TROOP 152 NEWS

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SUMMER CAMP

Summer camp is here, the first Sunday in August, 8/6/2017. Meet in the shale pit parking lot at Goose Pond (watch for posted signs) around 1 PM in First Class Uniforms. We will register and enter the camp as a unit, after everyone arrives. If you are going to be late, please let Kris Neild know. Merit badge selections have been entered on the Camp's on-line system. Don't forget to get those physicals in to Bill Kelso by Tuesday August 1. Your scout cannot get into camp without one. Scouts who have not completed the pre-camp swim test should be prepared to take the test at camp, right after the medical check-in. They will change into their suits as soon as we arrive in our campsite. Keep their suits and a towel within easy reach. If you have questions, contact Kris Neild on 267-640-5014 or Paul DeLong on 215-699-7125

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Back in June the troop did a cleanup around the community center. That cleanup effort made the North Penn Reporter. Joe Gale, one of the Montgomery county commissioners, saw the article. He was involved in scouting as a kid just like your scout. He took the time to send the troop a nice letter thanking us for helping out the community. Where it took an interesting twist is that somehow, it ended up going to a John Dyer in Conshohocken. John received the letter and new it went to the wrong Dyer so he did yet another good deed, he looked me up and emailed me a scan of the letter with a nice note about the mixup. Yet another nice person doing the right thing. I told this story as a scoutmasters minute at a troop meeting and then ask the scouts: What parts of the scout oath and law are involved here? I like tying in things to the scout oath and law. I really like that the oath and law are a list of what to do and how to act. So much of a scouts life is what NOT to do. I really think it helps to re-enforce what someone should do, letting them think about it. As a parent, you can do the same, where appropriate, talk about what to do rather than what not to do. The scouts are growing

up, learning responsibility and preparing for life. John Dyer <u>dyerjohn@gmail.com</u>

FUN NIGHT

Scouts - our last meeting for summer 2017 (can it be fall already?) will be the Troop's annual fun night, **8/29/2017** 7:00 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.

SCHEDULE for August 2017 8/1 TROOP MTG 7:00PM PLC Meeting 6:30 PM 8/ 6 - 12 SUMMER CAMP Goose Pond (DeLong/Neild) 8/8 NO TROOP MTG Committee Meeting 6:30 @ Goose Pond (DeLong) 8/15 **NO TROOP MTG MOM/SCOUT Minigolf** 6:00 PM 8/22 (DeLong) 8/29 **FUN NIGHT** 7:00 PM - 8:30 (RNagele)

 $\Omega \ \mbox{or} \ \Delta \ \mbox{Attendance} \ \mbox{required} \ \mbox{for} \ \ \mbox{outing participation}$

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LOOKING AHEAD IN 2017

9/9	Lansdale Bike Night	
9/10	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
9/22 - 24	CAMPING - Bike Ride Lehigh Gorge??	(TBD)
9/26	FAMILY NIGHT	
10/ 1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
10/ 6	Cub-O-Ree	(Dyer)
10/21-23	<i>CAMPING</i> – 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)

MOM/SCOUT MINI-GOLF TOURNAMENT

Moms / Guardians are invited to join their scout(s) at the Troop's 29th annual *Fred Haws Memorial* mom/scout mini-golf tournament at **6:00 PM** on **8/22/2017**. Meet Paul DeLong at the Freddy Hill Mini-Golf entrance at 6:00 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

NO TROOP MEETING 8/8 & 8/15

There will be no troop meeting on Tuesday, August 8 as the troop is at Summer Camp. There will be no meeting on Tuesday August 15 as Summer Break!

COMMITTEE MEETING RESCHEDULED

The September troop committee meeting has been rescheduled to Sunday September 10, 2017 at 6:30 PM.

Ode to the Buddy Tag By Barry Hornberger, Troop 152

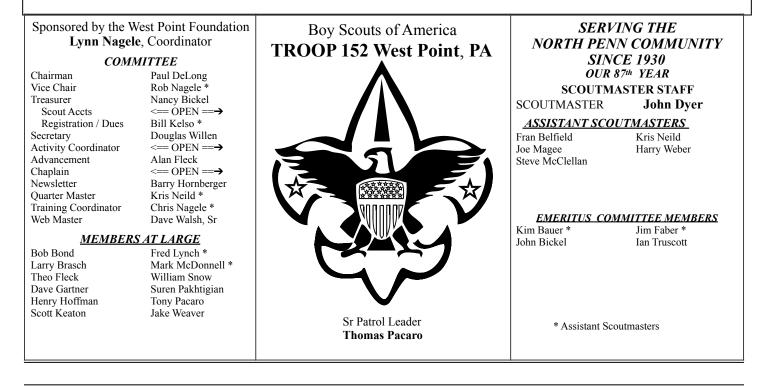
When day is done at summer camp And all are in their tents, The buddy tags hang one by one Until the swimmers are sent

Before you know it, The sun is up. The water front begins to thrive. Two by two is now the rule To keep our scouts alive Buddies together, Keep track of each other, Is what you need to do. Not only when swimming or Boating or fishing, But in any venture you choose.

Buddy check, buddy check is the cry! Stop all the swimming and count! Match up the swimmers and tags that hang, And shout the alarm if there's doubt! Never forget to return your tag, To where it belongs at night! Choosing a buddy and follow the rules, Is doing the thing that is right.



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