# **TROOP 152 NEWS**

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# **RAILFEST 2005**

Interested in trains?? Get your fill on Sat Dec 3, 2005. Troop 152 will watch them, large and small. Watch the real thing, Norfolk Southern operations Phila to Reading, PA. Then visit the Royersford Modular Railroad club in Royersford, all in the same day. For more info, contact Barry Hornberger 215-368-2253.

# **2005 HOLIDAY PARTY**

Our 10th annual Holiday season party will be held on Tuesday, December 20 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 Paul DeLong for more info on 215-699-7125.

# Faber's Foot Notes

Team Work does it again! From the troop-favorite, Senior Patrolplanned, Resica Falls camping/backpacking trip to the "Scouting for Food" drive coordinated by Sal Nestor, both activities were an overwhelming success due to the teamwork of scouts, leaders and parents. Thanks to the all who participated in these events. It was great to have Zack's and Jesse's dads (Leonard and Patrick) and "young" Dave Walsh with the Troop at Resica. Take a look at the pictures of the "ground shelters" constructed at Resica by our scouts! Many scouts slept out in freezing conditions with no tents (and had fun)!

Congratulations to our newly elected Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders (ASPLs), Jeff Dantzer, Russell Dorand, Drew Bundschuh, Sager Vegesna and Jon Hibbert. Good Luck! As 2005 draws to an end, I would like to thank all the parents, leaders and scouts for your efforts during the year. Every trip, every event and every activity takes time and energy to plan and make happen. You have been great and made it happen! May all our scouts and families have a safe and peaceful Holiday

Jim Faber

### **GEN NASH 2006 KLONDIKE**

Join Troop 152 at Camp Hart 1/27 – 1/29 for the 2006 General Nash Klondike. Get your scouting skills ready for the sled competition. Reservations are due by <u>1/10/2006</u>. Attendance at the 1/17 and 1/24 meetings is mandatory for attending the event.. Reservation forms are on the website, or Contact Jim Faber for more information.

## **SUMMER CAMP**

The first snows of 2006 have not fallen yet, but it is time to think about summer camp. Summer Camp will be at Camp Rodney from 7/16-22 and cost \$250, per scout, if paid by 4/25/06. A \$25 Camp reservation is due by *Jan 24 2006*. See the summer camp reservation form for details. If you have any questions, please call Barry Hornberger on 215-368-2253.

#### SCHEDULE for DECEMBER 2005

	CHEDUEE IOI DECENIDEN 2000	
12/ 3	Railfaning/Model Railroad Outing	(Hornberger)
	Life to Eagle Sem – N Wales	
12/ 6	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
	Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM.	
12/13	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
12/18	Committee Mtg 7:00 PM	(DeLong)
12/20	<b>HOLIDAY PARTY</b> 7:00 PM	(DeLong)
12/27	NO TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
$\Omega$ or $\Delta$ Attendance required for outing participation		

#### **BEING PREPARED IN 2006**

1/ 8	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)	
1/27 - 29	Gen Nash Klondike – Camp Hart	(Faber)	
2/12	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)	
2/18	Pilgrimage (Day Visit)	(Ken Bauer)	
2/24 - 26	Ski Trip	(Walsh/Murdoch)	
3/ 5	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)	
3/24 - 26	Camping – New York City	(Weber)	
4/ 1 - 2	Camping – New Scout Trip	(Faber)	
4/ 2	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)	
4/21 - 23	Camping – Wolfe's Farm	(Magee)	
5/ 7	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)	
5/19 - 21	Camping – Canoe Trip	(Patrol Leaders)	
6/ 4	Committee Meeting	(DeLong)	
6/23 - 25	Camping - Shenandoah NP	(Hornberger)	
7/16 - 22	Summer Camp – Rodney (I	DeLong/Hornberger)	
8/16 - 24	Camping – 1000 Islands?/ Cape I	May?(Kobe/Open)	
9/22 - 24	Camping – Bloomsburg	(Thorpe)	
10/13 - 15	Cub-O-Ree	(Hibbert)	
10/27 - 29	Camping – Ockanickon Rocks	(Vanek?)	
11/10 - 12	Camping - Goose Pond/Steamto	wn (Open)	
12/19	Holiday Party	(DeLong)	
12/	Wreath Sale	(Open)	

#### INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

Genuardi Credits <u>www.escrip.com/</u> ID# 2106440 Gen Nash Web Site <u>www.worldlynx.net/drzollers/nash</u>

# **HAPPY HOLIDAY FROM TROOP 152**

On behalf of the Troop's committee and scoutmaster staff, Troop 152 News wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday season and a Happy New Year! *The Troop will not meet on Tuesday, 12/27* 

# 2005 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 Sharon Kobe, (215) 6993664.

### **COMMITTEE MEETING**

The troop's committee will meet on Sunday 12/18/05, 7:00 PM in the Community Bldg. All committee members are requested to attend. Parents are always welcome For more information contact Paul DeLong 215-699-7125.

## **Member News**

Congratulations to ChrisVanek for achieving the rank of Life Scout; and Mark Bundschuh, Sean Gorni, and Alex Murdoch for achieving the rank of Star Scout.

# KATRINA OUTREACH

Thanksgiving should have a special meaning to all of us this year! As we enjoy our 2006 Thanksgiving celebration with friends and families in the warmth of our homes, our neighbors in the Gulf states are still reeling from the effects of hurricane Katrina. Many families still remain fragmented and displaced from their homes, sorting out the impact of this disaster on their lives.

While most Katrina Relief campaigns are raising funds for the region, here is an opportunity to help an up close and personal effort.

Through the efforts of Al Hibbert, Troop 152 has contacted Troop 23 in the Lakeview section of New Orleans, Louisiana. Scoutmaster Mike Herries has been in contact with Al Hibbert, and reported that their troop has lost much.

Of most importance, he has only been able to contact ½ of their troop members. All of their equipment was submerged under flood waters for 5 weeks. They remain without basic services like electricity and running water, and continue to evaluate the condition of their troop's equipment. When asked what we could do, Troop 23 requested help in replacing their American and Troop flags, which our Troop's Committee has voted to provide from the Troop's campership funds. Paul Delong ordered the new flags, we hope Troop 23 will receive them in time for Christmas

**But there is more.** -- A sub-committee has been formed to explore other opportunities to get our Scouts more involved. Fund raisers, scout exchange programs, or any other ideas will be explored. If you or your scout are interested in participating on the committee, please contact Al Hibbert on 215-699-3672 or Kim Bauer on 610-222-0384.

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#### **COMMITTEE**

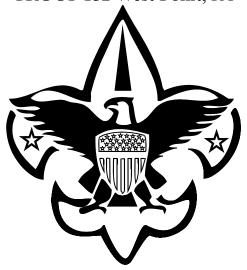
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### **MEMBERS AT LARGE**

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