

## TROOP 152 NEWS

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### VALLEY FORGE PILGRIMAGE & ENCAMPMENT

Troop 152 will be attending the COL Valley Forge Pilgrimage and encampment 2/13 – 15. Sign ups were due 1/20. Make sure that your scout attends the mandatory Cold Weather Camping seminar to prepare for this weekend of deep winter camping. For more information, see the trip flyer on the troop website or call Ken Bauer on (610) 222-0384

### TRUSCOTT'S TRAIL

The Klondike Derby this year is in the history books. The BCM Patrol are to be congratulated for their 1<sup>st</sup> Place finish in the Senior Division. Come out to Family Night to see who the members of this Patrol are and the trophy they won. The other two patrols from Troop 152 did a great job and have valuable experience for future derbies. The weather was cold but sunny and everyone enjoyed the day in the out of doors.

It cannot be over stated that the quality of the meals on the Klondike was magnificent. Many thanks to Chris Nagele for spending his Klondike Derby in the kitchen and to Don Gallagher for broiling the turkeys. It would not have been the same Klondike without them. Thanks also to Jim Faber for organizing the event for the Troop and the other Leaders that came on the Klondike or came up for the day, Gavin Murdoch, Dave Walsh, Larry Brasch, Steve McClellan, Rob Nagele, Joe Magee, Bill Truscott, and Lee Blauvelt. Now it's on to the Pilgrimage/Encampment and the First Aid Meet. Hope to see you there.

*Paul DeLong for Bill Truscott*

### SKI TRIP- JACK FROST

Join Troop 152 for a day of skiing at Jack Frost Mountain. Enjoy discounts for BSA on Skis. The trip flyer/permission slip is on the website. We need your commitment by 2/10/2009. Contact Gavin Murdoch at 215-512-5345 cell or 215-997-1805 home

### NEW SCOUT UNIFORM

BSA is changing its uniform. New, more breathable, shirts, pants, and shorts will be available. Also, the "red" trim is being changed to "green". Since the new shirts and pants are very similar in color to the existing, the troop's position is to allow scouts and leaders to wear their existing clothing items. However, the troop will be providing, at no cost, new, green, troop "152" numbers and "Loops". We ask that everyone update their existing uniforms with the new adornments by Family Night, 3/24/2009. Watch for distribution details and even a sewing instruction session for scouts

### OA ELECTIONS

Troop 152 elections to the OA will be held on Tue 2/24/09. Scout attendance at this meeting determines the number of scouts eligible for election. Please have your scout attend!

## SCHEDULE for FEBRUARY 2009

2/ 8	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
2/ 3	<b>TROOP MTG 7:00PM</b>	
	<i>Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM</i>	
2/10	Ω <b>TROOP MTG 7:00PM</b>	
2/13-15	Ω <b>Camping</b> – VF Pilgrimage	(KenBauer)
2/17	Δ <b>TROOP MTG 7:00PM</b>	
	<i>Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM</i>	
2/22	Δ Ski Trip - Jack Frost	(Murdoch)
2/22	Lions Club Breakfast	(RNagele)
2/24	<b>TROOP MTG 7:00PM OA Elections!!</b>	
	Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation	

### BEING PREPARED IN 2009

3/ 1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
3/ 7	First Aid Meet	(TBA)
3/13 - 15	<b>Skiing – Shawnee</b>	(Murdoch)
3/19	General Nash District Dinner	
3/24	<b>FAMILY NIGHT</b>	(Pakhtigian)
4/ 4-4/5	<b>Camping</b> – New Scout Trip	(Truscott)
4/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
4/24-26	<b>Camping</b> – Wolfe's Farm	(Magee)
5/ 1- 3	<b>Camping</b> – COL Jambo	(TBA)
5/ 3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/25	Lansdale Memorial Day Parade	
	Cherokee Nation Pow-Wow (Temple Ambler)	
6/ 7	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
6/19 - 21	<b>Camping</b> – World's End	(Truscott)
6/30	<b>FAMILY NIGHT</b>	(Pakhtigian)
7/12	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
7/26- 8/1	<b>SUMMER CAMP -Goose Pond</b>	DeLong/Hornberger
8/21 - 23	<b>Camping</b> – Trapp Pond	(TBA)
9/18 - 20	<b>Camping</b> – Gettysburg	(DeLong)
9/29	<b>FAMILY NIGHT</b>	(Pakhtigian)
10/ 9-11	<b>Cub-O-Ree</b>	(TBA)
10/23-25	<b>Camping</b> – Delaware Water Gap	(TBA)
10/25	Lions Club Breakfast	(TBA)
11/20-22	<b>Camping</b> – Philadelphia	(Hornberger)
DEC	WREATH SALE	(Blauvelt)
12/22	Holiday Party	(DeLong)

### INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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Gen Nash Web Site <http://www.generalnash.org/>

### LION'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Help our Sponsoring organization and attend their February Pancake Breakfast, Sun 2/22/09, 8 AM – Noon, at the West Point Fire House on Garfield Ave, West Point. It's a great breakfast! Bring the whole family! Scouts can contact Rob Nagele on 215-699-4779, to sign up for service hours!

### COMING IN MARCH

Contact Rob Nagele for the General Nash District First Aid meet, Sat 3/7/09. Information will be available at the meeting and on the Troop website. Also, leaders, please contact Paul DeLong to sign up for District Dinner, 3/19/09. It's also time to make reservations for SUMMER CAMP at GOOSE POND! See the payment schedule sheet for reservation deadlines. Contact Barry Hornberger 215-368-2253 for more info on summer camp.

# BASICS BOX - The Lions Club

Every BSA troop has a sponsoring organization. Troop 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

Chairman	Paul DeLong
Vice Chair	Rob Nagele *
Treasurer	Nancy Bickel
Scout Accts	Donna McDonnell
Registration / Dues	Bill Kelso *
Secretary	Gavin Murdoch *
Advancement	Suren Pakhtigian
Chaplain	Jim Faber *
Newsletter	Barry Hornberger
Quarter Master	Chris Nagele *
Training Coordinator	Chris Nagele *
Web Master	Dave Walsh, Sr
Webelos Liaison	Shelly Yost

### MEMBERS AT LARGE

Ken Bauer	Greg Katucki
Lee Blauvelt	Dave Kobe
Larry Brasch	Sal Nestor
Lorraine Burghart	Mark Vanek
Chris Hermann	

\* Assistant Scoutmasters

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**TROOP 152 West Point, PA**



Sr Patrol Leader  
**Greg Steuer**

***SERVING THE  
NORTH PENN COMMUNITY  
SINCE 1930***

***OUR 79TH YEAR***

**SCOUTMASTER STAFF**

SCOUTMASTER **Bill Truscott**

### ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

Kim Bauer	Joe Magee
Graham Bickel	Steve McClellan
Russ Dorand	Harry Weber
Al Hibbert	

### EMERITUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Jeff Bell *	Chris Johnson
Brian Bauer *	Bryan Kobe *
Graham Bickel *	Mike Mansuy *
John Bickel *	Mike Nagele
T.J. Burghart *	Brian Sarris
Chris DeLong	Jordan Sarris
Don Gallagher *	Sean Sasso *
Jonathan Hibbert *	Bill Thorpe

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