# **TROOP 152 NEWS**

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#### **GENERAL NASH 2008 KLONDIKE**

Only 1 more meeting left to prepare for the 2008 Klondike at Camp Hart 2/82/10! Get your patrol sleds and scouting skills ready!. Be prepared for COLD WEATHER! Attendance at the 2/5 meeting is mandatory to attend the event. Contact Jim Faber for more info 215-699-3328!

#### VALLEY FORGE ENCAMPMENT

Join troop 152 and attend, the Valley Forge Encampment and Pilgrimage, 2/15-17. Scouts 1st Class and above may camp, and all scouts are welcome to participate for a day visit to the encampment. Cold weather camping training will be required to attend. Contact Ken Bauer on 610-222-0384 for more info.

#### TRUSCOTT'S TRAIL

Winter is a great time for Scouting in Troop 152. January gave us a great Ski Trip this year that was well attended. We had a nice mix of trail and snow conditions for all skiing abilities with a lot of help from the SNÖ Mountain snowmaking. Thanks to Dave Walsh for running this trip.

We have been preparing for General Nash Districts biggest winter event. The Klondike Derby! With all our training everyone should be ready for this wondrous weekend of winter camping, Scout skills and fine cuisine from our resident chef, C. Nagele, and his cooking staff. February is going to be very busy with the Klondike, Pilgrimage, Valley Forge Encampment, Youth Leader Training and the Lions Club Pancake Breakfast, and don't forget *Family Night!* 

Youth Leader Training will be February 23<sup>rd</sup> at the community center 8 AM to 12 noon. All Scouts with leadership positions are required to attend. Look for the flyer and sign up sheet at the next meeting. The Lions Club Pancake Breakfast is Sunday February 24<sup>th</sup>. All the families of Troop 152 should stop out to support it. Troop 152 would not be possible without them!

The Webelos Scouts will be crossing over soon. Please introduce yourself and make sure all of our new Scouts are welcomed into your Troop.

Bill Truscott

# **FAMILY NIGHT**

Please join Troop 152 at its 1st Family Night for 2008 on Tuesday, Feb 26, 2008 7:00 PM in the Twp Community Bldg. Important information will be presented concerning the future of Scouting in Cradle of Liberty Council. We urge all parents to attend. We will also recognize our Scouts' achievements since Sept 2007 and you can meet our scouts, troop leaders and the families of Troop 152!

#### LION'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please help our sponsoring organization and attend their February Pancake Breakfast, Sun 2/24/08, 8 AM – Noon, at the West Point Fire House. It's a great breakfast1 Bring the whole family! Scouts interested in service hours can contact Kim Bauer on 610-222-0384 to sign up!.

#### **SCHEDULE for FEBRUARY 2008**

TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM	
Klondike – Camp Hart (Schweiker)	(Faber)
TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
Camping Vly Forge Encampment	(KenBauer)
Pilgrimage – Day Trip	(KenBauer)
TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
Junior Leader Training	(Truscott)
Lion's Club Breakfast	(KimBauer)
FAMILY NIGHT 7:00 PM	(Pakhtigian)
Attendance required for outing participation	on
	Klondike – Camp Hart (Schweiker) TROOP MTG 7:00PM Camping Vly Forge Encampment Pilgrimage – Day Trip TROOP MTG 7:00PM Junior Leader Training Lion's Club Breakfast

#### **BEING PREPARED IN 2008**

3/ 1	First Aid Meet	(RNagele)
3/ 2	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
3/28 - 30	Camping Washington DC	(Weber)
4/5-6	Camping New Scout Campout	(Truscott)
4/ 6	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
4/18 - 20	Camping Wolfe's Farm	(Magee)
4/27	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/ 2 - 4	Camping French Creek	(Murdoch)
5/27	FAMILY NIGHT	(Pakhtigian)
6/ 1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
6/20 - 22	Camping Open	(OPEN)
7/27 - 8/ 2	Summer Camp – Heritage	(Hornberger/DeLong)
8/21 - 24	Camping Promised Land	(CNagele)
9/19 - 21	Camping Bloomsburg Fair	(DeLong)
10/10 - 12	Cub-O-Ree	(Truscott)
10/24 - 26	Camping Ockanickon	(Murdoch)
10/26	Lion's Club Breakfast	(KimBauer)
11/21 - 23	Camping Hamisham 99	(KimBauer)
	Camping Harrisburg ??	(Killibauci)
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#### **Coming in March**

General Nash District will once again sponsor a First Aid meet on Saturday 3/1/08. Information and permission slips are available at the meeting and on the Troop website. Here is a great opportunity for your scout to sharpen his first aid skills. Contact Rob Nagele for more info 215-699-4779. Also contact Rob for information and reservations for the General Nash District Dinner, 3/27/08. This is a great evening for scouters to gather and recognize those who contribute to the District!

#### MARCH TRIP - Washington, DC

Information is now available for our March trip to Washington DC. Combine camping and a day exploring the DC Mall, and you have an extraordinary weekend! See the trip flyer or contact Harry Weber for more info 610-584-9055. More next month

#### Member News

Please congratulate Jesse Gehringer upon achieving the rank of Star and Greg Steuer upon achieving the rank of Life

# BASICS BOX - The Lions Club

Every BSA troop has a sponsoring organization. 152's sponsor is the Lions Club of Upper Gwynedd Township. Jim Alago is our coordinator with this organization.

The Lions Club is a service organization whose members represent local businesses and residents. Many of their service projects concentrate on helping people with visual and hearing disabilities. They work closely with the Montgomery County Association for the Blind.

Sponsoring our troop is another service that they offer. They hold the Troop's charter and any equipment that is needed.

They have helped us in building the Community Center and locating our storage trailer. The Lions Club also donates a plaque to each of our Eagle celebrants.

The Lions Club raises funds through many activities sponsored throughout the year. These include raffles, car washes, a turkey shoot at Thanksgiving and the most famous pancake breakfast in the area. Twice a year, the Lions Club calls upon Troop 152 to assist at this event by busing tables. It's a very relaxed affair, not to be missed.

The Lions Club is always searching for candidates to join their organization. If you are interested, please contact Jim Alago on 610-584-6193

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## Sponsored by the Lions Club of Upper Gwynedd Township James Alago, Coordinator

#### **COMMITTEE**

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\* Assistant Scoutmasters

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Sr Patrol Leader Alex Murdoch

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#### ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

Kim Bauer Steve McClellan Al Hibbert Harry Weber

#### EMERITUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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