



Monthly Newsletter

Pack 208

TROOP 208

providing Scouting in Swanton since 1923



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

September 2019

Pictures of activities, forms, updated news at our website

www.swantonscouts.org

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.



Happy 100th
Birthday!

The American Legion
was chartered on
September 16, 1919



For God & Country - The American Legion

Fall Pack Meetings will start again in September

September 19th at the American Legion Hall

Starting at 7pm and with the surprise of....???

another year of fun and excitement awaits!!



Join Scouting Night

Our "annual" Join Scouting Night will be September 9th

We'll meet at the American 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! Invite your friends to join.

2019 Scouting for Food Campaign

Mid-October - distribution of SFF bags; Oct 19th

pick up of SFF bags the following Saturday; Oct 26th

All of the food items collected remain in the Swanton community to help those in need in our community; they gratefully appreciate our efforts.

Due to the Fulton County Fair and Labor Day weekend there will be **no meeting on September 3rd.**

Good luck at the fair if any are participating in it this year.

Due to the **Elections on November 5th**, 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.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS Reminder !!

Our Account Number was changed last year to

AS052. 81834 will still be associated with the Troop if you're already signed up. Thank you

September 24th ~ our Fall Court of Honor

For our new Boy Scout families, we hold a Court of Honor 3 times a year (that's our goal) to formally recognize the efforts and achievements of these young men.

What have they done lately? We'll tell you....

Summer Camp & Merit Badges! We want our Scouts to tell you about their fun week also

Rank Advancements and much more

The whole family is welcome to come out and recognize these young men for their achievements.

Cub Scout Pack "OUTING" Day in our backyard!!!

September 28th at Oak Openings Metro Park

Spring Brook Park area where there is plenty of parking, room to run, rest rooms and more for us

WHAT will we be doing that day?

For our Cub Scouts we'll have a fun day outside

We'll work on each den's advancement needs too

More details will be available in early September

The Council / District will not be having a Fall Cub Family Campout this fall again, but there will be a New Scout Fun Day on September 28th at Camp Miakonda.

This open house starts at 10am and runs until 2pm

There will be fishing, activity stations (and more) plus a free hot dog lunch for those who come out.

The event is free, but please RSVP.

www.erieshorescouncil.org/NewScout2019

For the Troop - Merit Badges of Miakonda 2019
December 28th from 9am to 4pm

More information on signing up and what Merit Badges will be offered as soon as we get it.

Patriot Day

<https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/patriot-day>

Patriot Day is an annual observance on September 11 to remember those who were injured or died during the terrorist attacks in the United States on September 11, 2001. Many Americans refer Patriot Day as 9/11 or September 11.

Patriot Day is not a public holiday. Businesses have normal opening hours.



Observe Patriot Day On the direction of the President, the flag of the United States of America should be displayed on the homes of Americans, the White House and all United States government buildings in the whole world. The flag should be flown at half-staff as a mark of respect to those who died on September 11, 2001. Many people observe a moment of silence at 8:46 AM (Eastern Daylight Time). This marks the time that the first plane flew into the World Trade Center. Some communities, particularly in the areas directly affected by the attacks, hold special church services or prayer meetings. People who personally experienced the events in 2001 or lost loved ones in them, may lay flowers or visit memorials.

About Patriot Day On September 11, 2001, four planes were hijacked. The hijackers then deliberately flew three of the planes into two important buildings, the Pentagon in Washington DC and the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in New York. The fourth crashed into a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania. The loss of life and damage that these hijackings caused form the biggest act of terrorism ever on United States soil. Nearly 3000 people died in the attacks and the economic impact was immense.

The attacks have greatly increased attention to national security in the United States. This has had huge implications for United States national and international politics. This is particularly true for the relationships between the United States and Islamic countries in the Middle East.



Gold Star Mother's & Family's Day

<https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/patriot-day>

Gold Star Mother's Day is observed in the United States on the last Sunday of September each year. It is a day for people to recognize and honor those who have lost a son or daughter while serving the United States Armed Forces.

What Do People Do? Each year on Gold Star Mother's Day the United States president calls on all Americans to display the nation's flag and hold appropriate meetings to publicly express their love, sorrow, and reverence towards Gold Star Mothers and their families. Government buildings are also required to display the flag.

American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. is an organization of mothers whose sons or daughters served and died while serving their nation in times of war or conflict. It organizes major events that take place on or around Gold Star Mother's Day each year. Previous activities included a Gold Star flower wreath laying service, as well as an afternoon tour of President Lincoln's cottage in Washington DC.

The last Sunday in September is also Parents of Fallen Military Sons and Daughters Day in New Jersey. This day is a tribute to all parents whose children died as a result of their service with the United States Armed Forces. It commemorates the contributions, commitments and sacrifices made by those parents individually and through the American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.

