

TROOP 208

providing Scouting in Swanton since 1926



Chartered by the Murbach-Siefert American Legion Post 479 in Swanton, OH

September 2015

Pictures of activities, forms, updated news at our website

www.swantonscouts.org



The American Legion was incorporated on September 16th, 1919. Happy 96th Birthday wishes to the American Legion and its members.

back at it on the 15th.



August 22nd is the Swanton CORNFEST!!

A PARADE to start the day off with Classic Cars, games, rides, and more We will participate in the parade and sell Mini-Donuts Put it down on your calendars and plan to join us!



We'll make sure everyone gets updated as fast as our Popcorn "Kernal" gets the marching orders for this year.

Fall Pack Meetings will start again in September

September 17th at the American Legion Hall Starting at 7pm and with the surprise of....???



Check is from noon to 2pm with flags at 2 and the stations start right after until 6pm. Then Pizza Dinner and campfire This will be held @ Camp Miakonda again this year we'll post the flyer and details as soon as we get them

2015 Scouting for Food Campaign

Mid-October - distribution of SFF bags pick up of SFF bags the following Saturday All of the food items collected remain in the Swanton community to help those in need and has been gratefully appreciated for the support.





It's the fall and we're back in full swing Scouts!

Meetings have resumed on Tuesday nights again. Just remember that September 7th is Labor Day and that September 8th is the Junior Fair Day (no school either day). So we'll meet on the 1st, take one week off and be

October 9th thru 11th for a educational weekend!

The Fall Davis-Bessie Atomic Energy Camporee



this is a great weekend www.dbaec.org

Check out their website for what you'll see and do



Summer Camp 2016 @ PSR - done!

The Scouts have spoken and we're going week 3; Cody Campsite. We're signed up as the young men desired.

Join Scouting Night

Our "annual" Join Scouting Night will be September 2nd

We'll meet at the Legion Hall at 6:00pm (Rain or Shine) to introduce Scouting to other young men and their families. If you can, please come out and let the young men know how much fun they can have in Scouting with us!

August 25th, 2015
FIRST DAY of the 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR
again we cheer - YEA, YIPPEE, HOORAY, SUPER !!!!
Well, for the parents anyways.... You guys miss it too

More pictures on our site





Women's Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron Women's Flying Training Detachment (WFTD)



September 15th, 1942 thru August 5th, 1943

http://www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/Portals/7/documents/education/teacher resource flying for freedom.pdf

In August, we gave the brief history of the Women Airforce Service Pilots program, but what led to that program?

As early as 1930, the War Department had considered using women pilots but the Chief of the Air Corps had called the idea "utterly unfeasible," stating that women were too "high President Franklin Roosevelt) to suggest women pilots could be used in a national emergency. Aviatrix Nancy Harkness Love in 1940 made a similar proposal to the Air Corps' Ferry Command. Nothing was done until after American entry into World War II. Facing the need for male



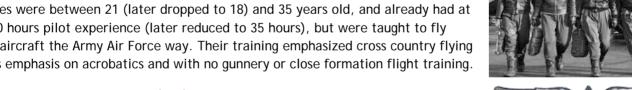
combat pilots, the situation by mid-1943 favored the use of experienced women pilots to fly Army Air Forces aircraft within the United States. Two women's aviator units were formed to ease this need and more than 1,000 women participated in these programs as civilians attached to the AAF. These were merged into a single group, the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) program in August 1943 and broke ground for USAF female pilots who would follow in their



The Women's Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron, never numbering more than 28, was created in September 1942 within the Air Transport Command, under Nancy Harkness Love's leadership. WAFS were recruited from among commercially licensed women pilots with at least 500 hours flying time and a 200-hp rating. (Women who joined the WAFS actually averaged about 1,100 hours of flying experience.) Their original mission was to ferry Army Air Force trainers and light aircraft from the factories, but later they were delivering fighters, bombers and transports as well.

Meanwhile, a training program for women pilots, under Jacqueline Cochran was approved on Sept. 15, 1942, as the Women's Flying Training Detachment (WFTD). The 23week training program, begun in Houston, Texas, included 115 hours of flying time. Training soon moved to Avenger Field at Sweetwater, Texas, and increased to 30 weeks with 210 hours of flying.

Trainees were between 21 (later dropped to 18) and 35 years old, and already had at least 200 hours pilot experience (later reduced to 35 hours), but were taught to fly military aircraft the Army Air Force way. Their training emphasized cross country flying with less emphasis on acrobatics and with no gunnery or close formation flight training.



And as a summary or recap... and today

In August 1943, all women pilots flying for the Army Air Force were consolidated into the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) program with Jacqueline Cochran as AAF Director for Women Pilots. Nancy Harkness Love was named the WASP executive on the Air Transport Command Ferrying Division staff. More than 25,000 women applied for pilot training under the WASP program. Of these, 1,830 were accepted, 1,074 graduated and 900 remained at program's end, plus 16 former WAFS. WASP assignments after graduation were diverse — as flight training instructors, glider tow pilots, towing targets for air-to-air and anti-aircraft gunnery practice, engineering test flying, ferrying aircraft











Upcoming Activities



19th Annual Event September 19th, 2015 Interested in helping?

