



Pack 208

Newsletter

Troop 208



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

March 2012

Pack News

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208

March: District Pinewood Derby – March 10th

Location: St Francis DeSales High School

Details posted on the Pack website

[District Pinewood Derby Rules](#)

[District Pinewood Derby Information Packet](#)

GOOD LUCK to the Cubs going to District!

Blue & Gold Banquet

March 15th at the Legion Hall

Mr Raven will provide more details at the pack meeting as we prepare for our Cubs to advance!

Hey Cub Scouts - it's time to finish up any awards you've got just a bit more to go so you can get them at the Blue & Gold !!



Special GUEST!

With the compliments of one of our Den Leaders (thank you, thank you) we have a special guest visitor! Swanton Police Department's highly trained Drug (sniffing) K-9! *YEAH!*

CUB DAY CAMP 2011

There are 4 weeks of Cub Day Camp

Week 1 is June 18th - 22nd

Week 2 is June 25th - 29th

NO Day Camp the week of July 4th!

Week 4 is July 9th - 13th

Week 5 is July 15th - 20th

There will only be 4 weeks this year; more information will be coming soon including the costs



National Summertime Pack Award

3 summertime activities like a MUDHENS game, picnic, etc can qualify our Pack for this award in 2012!

TROOP NEWS

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208

February 24th / 25th: Troop Leadership Training at Grace United Methodist Church in Perrysburg A great overnight (Lock In) training event for our young leaders to help understand their leadership roles in the troop better.

February 29th: Camp Frontier Groundhog Dinner @ Camp Miakonda for the SPL and Adult Leaders



Groundhog Dinner and Summer Camp Kick Off meeting

Let's get ready to Party in PIONEER style!!!



God & Country Camporee

March 9th - 11th, 2012 @ Camp Miakonda

we will be staying in First Reformed Cabin see the flyer at: [2012G&Cflyer](#)

The theme this year is "Serving GODS Hands" and is being ran by our own Mr Waterstradt ... get ready!

Spring Camporee Details to follow, but if all goes as is being planned it may be a weekend with some "sitting down" and working on a merit badge!



SUMMER CAMP 2012

Week of July 1st thru July 7th
We are sharing CODY Campsite

This is the first week of July and July is not that far away... Early Bird registration will be due in April Well Scouts... know what Merit Badges you want?

Our 3 Generations of the Boy Scout Law continues
A Scout is.... CHEERFUL

See what CHEERFUL has meant to others before
www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/ScoutLaw.pdf

Awards & Recognitions & Training Info



The **Conservation Good Turn Award** is an opportunity for Scout units to join with conservation or environmental organizations (federal, state, local, or private) to carry out a conservation Good Turn in their home communities. Working together in the local community, the unit and the agency plan the details and establish the date, time and location for carrying out the project.

Conservation projects should involve the entire unit - scouts, leaders, and family members. Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts participating in the Conservation Good Turn can also meet some advancement requirements.

Agencies to contact for project ideas:

- Natural Resource and Conservations Service (NRCS)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Forest Service
- Bureau of Land Management
- National Park Service

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- local City Works department
- Audubon Society
- Trout Unlimited

Some suggested projects could be:

- Plant grasses, trees, shrubs, and ground cover to stop soil erosion.
- As a den or pack, adopt a park and keep it clean.
- Organize or participate in a recycling program.
- Participate in a beach or waterfront cleanup. Record the items collected and determine the possible harmful effects to wildlife.
- Establish a nature trail, plant vegetation, or carry out other needed projects as requested by the camp ranger at a local BSA camp property.

National Summertime Pack Award



All the pack must do is plan and conduct a monthly pack activity for June, July, and August. The whole idea is to keep your pack together and to do things during the summer when boys have plenty of free time. After conducting these three activities, the pack qualifies for the pack award.

An AWARD for just having FUN??? WHAT A GREAT IDEA!!!

Council & District TRAINING events



Cub Scout TRAINING

Cub Scout Leader Specific Training



Lee Schultz @ cubtraining@swancreekdistrict.org

BALOO Training

March 3rd, 2012 (want to have fun like a kid again?)

Cub Scout Leader Training

March 21st ~ Part 1 of Cub Scout Leader Trng
March 28th ~ Part 2 of Cub Scout Leader Trng



Boy Scout TRAINING

Boy Scout Leader Specific Training

Mike Pierson @ bstraining@swancreekdistrict.org

Scoutmaster (& ASM) Leader Training (SLT) and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) will be scheduled for the spring 2012; more details to

Leave No Trace

There are 7 principles to the "Leave No Trace" training program. They take the Outdoor Code and help explain not only what it is about, but how we are supposed to actually practice it in our lives.

You must be 14 or older to participate in this course



Leave No Trace Trainer Course

@ Camp Miakonda
May 4th - 6th

Learn more about outdoor ethics

For Boy Scouts who want to be Troop LNT Trainers this is a great program and educational too.

