TROOP 152 NEWS

AUGUST 2021

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CORONAVIRUS

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 changing meeting details from Dave Gartner. We still have to meet COL 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, and on this link:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/11OQwzgRHTjeNazHFIY9 yl63192nllqwsivWf092Pto/edit

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

In mid-July, seven Scouts and two leaders braved the heat and COVID protocols for summer camp at Goose Pond Scout Reservation. Goose Pond was our planned destination for 2020 summer camp but was cancelled due to the pandemic. 2020 was also a milestone year for Goose Pond as its 100th year in operation! So, like the Tokyo Olympics, which was also postponed due to the pandemic, we partied like it was 2020, well in Goose Pond's case "2020+1".

The week got off to a rainy start but that didn't slow us down, especially those Scouts in the ATV program who got to enjoy the mud puddles in the parking lot. The camp experience was close to normal with the biggest difference being the requirement to wear masks when indoors, which was mostly limited to the dining hall and trading post. Meal seating was spread out between the dining hall, two pavilions, and a large tent to accommodate everyone. A highlight of the week was the kazoo's that Mr. Weber sent to camp with Mr. McClellan for the Scouts. A little reluctant at first, the Scouts tried them out and later in the week could be heard kazooing away as they travel around camp, to the annoyance of some other Scouts, but to the joy of many of the camp staff. The kazoos even made their way into one of our troop's performances in the closing campfire on Friday night. One was also included on the troop plaque we left to be hung in the dining hall.

It was a fun filled week despite the on and off rainy weather. We had three Scouts and two leaders take the polar bear plunge all week and one leader take a few tries at log rolling. And to cap things off the troop took second place in the camp-wide adventure race around camp, besting several larger troops. It was another great week around the pond, and Goose Pond remains a favorite summer camp of Scouts and leaders alike.

If you get a chance, you can checkout the week three video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=paQyNmPaq1w

See you on the trail!

Dave Gartner

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SCHEDULE for AUGUST 2021

8/ 1	Committee Meeting 7:00 PM – Virtual (RNagele)	
8/ 3 Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
$8/6 - 8 \Omega$	CAMPING – Rafting on the Lehigh	(Gartner)
8/10	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
8/17	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
8/24	FUN NIGHT 7:00 PM	(RNagele)
8/31	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	

 Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

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COMING SOON IN 2021

9/ 9 – 12	Upper Gwynedd Carnival	
9/12	Committee Meeting 7:00 PM – Virtual	(RNagele)
9/14	Mom / Scout Mini-Golf Tournament	(TBD)
9/24 - 26	CAMPING - Knoebels	(Fleck)
9/28	FAMILY NIGHT	(Fleck)
10/ 3	Committee Meeting 7:00 PM – Virtual	(RNagele)
10/8 - 10	CUB-O-REE	(TBD)
10/27 - 29	CAMPING Miners' Village	(CNagele)
11/12 - 14	<i>CAMPING</i> – Delmont	(TBD)
11/20	Scouting for Food Pick-Up	(TBD)
11/26	Wreath Pick-Up	(R Nagele)
12/21	Holiday Party	(TBD)

AUG TRIP - LEHIGH GORGE RAFT/CYCLE

Troop 152 had a great late summer trip to Hickory Run State Park and a raft trip in the Lehigh gorge. They explored the boulder field at Hickory Run on Saturday and rode the waves down the Lehigh River on Sunday.

FUN NIGHT

Scouts – Almost our last meeting for summer 2021 will be the Troop's annual fun night, **8/24/2021** 7:00 – 8:30 PM at the Upper Gwynedd Park Side Place Pavilion. Enjoy a rousing game of kick ball. Bring a friend and any games that may challenge your competitive spirit. The Troop will provide refreshments. Contact Rob Nagele for further information 215-699-4779.

Secure the Adventure

Over the past year, the Cradle of Liberty Council has provided our Scouts the opportunity to participate in the proven character building and leadership programs of Scouting. When we were unable to meet in person, the council provided us with the tools to advance in rank, earn merit badges and lead service projects. The council needs our help more than ever to continue to live the mission. **Join us in the** *Secure the Adventure Annual Family Campaign to support Scouting now and into the future! Click here to donate: https://app.mobilecause.com/vf/STA/Troop152*

2021 WREATH SALE!!!

Can you believe it? The Wreath Sale is just around the corner! Now is the time to get those wreath customers lined up before they buy from someone else. We need your preliminary sales count <u>ASAP</u>, to know how many wreaths to order. Don't let down your valued customers. Contact Rob Nagele, for more info on the wreath sale 215-699-4779.

THE BASICS BOX · SCOUT SPIRIT

DUTY to God, and Country DUTY to Others and Self

A Scout is:

Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, and Reverent

On my honor, I will do my best, to do my duty, to God and my County, to obey the Scout Law, to help other people at all times, to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight. All scouts achieving the rank of 2nd Class, 1st Class, Star, Life, Eagle, and Eagle Palms must demonstrate "Scout Spirit".

The Leaders of Troop 152 review all scouts advancing to the ranks above 1st Class. In order to know that a scout demonstrates "Scout Spirit", the leaders must know the scout.

The troop requires that your scout attend 50% of all troop meetings and 50% of Troop activities for the past three months when advancement is being reviewed.

As our scouts get older, many other interests pressure their time. Scouting does require a commitment to participate, to enjoy the activities and to contribute to the Troop by helping other scouts, and participating in service projects.

Demonstrating "Scout Spirit" is an important part of being a Scout, and necessary to advance through the ranks of Scouting. By living the Scout Oath and Law in everyday life, a Scout has a profound influence on all around him, and perpetuates the ideals of the Scouting movement. Participate with your Troop. Show us your spirit!

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