



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

March 2018

Check our website periodically for updates & flyers:

www.swantonscouts.org

March 10th District Pinewood Derby @ the Springfield High School (near by). We'll give the District Derby information to our winners; **Good Luck** to all at both the Pack and District races !! As always, we'll post pictures on the website and the first names of our Winners in the newsletter for each group.



UPCOMING EVENTS for the Troop...

Rescheduled our Winter Weekend / Klondike to March 2nd thru 4th at Camp Miakonda. Please remember that we cancelled our District event because of the weather forecasts and the road conditions predicted. The health & welfare of our Scouts is our primary concern. Details at the meeting.

March Pack Meeting = Thursday March 15h

Blue & Gold Banquet (whoo-hoo !!!) and our annual Friends of Scouting presentation.

6pm at the Legion Hall; and COWBOY Theme...

It's a family evening and we'll all have dinner first.

March 20th is our Spring Court of Honor & FOS

Awards & Recognition time for our Scouts. And our annual Friends of Scouting presentation.

March 17th Day Trip to Wright Patterson AFB Museum

We'll get more details as we get closer

April Pack Meeting = Thursday April 19th

7pm at the Legion Hall and hopefully back to normal Our young scouts should be wrapping up their year's advancement and adventures, getting ready for their new challenges in Scouting.

April 20th thru 22nd is the District Spring Camporee location is Blue Creek Metro Park in Whitehouse.... More details as we get them ourselves

The theme is still in the planning stages

2018 Mom & Me Overnight @ Camp Miakonda

April 21st & 22nd; cabins or tent camping

2018 Dad & Lad Overnight @ Camp Miakonda

May 5th & 6th; cabins or tent camping



Parents: If your schedules are not very flexible and you still want to go with your son, either weekend works. Just register in advance. This has not been a problem before.

WELCOME to our new Cub Scouts - Kenneth, Aidan, Keagen, Orion & Gavin and welcome to our new Den Leaders Jessica and Don. Glad to have you in our Pack and we look forward to lots of fun together!

PSR - Summer Camp 2018

July 1st through July 7th

Nessle Campsite just past Ecology

Plenty of time to get ready for our current and future (the Webelos II) Boy Scouts to plan for a week of Camp.



For the parents of our Scouts - if your family needs some help to send your son to camp please let us know. There are discrete ways to help you and your son so he doesn't miss out on camp.

FUNDRAISER Opportunity: We can get some \$\$ for empty, rinsed 2L Soda Bottles (with caps). Please help



Your Scout wants to attend either Cub Day Camp or Pioneer Summer Camp, but there are some problems in paying for it? PLEASE talk to one of the leaders; there may be some help available through the Council Camping Committee.



Our new Tigers ~ Welcome

Pack Leaders Committee Meetings

1st Thursday each month at 7pm; March 2nd is the next meeting at the American Legion Hall and all adults are welcome to participate. Parents are welcome!

the United States Military Academy ~ West Point

<http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/u-s-military-academy-established>

March 16th, 1802 The United States Military Academy-the first military school in the United States-is founded by Congress for the purpose of educating and training young men in the theory and practice of military science. Located at West Point, New York, the U.S. Military Academy is often simply known as West Point.

Located on the high west bank of New York's Hudson River, West Point was the site of a Revolutionary-era fort built to protect the Hudson River Valley from British attack. In 1780, Patriot General Benedict Arnold, the commander of the fort, agreed to surrender West Point to the British in exchange for 6,000 pounds. However, the plot was uncovered before it fell into British hands, and Arnold fled to the British for protection.

Ten years after the establishment of the U.S. Military Academy in 1802, the growing threat of another war with Great Britain resulted in congressional action to expand the academy's facilities and increase the West Point corps. Beginning in 1817, the U.S. Military Academy was reorganized by superintendent Sylvanus Thayer-later known as the "father of West Point"-and the school became one of the nation's finest sources of civil engineers. During the Mexican-American War, West Point graduates filled the leading ranks of the victorious U.S. forces, and with the outbreak of the Civil War former West Point classmates regrettably lined up against one another in the defense of their native states.