Upcoming Activities

University of Scouting 2019 Update

The 2019 University of Scouting will be held in the Perrysburg area (Hull Prairie School or Penta) November 2nd, 2019 with the cost being \$20 Programs will be available for both Scouts and Adults; the schedule will be posted as soon as we have one available to share.

A literal buffet of Scout Training to enjoy!



2019 - 2020 Season Dates are OUT !

<https://www.toledowalleye.com/en/tickets/scout-experience>

Friday January 10th

Friday January 31st = SCOUT SLEEPOVER NIGHT

Prices and reservation site are available at the link above. GOOD TIMES, especially if you like hockey and the Walleye.

Lots of events still not scheduled or promoted yet such as the Annual Construction City for the Cub Scouts in November. We'll keep watching for these events and provide the information to everyone as soon as we can. Some other (tentative or otherwise) events to look forward to:

Clean Your Streams (usually mid-September)

half day service (conservation) opportunity to help our environment and those who enjoy it

Camp Miakonda's Halloween Trick or Treating

Saturday Oct 26th from 5:30pm until 9:00pm

Sunday Oct 27th from 1:00pm until 3:30pm

There will be an early bird pre-registration price

And a slightly higher price for later/walk-ins

A safe chance to Trick or Treat and have fun!

And for all of our high speed Cub Scouts... the Pack Pinewood Derby in February with winners going to **District Pinewood Derby Races should be in March**

Again, details will be provided as soon as they are available for us to share



Leave No Trace Trainer Course

September 13th thru 15th, 2019

It's a weekend long training session for anyone 14 years old, or older, interested in being an LNT Trainer.

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details in the flyer, you must register, in advance



Cub Scout Programs

Another year with Imagination Station providing great programs!

(their website is listed below.... Long address)

<http://www.imaginationstationtoledo.org/workshops-camps/scout-workshops>

We'll update the schedule/programs as soon as they're posted by Imagination Station for the Den Leaders



University of Toledo Rocket Football

Saturday Sept 14th hosting Murray State

Bowling Green State University Falcon Football

Saturday Oct 19th hosting Central Michigan

Bowling Green State University Falcon Hockey

Sunday Dec 15th hosting Minnesota State

Christmas time... Harlem Globetrotters

should be here again... we're watching for them

PSR Fall Star Party (usually late September)

This is a great event to go to if you want to spend an evening with really knowledgeable people who love to look at the stars and share their passion with Scouts (and parents too). Stay up all night or go watch some Sci-Fi movies in the dining hall...

September Historical & Current Events

September 1st

The Wreck of the *Titanic* found of the coast of Newfoundland, 1985

September 2nd

The United States Treasury Department was established, 1789

Union forces under the command of General William T. Sherman occupied the city of Atlanta, Georgia, 1865

September 3rd

The Treaty of Paris was signed by United States & Great Britain representatives, officially ending the Revolutionary War, 1763

September 5th

The First Continental Congress was established, 1774

September 6th

Baltimore Orioles Cal Ripken, broke Lou Gehrig's record by playing in his 2131st consecutive professional baseball game, 1991

September 7th

The U.S. Frigate *Constellation* was launched, 1797

Two Panama Canal treaties that transferred control of the canal to Panama by the year 2000 were signed by President James Carter and Panama's head of state, Brigadier general Omar Torrijos Herrera, 1977

September 13th

New York City was declared temporary United States capital, 1788



September 14th

Francis Scott Key wrote his poem "*Defense of Ft. McHenry*," that was later re-named *Star Spangled Banner*, 1814

September 16th

Plymouth Pilgrims left England on the "*Mayflower*," 1620

The American Legion was incorporated by Congress, 1919



September 17th

The United States Constitution was signed, 1787



September 20th

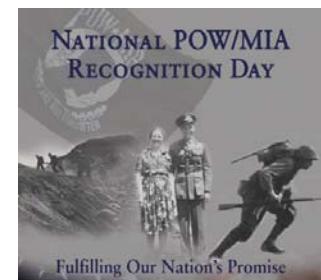
The U.S. Frigate *Constitution* "Old Iron Sides" was launched, 1797

September 21st

National POW/MIA Recognition Day

September 22nd

President Abraham Lincoln's Preliminary Emancipation Proclamation was issued, 1862



September 23rd

John Paul Jones defeated the ship "HMS *Serapis*," 1779

September 24th

The Bill of Rights passed in US House of Representatives, 1791

The world's first transatlantic telephone cable system began its operation. Using twin cables, it stretched 2250 miles from Clarenville, Newfoundland to Oban, Scotland, and cost \$42 million, 1956

September 25th

The Bill of Rights passed in the US Senate, 1791

The first operation of the transatlantic cable occurred, 1956



September 28th

Flogging was abolished as a form of punishment in the United States Navy, 1850



September 29th

The United States regular army was established, 1789