

TROOP 152 NEWS

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HOLIDAY PARTY

Our 8th annual Holiday season party will be held on Tuesday, December 23 at 7:00 PM in the Upper Gwynedd Twp Community Building. There will be plenty of food, games, music, and **FUN!** Come on out for a visit. All Troop 152 members, past members, and their families are invited to attend. Don't miss this great year end celebration. Contact Harry Weber if you have any questions, 610-584-9055.

DeLong & DeShort of It

As the month of November draws to a close and we all are preparing for the Holiday Season, it is a good time to look back on the activities the Troop has participated in this month. The most important in my mind was the Scouting for Food drive. The North Wales Food Cupboard will start the season well stocked thanks to the efforts of the members of Troop 152. Thanks to you all for a job well done and a special thanks to Barb Nestor for organizing the drive this year.

The Delmont Trip was an outstanding event. Some early practice for the Klondike Derby was had. The hiking was great and exploring the rocks and caves of Delmont got everyone involved. The trip was well organized thanks to John Bickel and Don Gallagher. I also want to thank Steve McClellan, Chris Nagele, Mike Szilagyi, and Dave Walsh for making the trip possible. I am looking forward to the Klondike competition for this year, actually next year.

Paul DeLong

2003 WREATH SALE !!!

Everyone should have picked up and delivered their wreaths. Get your payments in to the Troop as soon as possible. If you need more wreaths or have questions concerning your wreath account, contact the Wreath Master, Barbara Nestor (610) 222 - 9988.

SCOPE OLYMPIA

Cradle of Liberty will participate in the 20th exchange of scouts with Toronto, Canada in the Scope Olympia this May 27 – 31, 2004. A Thursday morning departure and Monday evening return are scheduled. Registration forms are due to Al Hibbert by **December 8, 2003**. They are available on the Troop's website and at regular scout meetings. For more information contact Al Hibbert on (215) 699-3672.

SCHEDULE for DECEMBER 2003

- 12/ 2 TROOP MTG 7:00 PM
Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM
- 12/ 9 TROOP MTG 7:00 PM
- 12/14 Committee Mtg (Weber)
- 12/16 TROOP MTG
- 12/23 HOLIDAY PARTY (Weber)
- 12/30 NO TROOP MTG **Happy New**

Year!

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

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BEING PREPARED IN 2004

- 1/16 - 18 Klondike (Schweiker Lodge)
(DeLong)
- 2/10 OA Elections
- 2/27 - 29 **Camping** – Ice Fishing - Ricketts Glen
(Faber)
- 3/ 6 First Aid Meet
- 3/19 - 21 **Camping** – National Const Center
(TBA)
- 4/ 3 - 4 New Scout Campout
- 4/16 - 18 **Camping** Wolfe's Farm (Magee)
- 5/14 - 16 **Camping** Raft Trip (TBA)
- 5/27 - 31 Scope Olympia – Canada Trip (Hibbert)
- 6/18 - 20 **Camping** Lincoln Speedway (Hornberger)
- 7/23 - 25 **Camping** Mystic Seaport (Murdoch)
- 8/ 8 - 14 **Summer Camp - Ockanickon** (TBA)
- 9/17 - 19 **Camping** Bloomsburg Fair (TBA)
- 10/ 8 - 10 Cub-O-Ree (TBA)
- 10/22 - 24 **Camping** ??? (TBA)
- 11/12 - 14 **Camping** – Resica (TBA)
- 12/21 Holiday Party
- Dec Wreath Sale (Magee / B.
Nestor)

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

Genardi Credits www.escrip.com/ ID# 2106440
Gen Nash Web Site www.worldlynx.net/drzollers/nash

COMMITTEE MEETING

The troop's committee will meet on **Sunday** December 14, 2003, 7:00 PM in the Community Bldg. All committee members are requested to attend. Parents are always welcome. For more information contact Harry Weber on 610-584-9055.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

The Troop's committee and scoutmaster staff wish everyone a happy and **SAFE** holiday season in 2003. The troop will not meet on Tues Dec 30. Don't forget to sign up for the General Nash Klondike in January. Have a happy and healthy new year.

Gen Nash 2004 KLONDIKE

Join Troop 152 at Delmont 1/16 – 1/18 for the 2004 General Nash Klondike. We have Schweiker Lodge reserved. Get your scouting skills ready for the sled competition. Contact Paul DeLong to make reservations. Permission slip is enclosed with this newsletter, and should be available on the website.

GENUARDI CREDITS

**BASICS
BOX**

HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS

Shopping at Genuardi's Markets can benefit Troop 152 and your scout! Register today for Genuardi's escrip program. Go online to www.escrip.com, visit a local Genuardi Market or call 1-800-700-5655 to sign up. Troop 152's escrip code is **2106440**. Register your name and the troop's escrip code. Every time you shop at Genuardi's, the troop receives 3% of the total sale as a contribution. A portion of this contribution will be credited to your scout's account, which can be used to pay for BSA trips and camping equipment.

It is that simple. No more tapes to staple or calculator calluses. Don't forget that your scout's troop account will be credited with points equivalent to 1/2 the amount received in your name.

With the holiday season just around the corner, don't forget scouting tools and equipment as a great gift idea for your scout. Upgrading equipment can make camping just a bit more comfortable. Try a Teflon fry pan or Thermo-Rest self inflating mattress, a Leatherman tool, or an LED head lamp.

Of special note is the compass. This is a basic tool for map reading skills and encourages interest in math.

Map reading and use of a compass is a requirement for all ranks through 1st class. Several merit badges also require extensive compass skills. So head your scout in the right direction this holiday with a gift that is useful and educational.

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COMMITTEE

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| Chairman | Harry Weber |
| Treasurer | Nancy Bickel |
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| Dues | Bill Kelso |
| Secretary | --OPEN-- |
| Webelos Liaison | Rob Nagele |
| Advancement | Steve McClellan |
| Quarter Master | Larry Brasch, Sr |
| Newsletter | Barry Hornberger |
| Web Master | Sal Nestor |

MEMBERS AT LARGE

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|-------------------|---------------|
| Phil Bickel | Gavin Murdoch |
| Lorraine Burghart | Floyd Nellet |
| Chris Herman | Brian Sarris |
| Dave Kobe | Barry Simpson |
| Robert Kownurko | Linda Smith |
| Joe Magee | Bill Thorpe |
| | Mark Vanek |

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Sr Patrol Leader
John Bickel

**SERVING THE
NORTH PENN COMMUNITY
SINCE 1930
OUR 73RD YEAR**

SCOUTMASTER STAFF

SCOUTMASTER **Paul DeLong**

ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

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|---------------|-----------------|
| Jim Faber | Steve McClellan |
| Al Hibbert | Chris Nagele |
| Don Gallagher | Mike Nagele |
| Matt Geiger | Rob Nagele |

EMERITUS MEMBERS

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|------------------|-----------------|
| Larry Brasch, Jr | Jason Kelso |
| Chris DeLong | Jeff Kelso |
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| Chris Johnson | Wayne Stark, Sr |

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