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CORONAVIRUS DISRUPTION

Troop activities are still being impacted by the Covid-19 opening policies. The troop meetings returned to the Township Community building as of February 9, 2021. Watch for meeting details from Nick Iaquinto as meeting arrangements do change. We still have to meet CDC guidelines, requiring each scout and adult attending an "in person" meeting to have a temperature check, and to hand in a Covid-19 Screening Questionnaire. Of course, masks or face coverings shall be required to be worn and social distancing of 6 feet between attendees is required. The latest screening form can be found on the troop's web site, on this link:

COL COVID Screening Sheet (troop152pa.org)

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Finally, spring has sprung and we have daylight at our meetings. And, this march we took advantage to play some fun games. We also worked on advancement at each of our meetings: first aid, water safety, lashing, and more.

Although I wasn't able to make it myself. I hear that the March trip to Delmont went well. We got a lot done cleaning up camp. And it was appreciated. Director of Adventures (and Troop 152 Eagle Scout) John Bickel thanked us for helping out the camps.

April will be even more jam packed with exciting activities. Our annual Rod & Gun trip is coming up. So, naturally we have our firearms safety training. But this year is unique. Due to COVID, the leaders will be cooking and cleaning! And not only that, the trip is free! And finally, Troop 84 will be joining us. So, we'll have a chance to meet some new people and have a bunch of fun.

And from then on, it only get's busier. We have the First Aid Meet, Matt Sayer's Eagle Project, our "May" trip to Delmont, and the Klondike. So, keep a close eye on the calendar. We'll be practicing First Aid where possible at the meetings.

Finally, we're putting our noggin's together to try and think of some exciting new activities to do in the next months. So far, we've thought of making a trebuchet, launching model rockets, and racing RC car's or drones. And, we want to hear your input! What exciting activity do you want to do at our meetings this spring and summer?

Yours in Scouting - Nick Iaquinto <u>scoutmaster@troop152pa.org</u>

OA ELECTIONS

District wide OA Elections will begin in April. Watch the calendar for our Troop's OA Election night. We need as many scouts at this meeting as possible for voting. New members are nominated based on camping experience and exemplification of the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. Make sure your scout is there to vote!

SCHEDULE for APRIL 2021

4/6	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM Gun Safety		
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM		
4/11	Committee Meeting 7:00 PM – Virtual (Gartner)		
4/13 Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM Rod N Gun Prep		
4/16 - 18 Ω	CAMPING Rod & Gun (Magee/Hornberger)		
4/20	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM		
4/25	First Aid Meet ¹ / ₂ Day 1 PM (RNagele)		
4/27 Δ	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM Mohawk Trip Prep		
4/30-5/ 2 d	CAMPING – Delmont – Mohawk Site (CNagele)		

 Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

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COMING SOON IN 2021

5/2	Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Virtual	(Gartner)
5/8	Klondike Day Event	(TBD)
6/6	Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Virtual	(Gartner)
6/??	CAMPING - Resica - Firestone	(CNagele)
7/18 -24	Summer Camp Goose Pond	(Gartner/Neild)
8/??	CAMPING – Salt Spring	(TBD)
9/??	CAMPING	(TBD)
10/??	CAMPING	(TBD)
10/8 - 10	CUB-O-REE	(TBD)
11/12 - 14	CAMPING – Delmont	(TBD)
11/13	Scouting for Food Drop	(Iaquinto)
11/20	Scouting for Food Pick-Up	(Iaquinto)
11/26	Wreath Pick-Up	(R Nagele)
12/21	Holiday Party	(TBD)

MAY'S TRIP - Delmont Mohawk Site

Planning for May's trip on 4/30-5/2, back to Delmont's Mohawk site is under way. Come on out to reap the rewards of the camp clean up that was accomplished in March's trip. Watch for the permission slip or contact Chris Nagele on 215-820-2271 for more info.

Rod N Gun 2021

Join Troop 152 for a weekend of camping, fishing, archery, 22 rifle target and shotgun trap shooting, April 16 – 18, 2021. We will return to the campground in New Ringgold, PA. With Covid-19 restrictions, cooking & cleanup will be by Troop adults. New scouts will complete some requirements for Tenderfoot, and Second Class ranks. Saturday will be filled with shooting activities. A <u>MANDATORY</u> gun safety program will be presented Tuesday, **April 6, 2021**. All scouts and adults attending this trip must attend. The troop treasury is sponsoring this trip. There is no fee. Don't forget your fishing gear. Scouts may ride share on this trip. See the permission slip. For more information contact Joe Magee on 267-736-9634.

GENERAL NASH FIRST AID MEET

The 2021 General Nash First Aid Meet will be held on Sunday afternoon, 1:00 PM **4/25/2021**, at Franconia Community Park, Telford, See.**Mr Nagele** for the event flyer and permission slip, which must be completed and signed by a parent. This is a great opportunity for scouts to hone their first aid skills for advancement. Adults interested in judging should also contact Mr Nagele. No previous medical experience is required.

Our scouts will soon be asked to nominate and elect several of their peers to the ORDER OF THE ARROW. This elite group exists to develop and maintain Scouting's spirit and camping traditions. It crystallizes the scout habit of helpfulness and leadership in cheerful service to others.

Each troop's scouts are asked to select candidates who To really know the OA, you must become a With members considered youth until 21, best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily member. The ordeal teaches the meaning of there is more opportunity for scouts to be lives. To be eligible, a scout must be first class, have the OA to its new members. Many of our active. Our own John Bickel has served as 15 days and nights camping, including 6 nights of scouts and adults are members advancing lodge chief for the last 3 years. The Order summer camp, and their scoutmaster's approval.

Attendance for all scouts at this meeting is important! 50% of the troop must be present to hold the election. Once nominated, the local OA Lodge inducts the new members through an ordeal and ceremony.



through its ranks with study and service. Most unites scouts across the council and allows service is done at our council camps.

decided. Watch the Troop Calendar and email reminders.

The lodge has provided thousands of service hours at every camp, and built the new Unami Lodge at Resica Falls entirely with volunteer labor and donations. The Order also services our high adventure camps such as Philmont and Northern Tier.

them to share skills, activities, and ideas.

Election to this elite group is truly an honor This year's election date is still being that carries great responsibility. The OA is much more than a "social club". It is service to Scouting and to the ideals that Scouting holds

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