



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

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Pictures of activities, forms, updated news at our website

www.swantonscouts.org

May 30th ~ Swanton Memorial Day Parade

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 30th

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.



http://www.usmemorialday.org/?page_id=2

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in service of the United States of America. Over two dozen cities and towns claim to be the birthplace of Memorial Day. While Waterloo N.Y. was officially declared the birthplace of Memorial Day by President Lyndon Johnson in May 1966, it's difficult to prove conclusively the origins of the day.

Regardless of the exact date or location of its origins, one thing is clear - Memorial Day was borne out of the Civil War and a desire to honor our dead. It was officially proclaimed on 5 May 1868 by General John Logan, national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, in his General Order No. 11. "The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land," he proclaimed. The date of Decoration Day, as he called it, was chosen because it wasn't the anniversary of any particular battle.

On the first Decoration Day, General James Garfield made a speech at Arlington National Cemetery, and 5,000 participants decorated the graves of the 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers buried there.

Summer Camping / Program

PSR - Summer Camp 2016

July 3rd thru July 9th

Cody Campsite (back by Ecology)

Plenty of time to get ready for a week of Camp.

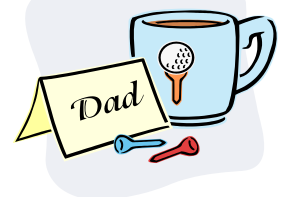
- EVERYONE going for the week requires a FULL PHYSICAL
- * We will be going with Meal Plan "B" where we cook our
- * meals in our camp (good for their cooking advancement
- * requirements too). The price is \$288 with a \$20



The Troop welcomes our newest Boy Scouts who joined just in time to go on the Spring Camporee!

Happy Father's Day

June 12th, 2016



Flag Day

June 14th, 2016

In Waubeka, Wisconsin, in 1885 Bernard John Cigrand a nineteen year old school teacher in a one room school placed a 10" 38 star flag in an inkwell and had his students write essays on what the flag meant to them. He called June 14th the flag's birthday.

<http://www.nationalflagday.com/history.asp>

Meaning of a Flag Draped Coffin and the 13 Folds



www.legionpost37.com/Coffin.html

Those who think that America is an arrogant nation should really reconsider that thought. Our founding fathers used GOD's word live in. Many fought and died to establish our 'GOD GIVEN' rights and freedoms and others while serving to vigilantly protect these rights and freedoms and teachings to establish our Great Nation we live in. Many fought and died to establish our 'GOD GIVEN' rights and freedoms and others while serving to vigilantly protect these rights and freedoms.

To understand what the flag draped coffin really means ... Here is how to understand the flag that laid upon it and is surrendered to so many widows and widowers.

Do you know that at military funerals, the 21-gun salute stands for the sum of the numbers in the year 1776?

Have you ever noticed the honor guard pays meticulous attention to correctly folding the United States of America Flag 13 times? You probably thought it was to symbolize the original 13 colonies, but we learn something new every day!

The **1st fold** of the flag is a symbol of life.



The **2nd fold** is a symbol of the belief in eternal life



The **3rd fold** is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans departing the ranks who gave a portion of their lives for the defense of the country to attain peace throughout the world.



The **4th fold** represents the weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in time of war for His divine guidance.



The **5th fold** is a tribute to the country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, 'Our Country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong.'

The **6th fold** is for where people's hearts lie. It is with their heart that They pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States Of America , and the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for



The **7th fold** is a tribute to its Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that they protect their country and their flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of their republic.



The **8th fold** is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day.

The **9th fold** is a tribute to womanhood, and Mothers. For it has been through their faith, their love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great has been molded.



The **10th fold** is a tribute to the father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of their country since they were first born.



The **11th fold** represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies in the Hebrews eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

The **12th fold** represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in the Christians eyes, God the Father, the Son and Holy



The **13th fold**, or when the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost reminding them of their nations motto, 'In God We Trust.'

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington, and the Sailors and Marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones, who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for them the rights, privileges and freedoms they enjoy today.

