



Monthly Newsletter
Pack 208

TROOP 208
 providing Scouting in Swanton since 1923



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

November 2022

Pictures of activities, forms, updated news at our website

www.swantonscouts.org

November 17th @ 7pm ~ November Pack Meeting

Just a reminder that the fun keeps coming



Halloween Party, Trick or Treating!

Council Halloween Party @ Camp Miakonda

October 22nd from 5:30 to 9:00pm

October 23rd from 1:00 to 3:30pm

<https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/content/93520/Halloween-Party>



POPCORN REMINDER

POPCORN Orders are DUE to

Mr Raven **by November 1st** and must be turned in so he can get our order in to Council on time.

2022 Scouting for Food Campaign

October 15th we'll distribute the bags in Swanton

October 22nd we'll pick up the bags from the homes

All of the food items collected remain in the Swanton community to help those in need and has been gratefully appreciated for the support in the past. A great service project for both our Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and parents (our drivers and supervisors) who are needed to help too.

Thank you in advance for your helping others!

Veteran's Day - November 11th

Please take a moment to be thankful for the sacrifices made by our veterans so we can have the freedoms we have. Our Pack and Troop are fortunate to be sponsored by the American Legion, Veterans who want to support us.

Halloween Trick or Treating will be held on Saturday, October 29th this year in Swanton. We hope all our kids (of all ages) have a fun, spooky and safe evening. And don't eat all the good candy in one night! Stretch it out for 2 nights.

As we approach the fall and winter again, our leadership would like to remind all of our parents and volunteer leaders that "If Swanton Schools close due to weather, then our meeting that night will be cancelled." SAFETY IS FIRST

Tuesday, November 8th, is Elections Day in the United States (1st Tuesday following the first Monday in November). We hope the Scouts encourage their parents to exercise their right to vote, as good citizens, for the persons of their choice and on any issues in their community such as funding levies. Many citizens in other countries do not have this right; please don't take it lightly. Scouts - remind your parents to learn the issues and then to **GO VOTE! ~ Citizenship.**

Because voting is held at the American Legion Hall, our meeting will be moved for that night. We will let everyone know where we are meeting before then.

Troop Outings... Gentlemen, what do you want to do and where? LEAD ON; this is your program and the adult leaders do look forward to you picking our outings!

Camp Alaska starts on December 1st and runs through March 31st... will we go for it guys? If so, when/where?

District's Winter Weekend is now a Winter Event because the Camping Committee is trying to plan a real mind bender event! More details when we know them.

Tentative dates are: February 10th - 12th, 2023

District Spring Camporee is TBA

Tentative dates are: April 28th - 30th

And we'll share that information as it comes to us

It's not too early to look forward!

PSR - Summer Camp 2023

July 2nd through July 8th

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.

And time for any parents who'd like to go to plan for it too. Scouts, Summer Camp is a great chance to try things you can easily do here in Swanton. Choose well.



Happy 247th Birthday to the US MARINE CORPS



http://www.usmcpres.com/heritage/marine_corps_birthday.htm

All U.S. Marines are gung-ho. But, few can match the vision and total commitment of the famous 13th Commandant, Gen. John A. Lejeune. In 1921 he issued Marine Corps Order No. 47, Series 1921.



Gen. Lejeune's order summarized the history, mission, and tradition of the Corps. It further directed that the order be read to all Marines on 10 November of each year to honor the founding of the Marine Corps. Thereafter, 10 November became a unique day for U.S. Marines throughout the world.

Soon, some Marine commands began to not only honor the birthday, but celebrate it. In 1923 the Marine Barracks at Ft. Mifflin, Pennsylvania, staged a formal dance. The Marines at the Washington Navy Yard arranged a mock battle on the parade ground. At Quantanamo Bay, Cuba, the Marine baseball team played a Cuban team and won, 9 to 8.

The first "formal" Birthday Ball took place on Philadelphia in 1925. First class Marine Corps style, all the way! Guests included the Commandant, the Secretary of War (in 1925 the term "politically correct" didn't exist; it was Secretary of War, not Secretary of Defense), and a host of statesmen and elected officials. Prior to the Ball, Gen.



Lejeune unveiled a memorial plaque at Tun Tavern. Then the entourage headed for the Benjamin Franklin Hotel Hotel and an evening of festivities and frolicking.



Like the U.S. Marine Corps itself, the annual Birthday Ball has evolved from simple origins to the polished and professional functions of today. Nonetheless, one thing remains constant, the tenth day of November! This unique holiday for warriors is a day of camaraderie, a day to honor Corps and Country. Throughout the world on 10 November, U.S. Marines celebrate the birth of their Corps -- the most loyal, most feared, most revered,

and most professional fighting force the world has ever known.

<http://www.military.com/military-appreciation-month/origins-of-marine-corps-day.html>

The United States Marine Corps was established on November 10, 1775, to augment naval forces in the Revolutionary War. The recruiting headquarters was set up by Capt. Samuel Nicholas in the Tun Tavern on Water Street in Philadelphia, which is considered to be the birthplace of the Marines.

After success in many campaigns, the Corps was abolished at the close of the Revolutionary War for reasons of economy. On July 11, 1798, Congress ordered the creation of the Corps, named it the United States Marine Corps and directed that it be available for service under the Secretary of the Navy.



