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GENERAL NASH 2020 KLONDIKE

The 2020 Klondike is just a few weeks away! Get your patrol sleds and scouting skills ready for the grand competition. Join Troop 152 at Camp 2/7 - 2/9 for the 2020 General Nash Klondike. Reservations are due by <u>1/31/2020</u>. Attendance at the 2/4 meeting is mandatory for attending the event. Reservation forms are on the website, or Contact Paul DeLong on 215-699-7125.

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

We started the year off with a bang. After our Cold Weather Training, we had 12 scouts brave the weather at Salt Springs State Park in Montrose, PA. With lows in the single digits and about 5 inches of snow, we learned a lot about the cold and how it makes most everything more difficult. Water froze. Cooking took longer than expected. And, snow gets in every nook and cranny. Luckily, we had a roaring fire and an engaging hike in the snow. The ice waterfall was a challenging and beautiful section.

We also have had a bevy of activities with Cub Scouts this month. Between visitors, the "Mini-Klondike", and building toolboxes with the Pack 152 Bear den, we've been firing on all cylinders. So I'd like to take this chance to thank everyone, scouts and leaders alike, for all of your help welcoming our visitors and passing on our knowledge.

In February, we have the annual General Nash District Klondike. And of course, delicious cooking courtesy of our iron chefs: Chris Nagele and Ian Truscott. During the rest of the month, we'll have plenty of time for advancement. Also, we'll have our OA Elections. And, we may have some interesting training on cooking and troop equipment.

So, <u>subscribe to the Troop Calendar</u> to see the latest updates on each meeting's planned activities. And as always, we'd love to hear any requests or suggestions you have.

Yours in Scouting - Nick Iaquinto <u>scoutmaster@troop152pa.org</u>

SCHEDULE for FEBRUARY 2020

2/4 Δ	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM
	PLC Meeting 6:30 PM
2/7-9 ∆	General Nash Klondike (DeLong)
2/8	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM@ Schweiker (Delong)
2/11	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM
2/18	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM
2/25	TROOP MTG 7:00 PM OA Elections

 Ω or Δ Attendance required for outing participation

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LOOKING AHEAD IN 2020

3/1	Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	(Delong)
3/7	General Nash First Aid Meet	(R Nagele)
3/20 - 22	CAMPING - Delmont Patrol Skills Com	p (TBD)
3/24	FAMILY NIGHT	(Delong)
3/28	EAGLE COURT – Liam & Patrick Lync	h 1:30 .
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)

SUMMER CAMP

Planning for summer camp 2020 at Goose Pond is in full swing. Summer camp fee will be \$330 for advance registration. The payment sheet flyer has been distributed and is on the Troop's website. The first \$110 fee to get your scout registered for summer camp is due 2/4/2020, and begin an optional 3-month payment plan. All fees must be paid in full by 5/5/2020 to avoid a late fee from the camp. Don't forget to use your scout accounts. Checks should be made payable to BSA Troop 152 and turned in with the forms to Kris Neild at any regular meeting.

OA ELECTIONS

OA Elections are set for 2/25/2020. We need as many scouts at this meeting as possible for voting. New members are nominated based on camping experience and exemplification of the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. Make sure your scout is there to vote!

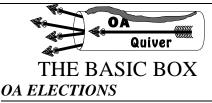
GENERAL NASH FIRST AID MEET

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 shortly. This is a great opportunity for scouts to hone their first aid skills for advancement. Adults interested in judging should also contact Mr Nagele on 215-699-4779. No previous medical experience is required.

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.

Each troop's scouts are asked to select candidates who To really know the OA, you must become a With members considered youth until 21, best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily member. The ordeal teaches the meaning of there is more opportunity for scouts to be lives. To be eligible, a scout must be first class, have the OA to its new members. Many of our active. Patrick Lynch is the current 1ST vice 15 days and nights camping, including 6 nights of scouts and adults are members advancing chief and Liam is 2ND vice chief. The Order 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.



through its ranks with study and service. Most unites scouts across the council and allows service is done at our council camps.

This year's election date is **Tue February 25, 2020** 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.

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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