There are some traditions and ways of doing things that have deep meaning. Now you will know about what the folded flag stands for and it's not just for our Veterans who have served.

Upcoming Activities

Camp Miakonda Cub Day Camps 2016

- Week 1 June 20th - 24th
- Week 2 June 27th - 30th *
- Week 3 July 5th - 8th *
- Week 4 July 11th - 15th
- Week 5 July 18th - 22nd



Thursday night is Family Night from 4:30 to 8:00pm
 Weeks 2 and 3 are only 4 days long due to the holiday weekend (July 4th); prices should include a T-Shirt & patch. Check the flyers for details

The cost is now \$165 (after May 13th)
 each additional week is \$100

Webelos I Overnights @ Miakonda

July 16th & 17th, \$43/participant. There is no flyer; all information is on the Council Website. Registration closes on July 3rd !! Don't wait; the program is limited to 60 Webelos.

Webelos II Resident Camp @ Camp Frontier

\$144 for the Webelos Scout & \$74 for the Adults
 July 31st - August 3rd or August 3rd - 6th
 3 days out at Camp Frontier during the last week of the regular Boy Scout Camp in the summer
www.swantonscouts.org/flyers/WRC2016Flier.pdf



Leave No Trace Awareness Course (LNT101)

May 21st, 2016 @ Camp Miakonda (free)

from 9am until 12:30pm back by Raymer Cabin/OA Lodge
 Registration for this program is closed, but there will be another program again next spring if you wanted to attend, but couldn't. We can always do it ourselves.

Memorial Day Thanks

Please take a moment this year to not only think of and remember our active duty and reserve military men and women, but also our emergency responders who also sacrifice for our sake when we're in need. These professionals and volunteers who are our Firefighters, Police, EMTs, Paramedics and many more face danger for us too here in Ohio. All of these people deserve our respect and appreciation.

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!

This Year's schedule is:

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| Saturday June 4th | Saturday July 16th |
| Friday June 17th | Friday July 29th |
| Saturday July 9th | Saturday July 30th |

If you've never been to one of these, you've missed a great time of baseball & camping and.... FUN! See the link:
 CALL 419-725-9292 TO ORDER SCOUT TICKETS

The WHOLE family is welcome to sleepover too !!



With gratitude ~ Thank You !

June Historical & Current Events

June 2nd

- Baseball great Babe Ruth's last game, 1935



June 3rd

- Astronaut Edward White became the first American to walk in space, 1965



June 4th

- United States Secret Service organized, 1778

June 5th

- Know-Nothing Party was created; now called American Party, 1855

June 6th

- D-Day (invasion of Europe occurred), 1944



June 9th

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



June 12th

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

June 13th

- Landmark Supreme Court Case, Miranda vs. Arizona was established, 1966
- Thurgood Marshall became the first black justice on the United States Supreme Court, 1967

June 14th

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



June 15th

- Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton established a military burial ground, which became Arlington National Cemetery, 1864



June 17th

- The Revolutionary War Battle of Bunker Hill took place near Boston, 1775
- Amelia Earhart was the first woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean, from Newfoundland to Wales, 1928

June 18th

- Astronaut Sally K. Ride, became America's first woman in space, 1983



June 19th

- The first Father's Day was celebrated in Spokane, Washington, 1910

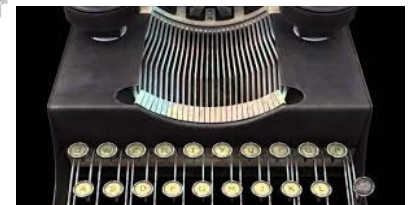
June 20th

- The Great Seal of the United States was adopted, 1782



June 22nd

- Congress created the Department of Justice, 1870
- President Nixon signed a measure lowering the voting age to eighteen, 1970



June 23rd

- A patent was received for the typewriter, 1868

June 24th

- The last day that silver certificate currency was redeemed for silver, 1968

June 26th

- Jefferson Memorial was created, Washington, D.C., 1934
- Franklin D. Roosevelt established credit unions, 1934
- The Korean War ended, 1953



June 28th

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



Have a safe Memorial Day weekend!