

TROOP 152 NEWS

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JANUARY TRIP - SALT SPRINGS

At our January trip we'll visit Salt Springs State Park in Northern Pennsylvania 1/17 - 19. The park has a lot to offer: winter hiking, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, sledding, and frozen waterfall viewing. There's huge Hemlock trees in a picturesque gorge. And at the bottom is the salt spring on Fall Brook. Legend has it that the water is just the right saltiness to cook pasta. So you know what Saturday dinner will be! Sign-ups are due **JANUARY 14, 2020**. Contact Dave Gartner for more info on 267-218-4810.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

December is a short month, particularly this year. We didn't go camping, but we still had a packed program. We finished the wreath sale and had a little pretzel party as a thank you for reaching our goal. We also continued collecting donations for our Adopt-a-Family drive.

But, the Holiday Party was the highlight of the month. There was a great turnout this year. I saw some very creative ugly sweaters and a pretty intense game of Risk.

We also found out that the Cougars Patrol snuck in under the wire to win the Patrol Competition with 3 rank advancements! So, we'll have to see what they pick for their prize.

Looking into 2020, I have the full schedule of camping trips, meetings, and activities up on the calendar on the Troop Website. So, check that out to make sure you save the date on your calendar for camping trips, summer camp, the first aid meet, OA weekends, etc.

In January, we have some great events coming up. Camping at Salt Springs is a unique chance to see a beautiful park and a neat geological feature. I mean, you can light the water on fire!

To prep, we'll have Cold Weather Training at the January 14th meeting. Please bring examples of cold weather equipment!

We'll also have a "Mini-Klondike" event for Webelos and AOL scouts from Packs all over General Nash District.

So, I hope everyone had a relaxing, fun holiday and is rejuvenated for our exciting January events!

Yours in Scouting - Nick Iaquinto scoutmaster@troop152pa.org

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 14, 2020**. Don't miss this meeting

SCHEDULE for JANUARY 2020

1/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
1/ 7	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM	
1/14	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	Cold Weather
1/21	Δ TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	
1/17 – 19	Δ CAMPING – Salt Springs	(Gartner)
1/28	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM	

Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

INDICATES ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PREVIOUS LIST

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LOOKING AHEAD IN 2020

2/ 7 – 9	General Nash Klondike	(DeLong)
2/ 8	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM@ Schweiker	(DeLong)
3/ 1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
3/ 7	General Nash First Aid Meet	(R Nagele)
3/20 – 22	CAMPING – Delmont Patrol Skills Comp	(TBD)
3/24	FAMILY NIGHT	(DeLong)
4/ 5	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
4/17 - 19	CAMPING – Rod N Gun Ringgold	(Magee)
5/ 3	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
5/15 – 17	CAMPING – Firestone Advancement	(C Nagele)
6/ 7	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(DeLong)
6/18 – 21	CAMPING – Whitewater Ohio Pyle	(TBD)
7/19 - 25	Summer Camp – Goose Pond	(DeLong/Neild)
8/?? - ??	CAMPING – Backpacking Intro	(TBD)
9/18 – 20	CAMPING – Levine / Bloomsburg Fair	(TBD)
10/ 9 – 11	General Nash Cub-O-Ree	(TBD)
10/23 – 25	CAMPING – Abandoned DC	(C Nagele)
11/13 - 15	CAMPING – Delmont & SFF Drop Off	(TBD)
11/21	Scouting for Food (SFF) Pick Up	(TBD)
11/27	Wreath Pick Up	(R Nagele)
12/22	Holiday Party	(R Nagele)

2019 WREATH SALE !!!

Our wreath sale for 2019 is now in the history books, as a great success. Thanks to all the scouts and scouters who participated. If you have questions concerning your wreath account, contact Rob Nagele, on 215-699-4779.

GENERAL NASH 2020 KLONDIKE

The 2020 Klondike is just around the corner! Time to get your patrol sleds and scouting skills ready for the grand competition. Join Troop 152 at Camp (2/7 – 2/9) for the 2020 General Nash Klondike. Reservation forms will be sent out and posted on the troop's website. Contact Paul DeLong on 215-699-7125, for more information.

GENERAL NASH FIRST AID MEET

Mark your calendars now for the General Nash First Aid Meet. It will be held on Saturday morning **3/07/2020**. First Aid Meet details will be available next month. 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


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 welcome 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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