

# TROOP 208 providing Scouting in Swanton since 1923



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

April 2022

Pictures of activities, forms, updated news at our website

www.swantonscouts.org

# 2022 Pack 208 PINEWOOD DERBY WINNERS!

Winners and Best Design go to:
Tigers 1st Ryder Bellner

Wolf 1st Jace Janowiecki Best Design & 2nd Elliott Marvin

Bear 1st Liam Steiner
Best Design & 2nd Slade Wielinski

Webelos I 1st Luke Gineman

2nd Lincoln Kerstetter

Best Design Landon Hogan

Webelos II 1st Levi Smallman Best Design Troy Hampton

We would like to, once again, thank our Post Commander Rick Maynard and our Unit Commissioner Rich Sorgefield for being our guest judges and selecting the Best Design winners. We greatly appreciate it!

#### April Pack Meeting = Thursday April 21st

7pm at the Legion Hall .... CROSS OVER night



May 8th, 2022

Don't forget to make that a special day for your mother (or try to please!)

## May Pack Meeting = Thursday May 19th

7pm at the American Legion Hall

Final Meeting of the year, let's finish all of the awards & advancements you've been working on all year.

### May 30th ~ Swanton Memorial Day Parade

Details as soon as we confirm starting time, etc

#### **April 21st is the Pack Crossover for Webelos II**

The *District's Spring Camporee* is not scheduled yet, we will keep watching for it and pass that along as soon as we have the information

#### June 14th ~ Flag Day

Each year the Legion sponsors an evening when we respectfully retire worn US Flags. Evening event.

#### PSR - Summer Camp 2022

July 3rd through July 9th Nessle Campsite just past Ecology



This year we're looking at "Plan C" dining where we will plan and provide our own meals in camp.

Plenty of time to get ready for our current and future (the Webelos II) Boy Scouts to plan for a week of Camp.

Final Plan C price & due date will be announced soon

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If there are any questions about the price of summer camp or how to pay for it PLEASE see either Mr Raven or Mr Waterstradt and we'll try to help your Scout.

If parents want to join us, please let us know!

In respect to our Vietnam Vets
March 29th is designated as
Vietnam Veteran's Day in honor
of the day in 1972 that the last of
our US troops left Vietnam.



On January 12, 1962 US Army Pilots lifted more than 1,000 South Vietnamese service members in Operation Chopper, our first combat mission in an 11 year long conflict that claimed over 58,000 lives and more unaccounted for as Missing in Action (MIA).

# The Beginning of Cub Scouting

www.scouting.org/Home/CubScouts/Parents/About/history.aspx

Back in England, younger boys were eager to become Boy Scouts. In 1914, Baden-Powell began implementing a program for younger boys that was based on Rudyard Kipling's *Jungle Book*. The Wolf Cub program began in 1916, and since that time, Wolf Cubbing has spread to other European countries with very little change.

In America, hundreds of Cub Scout-age boys and their families were clamoring for a program of their own. As early as 1920, Scout executives at the first national training conference discussed the needs of younger boys. The BSA, however, felt it wise to postpone any action until there was more objective evidence.

In 1925, Dr. Huber W. Hurt, a research psychologist and veteran Scouter, was authorized to study existing organizations for younger boys, such as Boy Rangers, Boy Pioneers, American Eagles, and Boys' Clubs. He found that only one boy in 50 participated regularly in any type of organized leisure-time program. He also found that younger boys responded better to leadership and program efforts than older boys. He worked closely with Ernest Thompson Seton. Both men recommended that the BSA adopt a program for younger boys, with older Boy Scouts as leaders, to tie into home, church, school, and Boy Scouting.

The National Executive Board authorized the Chief Scout Executive to thoroughly investigate the matter. An advisory committee worked with the BSA to develop a plan and produce the necessary literature. Advice was obtained from leading psychologists, sociologists, teachers, school superintendents, professors of education, college executives, and recreation and welfare directors.

By 1929, the new Cubbing program (it wasn't called "Cub Scouting" until several years later) was taking shape and was introduced as a demonstration project in a limited number of communities. Its structure was similar to today's Cub Scouting, except that dens were led by Boy Scout den chiefs. The plan included a neighborhood mothers' committee to encourage Cubs and den chiefs.

In 1930, Cub Scouting was formally launched, with 5,102 boys registered at the end of that first year. By 1933 the time had come to promote Cub Scouting throughout the country as a part of Scouting. All experimental restrictions were removed, and the first national director of Cub Scouting was appointed.

Den mother registration was optional for the first few years. By June 1938, 1,100 den mothers had registered and soon became an important part of Cub Scouting.

The first dens met weekly at a member's home, where boys played games and enjoyed crafts and ceremonies. The pack met weekly or semimonthly for games, den competitions, awards, stunts, and other activities. Cubs advanced from Bobcat (for all new members) to Wolf (age 9), Bear (age 10), and Lion (age 11) and joined a Boy Scout troop at age 12.

In 1949, the age requirement was lowered to between 8 and 10 for Cub Scouts. In 1982, Tiger Cubs was started based on shared leadership of boy-adult partner teams and the school year calendar. In 1986, Cub Scouts could register as second-grade boys.

Cub Scouting in America is different from the younger-boy programs of other countries because it is centered in the home and neighborhood. With the encouragement of family and leaders, boys enjoy a program that covers a wide variety of interesting things. It suggests activities that boys enjoy doing on their own when adults are not supervising them. These activities are particularly suited to boys of Cub Scout age and are different from those they will encounter in Boy Scouting.

