

TROOP 152 NEWS

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AUGUST TRIP – Camp Hart

Get your scout to sign up for a relaxed weekend of camping at Camp Hart 8/19 – 8/21. Enjoy camp, cook, build fires and practice basic camping skills. Don't forget to pack a chair. As an extra bonus, parents are invited to sample the scouts' cooking. Come on up to sample dinner – camp cooking at its finest. If you are attending the campout, please attend the trip planning meeting on 8/16/2016. The permission slip is on the web site. Contact Fran Belfield for more information. Sign ups are due **August 16**.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

I was again reminded at summer camp that the adults need to lead by example for the scouts. Monday morning I was walking down to the dining hall and met someone from another troop. As we were chatting I noticed he was wearing flip-flops. I mentioned the general rule against open shoes. He said, I'm a parent not a scout. Not pushing to hard, I mentioned that the adults need to set the right example for the scouts. I wasn't sure if he even knew about the shoe policy or possibly how loosey-goosey their troop runs things. The next I ran into him again and he was quite happy to mention that he talked to someone about the shoe rule and proceeded to show his hiking boots. We ran into each other off and on the rest of the week and always had a good chat. It's always important to lead by example and I feel in scouting even more so. As a parent how do you lead by example? Even more interesting, how does your scout lead by example? Chat with your scout, it'll be a great conversation.

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MOM/SCOUT MINI-GOLF TOURNAMENT

Moms / Guardians are invited to join their scout(s) at the Troop's 27th annual **Fred Haws Memorial** mom/scout mini-golf tournament at **6:30 PM on 8/23/15**. Meet Paul DeLong at the Freddy Hill Mini-Golf entrance at 6:30 PM to register and enjoy an evening of miniature golf with your favorite scout(s). Total your scores for the great competition. Call Paul DeLong for more information 215-699-7125.

SWIM PARTY

Come and cool off at the troop's annual swim party Tue 8/09/2015 6:30 – 8:00 PM at the Nor-Gwyn Pool at Park Side Place. Call Paul DeLong for more information 215-699-7125.

SCHEDULE for August 2016

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| 8/ 2 | TROOP MTG 7:00 PM PLC Meeting 6:30 PM | |
| 8/ 7 | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 8/ 9 | Pool Party Nor-Gwyn Pool 6:30 – 8:00 | (DeLong) |
| 8/16 | TROOP MTG 7:00 PM | |
| 8/19 - 21 | Camping Camp Hart Cook Off | (Belfield) |
| 8/23 | Mom Scout Mini-Golf Freddy Hill 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 8:30 | FUN NIGHT 6:30 PM | (R.Nagele) |

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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LOOKING AHEAD IN 2016

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| 9/ 4 | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 9/24 | Delmont 100 th Year Celebration | (TBD) |
| 9/30 – 10/ 1 | Camping Bloomsburg Fair | (TBD) |
| 10/ 2 | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 10/ 7 - 9 | 2016 Cub-O-Ree | (Dyer) |
| 10/21 -23 | Camping ??? | (TBD) |
| 11/ 6 | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 11/12 | Scouting for Food Bag Drop | (DeLong) |
| 11/18 -20 | Camping Delmont | (CNagele) |
| 11/19 | Scouting for Food Bag Pick Up | (DeLong)\ |
| 12/ 4 | Committee Meeting 6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 12/20 | Holiday Party | (DeLong) |
| 7/17 - 26 | 2017 National Jamboree – The Summit | West VA |

COMMITTEE MEETING

The troop's committee will meet on Sunday August 7, 2016, 6:30 PM in the Community Bldg. All committee members are requested to attend. Parents are always welcome. For more information contact Paul DeLong on 215-699-7125.

AUGUST IS FUN MONTH

Check the schedule and mark your calendars to attend the Pool Party at Nor-Gwyn Pool on 8/09/2016. Then, attend the Mom/Scout mini-golf event on Tuesday 8/23 at 6:30 PM at Freddy Hill Family Fun Center. Then on Tuesday 8/30 enjoy Rob Nagele's Fun Night. Meet at the pavilion and bring your favorite game. Volley ball will be set up! Leave the lawn darts at home!

SEPTEMBER OUTLOOK

With so few regular meetings in July/August, please remember to mark your calendars to help General Nash District with trash management for Lansdale's Bike Night, scheduled for the evening of Saturday, Sept 10. It will be here before you know it!

FUN NIGHT

Scouts - our last meeting for summer 2016 (can it be fall already?) will be the Troop's annual fun night, **8/30/2016** 6:30 – 8:30 PM at the Upper Gwynedd Park Side Place Pavilion. Enjoy a rousing volley ball game. Bring any games that may challenge your competitive spirit, but leave the lawn darts at home. The Troop will provide refreshments. Contact Rob Nagele for further information 215-699-4779.

Youth protection is a vital part of the Scouting program. Developing responsibility and independence in your scout means that you let them venture a bit outside your field of influence and constant supervision. Scouting's program encourages this adventure under the watchful eye

of its leaders. Scouts are encouraged to be trusting and obedient. It is part of the Scout Law.

The BSA youth protection program assures that leaders cannot take advantage of these traits to exploit the scouts. The major points of the Scouting youth protection program are listed here, and can be found in the front section of the Boy Scout Handbook. Review them with your scout. He should recognize all of these points by the example set by our leaders while running scouting activities.

THE BASIC BOX YOUTH PROTECTION

1. Scouts always do things with "BUDDIES", never alone!
2. Scouts never tent alone or with an adult (except with a scout's parent)
3. All Scouting activities require two leaders. This includes regular scout meetings and side trips on outings.
4. Leaders and adults are not permitted to be intoxicated or consume alcoholic beverages while leading or attending a Troop function.

Troop 152 will not tolerate hazing or harassment of scouts by leaders or by other scouts. We have a strong commitment to ensure that each of our scouts has a pleasant experience in the Troop.

All registered BSA Leaders are required to take BSA Youth Protection Training, every 2 years, to be officially registered as a Troop 152 Leader. The training is available on BSA National's Website – www.scouting.org

In addition, a new PA Law requires all volunteers, that interact with children, registered or non-registered, to provide a PA Criminal History report, a PA Child Abuse History Clearance and an FBI Criminal History Clearance. Please see the Pa_Law_Memo on the General Nash Website.

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COMMITTEE

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| Chairman | Paul DeLong |
| Vice Chair | Rob Nagele * |
| Treasurer | Nancy Bickel |
| Scout Accts | Donna McDonnell |
| Registration / Dues | Bill Kelso * |
| Secretary | <== OPEN ==> |
| Advancement | Alan Fleck |
| Chaplain | Fred Lynch |
| Newsletter | Barry Hornberger |
| Quarter Master | Kris Neild * |
| Training Coordinator | Chris Nagele * |
| Web Master | Dave Walsh, Sr |

MEMBERS AT LARGE

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| Bob Bond | Mark McDonnell |
| Larry Brasch | Suren Pakhtigian |
| Dave Gartner | Tony Pacaro |
| Scott Keaton | |

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SCOUTMASTER STAFF

SCOUTMASTER **John Dyer**

ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

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| Fran Belfield | Kris Neild |
| Joe Magee | Harry Weber |
| Steve McClellan | |

EMERITUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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| Kim Bauer * | Ian Truscott |
| John Bickel | Bill Truscott* |

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