# **TROOP 152 NEWS**

#### **NOVEMBER 2018**

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#### EAGLE COURT OF HONOR

Please join Alex Hotchkiss and his family as he is awarded Scouting's highest honor, the rank of Eagle Scout. Alex's Eagle ceremony will be held on Saturday, Nov 24, 2018 at 2:00 PM in the Upper Gwynedd Twp Community Building. Attendance is a requirement for all Scouts of Troop 152. Scouts should arrive by 1:45 PM in class "A" uniforms.

#### SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

October was a busy month! We started off with the Cub-o-Ree. It was great to see all the unique caveman themed gateways! Through many hours of hard work, our troop reclaimed the District Cup, the Judge's Choice award for gateways. Congratulations! Many thanks to the scouts and leaders that made the Cub-o-Ree a success. The following weekend, we headed to PA coal country to visit the Pioneer Coal Mine and the town of Centralia. The mine tour was an in-depth experience and our time in Centralia was "on fire"! While in Centralia, we were able to connect with EPCAMR, a local environmental organization, who was running the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Clean Up Centralia Event. We assisted in the cleanup effort by picking up trash along the 'graffiti highway', an abandoned section of highway 61, that runs into Centralia.

November will also be a fun filled month! Started thirty years ago in St. Louis, Missouri, Scouting for Food has become a nationwide Scouting 'Good Turn'. Many volunteers are needed to drop of door hangers on the first weekend and to pick up and sort food on the second. See the "Scouting for Food" box at the bottom of the newsletter for the specifics. To ensure that all scouts can participate in the food collection and sorting, we are again keeping our November camping trip nearby. See the "November Trip" box in the right column of the newsletter for details. I hope to see you all at these upcoming events.

See you on the trail.

Dave Gartner DGScout@davaga.com

### 2018 WREATH SALE!!!

The Troop's major fund raiser, Wreath Sale, has kicked off last month. Each scout should sell at least 12 wreaths. We need your sales count by **Nov 6**, to know how many wreaths to order. All monies are due by **Dec 11**. Contact Rob Nagele, 215-699-4779, for more information.

#### DISCOVER SCUBA

Have you ever wanted to learn to scuba dive? Here is your chance to try it out on 12/9/2018! This event is open to all scouts and their family members 8 years of age or older. Take advantage of this special \$15 offer with Indian Valley SCUBA. Activity includes class room instruction and a chance to try out SCUBA gear in their pool. Permission slip & info sent out on separate e-mail. Sign ups due 11/20/2018. Contact Dave Gartner on (267) 218-4810 for more information.

#### **SCHEDULE for NOVEMBER 2018**

11/ 4	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
11/6	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
11/10	Scouting for Food Hanger Drop	(DeLong)
11/13 Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
$11/16-18 \mathbf{\Omega}$	<i>CAMPING</i> – Ft Washington St Park	(CNagele)
11/17	Scouting for Food Bag Pick-Up	(DeLong)
11/20	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
11/23	Wreath Pick Up 9:00 AM	(RNagele)
11/24	Eagle Court – Alex Hotchkiss 2 PM	
11/27	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
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#### LOOKING AHEAD IN 2018

12/ 2	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
	Discover SCUBA	(Gartner)
12/18	Holiday Party	(RNagele)

#### **GAZING INTO 2019**

7/14 - 20	SUMMER CAMP @ Rodney	(Neild/DeLong)
7/22 - 8/2	2019 World Jamboree - Bechtel Summit	
10/11 - 10/13	Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)

# NOVEMBER TRIP - GREEN RIBBON TRAIL

Scouting for Food and the November camping trip have been combined for your scouting convenience. We are going to camp at Fort Washington State Park, and enjoy a nice troop breakfast before heading down to collect the Scouting for Food donations. We will then hike back to camp on the Green Ribbon Trail along the Wissahickon creek. Contact Chris Nagele on 215-820-2271, for more information.

#### 2019 RECHARTER

Troop Re-charter for 2019 is in full swing. EVERY Scout and Scouter must re-register with Troop 152 for 2019. Registration forms and fees are due no later than *Nov 13*, *2018*. If we do not have your re-charter form and fee by this date, you will lose the rights and privileges of being a Scout with Troop 152. Adult leaders MUST have Youth Protection and current PA State and FBI Clearance. The re-charter registration form is available on the troop website. Contact Bill Kelso for more information on 215-541-1112.

#### **SCOUTING FOR FOOD**

Scouting and Service to Others are synonymous. Please participate in this important National project, and help those in need right here in the North Penn area. Here's your chance. The annual Scouting for Food Drive will be running on two Saturdays. All scouts of Troop 152 are required to assist. The troop has a very large area to cover. Both scouts and parents are needed for the hanger drop on 11/10/18 and the food bag pick up on 11/17/18. **Meet at 9:00 AM at Garfield Park, S Broad St and Garfield Ave** to form teams to deliver the bags on 11/10 and pick up the bags on 11/18. Call Paul DeLong on 215-699-7125 for additional information.

# **BASICS BOX**

## Dues

Approximately 20% of the Troop's operating income comes from the dues paid by each scout. The amount collected is determined by the Troop Committee. Presently, the amount is an annual fee of \$30, payable with your scout's annual registration with the troop each November. Dues not only provide for the financial stability of the Troop, but help your Scout realize that he has an obligation to contribute financially to an organization in which he participates.

Scouts should be encouraged to pay this fee from their own resources, such as savings, gifts, allowance, or wages.

If your scout has actively participated in the Troop's fund raising activities, his dues may be paid from his scout account credits. Your Scout is responsible to keep his dues current, and should elect his own payment method.

Dues for the year are \$30, and are included in the 2019 re-charter fee. Scouts whose dues are not current will be restricted from participating in troop events and may affect advancement. Dues will be prorated at \$2.50 per month for scouts joining after January of each year. Scouts with special financial considerations may discuss options with the scoutmaster.

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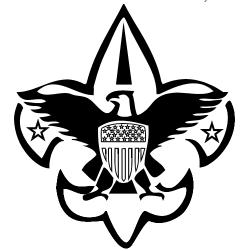
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