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# TROOP 246 NEWSLETTER

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January, 1999

## *Meetings*

1/5, 1/12, 1/19

*All meetings will be at Nut Swamp School*

## *Events*

1/9	Klondike Derby
1/15	Eagle Ceremony
1/16	Windham Ski Trip

## *Scout of the Month*

### November

to be announced in the next newsletter

### *Previous Scouts of the Month:*

October	Mike Cunningham
September	David Palframan
Summer	Jason Benda & Chris Bosch

## *Coming Events*

### *EAGLE CEREMONY*

An Eagle Ceremony will be held on *Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>* to honor **John Park** and **Dan Dunn** on their achievement of Eagle rank. Please make every effort to attend!

*Klondike Derby* The annual Klondike Derby will be held on *Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>*. As of the last meeting, we will have

two sleds participating - one led by **Chris Irwin** and the other led by **John Benda**. The event will be held at Quail Hill. The teams will pull their sled and equipment around a course with five "towns" or stations. The teams will be challenged at each town with a problem to solve which involves scouting skills such as first aid, pioneering, orienteering, fire starting, and cooking. At each town, the team can earn up to ten gold nuggets. In addition to these nuggets, the whole event is timed. The team with the most nuggets and the least amount of time is the winner. Our top team last year finished in third place! Maybe this year we can win this event.

Each participating Scout must bring one can of soup (any type of chicken *except* cream) to the Derby.

*Windham Ski Trip Saturday, January 16.* This is a **one-day** ski/snowboard trip. Rentals are available at Windham, although you may want to consider renting ahead of time at a local ski shop such as Dosil's. **Steve Detwiler** is in charge.

Items of Note

Summer Camp will be at the Ten Mile River Scout Reservation from July 25 to August 1, 1999. Located in the southwestern Catskill Mountain area, the scout reservation actually has four separate camps. Summer camp will offer a wide range of merit badges as well as COPE and high adventure programs. Full details will be available at the December Court of Honor.

Newsletter Input Do you have a story, announcement, or other item of interest for the Troop that you would like

included in the newsletter? Send items no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month to appear in the next month's issue. Items can be submitted via email (plain text or Word 7.0), regular mail, or by phone. Email is preferred.

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