[Leave No Trace Trainer Course May 4th - 6th](#)

Upcoming Activities



For the Tigers, Wolves, Bears and First Year Webelos we'd like to remind you that Erie Shores Council will be offering Cub Day Camp again in 2012. Look for more information soon, but the dates are above.

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Dad & Lad Overnight

April 29th & 29th @ Camp Miakonda
Saturday morning thru Sunday morning
Cabin or Tent Camping... A GREAT TIME !!!

Mom & Me Overnight

May 5th & 6th @ Camp Miakonda
Saturday morning thru Sunday morning
Cabin or Tent Camping... A GREAT TIME ALSO!
we'll post the flyers & details as soon as they are available

Boy Scouts of America - Erie Shores Council
3rd Annual

10 Commandment Hike

Saturday, May 19th @ Camp Miakonda
Come out and have fun hiking and learning about the different faiths in our area and see the beautiful Historical Camp Miakonda. Details on the flyer.

[10CommandmentHikeFlyer2012.pdf](#)

this has been a great program to attend!

TENTATIVELY we expect there will again be the following great events again this year:

Mudhens' Sleepovers @ 5th/3rd Field

Watch a game, see fireworks, a movie and campout in the outfield for the night - WOW!

This is one event that you just can't pass up if you enjoy BASEBALL, fireworks, BASEBALL, camping, BASEBALL, a movie, BASEBALL....

As soon as we get information on this we'll pass it on



ORDER OF THE ARROW

Upcoming events for Arrowmen

www.tindeuchen.com

LODGE Events

February 19th Lodge Workday 9am until ??

EC Meeting (4pm) & Lodge Meeting (5pm)

February 26th Lodge Banquet & Meeting

2012 is the 55th anniversary of Tindeuchen Lodge...

Expect some exciting and memorable things !

April 13th - 15th is the Spring Ordeal @ Miakonda

Dan, Logan & Scott.... You're signed up for it!

Are you ready? We shall see!

June 1st - 3rd is the Spring Ordeal @ PSR

the 31st National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC)

Beginning July 30, 2012, over 7000 arrowmen, including a contingent from Erie Shores Council, converge on Michigan State University for the 31st NOAC. What is NOAC? Go to a Lodge Meeting and get first hand information from those who have gone

Council Centennial Camporee

October 12th - 14th @ Pioneer Scout Reservation
Details still being worked out for events & programs

As always, as soon as we know what is on the schedule we'll let you know to. ESC is 100 years old!

Not enough to keep you busy?

IMAGINATION STATION 2012 SCHEDULE

5pm to 5pm (overnight) programming ends @ 11am

February Saturday 4th Boys

Saturday 25th Co-ed

March Friday 2nd Boys

Friday 23rd Co-ed

April Saturday 14th Boys

Camp-in includes 2 days of admissions, dinner & breakfast, event patch, workshop series & more!

You can register on line at:

www.imaginationstationtoledo.org/content/educators/camp-in/

or get a registration form from the Pack site at:

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208/flyers/ISCamp-In.pdf

March Historical & Current Events

March 1

Ohio entered the Union, 1803 (17th)



March 3

Star Spangled Banner adopted as National Anthem of the United States, 1931

March 7

Alexander Graham Bell received a patent for his telephone, 1876
Army Distinguished Service Medal was authorized, 1918



March 9

The battle of "USS *Monitor*" & "CSS *Merrimack*" occurred at Hampton Roads, Virginia, 1862

March 10

Alexander Graham Bell's first telephone call, 1876



March 12

The Girl Scouts of America were founded, 1912



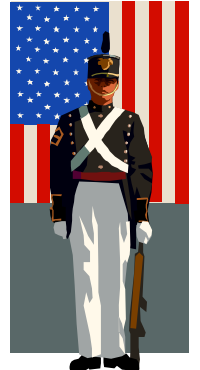
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March 15

"*My Fair Lady*" opened on Broadway, 1956

March 16

Congress authorized the establishment of the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., 1802



March 17

The Camp Fire Girls created, 1912



March 18

Schick, Inc. marketed the first electric razor, 1931



March 19

Congress approved daylight-savings time, 1918



March 20

Uncle Tom's Cabin was first published, 1852

March 22

The Beatles US album *The Early Beatles* was released, 1965



March 23

Patrick Henry's *Give me Liberty* speech occurred, 1775

The United States Mint produced its first coins made by a press, 1836



March 25

RCA first produced color televisions, 1954



March 27

President George Washington and Congress created United States Navy, 1794

March 30

Alaska sold to United States by Russia, 1867



March 31

Wabash, Indiana was the first town to be illuminated by electric lights, 1880

"*Oklahoma!*" opened on Broadway, 1943