



TROOP 173 NEWS DECEMBER 2011

Happy December Birthday to **David Dodd, Christian Inghman, John DuBose** and **Danny Kinskey-Lebeda**.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS to all members of the Troop 173 family. *This is the time of year where we like to say a special "thank you" to the Troop leaders who help make our program a success!*

A **HOLIDAY PARTY** is planned at our meeting on December 16. Scouts who wish to participate in the gift exchange should bring a wrapped "grab bag" gift worth around \$7.00. Non-perishable food is OK. *There is a twist* – when you open your gift you can keep yours or switch it with one that was opened before yours!

WINTER IS COMING and Troop 173 has a number of special activities coming up. Our first campout of 2012 will be in a cabin at **Camp Turrell** on **January 20-22**. The **Klondike Derby** competition will be held on February 4 at **Camp Sacajawea in Sparta**, with overnight camping available. If a troop meeting has to be cancelled, check your email for notification or contact your Patrol Leader. **Do a Good Turn**: Be sure to shovel out your nearest fire hydrant after snowfall!

DUES PAYMENT: Thanks (in advance) to all who pay their **Dues and Registration** fees on time; first (or total) payment should be received by December 30. If you have any questions about the Troop Dues, please contact Dave Rossnagel 973 334 4867

Patriots Path Council is sponsoring two new Explorer Posts; one for **Law** and one for **Health Care**, **first meetings this month**. These career-based units are open to young men and women ages 14-20. If you are already registered as a Boy Scout, there should be no additional registration charge. *Please see the flier on our website.*

SPECIAL DATE REMINDER:

December 9-11 Camp Winnebago Turkey Campout
December 16– Holiday Party at Mt Tabor School
December 18- PLC meeting
December 19- Troop Committee Meeting– Benson
December 23 & 30 - Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!
No meetings, school vacation

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