In 1870, the first African-American cadet was admitted into the U.S. Military Academy, and in 1976, the first female cadets. The academy is now under the general direction and supervision of the department of the U.S. Army and has an enrollment of more than 4,000 students.

Additionally...

<https://www.usma.edu/wphistory/SitePages/Home.aspx>

Several soldiers and legislators, including Washington, Knox, Hamilton and John Adams, desiring to eliminate America's wartime reliance on foreign engineers and artillerymen, urged the creation of an institution devoted to the arts and sciences of warfare.

President Thomas Jefferson signed legislation establishing the United States Military Academy in 1802. He took this action after ensuring that those attending the Academy would be representative of a democratic society.

After gaining experience and national recognition during the Mexican and Indian wars, West Point graduates dominated the highest ranks on both sides during the Civil War. Academy graduates, headed by generals such as Grant, Lee, Sherman and Jackson, set high standards of military leadership for both the North and South.

The development of other technical schools in the post-Civil War period allowed West Point to broaden its curriculum beyond a strict civil engineering focus. Following the creation of Army post-graduate command and staff schools, the Military Academy came to be viewed as the first step in a continuing Army education.

In World War I, Academy graduates again distinguished themselves on the battlefield. After the war, Superintendent Douglas MacArthur sought to diversify the academic curriculum. In recognition of the intense physical demands of modern warfare, MacArthur pushed for major changes in the physical fitness and intramural athletic programs. "Every cadet an athlete" became an important goal. Additionally, the cadet management of the Honor System, long an unofficial tradition, was formalized with the creation of the Cadet Honor Committee.

Eisenhower, MacArthur, Bradley, Arnold, Clark, Patton, Stilwell and Wainwright were among an impressive array of Academy graduates who met the challenge of leadership in the Second World War. The postwar period again saw sweeping revisions to the West Point curriculum resulting from the dramatic developments in science and technology, the increasing need to understand other cultures and the rising level of general education in the Army.

Another significant development at West Point came when enrollment was opened to women in 1976. Sixty-two women graduated in the class of 1980, to include Andrea Hollen, Rhodes Scholar. Just as women are a vital and integral part of the U.S. Army, so they are at West Point.

Upcoming Activities



Cub Scout Programs

Another year with Imagination Station providing great programs!

- April 8th, 2018 - Wolf: **GERMS Alive! (new)**
- April 22nd, 2018 - Webelos: **Adventures in Science**
- April 29th, 2018 - Wolf: **Digging in the Past**

www.imaginationstationtoledo.org/workshops-camps/scout-workshops/cub-scouts-workshops



March 24th, 2018 - Boy Scout Jamboree AND Pinewood Derby Showcase

<http://www.toledowalleye.com/site/promo/4508>

You can get tickets through these links and the whole family can have a fun time!



Toledo Mud Hens 2018 Scout Sleepovers



This Year's schedule is:

Saturday May 19th

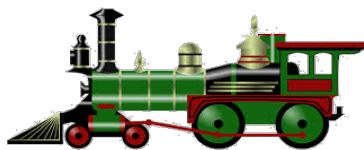
Saturday June 9th

Saturday June 16th

If you've never been to one of these, you've missed a great time of baseball & camping and.... FUN! check out the Mudhens Flyers (attached) for details

2018 National Train Day at the Toledo Amtrak Station

Usually the first Saturday in May with a Free Open House, Model Train displays and more... FUN!



For the young (and more senior) train enthusiast this is a great way to spend your Saturday



For Cub Scouts - Youth Patch Workshop

16th Annual Partnering for Clean Streams Youth Patch Day Workshop- March 18th

Sunday, March 18th from 1:00 to 4:30pm

This year it will be at the Univ of Toledo's Lake Erie Center, 6200 Bayshore Rd in Oregon, OH. \$5 per participant

Cub Scout Day Camp 2018@ Camp Miakonda The Cub Scout Awakens!

