

TROOP 152 NEWS

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JANUARY 2018 TRIP - SUSQUEHANNOCK

Join Troop 152 on a deep winter weekend of camping at Susquehannock State Park 1/19 – 1/21. The troop will explore this Lancaster County park, hang out, and do scout stuff. This is a perfect trip to get requirements done. The permission slip has been e-mailed out to Troop families and should be posted on the Troop's web site. **Sign-ups are due 1/09/2018.** Contact Fran Belfield on 215-264-7080 for more information.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

Happy New Year! I hope everyone was able to enjoy the holidays and time with your families. It was great to see all that attended the holiday party! The ugly sweater contest was a great success! Thank you to the Moms for being our judges.

2018 has begun with a deep freeze. As we start the year will have several trips that will take us out in this winter wonderland. For us to BE PREPARED for these trips, we will have C.O.L.D. weather training early this month. We will learn the proper attire and how to manage it to be comfortable on each of our trips. As Mr. Nagele would say, 'There is no such thing as bad weather on a scout trip, just an unprepared scout!' For the rest of the month we will continue to prepare for the Klondike Derby and First Aid meet.

Ps. It's never too early to start thinking about summer camp.

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COLD WEATHER TRAINING !

Winter is here !! Troop 152 will be camping !! Scouts and Scouters planning to attend any of the outdoor events in January, February, or March, must attend the troop's Cold Weather Training seminar at the Troop Meeting on Jan 09, 2018. Don't miss this meeting.

SKI JACK FROST

Join Troop 152 for a full day of skiing or snow boarding at Jack Frost, Jan 28, 2018. Meet at the Pavilion 6:45 AM and return approximately 5:15 PM. The permission slip is on the web site. Contact Alan Fleck for more information on 215-264-8024.

SCHEDULE for January 2018

1/ 2	TROOP MTG 7:00PM PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
1/ 9	TROOP MTG 7:00PM COLD WEATHER TRAINING	
1/14	Committee Meeting 6:30	(DeLong)
1/16	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
1/19-21	CAMPING Susquehannock St Park	(Belfield)
1/23	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
1/28	Ski Jack Frost	(Fleck)
1/30	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

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LOOKING AHEAD IN 2018

2/ 9 – 11	General Nash Klondike - Delmont	(DeLong)
2/10	Committee Meeting @ Schweiker Lodge 7 PM	(DeLong)
3/ 3	First Aid Meet	(R Nagele)
3/27	FAMILY NIGHT	
4/20-22	Rod N Gun	(Magee)
7/22 – 28	SUMMER CAMP - Resica	(Neild)
8/16 - 19	CAMPING – Wallenpaupack ???	(TBD)
7/22 – 28	SUMMER CAMP - Resica	(Neild)
9/21 – 23	CAMPING – Bloomsburg Fair	(TBD)
10/12/14	Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)

LOOKING BEYOND

7/22 – 8/ 2 2019 World Jamboree – Bechtel Summit

2017 HOLIDAY PARTY

Our 22nd annual Holiday season party was a great success. Please thank Rob Nagele for organizing the evening, and thanks to those who brought the great snacks and deserts. Fun was had by all!

2017 WREATH SALE !!!

The 2017 wreath sale is in the books. Thanks to Rob Nagele for organizing the sale and to Tim Bonitz and Arun Giddu for countless hours of counting returns and keeping track of the sale.

GENERAL NASH 2018 KLONDIKE

The 2018 Klondike is just a few weeks away! Get your patrol sleds and scouting skills ready for the grand competition. Join Troop 152 at Camp 2/9 – 2/11, 2018 for the 2018 General Nash Klondike. Reservations are due by **1/23/2018**. Attendance at the Cold Weather Training on 1/09/2018 and the 2/6/2018 meetings are mandatory for attending the event. Reservation forms are on the website, or Contact Paul DeLong on 215-699-7125.

COLD WEATHER CAMPING

Troop 152 camps all year long, except December, including the colder winter months of Jan, Feb, and Mar. Cold weather camping is an extraordinary experience. The beauty of the cold landscape can be breath taking. Cold weather camping does require special planning to keep scouts and scouters safe in extreme conditions. A really good sleeping bag, rated for the temperatures expected is a must. An additional fleece sleeping bag liner is recommended. Proper clothing such as Wool hats, gloves, ear protection and good boots are essential.

The key to enjoying cold weather camping is keeping dry, and wearing "layers" of clothes that can be taken off and put on as needed to keep warm, and not overheat.

Keeping dry is a challenge, especially if strenuous activity is expected. Cotton clothing is to be AVOIDED as it gets damp with perspiration and absorbs body heat as the moisture evaporates. Underwear and outer clothing that is designed for "wicking" moisture away from the body is recommended. Wool clothing is also very good in keeping in warmth while being wet. So break out the under-armor, fleece, gortex, snow pants, boots, gloves and hats and join us for some great cold weather trips. Watch the Newsletter schedule for the Cold Weather Training offered at a troop meeting. Scouts, Scouters, and parents are encouraged to attend to learn what to wear, what to sleep in, and what to eat to keep warm and safe during our winter camping adventures.

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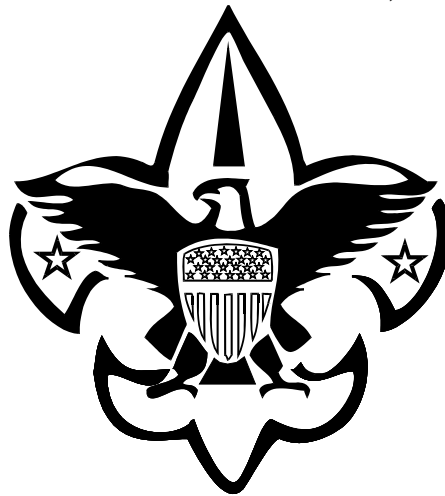
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