



Monthly Newsletter Pack 208

TROOP 208

providing Scouting in Swanton since 1926



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

September 2016

Pictures of activities, forms, updated news at our website

www.swantonscouts.org

August 20th is the Swanton CORNFEST !!



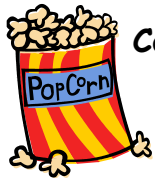
"Corn Wars" May the Stalks be With You

A PARADE to start the day off with and fun until 8pm that evening... the fun goes on and on

Swan Creek District Cub Family Camp

October 8th (Saturday) & 9th (Sunday)

Check in should be from noon to 2pm with flags at 2 and the stations start right after until 6pm and then dinner. should be held @ Camp Miakonda again this year we'll post the flyer and details as soon as we get them



Coming in September....

Popcorn Take Order Sales begin

popcorn sales end in November

popcorn will be distributed afterwards

We'll make sure everyone gets updated as fast as our

Popcorn "Kernal" gets the marching orders for this year.

Show & Sell Popcorn will be available on Sept 16th

2016 Scouting for Food Campaign

Mid-October - distribution of SFF bags; Oct 22nd

pick up of SFF bags the following Saturday; Oct 29th

All of the food items collected remain in the Swanton community to help those in need and has been gratefully appreciated for the support.

Fall Pack Meetings will start again in September

September 15th at the American Legion Hall

Starting at 7pm and with the surprise of....???

Cub Scout Pack "OUTING" Day in our backyard!!!

September 24th at Oak Openings Metro Park

We'll have plenty of activities to keep busy and (also) have a lot of fun too! Plus our Scouts will be able to complete a lot of their required advancement at the same time they're having fun. A one day event.

Sept 30th thru Oct 2nd District Fall Camporee

An AVIATION Weekend out at the 180th ANG Base

Details and Updates as they come in will be provided

There will be an opportunity to earn the Aviation MB



Join Scouting Night

Our "annual" Join Scouting Night will be August 31st

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!

Two reminders -

1. Due to the Fulton County Fair and Labor Day weekend there will be **no meeting on September 6th**. Good luck at the fair if any are participating in it this year.
2. Due to the **Elections on November 8th**, the regular Troop meeting will not be held in the American Legion Hall as it is used for elections. An alternate location will be announced in October.

August is the anniversary for the American Legion who was officially chartered in the United States by the US Congress. Soon after, in November, 1919, the American Legion officially supported the Boy Scouts of America.



In May 1924 the Murbach-Siefert Post #479 was officially chartered and officially accepted the charter of Boy Scout Troop 208 who chartered February 1, 1923.

On December 1, 1990 the Murbach-Siefert Post #479 officially chartered their own Cub Scout Pack; Pack 208.

The Pack and the Troop have both, over all the years, have enjoyed a very good relationship with their Chartering Organization for their support over all these years.

August 24th, 2016

FIRST DAY of the 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

and not a moment too soon....

Well, for the parents anyways....



The History of the American Legion

<http://www.legion.org/history>



The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization. Focusing on service to veterans, service members and communities, the Legion evolved from a group of war-weary veterans of World War I into one of the most influential nonprofit groups in the United States. Membership swiftly grew to over 1 million, and local posts sprang up across the country. Today, membership stands at over 2.4 million in 14,000 posts worldwide. The posts are organized into 55 departments: one each for the 50 states, along with the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, France, Mexico and the Philippines.

Over the years, the Legion has influenced considerable social change in America, won hundreds of benefits for veterans and produced many important programs for children and youth. Following is a chronology of significant dates in Legion history:

In 1919:

- March 15-17 Members of the American Expeditionary Force convene in Paris for the first American Legion caucus.
- May 8-10 St. Louis Caucus. "The American Legion" is adopted as the organization's official name. The Legion's draft preamble and constitution are approved.
- June 9 The National Executive Committee adopts the Legion emblem.
- Sept 16 Congress charters The American Legion.
- Nov 10-12 First Legion convention convenes in Minneapolis. The Constitution and preamble are adopted. Delegates vote 361-323 to locate the Legion's national headquarters in Indianapolis, instead of Washington. ***A resolution is passed in support of Boy Scouts of America. Today, the Legion is the chartering agency for more than 1,700 Scouting units made up of approximately 64,000 youths.***

In 1919 the American Legion Auxiliary was founded

In the 1920s:

- August 1st, 1920** the American Legion Department of Ohio was Chartered now having been in operation for 96 years
- Aug 9, 1921 The Legion's efforts result in the creation of the U.S. Veterans Bureau, forerunner of the Veterans Administration. Today, the Legion continues to lobby for adequate funding to cover medical, disability, education and other benefits for veterans.
- June 15, 1923 The first "Flag Code" is drafted during a Legion conference in Washington. Congress adopts the code in 1942. Today, the Legion is at the forefront of efforts to pass a constitutional amendment to protect the U.S. flag from physical desecration.

November 1924

In November 1924 the Murbach-Seifert American Legion Post #479 was chartered in Swanton, OH
Post #479 has been in operation for 92 years now celebrating their 90th anniversary on Nov 3rd, 2014

In the 1930s:

- Sept 1932 The Sons of The American Legion is officially recognized during the 1932 National Convention in Portland, Ore.
- June 23, 1935 The first American Legion Boys State convenes in Springfield, Ill., to help youths gain an understanding of the structure and operation of the federal government. The first Boys Nation, bringing together youth leadership from all the Boys State programs, convenes in 1946. Today, more than 19,500 young men participate in Boys State, and 98 in Boys Nation, from 49 of the 50 states.

