# **TROOP 152 NEWS**

#### **AUGUST 2019**

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## AUGUST TRIP - THOUSAND ILES

Please join Troop 152 as we venture on a 4 day trip to the Thousand Island area of New York. As a popular summer destination for well over 150 years we'll see everything from rustic cottages, to elaborate mansions, and a few remaining castles from the great robber barons of the 1900's. We leave Thursday morning, stopping for lunch at the Eureka! outlet. Friday will consist of river tours and at least one castle tour. Saturday can be spent at the water's edge or visiting some of the local museums. The scouts will make this decision on the trip. Permission slips are due 8/6/19. Contact Chris Nagele for more information on 215-820-2271

#### SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

In mid-July, sixteen scouts and four leaders braved the heat for summer camp at Rodney Scout Reservation in Maryland. With long distances to travel and the heat index over 100 degrees each day, we lived the mantra "Hydrate, Hydrate, Hydrate!" With ample water breaks and trips to the trading post for ice-cream and air-conditioning we made it through!

On Saturday as we packed to leave our harsh environment, it happened to be the 50th anniversary of two scouts traveling into a much harsher environment. On July 20th, 1969, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin landed their little ship, the 'Eagle', on the moon. The following day, Eagle Scout Neil Armstrong became the first man to walk on the moon. Of the twelve men to walk on the moon, eleven of them were scouts, two of which were Eagles (Charles Duke on Apollo 16 was the second)! NASA later estimated that it took over 400,000 scientist, engineers, and technicians to make the moon landing possible. This is probably one of the most epic support teams of all time!

So, when it comes time for you to land your 'Eagle', who will be part of your support team? Parents? Leaders? Merit badge counselors? Camp staff? Fellow scouts? How many people will it take for a successful landing?

See you on the trail.

Dave Gartner <a href="mailto:DGScout@davaga.com">DGScout@davaga.com</a>

# 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.

#### **SCHEDULE for AUGUST 2019**

8/6	<b>TROOP MTG</b> 7:00 PM <b>Thou Ils</b>	Perm Slip
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
8/11	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(Delong)
8/13 Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
$8/15-18 \Omega$	Camping - Thousand Islands	(C.Nagele)
8/20	Mom/Scout Mini Golf 7:00 PM	(Delong)
8/27	Fun Night @ Pavilion 7:00 PM	(R.Nagele)

 $\Omega$  or  $\Delta$  Attendance required for outing participation

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### LATER IN 2019

9/5 - 8	Upper Gwynedd Twp Carnical	
9/13-15	Camping – Turnpike Tunnels	(Belfield)
9/15	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
9/22	Eagle Court of Honor – Thomas Lloyd	
10/11 - 10/13	Cub-O-Ree	(Iaquinto)
10/18 - 20	Camping – Knoebels	(Iaquinto)
11/3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
11/8 - 10	Camping – Delmont	(TBD)
11/ 9	Scouting for Food Drop Off	(TBD)
11/16	Scouting for Food Pick Up	(TBD)
12/1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
12/17	Holiday Party	(TBD)

#### PEEKING INTO 2020

2/7 - 9	General Nash Klondike	(Iaquinto)
7/19 - 25	Summer Camp – Goose Pond	(DeLong/Neild)

# MOM/SCOUT MINI-GOLF TOURNAMENT

Moms / Guardians are invited to join their scout(s) at the Troop's 31<sup>ST</sup> annual *Fred Haws Memorial* mom/scout mini-golf tournament at **7:00 PM** on **8/20/2019**. Meet Paul DeLong at the Freddy Hill Mini-Golf entrance at 7:00 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

#### **FUN NIGHT**

Scouts - our last meeting for summer 2019 (can it be fall already?) will be the Troop's annual fun night, **8/27/2019** 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.

#### SEPTEMBER TRIP - TURNPIKE TUNNELS

Join Troop 152 on its second trip to the abandoned turnpike tunnels in Central Pennsylvania. A great weekend camping trip and bike ride through the tunnels constructed by a railroad competing with the PPR, and almost used by the turnpike. Watch for the permission slip and more info from Fran Belfield.

December is quickly approaching, and it is once again time to begin planning this year's wreath sale. This is the Troop's one and only fund raising project, and provides the Troop with the largest part of its operating funds.

In addition, the wreath sale provides an opportunity for each Scout to build up points in their Scout Account to use towards the expense of scouting

For those new to the troop, this fund raiser is about as painless as they get. The wreaths really sell themselves. They are an excellent buy, attractive, and hardy. Once you get a customer, repeat sales are

# THE BASIC BOX **TROOP 152** WREATH SALE

Each scout is expected to participate. Profits from the sale are split between the Troop's general fund and your Scout's Account. The Troop Committee will be deciding the details on price and the percentage split offered at their September meeting.

This year's wreath chair is Rob Nagele. If you have questions concerning your orders, please contact Rob on 215-699-4779

For our existing Scouts, remember to canvass last year's customers and get a count to submit as an advance order. This will help insure delivery to those customers counting on your wreath this year.

Don't forget to set aside the mornings of Fri 11/xx to help unload the delivery truck and pick up your wreaths for delivery.

This fund raiser is a lot of fun, but also a very serious financial undertaking. Some 1200+ wreaths will pass through the hands of the Troop, and provide the funds that make our Scouting program so successful. We appreciate everyone's participation. Watch for more details coming from the Committee this month.

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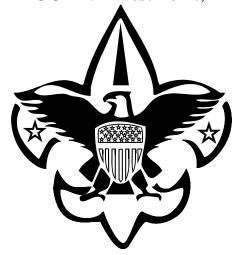
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