

TROOP 152 NEWS

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GENERAL NASH 2011 KLONDIKE

The 2011 Klondike is one week away! Get your patrol sleds and scouting skills ready for the grand competition. Join Troop 152 at Camp Delmont / Hart, 2/4 - 6 for the 2011 General Nash Klondike. Reservations were due by 1/18/2011. Attendance at the 2/1 meeting and cold weather training is mandatory for attending the event. Contact the Scoutmaster for any further information.

BAUER'S BACKCOUNTRY BLOG

Thinking about the Scout Motto, "Be Prepared", Boy Scout founder Baden Powell was asked what should a boy be prepared for? He responded: "for any old thing." He said "Be Prepared... the meaning of the motto is that a scout must prepare himself by previous thinking out and practicing how to act on any accident or emergency so that he is never taken by surprise."

We spent a considerable amount of time in January preparing for our winter camping activities for this year. We will continue to do so in February, adding in First Aid meet preparation too. Boy Scouts teaches you to think ahead and to anticipate what you may need in many different situations. The Resica Falls trip allowed us to put this concept into action. The scouts that were backpacking in below-zero conditions had to plan ahead in order to get through the night. Others that were hiking and ice-fishing for the day also had to be prepared for the extreme cold. Who would have thought that a 50 degree cabin could feel so warm?! I have heard many fish stories over the years but I wonder how many fish were actually caught by Troop 152 on Lake Roger that day? Many thanks to Mr. Truscott, Chris Nagele and the other leaders for making this trip a reality.

By the time you read this we will be getting ready for Klondike, with the Valley Forge Pilgrimage & Encampment and Shawnee Ski trips right around the corner. Definitely trips you need to "Be Prepared" for. Also remember that February 22nd is our Order of the Arrow Unit Elections. We need a large turnout at this meeting in order to elect our newest members of OA, the Boy Scout honor society dedicated to cheerful service

Yours in Scouting,
Ken Bauer.

2011 Valley Forge Pilgrimage & Encampment

Preparation for the 2011 Valley Forge Pilgrimage & Encampment, 2/18 - 20 is under way. Please see the P&E Trip Flyer for details. Attendance at our MANDATORY Cold Weather seminar last month is required. Reservations were due by 1/25/2011 Contact Shelly Yost for more info on 215-661-9355

OA ELECTIONS

Troop 152 OA Elections will be held at our regular troop meeting on Tuesday February 22. All scouts need to attend this meeting to elect the candidates that qualify to be elected.

SCHEDULE for FEBRUARY 2011

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| 2/ 1 | Ω | TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| | | <i>Patrol Leaders Council 6:30 PM</i> | |
| 2/ 4 - 6 | Ω | Camping – Klondike | (KBauer) |
| 2/ 5 | | Committee Meeting 7 PM @ Delmont | (DeLong) |
| 2/ 8 | Δ | TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| 2/13 | | Scout Sunday - @ Corpus 8 AM Mass | (RNagele) |
| 2/15 | Δ | TROOP MTG 7:00PM | |
| 2/18 - 20 | Δ | Camping – Valley Forge Pilg/Encamp | (Yost) |
| 2/22 | | TROOP MTG 7:00PM OA ELECTIONS | |

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

BEING PREPARED IN 2011

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| 3/ 5 | | First Aid Meet – St Stans Gym ?? | (RNagele) |
| 3/11 - 13 | | SKI TRIP – Shawnee | (Murdoch) |
| 3/27 | | Lions Club Pancake Breakfast 8 - Noon | (RNagele) |
| 3/29 | | FAMILY NIGHT | (Pakhtigian) |
| 4/ 2 - 3 | | Camping – New Scout Campout | (KBauer) |
| 4/ 3 | | New Scout/Parent Orientation 1:30 P:M | (RNagele) |
| 4/ 3 | | Committee Meeting :6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 4/15 - 17 | | Wolfe's Farm | (Magee) |
| 5/ 1 | | Committee Meeting :6:30 PM | (DeLong) |
| 5/20 - 22 | | Camping – Washington DC | (Weber) |
| 6/17 - 19 | | Camping – French Creek | (Blauvelt) |
| 7/24 - 30 | | Summer Camp – Ockanickon (DeLong/Hornberger) | |
| 8/18 - 21 | | Camping – Wallenpaupack | (TBD) |
| 9/16 - 18 | | Camping – Ockanickon. Cycle Trip | (Hornberger) |
| 10/ 7 - 9 | | Cub-O-Ree | (TBD) |
| 10/21 - 23 | | Camping – TBD | (TBD) |
| 10/30 | | Lions Club Pancake Breakfast 8 - Noon | (RNagele) |
| 11/18 - 20 | | Camping – TBD | (TBD) |
| 12/20 | | Holiday Party | (RNagele) |