Week 1 June 18th thru 22nd

Week 2 June 25th thru 29th

Week 3 July 9th thru 13th

Week 4 July 16th thru 20th

**Sibling Discount:
\$20 discount
Go a 2nd week?
\$20 discount too**

Cost? Early Bird is \$154 (due by May 11th)

Regular Fee (after May 11th) is \$174

Camperships are available (must apply soon!)

see Mr Raven, Mr Waterstradt or Mr Quick

if you have questions about Day Camp

A BSA Physical (pars A&B) are required

<https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/cdc>

Webelos I Overnight sessions @ Camp Miakonda

Session 1 June 30th & July 1st

Early Bird: \$45

Session 2 July 7th & 8th

Regular fee: \$55

Early Bird means payment due by May 11th

<https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/webover>

Webelos II Resident Camp (sessions 1 & 2)

Weekend #1 is July 29th - August 1st

Weekend #2 is August 1st - August 4th

....still waiting for details... soon.

Council Centennial Camporee

Coming in the fall of 2018... it's been 6 years, but we'll ALL have a Camporee (Cubs & Boy Scouts)



Leave No Trace Awareness Course (LNT101)

May 19th, 2018 @ Camp Miakonda

from 9am until 12:30pm back by Raymer Cabin/OA Lodge A team of volunteers are providing this **FREE** LNT Awareness course will introduce you to the principles of Leave No Trace. We will teach you the LNT principals and how to apply them to the BSA Outdoor Ethics Program.

Most Scouts require this for advancement at all ages now although it is also called OUTDOOR ETHICS. Same information and with the same goal - to help preserve our world for future generations.

Training Opportunities

<http://swantonscouts.org/208training.html>

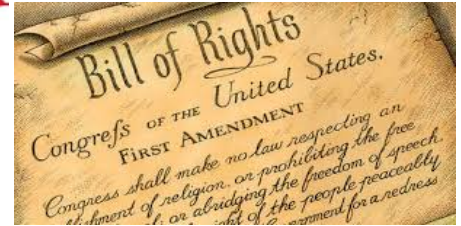
Interested in getting more training?

Ask the Janitor if you have questions!

March Historical & Current Events

March 1st

Congress authorized the first United States Census, 1790
Ohio entered the Union, 1803 the 17th state
Congress authorized the creation of Yellowstone National Park, 1872



March 2nd

Texas declared independence from Mexico, 1836
King Kong, the motion picture, premiered in New York, 1933

March 3rd

The Constitution of the United States of America goes into effect. 1789
Navy Reserve established, 1915
Star Spangled Banner adopted as National Anthem of the United States, 1931



March 4th

England's King Charles II granted a charter to William Penn for an area of land that later became the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1681

March 5th

Navy SeaBees established, 1942



March 6th

The Battle of the Alamo ended after 13-day siege, 1836
Silly putty is invented. 1950



March 7th

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

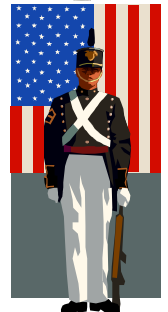


March 9th

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

March 10th

Alexander Graham Bell places the world's first telephone call, to his assistant in the next room. 1876



March 12th

The Girl Scouts of America were founded, 1912



March 16th

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

March 17th

The Camp Fire Girls created, 1912

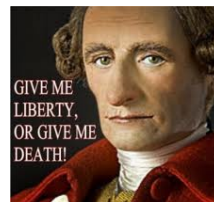


March 19th

Congress approved daylight-savings time, 1918

March 23rd

Patrick Henry's *Give me Liberty* speech occurred, 1775
The United States Mint produced its first coins made by a press, 1836

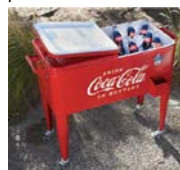


March 25th

RCA first produced color televisions, 1954

March 27th

Juan Ponce de Leon sighted Florida, 1513
President George Washington and Congress created United States Navy, 1794
The biggest earthquake ever recorded strikes Anchorage, Alaska. It measured 8.3 on the Richter scale. 1964



March 29th

Coca Cola is invented. 1886

March 30th

Alaska sold to United States by Russia, 1867
Alex Trebek in 1964.... The Question is when did "Jeopardy debuts on television...1964"