

## TROOP 152 NEWS

MAY 2019

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### MAY TRIP - JOHNSTOWN

Join Troop 152 as we explore the Johnstown Flood Museum and the Johnstown Flood Memorial May 3 – 5, 2019. Hear the tale of the 1889 flood caused by an earthen dam breach during an epic May rainstorm. We will visit the Flood Museum in downtown Johnstown and the Memorial at the dam site. The gapping breach is still visible. If time permits there may also be a visit to the Altoona Railroader's museum in historic Altoona, PA. Contact Nick Iaquinto for more info on 408-650-9332

### SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

April showers . . . brings high water to the April Rod & Gun! Now not the legendary flood waters of Wolfe's Farm fame, but it made for a fun in the mud kind of weekend. Undeterred, the weekend went on as planned. The shotgun range was steady most of the day, with the five for five candy being won for all three gauges. Several Scouts were dialing in their skills with the smaller gauge shotguns and going after double clay birds. Aside from the ranges, it was great to many of the Scouts fishing in the ponds.

Since weather seems to be a recurring topic here, I find it interesting that our May trip centers around a historic weather event that would have made the stream at Rod & Gun look very tame. Be sure to read about the May trip and all the other upcoming events listed on the newsletter. With just over two months left to summer camp, make sure you are reviewing your merit badge choices with you mentor and working on any prerequisites. In addition to merit badges, there are many other activities at summer camp. We will begin discussing these over the next few weeks and making plans.

See you on the trail.

Dave Gartner [DGScout@davaga.com](mailto:DGScout@davaga.com)

### WEST POINT FOUNDATION FUND RAISER

Please support our Troop's sponsoring organization, the West Point Foundation, by ordering your family's meal at Panera Bread, Montgomeryville on Friday, May 17, 2019 between 4 and 8 PM. Just present the Foundation's Panera flyer with your purchase. The foundation will be awarded 20% of the cost of your meal. Contact Lynn Nagele on 215-699-4779 for more information. A link to the flyer is provided here for convenience. Print it off and take it with you.

[http://events.panerabread.com/attachment/a092a9ac-5211-4446-8b01-38ca70130b94/event\\_flyer.pdf](http://events.panerabread.com/attachment/a092a9ac-5211-4446-8b01-38ca70130b94/event_flyer.pdf)

### JUNE TRIP - OCEAN CITY AIR SHOW

Join Troop 152 as we camp at Trapp Pond in Delaware and venture to the beach at Ocean City, MD to watch the Air Show featuring the Blue Angels. Then enjoy dinner and a relaxing evening on the board walk. Contact Alan Fleck for more info on 215-264-8024.

### SCHEDULE for MAY 2019

5/ 3 - 5	<b>Camping</b> – Johnstown	(Iaquinto)
5/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/ 7	<b>TROOP MTG 7:00 PM</b>	
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
5/14	<b>TROOP MTG 7:00 PM</b>	
5/17	<b>West Point Foundation Panera Event</b>	(LNagele)
5/21	<b>TROOP MTG 7:00 PM</b>	
5/27	Lansdale Memorial Day Parade	
5/28	<b>TROOP MTG 7:00 PM</b>	

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

#### INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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### LATER IN 2019

6/ 2	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
6/14 -16	<b>Camping</b> – Ocean City Air Show	(TBD)
6/23	<b>Eagle Court of Honor</b> Thomas Pacaro 2 PM	
6/25	<b>FAMILY NIGHT</b>	
7/ 7	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
7/12-13	<b>Upr Gwynedd Twp Night Sky</b>	(Gartner)
7/14 - 20	<b>Summer Camp</b> – Rodney	(Neild/DeLong)
7/22 – 8/ 2	2019 World Jamboree – Bechtel Summit	
8/ 4	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
8/15 - 18	<b>Camping</b> – Thousand Islands	(TBD)
9/15	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
9/ ??	<b>Camping</b> – Turnpike Tunnels	(Belfield)
10/11 - 10/13	Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)
10/18 - 20	<b>Camping</b> – Knoebels	(Iaquinto)

### Lansdale's Memorial Day Parade

Join the Troop as we gather with scouts and scouters of General Nash District to participation in Lansdale's Memorial Day parade on May 27, 2019. The parade usually steps off at 9:00 AM from Cannon & Main and concludes at Lansdale's Memorial Park. Join the troop and the district at Lansdale/s Memorial Park (Line and Main Sts) for a memorable ceremony to honor our Nation's veterans

### SUMMER CAMP - RODNEY

Going to summer camp?? Final early bird camp fees were due 4/23/2019. Merit badge selections are underway. Classes are filling quickly. Get your selections to Kris Neild or Paul DeLong as soon as possible. Also, up to date medical forms signed by a physician are required to get into camp. Blank forms are available on the Troop's web site. Please get these completed forms to Bill Kelso as soon as possible. Contact Kris Neild for more information on 267-640-5014.

### 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.

# BASICS BOX

## WEST POINT FOUNDATION

All Scouting units are required to be represented by a sponsoring organization. Troop 152 was solidly sponsored by the Upper Gwynedd Lions Club for decades. The Lions Club funded the construction of the Upper Gwynedd Community Building, where Pack 152 and Troop 152 hold their weekly meetings. This building was donated to Upper Gwynedd Township with the agreement that the Scouting organizations had priority for scheduling their meetings. The Upper Gwynedd Lions Club unfortunately disbanded and dissolved in July of 2014, with the passing of Jim Alago.

In lieu of a search for a new non-profit organization to sponsor the troop, a group of concerned citizens decided to form a non-profit organization to sponsor Pack 152 and Troop 152. This new organization is the West Point Foundation. The Foundation held its first official meeting on July 29, 2014, and subsequently obtained 501(C)(3) federal and state designation as a non-profit organization. The Foundation's mission statement is **to provide youth with the opportunity to learn life skills and leadership qualities in a safe, but interesting environment.**

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**Lynn Nagele**, Coordinator

### COMMITTEE

Chairman	Paul DeLong *
Vice Chair	Rob Nagele *
Treasurer	Nancy Bickel
Scout Accts	
Registration / Dues	Bill Kelso *
Secretary	Douglas Willen
Activity Coordinator	Chris Nagele *
Advancement	Alan Fleck *
New Member Coordinator	Nick Iaquinto
Chaplain	<== OPEN ==>
Newsletter	Barry Hornberger
Quarter Master	Kris Neild *
Training Coordinator	<== OPEN ==>
Web Master	Dave Walsh, Sr

### MEMBERS AT LARGE

Bob Bond	Fred Lynch *
Larry Brasch	Suren Pakhtigian
Scott Keaton	Tony Pacaro
	Steve McClellan *

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Sr Patrol Leader  
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### SCOUTMASTER STAFF

SCOUTMASTER      **Dave Gartner**

### ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

Fran Belfield	Joe Magee
John Dyer	Harry Weber

### EMERITUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Kim Bauer *	Jim Faber *
John Bickel	Theo Fleck
Grayson Keaton	Ian Truscott
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