



**2014 Pack
PINWOOD
DERBY
Winners!**

CONGRATS GUYS - GOOD JOB FOR EVERYONE

Winners and Best Design go to:

Tigers 1st Asa
 2nd Dominic
 Best Design Drew

Wolfs 1st Alexander
 2nd Austin
 Best Design Brandy

Bears 1st Richard
 2nd Xander
 Best Design Jacob

Webelos I & II 1st Ethan
(combined) 2nd Blake
 Best Design Paul



2014 Dad & Lad Overnight @ Camp Miakonda
May 3rd - 4th @ Camp Miakonda

2014 Mom & Me Overnight @ Camp Miakonda
May 10th - 11th @ Camp Miakonda



www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208/flyers/&Me2014.pdf

Camp Miakonda Cub Day Camps 2014

Week 1	June 16th - 20th	Estimated cost is
Week 2	June 23rd - 27th	\$150 for the week
Week 3	July 7th - 11th	each additional week is
Week 4	July 14th - 18th	\$100

Thursday night is Family Night from 4:30 to 8:00pm

Early register by May 16th, 2014 and save \$10

UPCOMING EVENTS for the Troop...

April 25th thru 27th District Spring Camporee

details & planning are still in the works

"Are you tougher than a Scout?" is the theme....



Summer Camping / Program

We're still planning on our summer program for the Troop and Scouts. Besides going to Pioneer for Summer Camp, there are other possible activities we can do. As a Youth led program, we're asking our Scouts to tell us what they'd like to do this summer. Any ideas are welcome!

Snow day in Washington DC shuts down the city...



The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier While the city of Washington DC literally shut down due to the snow, these men still reported for their assignment; without fail.

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and those who stand guard

In honor of those who stood their post this past winter; their loyalty and commitment are understated



1. How many steps does the guard take during his walk across the tomb of the Unknowns and why?

21 steps.

It alludes to the twenty-one gun salute which is the highest honor given any military or foreign dignitary.

2. How long does he hesitate after his about face to begin his return walk and why?

21 seconds for the same reason as answer number 1

3. Why are his gloves wet?

His gloves are moistened to prevent his losing his grip on the rifle.

4. Does he carry his rifle on the same shoulder all the time and , if not, why not?

He carries the rifle on the shoulder away from the tomb. After his march across the path, he executes an about face and moves the rifle to the outside shoulder.



5. How often are the guards changed?

Guards are changed every thirty minutes, Twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year.

6. What are the physical traits of the guard limited to?

For a person to apply for guard duty at the tomb, he must be between 5' 10" and 6' 2" tall and his waist size cannot exceed 30. They must commit 2 years of life to guard the tomb, live in a barracks under the tomb, and cannot drink any alcohol on or off duty for the rest of their lives. They cannot swear in public for the rest of their lives and cannot disgrace the uniform or the tomb in any way.



After two years, the guard is given a wreath pin that is worn on their lapel signifying they served as guard of the tomb. There are only 400 presently worn. The guard must obey these rules for the rest of their lives or give up the wreath pin.

The shoes are specially made with very thick soles to keep the heat and cold from their feet. There are metal heel plates that extend to the top of the shoe in order to make the loud click as they come to a halt.

There are no wrinkles, folds or lint on the uniform. Guards dress for duty in front of a full-length mirror.

The first six months of duty a guard cannot talk to anyone nor watch TV. All off duty time is spent studying the 175 notable people laid To rest in Arlington National Cemetery. A guard must memorize who they are and where they are interred. Among the notables are:

President Taft, Joe Lewis {the boxer}, and Medal of Honor winner Audie Murphy, the most decorated soldier of WWII of Hollywood fame.

Every guard spends five hours a day getting his uniforms ready for guard duty.

In 2003 as Hurricane Isabelle was approaching Washington, DC, our US Senate/House took 2 days off with anticipation of the storm. On the ABC Evening news, it was reported that because of the dangers from the Hurricane, the military members assigned the duty of guarding the Tomb of The Unknown Soldier were given permission to suspend the assignment. They respectfully declined the offer, 'No way, Sir!' Soaked to the skin, marching in the pelting rain of a tropical storm, they said that guarding The Tomb was not just an assignment, it was the highest honor that can be Afforded to a service person. The tomb has been patrolled continuously, 24/7, since 1930. And this winter was no different. May God Bless and keep them.

Council & District TRAINING events



TRAINING

Cub Scout
Leader Specific Training

[Lee Schultz @ cubtraining@swancreekdistrict.org](mailto:Lee.Schultz@cubtraining@swancreekdistrict.org)

May 17th ~ BALOO for overnight camping

BALOO is Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation

Everything you thought you knew... but maybe didn't....