Registration is required by September 9th http://www.partnersforcleanstreams.org/2015-cys/register



PSR Fall Star Party October 17th & 19th details to follow - but it's fun!

Fall Football Events



October 17th, 7:00pm at the Glass Bowl The Rockets host Eastern Michigan We'll provide more details when we have them

October 24th & 25th

Camp Miakonda's annual Halloween Party

Saturday, 24th from 5:30pm to 9pm Sunday 25th from 2pm to 4:30pm \$6/youth (online/Scout Shop Pre-sale); \$7 at the door



Construction City 2015
No details area available yet; we'll keep everyone posted as soon as we get them, the flyer and the registration information.



Cub Scout Leader Training

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For our NEW Cub Scout Den Leaders....

Cub Scout Leader Specific Training (Live) classes August 22nd @ Providence Lutheran Church October 10th @ Providence Lutheran Church November 7th @ University of Scouting (tentative) January 9th, 2016 @ Jadel Leadership Center March 16th, 2016 @ Jadel Leadership Center

BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation)

March 5th, 2016 @ Providence Lutheran Church



Disney on Ice "Dare to Dream"

at the Huntington Center December 3rd to 6th I here are / shows and these are great for the whole family to spend some time together too.

http://www.ticketmaster.com/ look under FAMILY



Cub Scout Programs

Another year with Imagination Station providing great programs!

http://imaginationstationtoledo.org/content/educators/scout-programs/

November 15th - Webelos: Adventures in Space

November 22nd - Webelos: Engineer December 6th - Bears: Forensics

January 3rd, 2016 - Bears: Super Science January 17th, 2016 - Bears: Make it Move January 31st, 2016 - Wolf: Digging in the Past February 21st, 2015 - Tigers: Sky is the Limit March 6th, 2016 - Tigers: Floats and Boats March 13th, 2016 - Wolf: Air of the Wolf

Registration is open in August - great den

UNIT CALENDAR NEW ITEM !!

Starting this year we've added training that is available for our leaders in **Black Swamp Council**. Sometimes you need more options to get it all done. Hopefully these will help you get that training.



Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
Saturday October 10th @ Jadel Leadership Center
Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Training
Friday March 27th thru Sunday, March 29th

For new leaders to Scouting, the BALOO program is a very good one day introduction that applies not only to Cub Scouts, but also to Boy Scouts for information and to give you an idea (the tip of the iceberg) on what we do.

September Historical & Current Events

September 1st

World War II began with the Nazi invasion of Poland, 1939

September 2nd

Japan signed the surrender terms aboard the "USS Missouri," ending the war in the Pacific, 1945 - known as V-J Day

September 3rd

The Espionage and Sabotage Act was signed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. It authorized the death penalty for peacetime sabotage and the statute of limitations for these crimes was removed, 1954

September 4th

Diplomatic relations with East Germany were established by the United States, 1974

September 5th

The First Continental Congress was established, 1774

September 6th

The funeral for Princess Diana was held in Westminster Abbey, London, 1997

September 7th

The U.S. Frigate *Constellation* was launched, 1797

The Professional Football Hall of Fame was dedicated in Canton, Ohio, 1963

September 9th

Sanctions against South Africa were announced by President Reagan to protest that country's policy of apartheid. With this the sales of computers were banned, and imports of the Kruggerand gold coins were stopped, 1985

September 10th

The First Army liberated Luxembourg, 1944

"Gunsmoke" premiered on CBS television, 1955

September 11th

George Washington and his army were defeated by the British at the Battle of Brandywine, 1777 Alexander Hamilton became the first United States Secretary of the Treasury, 1789

The United States First Army patrols entered Germany, 1944

September 14th

Francis Scott Key wrote his poem "Defense of Ft. McHenry," that was later re-named Star Spangled Banner, 1814

September 16th

General Motors Company filed for incorporation in Hudson County, New Jersey, 1908

The American Legion was incorporated by Congress, 1919

Mary Louise Smith became the first woman to head the Republican National Convention, 1974

September 17th

The United States Constitution was signed, 1787

September 19th

The first underground atomic explosion occurred at the proving grounds near Las Vegas, Nevada, 1957

September 20th

The U.S. Frigate Constitution "Old Iron Sides" was launched, 1797

September 24th

The Bill of Rights passed in US House of Representatives, 1791

September 22nd

American Revolutionary War Captain Nathan Hale, was executed as a spy by the British. Upon his capture, he was hanged

without a trial the following day, 1776.

September 25th

The Bill of Rights passed in the US Senate, 1791

September 29th

The United States regular army was established, 1789