The Corps celebrated its birthday, or Marine Corps Day, on July 11 from 1799 until 1921 when the date was permanently changed to November 10 to commemorate the establishment of the Corps to aid in the Revolutionary War.

The day is still observed by U. S. Marines worldwide. Special exhibits, parades, drill team performances, and speeches typically mark the occasion. The Birthday Ball, which culminates in the cutting of the birthday cake, is held that evening in Washington, D.C. It is not possible to determine precisely when the first cake ceremony was held, but the first on record took place at Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., in 1937. Major General Thomas Holcomb, the Commandant, presided at an open house for Marine Corps officers, including the cutting of a huge cake in the shape of Tun Tavern.

Upcoming Activities



Nov 18th Construction City 2017
Open to Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts. This year it is being held at the PENTA Career Center

<https://www.erieshorescouncil.org/C-City>

(Tentative) Upcoming Cub Scout Activities
In the Spring ~ For Cub Scouts & their parent(s)
(usually late) April is the Parents & Pal Campout
Cub Scout Day Camp 2023 @ Camp Miakonda
4 or 5 weeks at Miakonda; fun & advancement!
Webelos I Overnight @ Camp Miakonda
Bear Scouts who will be Webelos I in the fall are welcome to come out and have fun!

We'll try to keep you informed of all the good stuff in the area you can go to as a Family or just as Scouts too. These are normal events, just no details yet... soon?

Arrow of Light Resident Camp @ Pioneer

Details are available for Summer 2023!!

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

Camping with your young Scouts is always fun when you join them and watch them having a good time.

A Brief History of Veteran's Day

www.military.com/veterans-day/history-of-veterans-day.html



Veterans Day, formerly known as **Armistice Day**, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday to honor the end of World War I, which officially took place on November 11, 1918. In legislation that was passed in 1938, November 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day.'" As such, this new legal holiday honored World War I veterans.

In 1954, after having been through both World War II and the Korean War, the 83rd U.S. Congress -- at the urging of the veterans service organizations -- amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation on June 1, 1954, Nov. 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

Disney on Ice "INTO THE MAGIC"

Here are 7 shows and these are great for the whole family to spend some time together too.

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



We've contacted the Walleye to see if they are having any overnight Walleye Scout Experiences this year; more to follow



In 1968, the **Uniforms Holiday Bill** ensured three-day weekends for federal employees by celebrating four national holidays on Mondays: Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and Columbus Day. Under this bill, Veterans Day was moved to the fourth Monday of October. Many states did not agree with this decision and continued to celebrate the holiday on its original date. The first Veterans Day under the new law was observed with much confusion on Oct. 25, 1971.

Finally on September 20, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed a law which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of Nov. 11, beginning in 1978. Since then, the Veterans Day holiday has been observed on Nov. 11.

and now you know the (brief) history of Veterans Day

November Historical & Current Events

November 1st

The United States Weather Bureau began its operation, 1870



November 2nd

General George Washington issued his "Farewell Address to the Army," 1783

November 3rd

Reverend John Eliot became the first Protestant minister in America to dedicate himself to the religious conversion of Indians. He arrived at Boston from England, and settled at Roxbury, which today is a part of Boston. He began preaching to the Indians in 1646, and came to be known as the apostle of the Indians, 1631

The Continental Army was disbanded, 1783



November 5th

Armistice Day, November 11, was proclaimed a legal holiday by President Warren G. Harding, 1921

November 7th

The first Baptist Church in America was established at providence, Rhode Island by Roger Williams, who became its first pastor but remained in the church for only a few months, 1638



November 8th

The French museum, the "Louvre" was opened to the public, 1793

November 9th

The first foreign trip by a U.S. president was made by Theodore Roosevelt, who sailed on the battleship *Louisiana* to visit the Isthmus of Panama and inspect the canal, 1906
East Germany opened its borders with the West, 1989

November 10th

The United States Marines were established by the Continental Congress, 1775

The last Battle of the American Revolutionary War was fought, 1782

The American Legion Auxiliary was founded, 1919



November 11th

World War I ended, 1918 (Armistice Day)

The Unknown Soldier of World War I was buried at Arlington National Cemetery, after lying in state at the Capitol rotunda in Washington, D.C., 1921



November 14th

Herman Melville's novel "Moby Dick" was published, 1851

November 16th

The Space Shuttle Columbia completed its first flight, 1982

November 17th

The Suez Canal opened, 1869

Synthetic diamonds were first manufactured, 1959



November 20th

Photograph's on passports were first required, 1914

November 22nd

President John Fitzgerald Kennedy (JFK) was assassinated in Dallas, Texas, while riding in a motorcade, and pronounced dead at 1 p.m. Vice-president Lyndon Baines Johnson (LBJ) was sworn in as the 36th President of the United States at 2:39 p.m., on board Air Force One, at Love Air Field in Dallas. 1963

November 26th

Thanksgiving was first celebrated as a national holiday, 1789



November 28th

The first skywriting display occurred, 1922

November 29th

The first Army-Navy football game was played at West Point, New York. Navy won 24-0, 1891
Coffee rationing started in the United States during WWII, 1942