Upcoming Activities

Mini-Cub Day Camp June 30th - July 2nd

Come out for one, two or three days; \$30/day

Have some fun with all the same activities

Webelos I Overnights @ Miakonda

June 21st and 22nd or July 12th and 13th

\$35 per Webelos and \$35 per Adult Partner

Webelos II Resident Camp @ Camp Frontier

\$127 for the Webelos Scout & \$66 for the Adult

3 days out at Camp Frontier during the last week of the regular Boy Scout Camp in the summer



Toledo Mud Hens 2014 Scout Sleepovers



Get the Scout flyer on our website:

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/2014Mudhens.pdf

Dates are:

Friday, May 30th

Friday, July 11th

Saturday, May 31st

Saturday, July 12th

Saturday, June 28th

Friday, August 8th

Word of caution (for first time participants....) Sleeping on the outfield is like sleeping on a carpet. No rocks, roots or ruts.... It's like setting up your tent in the living room. One of my most unusual camping experiences ever!



Leave No Trace (LNT) has a new look.

Outdoor ethics is not just for youth.

Adult volunteers are encouraged to seek training in basic outdoor skills and even take specialized courses to learn Leave No Trace skills. Many councils

have Outdoor Ethics advocates who provide leadership to their local units in learning and practicing good outdoor

Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award for Cub Scouts/Scouters

Cub Scouts and their leaders interested in learning more about outdoor ethics and Leave No Trace should begin by exploring the Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award. The requirements are as follows:

1. Describe what the Outdoor Code means to you.
2. Complete the [Leave No Trace](#) online course and print the certificate
3. Complete the [Tread Lightly! TL! Kids Outdoor Quiz](#) and print the certificate.
4. Participate in an outdoor ethics activity facilitated by a person who has completed the BSA outdoor ethics orientation course or is a BSA outdoor ethics trainer or master.

Cub Scouts earn this award by working with their families to complete these activities.

Next month we'll go into more detail on these awards for Cub Scouts/Scouters and Boy Scouts/Scouters



2007 in England
Sound
Interesting?



2011 in Sweden
Time to sign up if
you are guys!

<http://www.scouting.org/worldjamboree.aspx>

July 28th thru August 8th, 2015 in Kirara-hama, Japan

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/2015WSJ.pdf



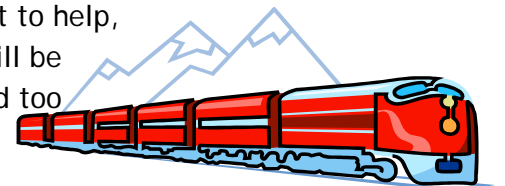
National Train Day 2013
Toledo's Amtrak Station
on Saturday, May 3rd
9:30am to 4:00pm



<https://www.facebook.com/NationalTrainDayToledo>

FREE OPEN HOUSE event for everyone to come see!
Model trains, displays, and more!

And if you want to help,
volunteers will be
appreciated too



Railroading Merit Badge Opportunity
Limited to 50 Scouts (due to space)

Details and registration information due out about April 1st. Cost estimated to be between \$5 and \$7 and will cover a pizza lunch. More details when available guys.

Pizza, trains and a Merit Badge all at the same time....
Really who could ask for more fun in one day?

[Outdoor Ethics Awards Homepage](#)

April Historical & Current Events

April 4th

- Henry "Hank" Aaron tied Babe Ruth 's Home Run record of 714, 1974

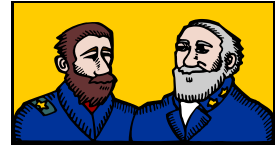


April 7th

- Lee and Grant discussed terms for surrender, 1865

April 9th

- Robert E. Lee surrendered the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, 1865
- The American Civil War ended in the East, 1865



April 10th

- F. Scott Fitzgerald's "The Great Gatsby " was published, 1925

April 11th

- Congress proclaimed the end of the Revolutionary War, 1783
- Jackie Robinson, entered Major League Baseball,1947



April 12th

- The bombing of Fort Sumter began, starting the Civil War, 1861

April 13th

- 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.



April 15th

- President Lincoln died at 7:22 a.m., in Washington, D.C., 1865
- The Titanic struck and iceberg and sank, 1912

April 16th

- First Confederate Conscription (draft) Act enacted, 1862

April 17th

- Ford Motor Company unveiled its Mustang automobile, 1964..... 50th Anniversary !!



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
- A truck bomb exploded outside the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Bldg., in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, killing 168 and injuring 500, 1995

April 20th

- The State Board of Education, first in United States, was established in Massachusetts, 1837

April 21st

- The first train crossed the Mississippi River, 1855



April 22nd

- The Oklahoma Land Rush began at noon as thousands of homesteaders staked claims, 1889
- U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum dedicated in Washington, 1993

April 24th

- Library of Congress was established, 1800

April 25th

- The ground was broken for the Suez Canal, 1859



April 29th

- United States forces freed 32,000 at Dachau Concentration Camp, 1945