TROOP 152 NEWS

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EAGLE COURT OF HONOR

Please join Chris Vanek and his family as he is awarded Scouting's highest honor, the rank of Eagle Scout. Chris's Eagle ceremony will be held on Sunday, Jan 10, 2009 at 2 PM in the Upper Gwynedd Township Building. Attendance is a requirement for all Scouts of Troop 152. Scouts should arrive by 1:45 PM in class "A" uniforms.

BAUER'S BACKCOUNTRY BLOG

January is a unique month - we look back at the fun and adventure we had in 2009 and look ahead to what we want to accomplish in 2010.

I would like to thank all the leaders, committee members and parents who made every aspect of the troop a success in 2009. Organizing our monthly camping trips, taking care of summer camp, dues & registration, wreath sales, advancement, our budget, buying and maintaining our vast amount of equipment, meeting with new Webelos and their parents, and maintaining our website and newsletter, all take dedicated adults working week in and week out. The next time you are at a meeting or on a camping trip be sure to thank a leader for their continued support.

Fun was had by all at the holiday party on December 22nd. We had a great turnout. It was great to see so many alumni scouts come out to visit and we even had one scout bring his wife and 2 month old son. Just think, he can be a tiger scout in 6 years! The live entertainment was impressive this year with a duet karaoke competition between Alex Bauer and Joe VanGalen and Mr. Nagele and Mr.DeLong. Alex and Joe won a close battle singing a classic holiday tune.

Looking ahead to 2010, all scouts should think of what you want to accomplish this year. What rank do you want to be a year from now? What merit badges do you want to earn? Have you ever skied, or gone on a canoe trip, or a backpacking trip? We have it all in 2010 so set your sights high and remember, nothing ventured, nothing gained!

Yours in Scouting, *Ken Bauer*.

RESICA - DEEP WINTER

Join Troop 152 on an extraordinary camping trip in deep winter at Resica Falls, 1/15-17. There are many activity choices being planned. Something for everyone. Come on out and see how enjoyable winter camping can be! A warm fire. a hot meal, and a really good sleeping bag can make everything possible See the trip flyer or call Chris Nagele for more information on 215-820-2271.

2010 Valley Forge Pilgrimage & Encampment

Preparation for the 2010 Valley Forge Pilgrimage & Encampment, 2/12-14, is under way. Please see the P&E Flyer for details. A *MANDATORY* Cold Weather seminar will be offered in January. Make sure you sign up! Contact Shelly Yost for more info on 215-661-9355.

Holiday WREATH Sale

Thanks for a great 2009 wreath sale. Please turn in any outstanding sales money at our next meeting. If you have questions concerning your wreath account, contact Lee Blauvelt, 610-222-0897.

SCHEDULE for JANUARY 2010

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	1/ 5		TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
			Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM	
	1/9		Railfest – Day Trip	(Hornberger)
	1/10		Eagle Court Chris Vanek 2:00 PM	
	1/10		Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
	1/12	Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
	1/19	Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
	1/15-1	7 Ω	Winter Camping – Resica	(C.Nagle)
	1/26		TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
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 Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

BEING PREPARED IN 2010

2/ 5 – 2/7	Camping – Klondike Camp Hart	(Truscott)
2/12 - 2/14	Valley Forge Encampment	(SYost)
2/13	Valley Forge Pilgrimage	(SYost)
2/16	OA Elections	(CNagele)
3/ 6	First Aid Meet	(Bogert)
3/12 - 3/14	SKI TRIP – Shawnee Scout Weekend	(GMurdoch)
3/21	Lions Club Pancake Breakfast	(R.Nagele)
3/30	Family Night	(Pakhtigian)
4/10 - 11	New Scout Campout	(KBauer)
4/23 - 25	Camping – Wolfe's Farm	(Magee)
5/21 - 23	<i>Camping</i> – White Water Rafting	(TBD)
6/11 - 13	<i>Camping</i> – Lincoln Speedway???	(Hornberger)
6/29	Family Night	(Pakhtigian)
7/26 - 8/4	National Jamboree – Ft AP Hill, VA	
8/8 - 8/14	Summer Camp - Resica (DeLong	g/Hornberger)
9/24-26	Camping – Bloomsburg Fair	(TBD)
10/8-10	CUB – O - REE	(TBD)
10/24-26	Camping – Delaware Water Gap	(TBD)
11/19-21	Camping – Annapolis	(TBD)
DEC	WREATH SALES24-26	(TBD)

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

Genuardi Credits www.escrip.com/ ID# 2106440
Gen Nash Web Site http://www.generalnash.org/

RAILFEST

Interested in trains?? Get your fill on Sat Jan 9, 2010. Troop 152 will watch them, large and small. Watch the real thing, Norfolk Southern operations in and around Reading, PA. Then visit the Coopersburg Area Model Engineers in Coopersburg, all in the same day. Contact Barry Hornberger 215-368-2253

2010 KLONDIKE

The 2010 General Nash Klondike will be coming up in early February, 2/5 - 7. Planning is under way. Get your permission slips in early. Start honing those scouting skills. Senior Division sign ups are due in January. Contact Bill Truscott for more info on (215) 896-5072

MEMBER NEWS

Please congratulate Mark Szilagyi for passing his Eagle Board of Review. We look forward to celebrate an Eagle Court of Honor with Mark and his family.

THE BASICS BOX - SCOUT spirit DUTY to God, and Country DUTY to Others and Self

A Scout is:

Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, and Reverent

On my honor, I will do my best, to do my duty, to God and my County, to obey the Scout Law, to help other people at all times, to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

All scouts achieving the rank of 2 Class, 1 Class, Star, Life, Eagle, and Eagle Palms must demonstrate "Scout Spirit".

The Leaders of Troop 152 review all scouts

advancing to the ranks above 1 Class. In order to know that a scout demonstrates "Scout Spirit", the leaders must know the scout.

The troop requires that your scout attend 50% of all troop meetings and 50% of Troop activities for the past three months when advancement is being reviewed.

st As our scouts get older, many other interests pressure their time. Scouting does require a commitment to participate, to enjoy the activities and to contribute to the Troop by helping other scouts, and participating in service projects.

Demonstrating "Scout Spirit" is an important part of being a Scout, and necessary to advance through the ranks of Scouting. By living the Scout Oath and Law in everyday life, a Scout has a profound influence on all around him, and perpetuates the ideals of the Scouting movement. Participate with your Troop. Show us your spirit!

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