



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

August 2016

*Pictures of activities, forms, updated news at our website*

[www.swantonscouts.org](http://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

We will be participating in the parade



Put it down on your calendars and plan to join us!



**October 1st & 2nd**

**Swan Creek District Cub Family Camp**

Check in is from noon to 2pm with flags at 2 and the stations start right after until 6pm and then dinner.

This will 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 15th

pick up of SFF bags the following Saturday; Oct 22nd

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....???

Lots of events still not scheduled or promoted yet such as the Annual Construction City for the Cub Scouts. We'll keep watching for these events and provide the information to everyone as soon as we can. Some of the events are listed on page 3 at the bottom of the page below the Training listings

The "Fall" Program will be starting up again soon! Meetings will be at the Scoutmaster's home so we can keep working on Scout skills (T-2-1). Check the Website for the calendar/schedule in case there are any changes, but the first meeting is August 2nd at 7pm.

## October 7th thru 9th 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.

## Congratulations!

Leaders recently recognized from 208 are:

The Swan Creek District Paddler's Award was given to:

Pack: Jacob Arnold for his efforts with the Pack

Troop: Tim Walters for his efforts with the Troop

and Greg Sharp has been tapped out as an Ordeal

Candidate for the Order of the Arrow !

**August 30th, 2016**

**FIRST DAY of the 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR**

**and not a moment too soon....**

*Well, for the parents anyways....*

## PT-109 sinks; Lieutenant Kennedy is instrumental in saving crew

<http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/pt-109-sinks-lieutenant-kennedy-is-instrumental-in-saving-crew>

On this day in 1943, a Japanese destroyer rams an American PT (patrol torpedo) boat, No. 109, slicing it in two. The destruction is so massive other American PT boats in the area assume the crew is dead. Two crewmen were, in fact, killed, but 11 survived, including Lt. John F. Kennedy.



Japanese aircraft had been on a PT boat hunt in the Solomon Islands, bombing the PT base at Rendova Island. It was essential to the Japanese that several of their destroyers make it to the southern tip of Kolombangara Island to get war supplies to forces there. But the torpedo capacity of the American PTs was a potential threat. Despite the base bombing at Rendova, PTs set out to intercept those Japanese destroyers. In the midst of battle, Japan's *Amaqiri* hit PT-109, leaving 11 crewmen floundering in the Pacific.

After five hours of clinging to debris from the decimated PT boat, the crew made it to a coral island. Kennedy decided to swim out to sea again, hoping to flag down a passing American boat. None came. Kennedy began to swim back to shore, but strong currents, and his chronic back condition, made his return difficult. Upon reaching the island again, he fell ill. After he recovered, the PT-109 crew swam to a larger island, what they believed was Nauru Island, but was in fact Cross Island. They met up with two natives from the island, who agreed to take a message south. Kennedy carved the distress message into a coconut shell: "Nauru Is. Native knows posit. He can pilot. 11 alive need small boat."

The message reached Lieutenant Arthur Evans, who was watching the coast of Gomu Island, located next to an island occupied by the Japanese. Kennedy and his crew were paddled to Gomu. A PT boat then took them back to Rendova. Kennedy was ultimately awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal, for gallantry in action.



The coconut shell used to deliver his message found a place in history—and in the Oval Office. PT-109, a film dramatizing this story, starring Cliff Robertson as Kennedy, opened in 1963.

## JOHN F Kennedy, our 35th US President

<http://www.history.com/topics/us-presidents/john-f-kennedy>

Elected in 1960 as the 35th president of the United States, 43-year-old John F. Kennedy became the youngest man and the first Roman Catholic to hold that office. He was born into one of America's wealthiest families and parlayed an elite education and a reputation as a military hero into a successful run for Congress in 1946 and for the Senate in 1952. As president, Kennedy confronted mounting Cold War tensions in Cuba, Vietnam and elsewhere. He also led a renewed drive for public service and eventually provided federal support for the growing civil rights movement. His assassination on November 22, 1963, in Dallas, Texas, sent shockwaves around the world and turned the all-too-human Kennedy into a larger-than-life heroic figure. To this day, historians continue to rank him among the best-loved presidents in American history

On November 22, 1963, the president and his wife landed in Dallas; he had spoken in San Antonio, Austin and Fort Worth the day before. From the airfield, the party then traveled in a motorcade to the Dallas Trade Mart, the site of Jack's next speaking engagement. Shortly after 12:30 p.m., as the motorcade was passing through downtown Dallas, shots rang out; Kennedy was struck twice, in the neck and head, and was pronounced dead shortly after arriving at a nearby hospital.

The USS John F Kennedy (CVA67) keel was laid on Oct 22nd, 1964 and the ship christened on May 27th, 1967. The USS John F Kennedy (CVN79) keel was officially laid on Aug 22nd, 2015 and is expected to be christened in 2025. It will be the 2nd ship named after President Kennedy and the 2nd of the Gerald R Ford Class CVN.

# Upcoming Activities



**TRAINING**

Cub Scout Leader Training

[training@erieshores.org](mailto:training@erieshores.org)

For our NEW Cub Scout Den Leaders....

Cub Scout Leader Specific Training (Live) classes  
August 20th @ 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.

The 2016 - 2017 dates are not available as of yet, but we'll let you know when they are ASAP because these games sell out pretty fast!

There is also an opportunity for Sleepovers after the games too... MORE FUN!

### 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](http://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!

# August Historical & Current Events

August 1st

The first article proposing women's rights in America was written by Thomas Paine for the Pennsylvania Magazine, of which he was the editor, 1775.



August 2nd

The naval ship, PT-109, commanded by Lt. John F. Kennedy, sank off the Solomon Islands, 1943

August 5th

This day, Congress designated June 14 as Flag Day, 1949

The first telephone conversation in which voices were bounced off the moon was accomplished by U.S. scientists, 1960.



August 4th

A world air speed record of 2196 mph was set by the X-15 experimental U.S. rocket plane, piloted by Joseph A. Walker, a civilian test pilot, 1960.

August 5th

The Statue of Liberty cornerstone was laid, 1884

The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame was established, 1985.



August 7th

George Washington created the "Purple Heart," decoration medal, 1782

The United States War Department was established by Congress, with Henry Knox as the first secretary of war, 1789

August 8th

Thomas Edison received a patent for his mimeograph, 1876



August 10th

The term Old Glory, referring to the U.S. flag, was first used by William Driver of Salem, The first commercial electric streetcar in America and the world was placed into operation in Baltimore. It ran from Oak Street to Roland Avenue to 40th Street.

August 12th

Isaac Merrit Singer was granted a patent for his sewing machine, 1851



August 14th

The Social Security Act was passed by Congress, 1935

August 16th

The first cable message was sent across the Atlantic Ocean from Queen Victoria of England to United States President James Buchanan, 1858

August 18th

Virginia Dare, the first child born in America, was born in Virginia, 1587

August 21st

The Lincoln-Douglas debates began, 1831



August 24th

A patent for a motion picture camera, the first of its kind, was filed by Thomas A. Edison, 1892.

Amelia Earhart, was the first woman to fly across the United States, 1932

August 25th

Paris was liberated by United States & French troops during WWII, 1944



August 26th

The 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, 1920.... The 19th is .... *Women's RIGHT to vote....*

August 29th

The Beatles concluded their 4th American tour with their last public concert at Candlestick Park, San Francisco, 1966

August 31st

The first professional football game was played in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. For Latrobe's team, he hired a substitute quarterback named John Brallier for \$10 in expense money, making him the game's first professional player, 1895.