A strong influence from Kipling's Jungle Book remains today. The terms "Law of the Pack," "Akela," "Wolf Cub," "grand howl," "den," and "pack" all come from the Jungle Book. At the same time, the Gold and Silver Arrow Points, Webelos emblem, and Arrow of Light emblem are taken from our American Indian heritage.

Today the Cub Scouts have changed to include young ladies being able to join and participate in this great program and experience all that Scouting has to offer. Pack 208 has had the opportunity to share this with our first young ladies and we've enjoyed their participation! Hopefully they are just the beginning for us.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES!**

#### Parent & Pal Overnight @ Camp Miakonda

April 23rd & 24th check out details at the Council's website @ www.erieshorescouncil.org/parentpal

CAMP MIAKONDA

# CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP



4 WEEKS TO CHOOSE FROM!



details @ www.erieshorescouncil.org/cdc

Week 1 June 13 - 17
Week 2 June 20 - 24
Week 3 June 27 - July 1
Week 4 July 11 - 16

Fees

\$195 / youth Early Bird Registration by May 6th \$205 / youth Regular Registration after May 6th Discounts may be available (Sibling or Pack) See the detials on the webpage provided

#### **Miakonda Webelos Overnight**

July 8th & 9th check out details at the Council's <a href="https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/webover">https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/webover</a>

Fees

\$50 / Scout Early Bird Registration by May 5th \$60 / Scout Regular Registration after May 5th \$35 / Adult Early Bird Registration by May 5th \$45 / Adult Regular Registration after May 5th

See the detials on the webpage provided

#### Arrow of Light Resident Camp @ PSR

July 31 - August 3rd or August 3rd to 6th Spend a couple nights at Pioneer Scout Reservation check out details at the Council's website @

https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/WRC

A couple of great ways to spend some time with your Cub Scout and have some outdoors fun too!

#### FUNDRAISER COMING UP... BUTTER BRAIDS!

From March 8th through the 23rd the troop will be taking orders for BUTTER BRAID Pastries.

We be taking orders for those 2 weeks so we can place an order that will be delivered on April 12th, just in time for Easter morning breakfast.

Orders definitely will be taken at Troop meetings.

#### HELP is needed to find a new trailer!

Our Milkshake Fundraiser trailer SHAKES... a lot! Yes, if you saw it go down the road the last few times the trailer shakes quite a bit and we're looking to replace it. If anyone knows of a similar trailer that is available please let Alan or Gary know ASAP! For the Boy Scouts it is our primary fundraiser every year at the Cornfest. If you have any questions or suggestions please let us know or ask! Thanks everyone.

Your Scout wants to attend either Cub Day Camp or Pioneer Summer Camp, but there are some problems in paying for it? **PLEASE** talk to one of the leaders; there may be some help available through the Council Camping Committee or we will find a way to help afford the available Scouting summer programs.

We want all of our Scouts to be able to enjoy camping.



Want a snack? The Troop is selling these Meat Sticks as a fundraiser to help the Scouts pay for Scouting

#### **KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS Reminder!!**

Our Account Number is still **AS052. The old Account Number (81834)** will still be associated with the Troop if you're already signed up. Thank you and all of these funds go directly to your Scout's account.

At this time there are plans for Swanton's

Cornfest; August 6th.

More details to follow as planning is
announced... MILKSHAKES too!!!

# **April Historical & Current Events**

#### April 1st

•BSA registered the first Cub Scout Packs, 1930

http://www.scouting.org/Home/CubScouts/Parents/About/history.aspx

• President Eisenhower signed the bill establishing the US Air Force Academy, 1954

#### April 2nd

• First Easter egg roll at the White House, 1877

#### April 3rd

- First Pony Express began its route between St. Joseph, Missouri, and Sacramento, California, 1860
- American's Creed accepted, 1918

#### April 6th

- •Robert Perry & Matthew Hensen became the first men to reach the North Pole, 1909
- •United States declared war on Germany, 1917

#### April 9th

- •The American Civil War ended in the East, 1865
- •Sir Winston Churchill was made an honorary United States citizen, 1963

#### April 11th

• Congress proclaimed the end of the Revolutionary War, 1783

#### April 12th

- •England adopted original Union Jack as its flag, 1606
- •The bombing of Fort Sumter began, starting the Civil War, 1861

#### April 13th

- •Pennsylvania Railroad received its charter, 1847
- •Fort Sumter surrendered, 1861

#### April 14th

- President Abraham Lincoln was shot by John Wilkes Booth, at Ford's Theatre, Washington,
- D.C., 1865, while watching a performance of Our American Cousin.
- Air Force Reserve Birthday, 1948

#### April 15th

• President Lincoln died at 7:22 a.m., in Washington, D.C., 1865

#### April 16th

• A bill ending slavery in the District of Columbia became law, 1862

#### April 17th

•Apollo 13 astronauts splashed down safely, 1970

#### April 18th

•Midnight ride of Paul Revere & William Dawes in Boston, Massachusetts, 1775

#### April 19th

•The American Revolutionary War began with the battles of Lexington & Concord, 1775

#### April 22nd

•U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum dedicated in Washington, 1993

#### April 23rd

Army Reserve Birthday, 1908

#### April 26th

•The world's worst nuclear accident occurred at the Chernobyl plant in the Soviet Union, 1986

#### April 30tr

•George Washington took office in New York as the first President of the United States, 1789





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