



Monthly Newsletter

Pack 208

TROOP 208

providing Scouting in Swanton since 1926



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

August 2021

Pictures of activities, forms, updated news at our website

www.swantonscouts.org



AUGUST 7TH IS THE 113TH SWANTON CORNFEST!!

A PARADE to start the day off with at 10:30

We will be participating in the parade

And MILKSHAKES to be sold afterwards - yummm



Join Scouting Night

We're planning our (annual) Fall Join Scouting Night

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!

We'll confirm the date with the schools and let you know

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.



Fall Pack Meetings will start again in September

September 23rd at the American Legion Hall

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

2021 Scouting for Food Campaign

Mid-October - distribution of SFF bags with the

pick up of SFF bags the following Saturday

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

Parent & Pal Overnight Camp Out for the Cub Scouts

August 28th & 29th at Camp Miakonda

See the flyer on the 3rd page for details!

Swan Creek District FALL CAMPORALL

Both Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts at the same weekend!

More details are due out soon (we hope), but for now...

October 1st - 3rd at the Lucas County Fair Grounds

Boy Scouts camp out both nights

Cub Scouts come out for Saturday and can camp out with the Troop Saturday night

Again, more details to follow as soon as we get them

As we start the school year, a reminder to our parents that if school is canceled (snow, fog, etc) we cancel our meetings too - Safety is first for our Scouts)



PSR Summer Camp results (congrats to all)

4 Scouts attended Pioneer Scout Reservation

Those Scouts completed 19 merit badges with NO partial merit badges to finish later (what will Mr Waterstradt do next summer at camp now??)

* 3 1st year Scouts completed the Fox program, 1 completed the Beaver program in addition to the Merit Badges and 1 Scout completed his BSA Swimmer's test after the week of learning to swim (thanks to the staff!)

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 2nd**, 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. Please note that we are going back to meetings on Tuesday nights everyone !

remember.. The 1st Tuesday following the 1st Monday...

August 25th (or) 26th, 2021

FIRST DAY of the 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

Best wishes for a good year and a (semi) return to a normal education too!

Some AUGUST Holidays & Special Events....

<http://www.holidayinsights.com/>

August 7th is NATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE DAY

National Lighthouse Day honors and commemorates a beacon of light that symbolizes safety and security for boats at sea.



On August 7, 1789, through an Act of Congress, the Federal Government took over responsibility for building and operating our nation's lighthouses. The government recognized the importance to ships at sea to find safe harbor during fog and storms. Over the years, lighthouses have saved many ships, and an untold number of lives.

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Throughout maritime history, Lighthouses have shined their powerful, sweeping lights through the fog and storms, allowing ships of all kinds to find their way back to port during inclement weather. With the advent of radar and GPS technology, lighthouses have taken a back seat in guiding ships to port. However, they remain the universal symbol of safe harbor to ships and communities that rely upon the sea for their livelihood.

There are numerous local and national lighthouse preservation societies and lighthouse organizations. They serve to preserve and promote lighthouses, and their historical significance to communities, and to the nation.

Enjoy *National Lighthouse Day* by visiting a lighthouse, or learning more about your local lighthouse preservation society.

Or, read a book about lighthouses.

Origin of National Lighthouse Day:

On this day in 1789, the U.S. Congress enacted legislation allowing the federal government control over the creation and maintenance of lighthouses. This special day evolved out of this event, and in recent years, through efforts to preserve lighthouses as an important historical symbol in America.

August 16th is..... National TELL A JOKE DAY (no, really & seriously....)

Let's get serious now. We are not kidding. Today is *National Tell a Joke Day*. We hope your day is filled with chuckles and laughs.

No doubt about it. Today, will be a fun-filled day, with lots of laughter. To fully participate and enjoy this day, just tell some jokes. You can do it in person, or pass along a few humorous emails. That's easy enough to do. The more jokes you tell, the more fun this day will be. We also encourage you to listen to many jokes today. Everybody is getting into the act, and in order to "tell a joke", someone has to be present to "listen to a joke".

Origin of National Tell a Joke Day:

HolidayInsights.com's research did not find the creator, or the origin of this day.

We did not find any documentation confirming this to be a "National" day. We found no congressional records or presidential proclamation

August 19th is NATIONAL AVIATION DAY

National Aviation Day is in honor of the birthday of aviator Orville Wright.



The Wright brothers, Orville and Wilbur, were pioneer aviators in the United States. Orville was the first person to successfully fly an airplane. His first flight was December 17, 1903 at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. This inaugural flight was soon to change the skies forever.

It's heavier than air, and it flies! *National Aviation Day* honors the accomplishments of Orville and Wilbur Wright. It is sometimes called Wright Brother's Day. To a lesser degree, *National Aviation Day* sometimes honors other early aviation and space pioneers. This day was selected, as it is Orville Wright's birthday. (August 19, 1871)

Origin of National Aviation Day:

This special day was created by a presidential proclamation by U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1939.

Parent and Pal Overnight OLD SETTLER DAYS!

★ @ Camp Miakonda ★

TENT & CABIN CAMPING AVAILABLE!



Register at www.erieshorescouncil.org/parentpal

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 8:00AM - SUNDAY AUGUST 29, 9:00AM

Activities: Archery, BBs,
Fishing, Games,
Knot-tying, Old-fashioned
Demonstrations,
and more!

Questions: alan.lepard@scouting.org

Our Council is trying to get our program back to the "normal" events and activities many of us remember - this should be a GREAT TIME for you if you can participate... GREAT TIME!

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

US Coast Guard founded by the first Congress as the Revenue Marine, 1790

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, Massachusetts, who was the captain of the ship, Charles Daggett. When presented with an American flag, Driver raised it to the masthead and said, "I name thee Old Glory." 1831

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

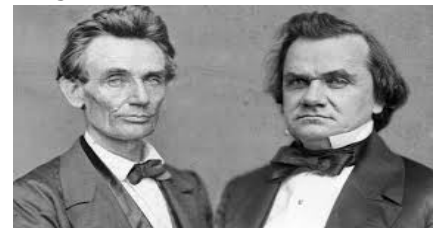
The Social Security Act was passed by Congress, 1935

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