



Monthly Newsletter

Pack 208

TROOP 208

providing Scouting in Swanton since 1926



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

June 2015

Pictures of activities, forms, updated news at our website

www.swantonscouts.org

May 25th ~ Swanton Memorial Day Parade



We will, again, be helping the American Legion and other veteran's groups to honor our flag and veterans

All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Leaders are welcome to join in the annual Swanton Memorial Day Parade.

Meet at Crestwood at 10:15am on May 25th

Please wear your Scout uniform so we can show Swanton our Scouting spirit and pride while we honor our veterans who have sacrificed for us through the years

A special **THANK YOU** to the Scouts and their families who helped place US Flags at the grave sites of Swanton's veterans in honor of their service to our country.

In Flanders Fields by John McCrae, 1915

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.



We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.



in commemoration of the fallen in World War I

Summer Camping / Program

PSR - Summer Camp 2015

June 28th thru July 4th

Cody Campsite (back by Ecology)



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



Flag Day is Saturday,

June 14th

Honored at the Legion on date yet to be determined

<http://www.usflag.org/history/flagday.html>

The Fourth of July was traditionally celebrated as America's birthday, but the idea of an annual day specifically celebrating the Flag is believed to have first originated in 1885. BJ Cigrand, a schoolteacher, arranged for the pupils in the Fredonia, Wisconsin Public School, District 6, to observe June 14 (the 108th anniversary of the official adoption of The Stars and Stripes) as 'Flag Birthday'. In numerous magazines and newspaper articles and public addresses over the following years, Cigrand continued to enthusiastically advocate the observance of June 14 as 'Flag Birthday', or 'Flag Day'.

Inspired by these three decades of state and local celebrations, Flag Day - the anniversary of the Flag Resolution of 1777 - was officially *established* by the Proclamation of President Woodrow Wilson on May 30th, 1916. While Flag Day was celebrated in various communities for years after Wilson's proclamation, it was not until August 3rd, 1949, that President Truman signed an Act of Congress designating **June 14th** of each year as **National Flag Day**.

Go to www.usflag.org/hisotry/flagday.html to read all of the details and history for this commemorative

The Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC), the Women's Army Corps (WAC) integrate into the US ARMY in June 1948 and are *today's Army!*

<http://www.armywomen.org/wacHistory.shtml>



In 1942, the Honorable Edith Nurse Rogers, Congresswoman from Massachusetts, introduced the first bill to establish a women's auxiliary in May 1941. On **14 May 1942**, Congress approved the creation of a Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC). Two days later, Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby was appointed the first Director of the WAAC.

Five training centers were opened within a year. The first at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, the second at Daytona Beach, Florida, the third at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, the fourth at Fort Devens, Massachusetts, and the fifth at Camp Ruston, Louisiana. As an auxiliary of the Army, the WAAC had no military status, therefore Mrs. Rogers introduced

another bill in 1943 to enlist and appoint women in the Army of the United States. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the bill on 1 July 1943 and 90 days later the WAAC was discontinued and in its place was the Women's Army Corps (WAC). Colonel Hobby continued as Director of the WAC.



Six months before women received military status, the first WAAC contingent arrived in Algeria, North Africa. In July 1943, the first WAAC Separate Battalion arrived in England led by Lt. Col. Mary A. Hallaren. Three WAC's joined Vice Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten's Southeast Asia Command in New Delhi, India, in October 1943. A WAC platoon arrived in Caserta, Italy in November and a month later another arrived in Cairo, Egypt. January 1944 marked the arrival of the first WAC's in the Pacific at New Caledonia. In May a large group arrived in Sydney, Australia.

After Victory in Europe (VE) Day in May 1945 and the surrender of the Japanese in August, the remaining WAC training centers at Fort Oglethorpe and Fort Des Moines closed and no further WAC training was conducted. In February 1946, the War Department began a program aimed at retaining women still in service and re-enlisting those who had served during World War II. The Chief of Staff General Dwight D. Eisenhower, announced that he would ask Congress to make the Women's Army Corps a part of the Regular Army and the Organized Reserve Corps. By the end of May 1946, WAC strength had dropped from a wartime high of more than 99,000 to about 21,500 and by the end of May 1948, WAC strength totaled approximately 6,500 women on active duty.

Regular Army Status

On **12 June 1948** President Harry S. Truman signed into law the Women's Armed Services Integration Act that permitted women in the Regular Army and the Organized Reserve Corps. A new training Center at Camp Lee, Virginia was opened in July 1948.

Discontinuance of the Women's Army Corps

As a means of assimilating women more closely into the structure of the Army and to eliminate any feeling of separateness from it, the office of the Director, WAC was discontinued on 26 April 1978. The Women's Army Corps as a separate corps of the Army was disestablished on 29 October 1978 by an Act of Congress.

In July we'll give the brief history of the Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service (WAVES)

In August we'll give the brief history of the Women's Air force Pilots (WASP)

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

And finally the Marine Corps Women's Reserve

A little trivia for our YOUNG men....

The youngest US serviceman was 12 year old: Calvin Graham, USN. He was wounded and given a Dishonorable Discharge for lying about his age. His benefits were later restored by act of Congress.