In the 1940s:

- Sept 19-21, 1942 Preamble to the Constitution of The American Legion is changed for the first and only time since it was written in 1919. The word "War" is changed to "Wars."

Upcoming Activities



TRAINING

Cub Scout Leader Training

training@erieshores.org

For our NEW Cub Scout Den Leaders....

Cub Scout Leader Specific Training (Live) classes

- August 2nd @ Jadel Leadership Center
- Sept 14th @ Hayes Memorial UMC Fremont
- Sept 17th @ Hayes Memorial UMC Fremont
- October 1st @ Portage Methodist Church, Portage
- January 14th, 2017 @ Jadel Leadership Center
- March 15th, 2017 @ Jadel Leadership Center

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)

March 4th, 2017 @ Jadel & Camp Miakonda

Outdoor Webelos Leader Skills (OWLS)

March 24th & 25th, 2017 @ Camp Miakonda

UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING

November 5th, 2016 at Cardinal Stritch HS
This is a day full of training opportunities
as soon as the schedule is available we'll make
sure you can see what is out there



The Walley usually offer 3 games for "SCOUT EXPERIENCE" dates to go to each season.

<http://www.swantonscouts.org/flyers/Walleye2016-17.pdf>

Information to register (phone/email) is in the flyer (link above); Scout Experience nights are:

- Saturday Jan 7th
- Saturday, Feb 25th (Sleepover)
- Saturday Mar 25th - NEW Pinewood Derby Showcase

Bowling Green State University Falcon Football

September 17th, 2016; BGSU vs Middle Tennessee
Tickets are \$8 each and first scouts there get deals!

University of Toledo Rocket Football

October 22nd, 2016; UT vs Central Michigan
Tickets are \$15 each, promotion code SCOUT



TRAINING

Boy Scout Leader Training

Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training

- Saturday October 1st @ Portage Methodist Church
- Saturday Jan 14th, 2017 @ Jadel Leadership
- Saturday Jan 21st, 2017 @ Jadel Leadership

Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Training

March 24th & 25th, 2017 @ Camp Miakonda

watch our website Training Page for updates

Fundamentals of Training (4 hours)

April 8th, 2017 @ Jadel Leadership Center

Trainers Edge (8 hours)

May 13th, 2017 @ Jadel Leadership Center



Leave No Trace Trainer Course

September 16th - 18th, 2016



It's a weekend long training session for anyone 14 years old, or older, interested in being an LNT Trainer.

swantonscouts.org/flyers/2016-09-16LNTTraner.pdf

details in the flyer, you must register, in advance



Cub Scout Programs

Another year with Imagination Station providing great programs!

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

November 6th - Webelos: Engineer

November 13th - Webelos: Adventures in Science

December 4th - Bears: Forensics

January 8th, 2017 - Bears: Super Science

January 22nd, 2017 - Bears: Make it Move

February 5th, 2017 - Wolf: Digging in the Past

February 12th, 2017 - Tigers: Sky is the Limit

March 5th, 2017 - Wolf: Digging in the Past

March 12th, 2017 - Wolf: Air of the Wolf

April 2nd - Webelos: Engineer

April 9th - Webelos: Adventures in Science

Registration is open NOW - great den activities!
and people who are pumped up to help your Cub

Scouts with topics you may not be as knowledgeable about too!

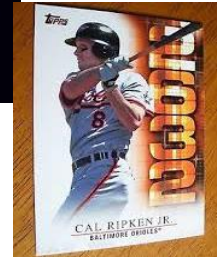
September Historical & Current Event:

www.aboutfamouspeople.com

September 3rd

The Treaty of Paris was signed by United States & Great Britain representatives, officially ending the Revolutionary War, 1783

Viking II landed on Mars, 1976



September 4th

The Foreign Assistance Act which authorized \$4,253,500,000 for use in foreign military and economic programs was signed by President John F. Kennedy, 1961

September 5th

The First Continental Congress was established, 1774

Baltimore Orioles Cal Ripken, Jr., tied Lou Gehrig's consecutive professional baseball game streak of 2130 games, 1995

September 7th

The U.S. Frigate Constellation was launched, 1797



September 8th

Margaret Gorman, from Washington, D.C., was crowned the first Miss America, in Atlantic City, New Jersey, 1921

September 9th

Mounted police were used for the first time in New York City, 1904



September 10th

Elias Howe, of Spencer, Massachusetts, received a patent for his sewing machine; the first in the United States with an eye-pointed needle, 1847



September 11th

Food Stamps were authorized by the US Congress in a program to distribute surplus food to impoverished Americans, 1959

September 12th

"Lassie" made its television debut, 1954



September 13th

New York City was declared temporary United States capital, 1788

The Battle of North Point or Baltimore occurred at Fort McHenry, 1814



September 14th

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

September 16th

The American Legion was incorporated by Congress, 1919



September 24th

The United States Constitution was signed, 1787

President George Washington delivered his Farewell Address to Congress, 1796

The Civil War Battle of Antietam (Sharpsburg) Maryland; the single bloodiest day in American history occurred, 1862



September 18th

President George Washington laid the cornerstone of the United States Capitol building, 1793

September 20th

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



September 23rd

John Paul Jones defeated the ship "HMS Serapis," 1779

September 24th

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

September 25th

The Bill of Rights passed in the US Senate, 1791

September 29th

The United States regular army was established, 1789

