TROOP 152 NEWS SEPTEMBER 2018

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SEPTEMBER TRIP - BLOOMSBURG FAIR

Join Troop 152 on our September Camping Trip 9/21 - 9/23. We will camp at BSA Camp Lavigne, visit Ricketts Glen State Park water fall trail, and spend an evening at the Bloomsburg Fair. This is one of our favorite trips. The permission slip was e-mailed to all, and also will be available on the Troop's website. Contact Alan Fleck on 215-264-8024 for more information.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

As we move into September we long for the cooler and drier weather. This summer was one of the wettest in recent memory. Despite the weather, we had three scouting activities in August; the long weekend trip for boating and water sports at Lake Wallenpaupack, our 30th Annual Mother/Scout mini golf tournament, and our troop game night at the Upper Gwynedd park pavilion. On the lake, Captain Nagele pulled scouts on bumpy, but refreshing tubing rides. On the links, under the threat of rain, moms and scouts vied to be tournament champions. At game night, the scouts tested their skills at Spike ball, a variety of card games, and Connect Four while snacking on hotdogs and watermelon.

This month we have two weekend activities, first a day of service at the Musser Scout reservation. This event is open to all to wish to lend a hand in CHEERFUL service. The following weekend is a scout favorite trip, the Bloomsburg Fair. We will be camping and day hiking at Ricketts Glen State park before spending Saturday evening enjoying the fair. This is one trip not to miss! See the troop website or Facebook page for more details and how to sign up.

We will then gather later in the month at our family night where we will present merit badges earned since June (including summer camp), review our upcoming trips and preview 2019 trips, discuss our troop wreath sale fundraiser, and last, but not least, the awarding of the mother/Scout mini golf tournament trophy.

See you on the trail. Dave Gartner <u>DGScout@davaga.com</u>

2018 WREATH SALE !!!

The Troop's major fund raiser, Wreath Sale, will be kicking off this month. Now is the time to get those wreath customers lined up before they buy from someone else. We need your sales count in <u>October</u>, to know how many wreaths to order. Don't let down your valued customers. Watch for more information from Rob Nagele, 215-699-4779.

FAMILY NIGHT

Please join the Troop 152 at its 3RD Family Night for 2018 on Tue, 9/25, 2018 in the Twp Community Bldg. Come and recognize our Scouts' achievements since June '18. Meet our scouts, troop leaders and the families of Troop 152!

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	9/4		TROOP MTG 7:00 PM			
			PLC Meeting 6:30 PM			
	<mark>9/ 6 -</mark>	- 9	Upper Gwynedd Carnival			
	9/9		Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)		
	9/11		TROOP MTG 7:00 PM			
	9/18	Δ	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM			
	<mark>9/15</mark>		CAMP MUSSER SERVICE 8:00 A	M		
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	9/25		FAMILY NIGHT 7:00P M			
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LOOKING AHEAD IN 2018

10/ 7	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
10/12 - 14	Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)
10/19 - 21	CAMPING Pioneer Tunnel / Centralia	(C Nagele)
11/4	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
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)
11/23	Wreath Pick Up 9:00 AM	(RNagele)
12/ 2	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
12/18	Holiday Party	(RNagele)

GAZING INTO 2019

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

CAMP MUSSER SERVICE DAY

Join Troop 152 for a cheerful service day at Camp Musser, Sat 9/15 from 8:00 AM – 2:30PM. Lunch will be served at 1:15 PM. Scouts and adults are invited to attend. Contact the scoutmaster for more info on 267-218-4810.

YOUTH PROTECTION

BSA National is requiring all leaders and adults that participate on Troop trips to take the new Youth Protection Training on line. This training is required to be completed by October 1, 2018, and is required for all troop leaders and committee members to register for 2019. The training can be found on the BSA website https://www.scouting.org

UPPER GWYNEDD CARNIVAL

Upper Gwynedd Township is a big supporter of scouting. Please support them by attending the carnival the weekend after Labor Day, September 6 through 9, 2018. Free concerts Saturday & Sunday. Free Fireworks Friday night and Saturday night. Plus, all the rides, food and other great stuff that goes with a carnival. See the UG Parks & Rec Facebook page or website for more information.

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

Coming up in October is the Cub-O-Ree and the Troop's camping trip to Centralia, PA. Watch for more info.

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 – <u>www.scouting.org</u>

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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