and law. Talk to your scout about his current rank and what his thoughts are for his next rank

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SUMMER CAMP - TUCK A HOE

As we have communicated, this year's summer camp is scheduled from 7/17 – 7/23 at Camp Tuck A Hoe. We encourage all scouts to attend summer camp. We have a great time and build comradery that lasts through the year. There is still time to sign up for camp. Full payment for your scout's stay is due April 19. The summer camp payment sheet is posted on the Troop's website. Contact Kris Neild on 215-631-1250 for more information

LIFE TO EAGLE SEMINAR

Life scouts on the trail to Eagle, are encouraged to attend the General Nash Life to Eagle seminar, presented by Rob Nagele at the Upper Gwynedd Community Center on Sat 4/02/2016 at 1:00 PM. Contact Rob Nagele on 215699-4779 to reserve a spot

SCHEDULE for April 2016

4/ 2	Scout Skills Day	(Dyer)
	General Nash Life to Eagle Seminar	(RNagele)
4/ 3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
4/ 5 Δ	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM Rod N Gun Sign	ı Up Due
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
4/12 Δ	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
4/15 - 17 Δ	Camping Rod N Gun	(Magee)
4/19	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM Summer Camp	Final Due
4/26	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM (Neild)	

 Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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LOOKING AHEAD IN 2016

5/ 1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/13 -15	Camping Mt Taminy – Del Water Gap	(Keaton)
5/22	Eagle Court of Honor 2:00PM - Etienne	e Ayoub .
5/24	Family Night	(Fleck)
6/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
6/17 - 19	Camping Canoe Trip	(TBD)
7/17 - 23	Summer Camp - Camp Tuckahoe	(DeLong/Neild)
8/19 - 21	Camping???	(TBD)
9/23 - 25	Camping Bloomsburg Fair	(TBD)
10/ 7 - 9	2016 Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)
10/21 -23	Camping???	(TBD)
11/18 -20	Camping Delmont Back Pack	(TBD)
7/17 - 26	2017 National Jamboree – The Summit	West VA

ROD N GUN 2016

The Troop's legendary Rod N Gun weekend is here!, April, 15 17, 2016. We will return to last year's New Ringgold campground. A *MANDATORY* gun safety program will be presented Tuesday, **March 29, 2016.** All scouts and adults attending this trip must attend. The permission slip is on the Troop's web site. Get ready for a great weekend of camping. For more information contact Joe Magee on 215-723-1615.

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.

CLIMB MOUNT TAMINY

Planning for our May camping trip is under way. We will visit the Delaware Water Gap and climb Mt Taminy. Enjoy the great scenery of early spring in the Gap. Contact Scott Keaton on 215518-0264 for more information. Watch for the permission slip in a future e-mail blast.

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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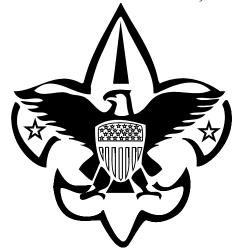
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