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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

SHAWNEE SKI TRIP

This ski trip is quickly becoming a troop "favorite". Join Troop 152 on 3/11 – 3/13 on a great weekend of reasonably priced skiing activity at Shawnee. Indoor accommodations and meals are provided by the trip sponsor. All our scouts have to think about is skiing and fun. Reservations are due by 2/22/2011. See the trip flyer or contact Gavin Murdoch for more info on 215-512-5345 cell or 215-997-1805 home

SUMMER CAMP

Can you believe that it is time to register for Summer Camp 2011. This year's Summer Camp will be at Camp Ockanickon in Bucks County.. The Early Bird Camp fee will be \$335 if paid in full by 2/22/2010, \$354 if paid by 4/19/2010. The troop will offer a lay-a-way plan for the \$354 fee. See the full fee schedule listed on the "Summer Camp" page on the Troop Website.

FEBRUARY COMMITTEE MEETING

With all that is going on in February, an abbreviated Committee meeting will be held on Saturday night of the Klondike Derby, 2/5/2011 at approximately 7:00 PM in Schweiker Lodge. Come on up and join us in Delmont's Schweiker Lodge!

Our scouts will soon be asked to nominate and elect several of their peers to the ORDER OF THE ARROW. This elite group exists to develop and maintain Scouting's spirit and camping traditions. It crystallizes the scout habit of helpfulness and leadership in cheerful service to others.



THE BASIC BOX OA ELECTIONS

The lodge has provided thousands of service hours at every camp, and built the new Unami Lodge at Resica Falls entirely with volunteer labor and donations. The Order also services our high adventure camps such as Philmont and Northern Tier.

Each troop's scouts are asked to select candidates who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. To be eligible, a scout must be first class, have 15 days and nights camping, including 6 nights of summer camp, and their scoutmaster's approval.

To really know the OA, you must become a member. The ordeal teaches the meaning of the OA to its new members. Many of our scouts and adults are members advancing through its ranks with study and service. Most service is done at our council camps.

With members considered youth until 21, there is more opportunity for scouts to be active. The Order unites scouts across the council and allows them to share skills, activities, and ideas.

Attendance for all scouts at this meeting is important! 50% of the troop must be present to hold the election. Once nominated, the local OA Lodge inducts the new members through an ordeal and ceremony.

This year's election date is
Tue February 22, 2011

Election to this elite group is truly an honor that carries great responsibility. The OA is much more than a "social club". It is service to Scouting and to the ideals that Scouting holds

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COMMITTEE

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| Chairman | Paul DeLong |
| Vice Chair | Rob Nagele * |
| Treasurer | Nancy Bickel |
| Scout Accts | Donna McDonnell |
| Registration / Dues | Bill Kelso * |
| Secretary | Steve Hoffman |
| 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

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|---------------|----------------|
| Fran Belfield | Alan Fleck |
| Lee Blauvelt | Isaac Holland |
| Larry Brasch | Mark McDonnell |

* Assistant Scoutmasters

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Sr Patrol Leader
Robert Hausler

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SCOUTMASTER STAFF

SCOUTMASTER **Ken Bauer**

ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

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| Chris Bauer | Steve McClellan |
| David DeLong | Gavin Murdoch |
| Al Hibbert | Alex Murdoch |
| Nick Iaquinto | Bill Truscott |
| Jesse Gehringer | Mike Walsh |
| Joe Magee | Harry Weber |
| | Chris Yang |

EMERITUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| Brian Bauer * | Jonathan Hibbert * |
| Kim Bauer * | Bryan Kobe * |
| Graham Bickel * | Dave Kobe |
| John Bickel * | Mike Nagele |
| Don Gallagher * | Bill Thorpe |

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