

TROOP 152 NEWS

July 2017

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JULY TRIP - Firestone Summer

The troop has camped a lot at Firestone over the years, but always misses the amazing summer season. This year we fix that. Saturday will be spent hiking and swimming along the Bushkill River. We will be camping amongst the pioneering camp, making use of their shelters and constructions for the weekend. Scouts over first class will be tent partner cooking on their own equipment, while the younger scouts patrol cook. There are several meadows for stargazing, and some great venues for capture the flag. Permission slips have been sent out by e-mail and are posted on the Troop's website. Trip scheduled for 7/21/23. Sign-ups are due 7/11/2017. Contact Chris Nagele if you have questions on 215820-2271

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Who's ready for summer excitement? Our scoutmaster and several other leaders and scouts are on their trek in Philmont. Later this month the 2017 National Jamboree will be in full operation, and then in August, Troop 152 ventures off to summer camp at Goose Pond! This is certainly a Scout activity packed summer. John Dyer will have a lot of material to share in his August newsletter column. So have your scout ride this wild wave of Scout stuff and collect his own experiences to share with family and friends when they get home. This is the editor's contribution for our scoutmaster until he gets back.

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UPPER GWYNEDD NIGHT SKY CAMPOUT

Troop 152 will sponsor a few scouts and scouters to participate in this Upper Gwynedd event, July 7 – 8, 2017. Break out your family tent and spend a night camping under the summer sky with your family and friends. With the donation of a non-perishable food item, families will have the opportunity to camp in Parkside Place Complex for the night. Scouts will be helping families set up tents and set up the campfire on Saturday night. Contact Dave Gartner for more information 267-218-4810, and visit www.uppergwynedd.org

NO TROOP MEETING 7/4/2017

There will be no troop meeting on Tuesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. The PLC meeting will be rescheduled to the July 11 troop meeting. **FLY THE FLAG!**

SCHEDULE for July 2017

7/ 4	NO TROOP MTG	
7/ 7 - 8	Upr Gwynedd Night Sky Campout	(Gartner)
7/ 9	Committee Meeting 6:30	(DeLong)
7/11	TROOP MTG 7:00PM <i>July Trip Perm slip due</i>	
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
7/17 - 26	2017 National Jamboree – The Summit West VA	
7/18	Δ TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
7/21 - 23	Δ CAMPING Firestone	(CNagele)
7/25	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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LOOKING AHEAD IN 2017

8/ 6 - 12	SUMMER CAMP Goose Pond	(DeLong/Neild)
8/ 8	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM @ Goose Pond	(DeLong)
9/ 3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
9/ 9	Lansdale Bike Night	.
9/22 – 24	CAMPING - TBD	(TBD)
9/26	FAMILY NIGHT	.
10/ 1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
10/ 6	Cub-O-Ree	(Dyer)
10/21-23	CAMPING – TBD	(TBD)
11/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
11/11	Scouting for Food Bag Drop	(TBD)
11/18 – 20	CAMPING – Delmont	(TBD)
11/18	Scouting for Food Bag Pick Up	(TBD)
12/ 3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
12/19	Holiday Party	(DeLong)

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

Please help Troop 152 attain a 100% participation in Council's Friends of Scouting fund drive. Let's be a perfect troop. Give what you can, but please give. Pick up or return FOS forms to Alan Fleck. Contact him on 215-264-8024 for more info.

SUMMER CAMP

Summer camp is just around the corner. Next steps are to set goals for merit badges and select tent partners and fun activities to keep your scout busy for the week. Get your merit badge selection sheets reviewed by your scout's mentor and submit to Paul DeLong to enter into the camp's merit badge registration system. Don't forget to get those physical in to Bill Kelso. Your scout cannot get in to camp without one. Watch for Kris Neild's announcement of the pre-camp swim test. Please have your scout participate to determine swimming levels for summer camp and any troop activity involving water. If you have questions, contact Kris Neild on 267-640-5014 or Paul DeLong on 215-699-7125

COMMITTEE MEETING RESCHEDULED

The July troop committee meeting has been rescheduled to Sunday July 9, 2017 at 6:30 PM.

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

Chairman	Paul DeLong
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Scout Accts	<== OPEN ==>
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Activity Coordinator	<== OPEN ==>
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Newsletter	Barry Hornberger
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MEMBERS AT LARGE

Bob Bond	Fred Lynch *
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Theo Fleck	William Snow
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SCOUTMASTER **John Dyer**

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