

# TROOP 152 NEWS

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## ROD N GUN 2023

Join Troop 152 for a weekend of camping, fishing, archery, 22 rifle target and shotgun trap shooting, April 21 – 23, 2023. We will return to the private campground in New Ringgold, PA, and share the site with Troop 84. With limited fire ring capacity, cooking will be by patrols. Enjoy camp and fishing. New scouts will complete many requirements for Tenderfoot, and Second Class ranks. Saturday will be filled with shooting activities. A **MANDATORY** gun safety program will be presented Tuesday, **April 11, 2023**. All scouts and adults attending this trip must attend. For more information contact Joe Magee on 267-736-9634.

## SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

As I enjoy the first few warm and sunny days of spring, I reflect on our troops plans and activities in March. Early in the month, we returned to the gym at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lansdale to test our First Aid skills against twenty-four other Scout patrols. Our "Check the -" patrol scored 100% on teamwork earning the "Terrific Teamwork" trophy and finished in Third Place Overall! Nice work Scouts! With the extra daylight in the last few weeks of March, we have been able to get outside for a game and other activities at the start of our meetings. Soon will be able to spend most of our meetings outside.

Coming up in April, we will be preparing for our annual Rod and Gun camping trip in central PA. In May will be returning to the abandoned Turnpike Tunnels in western, PA which we normally do as a fall or winter trip. Check the newsletter for more details. Be sure to take advantage of the Troop's 50% discount on summer camp and get your deposit and Merit Badges selections in soon! Final summer camp payments will be due by the end of April and BSA Medical Form should be completed soon. In June we look to hold our pre-summer camp swim test and a summer camp preview night/family night.

See you on the trail!

Dave Gartner [scoutmaster@troop152pa.org](mailto:scoutmaster@troop152pa.org)

## MAY TRIP - TURNPIKE TUNNELS

Join Troop 152, 5/12-14, on its third trip to the abandoned turnpike tunnels in Central Pennsylvania. A great weekend camping trip and 12 mile bike ride through the tunnels constructed by a railroad competing with the PRR, and almost used by the turnpike. The permission slip will sent out by email and will be available on the troop's web site Contact Chris Nagele, cell 215-820-2271, for more information.

## SCHEDULE for APRIL 2023

4/ 2		Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	(Hornberger)
4/ 4		<b>TROOP MTG 7:00 PM</b> PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
4/11	Ω	<b>TROOP MTG 7:00 PM</b>	<b>GUN SAFETY</b>
4/18	Ω	<b>TROOP MTG 7:00 PM</b>	
4/21-23	Ω	<b>CAMPING</b> - Rod N Gun	(Magee/Hornberger)
4/25		<b>TROOP MTG 7:00 PM</b>	
4/28		Upr Gwynedd EAC Tree Giveaway	(Psculkowski)

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

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## COMING SOON IN 2023

5/ 7		Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	(Hornberger)
5/12-14		<b>CAMPING</b> – Turnpike Tunnels	(Nagele)
6/ 4		Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	(Hornberger)
6/22-25		<b>CAMPING</b> – Shenandoah National Park	(Psculkowski)
7/ 2		Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	(Hornberger)
7/ 9-15		<b>Summer Camp</b> – Goose Pond	(Gartner)
7/19-28		<b>National Jamboree</b> Summit Bechtel	(Gartner)
8/ 6		Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	(Hornberger)
9/ 10		Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	(Hornberger)
10/ 1		Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	(Hornberger)
10/ 13-15		<b>CAMPING</b> – Cub-O-Ree	(Gartner)
11/ 5		Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	(Hornberger)
11/11		Scouting for food Hanger Drop	
11/10-12		<b>CAMPING</b> – Delmont	(Nagele)
11/18		Scouting for food – Food Pick Up	
12/ 3		Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	(Hornberger)
12/19		<b>Holiday Party</b>	(TBD)

## TWP EAC TREE GIVEAWAY

Here is a great opportunity for our scouts to earn some environmental service hours, 9:00 to 11:00 AM on April 29, in honor of Arbor Day. Upper Gwynedd Twp is sponsoring a tree give away. Scouts are needed to help unload the saplings for families to plant. Contact Walt Psculkowski on 215-237-6098 for more information.

## SUMMER CAMP

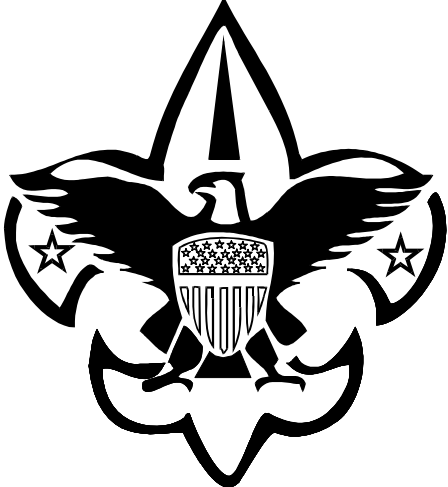
Planning for summer camp 2023 at Goose Pond 7/9-15 is in full swing. Summer camp fee will be \$245 for advance registration. The troop is paying for half of the camp fee for each scout. Payment in full is due April 7, 2023 to avoid a late fee from the camp. Don't forget to use your scout accounts. Checks should be made payable to BSA Troop 152 and turned in with the forms to Dave Gartner at any regular meeting. It's time to get your scout's deposit registered and select merit badges. Also, don't forget those medical forms. Arrange for a doctor's visit to get part C completed. Scouts cannot get into camp if the medical forms are not complete.

# BASIC BOX MEDICAL FORMS

The Boy Scouts of America requires that all youth and adult members have annual medical evaluations by a certified and licensed health-care provider. In an effort to provide better care to those who may become ill or injured and to provide youth members and adult leaders a better understanding of their own physical capabilities, the Boy Scouts of America has established minimum standards for providing medical information prior to participating in various activities.

Our troop is very conscious of this annual requirement and we are striving to have all Scouts provide the troop with their current annual physical – using the prescribed forms found on our web site ([www.troop152westpintpa.org](http://www.troop152westpintpa.org)) “Latest Medical Forms”. Those standards are offered through the completion of the three-part medical form and signed and dated by their physician. In addition to the completed medical forms, each family must attach a copy of both sides of their insurance card as stated in Part C of the medical form.

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