TROOP 152 NEWS

JUNE 2018

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JUNE TRIP - LINCOLN SPEEDWAY

Join Troop 152 for an exciting weekend of dirt track racing at Lincoln Speedway. We will camp at Gifford Pinchot State Park. Enjoy the warm early summer day on Saturday in the Park, hiking, swimming, and fishing. Saturday night we will experience Saturday Night Thunder at Lincoln Speedway, with modified stock and 700 HP sprint cars circling the 3/8 mile oval. Sign ups are due by June 5! Contact Dave Gartner for more info 267-218-4810

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

With the school year coming to an end, things are heating up on our scout calendar! We are less than two months away from summer camp and preparations are well under way. To make the most of summer camp DO YOUR BEST to prepare. This starts with selecting the proper merit badges for you. For younger scouts look to take some of the more basic merits badges, maybe something related to a hobby or interest you already have. For older scouts, or those in ranks First Class and above, it is time to take on some Eagle required merit badges, but save a slot of two for other merit badges that may interest you or take you outside your comfort zone. After you have made you selections, make sure you review and complete any prerequisites that may need to be done before arriving at camp. Also in preparation for summer camp, we will also be conducting the BSA swim test two nights before regular meetings this month. At our Family night meeting, we will give a full preview of summer camp and go over logistics for arrival to and departure from camp, so don't miss it! Not going to summer camp? Be sure to check out our troop calendar for other exciting troop events and activities going on this summer.

See you on the trail.

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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 **PHYSICALS** in to Bill Kelso. Your scout cannot get in to camp without one. Make a copy of the completed forms and copy both sides of your family's Health Insurance Card The **PRE-CAMP SWIM TEST** is scheduled for **6/19 & 6/26 at Nor-Gwyn Pool 6 – 7 PM**. Please have your scout participate to determine swimming levels for summer camp and any troop activity involving water. The next **FAMILY NIGHT** will also double as **SUMMER CAMP NIGHT** If you have questions, contact Kris Neild on 267-640-5014 or Paul DeLong on 215-699-7125

SCHEDULE for JUNE 2018

6/ 3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
6/5	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
6/12	Ω TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
6/19	FAMILY / Summer Camp Night	7: 00PM
6/22 -	24 ΩCAMPING – Lincoln Speedway	(Gartner)
6/26	TROOP MTG 7:00P M	

 Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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LOOKING AHEAD IN 2018

7/ 6	Upr Gwynedd Twp Night Sky Campout	(Gartner)
7/8	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
7/22 - 28	SUMMER CAMP - Resica	(Neild)
7/25	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM @ Resica	(DeLong)
8/ 9 - 12	CAMPING – Wallenpaupack	(TBD)
8/14	Mom/Scout Mini-Golf	(DeLong)
8/28	FUN Night	(RNagele)
9/21 - 23	CAMPING – Bloomsburg Fair	(TBD)
9/25	FAMILY NIGHT 7:00 PM	
10/12 - 14	Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)
10/19 - 21	CAMPING Pioneer Tunnel / Centralia	(TBD)
11/10	Scouting for Food Bag Drop	(TBD)
11/16 - 18	CAMPING – Ft Washington St Park	(TBD)
11/17	Scouting for Food Bag Pick Up	(TBD)
12/18	Holiday Party	(RNagele)

GAZING INTO 2019

7/22 – 8/2 2019 World Jamboree – Bechtel Summit

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 Dave Gartner. Contact him on (267) 218-4810 for more info.

MEDICAL FORMS

Time is running out to turn in the BSA medical forms part "A", "B", and "C", before summer camp. Part "C" must be completed by your family physician. These completed forms and a copy of both sides of your family's health insurance card must be turned in to Bill Kelso prior to arriving at Resica. Before turning in the forms, make a copy for your records. If you have any questions contact Bill Kelso on 215-541-1112.

FAMILY NIGHT

Please join the Troop 152 at its $2^{\rm ND}$ Family Night for 2018 on Tuesday, 6/19, 2018 in the Twp Community Bldg. Come and recognize our Scouts' achievements since April '18. We will also present final information for summer camp at Resica. Come and meet our scouts, troop leaders and the families of Troop 152!

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)
- All Scouting activities require two leaders. This includes regular scout meetings and side trips on outings.
- 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 complete a new BSA Youth Protection Training, by Oct 1, 2018, 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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