

TROOP 152 NEWS

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GENERAL NASH 2018 KLONDIKE

The 2018 Klondike is almost here! 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 were 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.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

January may have started out cold, but the weather couldn't decide what it wanted to do! This was apparent on our January trip to Susquehannock State park where the overnights were just below freezing but the days warmed up enough to be comfortable with only a few layers on. On this trip a small contingent of scouts and leaders went looking for eagles at the Conowingo dam Saturday morning and then returned to the park for a leisurely hike to several points of interests around the park including two scenic overlooks. There was also ample time to relax and chat by the campfire. In contrast, our next trip, the Klondike Derby, will not be as laid back, especially during the day on Saturday. On Saturday our sled teams will be putting their scout skills to test against other troops from the General Nash District. Our Senior Patrol Leader has done a great job over the last many weeks providing training on skills that will be part of the Klondike challenge. Good Luck and I will see you all there!

Ps. Have you started thinking about summer camp, yet?

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OA ELECTIONS

OA Elections for our troop are set for February 2018. New members are nominated based on camping experience and exemplification of the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. We need as many scouts at this meeting as possible for the voting quota. Make sure your scout is there to vote. Watch for more info from Chris Nagele

FAMILY NIGHT

The March family night has been rescheduled for 4/3. Please mark your calendars. Parents and scouts are encouraged to attend family night gatherings to recognize the accomplishment of our scouts.

SUMMER CAMP

Winter is still here but planning for summer camp is underway. This year the troop will be attending Resica's summer camp. The fee this year is \$395 if paid in full by 5/1/18. After this date the fee increases to \$420. A \$100 deposit is due by 2/27/2018 to hold a spot for your scout. The payment sheet was sent by e-mail and should be available on the Troop's website. If you have questions, contact Kris Neild on 215-631-1250.

SCHEDULE for February 2018

2/ 6	Ω	TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
		PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
2/ 9 - 11	Ω	General Nash Klondike	(DeLong)
2/10		Committee Meeting 6:30 @ Schweiker	(DeLong)
2/13		TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
2/20		TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
2/27		TROOP MTG 7:00PM	
		Eagle Court – Evin Karatus	
		Summer Camp \$100 Deposit Due	

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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

LOOKING AHEAD IN 2018

3/ 3		First Aid Meet	(R Nagele)
3/ 4		Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
3/16 - 18		CAMPING – Harrisburg Civil War Museum	(TBD)
3/22		General Nash District Dinner 6:00 PM	(DeLong)
3/24		OA Call Out	(C Nagele)
4/ 3		FAMILY NIGHT	
4/15		Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
4/20 - 22		Rod N Gun	(Magee/Hornberger)
5/ 6		Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/?? - ??		CAMPING – World's End	(TBD)
6/ 3		Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
6/?? - ??		CAMPING – Lincoln Speedway??	(TBD)
7/ 8		Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
7/22 – 28		SUMMER CAMP - Resica	(Neild)
7/25		Committee Meeting 6:30 PM @ Resica	(DeLong)
8/16 - 19		CAMPING – Wallenpaupack ???	(TBD)
9/21 - 23		CAMPING – Bloomsburg Fair	(TBD)
10/12 - 14		Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)
10/20 - 22		CAMPING Pioneer Tunnel / Centralia	(TBD)
11/10		Scouting for Food Bag Drop	(TBD)
11/16 - 18		CAMPING – Ft Washington St Park	(TBD)
11/17		Scouting for Food Bag Pick Up	(TBD)
12/18		Holiday Party	(RNagele)

GAZING INTO 2019

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

GENERAL NASH FIRST AID MEET

The 2018 General Nash First Aid Meet will be held on Saturday morning **3/03/2018**, at Indian Crest MS Gymnasium, 139 Harleysville Pike, Souderton, PA. Registration opens at 8:30 AM. See **Mr Nagele** for the event flyer and permission slip, which must be completed and signed by a parent. This is a great opportunity for scouts to hone their first aid skills for advancement. Adults interested in judging should also contact Mr Nagele. No previous medical experience is required!

MARCH CAMPING TRIP

Looking ahead to March, the Troop will be venturing to our state capital, Harrisburg, and the Civil War Museum the weekend of 3/16 – 18. Watch for more info from Chris Nagele.

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

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.

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.

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.

This year's election date is
TO BE ANNOUNCED

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.

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.

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

Chairman	Paul DeLong *
Vice Chair	Rob Nagele *
Treasurer	Nancy Bickel
Scout Accts	Jake Weaver
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Secretary	Douglas Willen
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Chaplain	<== OPEN ==>
Newsletter	Barry Hornberger
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Training Coordinator	<== OPEN ==>
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MEMBERS AT LARGE

Bob Bond	Fred Lynch *
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SCOUTMASTER Dave Gartner

ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

Fran Belfield	Kris Neild
Joe Magee	Harry Weber
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EMERITUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Kim Bauer *	Jim Faber *
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