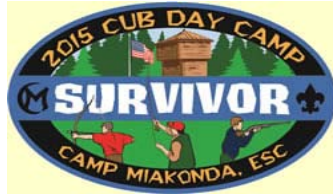
Don't forget your dad Scouts!

Sunday June 21st

Upcoming Activities

Camp Miakonda Cub Day Camps 2015

- Week 1 June 15th - 19th
- Week 2 June 22nd - 26th
- Week 3 June 29th - July 3rd
- Week 4 July 6th - 10th
- Week 5 July 13th - 17th



Thursday night is Family Night from 4:30 to 8:00pm
 Early bird register before May 16th, 2014 and save \$20
 The cost is \$159 for the week and you can get discounts;
 \$100 for each additional week is one discount available

Webelos I Overnights @ Miakonda

June 20th and 21st or July 11th and 12th
 \$42 per Webelos or Adult Partner this year

Webelos II Resident Camp @ Camp Frontier

\$140 for the Webelos Scout & \$72 for the Adult
 3 days out at Camp Frontier during the last week of the
 regular Boy Scout Camp in the summer
 Session 1 is July 26th to July 29th
 Session 2 is July 29th to August 1st



Our Scout wants to attend Camp, but some problems in paying for it? Erie Shores does have help available - Camperships. These aren't apply early for consideration, but help may be available. Ask Mr Waterstradt if you have any questions; he'll help!
www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208/admin/CampershipApp.pdf



Cub Scout Leader Training

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

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

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.

It's time to start planning for the "boys of summer"



Toledo Mud Hens 2015 Scout Sleepovers



Activities included an On Field Parade before the game, meet the mascots, post game fireworks, Scouts can run the bases, a Family (friendly) movie, the sleepover*, an all you can eat breakfast and, of course, the game too!



the 2014 Mud Hens Sleepover on 5/3rd Field

* **WARNING** - Sleeping on the outfield of 5/3rd Field can be extremely difficult for the experienced camper. It's so smooth with no rocks, ruts or tree roots.... like a nice carpeted floor. It's a challenge! You're WARNED!

Boy/Cub Scout Sleepover Schedule for 2015 is....

- Saturday, May 23rd Friday, July 17th
- Saturday, June 6th Saturday, July 18th
- Friday, June 19th Saturday, August 15th

Pricing for the experience is:

- \$10 for the game ticket
- \$18 for the entire sleepover and activities

CALL 419-725-9292 TO ORDER SCOUT TICKETS

The WHOLE family is welcome to sleepover too !!

or Order your tickets online at

https://web-secure.milb.com/campaign/gfi/?dir=t512_sleepover&sid=t512

Let's try to go as a Pack if we do go so we can order at the same time, sit together, etc.



Boy Scout Leader Training

Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training

Saturday October 10th @ Jadel Leadership Center

Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Training

not scheduled at this time

June Historical & Current Events

June 2nd

- United States citizenship granted to all American Indians, 1924
- The Beatles US album, *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band,* was released, 1967



June 4th

- Henry Ford made successful test run with his horseless carriage in Detroit, 1896

June 6th

- First drive-in movie theater opened in New Jersey, 1933



June 9th

- The first U.S. Ballistic Missile Submarine launched, 1959



June 10th

- The first United States Mint was established in Boston, 1652

June 11th

- The first U.S. patent for gas-driven auto issued, 1895

June 12th

- Virginia's colonial legislature became first to adopt a Bill of Rights, 1776

June 14th

- The United States Army was founded, 1775
- The Stars & Stripes was adopted as the American Flag, 1777



June 15th

- Benjamin Franklin proved that lightning is electricity, 1752
- Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton established a military burial ground, which became Arlington National Cemetery, 1864



June 19th

- Slavery was outlawed in United States Territories, 1862
- The first Father's Day was celebrated in Spokane, Washington, 1910
- Pope Paul VI proclaimed a 19th century bishop & John Neumann became the first male United States Saint, 1977

June 20th

- The Great Seal of the United States was adopted, 1782
- The Beatles US album, *Yesterday and Today,* was released, 1966



June 24th

- The National Minimum Wage law was enacted, 1938

June 25th

- Lt. Colonel George Armstrong Custer and his 7th Cavalry were massacred by Sioux & Cheyenne Indians at the Battle of Little Big Horn, 1876



June 26th

- The first section of the Atlantic City, New Jersey, boardwalk was opened to the public, 1870
- Jefferson Memorial was created, Washington, D.C., 1934

June 26th

- Confederate forces west of the Mississippi River made surrender arrangements, 1865
- The first legal casino opened in Atlantic City, New Jersey, 1978
- The Beatles US album, *A Hard Day's Night,* was released



June 28th

- Molly Pitcher (Mary Ludwig Hays) carried water to American Soldiers at the Revolutionary War Battle of Monmouth, 1778... carried water and more!
- Labor Day was established as a federal holiday, 1894

June 29th

- British approved the Townshend Revenue Acts, which imposed import duties on tea, glass, lead, paint & paper, 1767