TROOP 152 NEWS

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MAUCH CHUNK LAKE

Camping in the winter is an experience like no other. You really get down to basics, good food, a good fire, and a warm sleeping bag. Join the troop Feb 18-20 as we venture to Mauch Chunk Lake in Lehighton to seek out the fun of cold weather camping. Hopefully the ice will be thick enough for skating, ice fishing, maybe even a little ice hockey. A trip flyer and permission slip is enclosed. Contact Jim Faber if you have any questions, 610-213-8581

FAMILY NITE

Come on out on Feb 29th to the Troop's first FAMILY NITE for 2000. Many of our scouts have earned new ranks and merit badges since September. Join us to acknowledge their accomplishments, and meet the scouts, scouters, and families that make up Troop 152. There will be plenty of refreshments to go around. See you at 7:00 PM

DeLong & DeShort of It

The Klondike Derby has come and gone. weather was cold but dry, the food was great, the competition was exciting and I believe we are all looking forward to next years' competition with anticipation. Those that attended are beginning to prepare for next year already. Congratulations to Central Powers Patrol from our Troop that took 2nd Place in the overall competition. A special thanks to Rob Nagele for organizing the trip, Chris Nagele for preparing such delicious meals, Dave Kobe for preparing the meat loaf & carrots and joining us for Saturday night, and last but not least those leaders that spent the weekend or came up for Saturday, Bob Britton, Mike Buckley, Ed Buonocore, Don Gallagher, Barry Hornberger, Bill Kelso, Bill Thorpe, and Harry Weber. A special recognition goes to Kevin Hermann, Hearts player extraordinaire, for running the deck twice on a couple of Leaders Saturday night. (Not all the competition was Scouting skills.)

After the snow storm the last meeting night of January, I found out that the Troop has a policy that the Troop meetings are automatically canceled if the schools are closed on a meeting night. I'm sure most were not going to venture out on such a night but now it's official.

The plans for Summer Camp at Ockanickon Scout Reservation are beginning to take shape so get your reservation in as soon as possible so that you will be on our list of attending.

Don't forget our first Family Night the month and the February trip is Winter Camping, so come join us for some fun on the snow, ice, or trial up in the Poconos.

Paul DeLong

SCHEDULE FOR

THEME:			
2/ 1 TROOP MTG 7:00 PM			
2/ 6 Committee Meeting 7:00 PM			
2/8 Δ TROOP MTG 7:00 PM			
2/15 ☺ Δ TROOP MTG 7:00 PM <i>OA</i>			
ELECTIONS			
2/18-20 Δ Camping - MAUCH CHUNK LAKE			
(Faber)			
2/22 TROOP MTG 7:00 PM			
2/27 Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast			
2/29 FAMILY NITE			
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BEING PREPARED IN 2000

3/24	-26 Camping - Harrisburg (Gorman)
4/28-30	Camping - Rod N Gun (McClellan)
5/19-21	Camping - Muddy Run (Gallagher)
6/22-25	Camping - Shenandoah Park (Hornberger)
7/16-22	Summer Camp - Ockanickon
8/18-20	Camping - Wallenpaupack (Thorpe)
9/22-24	Camping - Bloomsburg/Rickets (Weber)
10/13-15	Camping - Cub-O-Ree (DeLong)
11/10-12	Camping - Horse Shoe Curve (Nellett)
Dec	Wreath Sale - XX (XX)

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

General Nash Web Site - www.djs.com/jamboree/nash.htm

Summer Camp

The summer camp reservation and payment schedule was sent with last month's newsletter. The first payment of \$50 was due on 1/25/2000. Don't forget to get your reservation and deposit in! The remaining payments are:

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[4] \$50 – 1/25/2000	[] \$50 – 3/28/2000
[] \$50 – 2/29/2000	[] \$35 – 4/25/2000.

Total Fee of \$185 due by 4/25/00. Any questions, call Barry Hornberger 215-368-2253!

OA ELECTIONS

Troop 152 will nominate and elect scouts and scouters to the Order of the Arrow at the February 15, 2000 meeting. Attendance at the meeting is required to cast a vote. The number of members voting will determine the number of candidates that can be elected. Please make an effort to attend this meeting. Scouts may be elected to The Order of the Arrow who have earned the rank of first class, who are active campers, and exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in daily life.

Committee Meeting

The first meeting of the Troop's Committee for 2000 will be on Sunday, February 6, 2000, 7:00 PM at the Community Center. All committee members are requested to attend. Parents are always welcome. Contact Harry Weber for agenda information 610-584-9055.