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April 2011

Pack News

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208



Cub Day Camp 2011 information will be

posted as soon as we have it to share for our Cubs. we expect the information soon and we'll share it.

These CUB SCOUTS EXCITED

because the 2011 Cub Family Camp is being planned for them by Clif & his crew and they heard it a lot of fun for Cub

Scouts. It's on the Pack / Troop unit calendar; put it on yours too. OCTOBER 1st & 2nd, 2011 at Camp Miakonda. Never to early to reserve the weekend.

2011 Pack PINEWOOD DERBY Winners!

King of the Hill



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Tigers	1st	Maxwell	
	2nd	Kameron	
	3rd	Alexander	
Wolf	1st	Paul	
	2nd	Brandon	
Bear	1st	Xavier	
	2nd	Garrett	
	3rd	Jacob	
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Webelos I	1st	Donovan	
	2nd	Ethan	
	3rd	Joshua	

Paul

Troop News

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Swan Creek District Spring Camporee

April 29th thru May 1st: Tentatively will be held at Camp Frontier (PSR) and it will be PIONEERING



The National Museum of the US Air

at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton

May 13th - 15th we're tentatively going to camp out at WPAFB with Troop 207 and visit the USAF museum.

www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/

Check out the museum yourself! If you've never been there it is a great experience and a proud history.

(the NAVY is still a greater tradition, but....)



June 16th departure returning on June 30th - We'll miss you guys; come back in one piece!



We'll still be going to spend a week of Summer Camp @ Camp Frontier!!

Week: **#7 July 31 thru August 6th**Site: Navarre Campsite

Camperships - Everyone has trouble at times and if there is a problem with paying for Camp this may help.

Please see the Scoutmaster for information.

Camperships must be turned into Council by April 15th!!

Early Bird payments are due to the Scoutmaster by May 3rd; it will save you \$20 off your Scout as an Early Bird.

Merit Badge wish lists are due to the Scoutmaster by May 3rd too. What Merit Badges do you want to take guys?

UPDATES ON TRAINING.... TRAINING FLYERS!!

Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/ScoutmasterLST.pdf

Outdoor Webelos Leadter Training

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/OWLS_Flyer.pdf
National Outdoor Badge Application Form

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/430-309NOB.pdf

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Awards & Recognitions & Training Info



National Outdoor
Badges for Camping,
Hiking, Aquatics, Riding
and Adventure
NEW!!! This replaces the
National Camping Award
Boy Scouts used to earn
(100, 250 and 1,000 days
& nights) as Scouts.

The five National Outdoor Badges recognize a Boy Scout or Varsity Scout who demonstrates both *knowledge* and *experience* in camping, hiking, aquatics, riding, or adventure. Scouts earning the National Outdoor badges have demonstrated that they are knowledgeable, safe, and comfortable in the outdoor activity covered by the badge.

National Outdoor Badges may be earned in 5 different areas.

Next month - Riding, Adventure and the National Medal for Outdoor Achievement...

Council & District TRAINING events



Cub Scout TRAINING

Cub Scout Leader Specific Training

Lee Schultz @ cubtraining@swancreekdistrict.org fall dates will be posted as soon as Lee schedules the 2011 ~ 2012 program year. Thanks again Lee.





Boy Scout Leader Specific Training

Mike Pierson @ bstraining@swancreekdistrict.org

April 30th Scout Leader Specific Training

This is for Scoutmasters & Assistant Scoutmasters, but can be attended by any adult in the Troop.

May 20th - 22nd Outdoor Leader Orientation

This is also for Scoutmasters & Assistant

Scoutmasters, but can be attended by any adult in the Troop. It's the weekend "hands on" training.

Want more information about the courses being offered or a schedule of when? We have that online: http://www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/Training.htm

Reservations must be made through and paid for with the Council for all classes.

CAMPING. A Boy Scout or Varsity Scout may earn the National Outdoor Badge for Camping upon successfully completing the following requirements:

- 1. Earn the First Class Rank
- 2. Earn the Camping merit badge
- 3. Earn two of the following three merit badges: Cooking, First Aid, Pioneering
- 4. Complete 25 days and nights of camping including six consecutive days (five nights) of resident camping, approved and under the auspices and standards of the BSA including nights camped for requirements 1 thru 3 above.

A gold device may be earned for each additional 25 nights of camping. A silver device is earned for each additional 100 nights of camping. The Scout may wear any combination of devices totaling his current number of nights camping.

HIKING. A Boy Scout or Varsity Scout may earn the National Outdoor Badge for Hiking upon successfully completing the following requirements:

- 1. Earn the First Class Rank
- 2. Earn the Hiking and Orienteering merit badges
- 3. Complete 100 miles of hiking or backpacking under the auspices of the Boy Scouts of America, including miles hiked as part of requirement 2.

A gold device may be earned for each additional 50 miles hiked. A silver device is earned for each additional 200 miles of hiking. The Scout may wear any combination of devices totaling his current number of miles hiking.

AQUATICS. A Boy Scout or Varsity Scout may earn the National Outdoor Badge for Aquatics upon successfully completing the following requirements:

- 1. Earn the First Class Rank
- 2. Earn the Swimming and Lifesaving merit badges
- 3. Earn the Mile Swim BSA Award.
- 3. Earn at least one of the following merit badges: Canoeing, Rowing, Small-Boat Sailing, Whitewater. Complete at least 25 hours of on-the-water time, applying the skills that you learned in the merit badges.
- 5. Complete at least 0 hours of any combination of swimming, canoeing, rowing, small-boat sailing, or whitewater activity under the auspices of the Boy Scouts of American, including time spent in requirements 2 thru 4. Gold device info next month.

Upcoming Activities

Dad & Lad / Mom & Me overnight campouts

Location is Camp Miakonda

Dad & Lad is April 16th & 17th Mom & Me is April 30th & May 1st



more information will be provided for you as soon as we get it ourselves, but it's a fun and busy day for Cub Scouts and their parent.

The cabins are used to sleep in, but you can use a tent if you really wanted to I'm sure.



Leave No Trace Trainer Course @ Camp Miakonda May 13th - 15th Learn more about outdoor ethics

For Boy Scouts who want to be Troop LNT Trainers this is a great program and educational too.

Leave No Trace Trainer Course May 13 - 15



Randy Burke at Davis-Besse is heading up another Atomic Energy Camporee in May; the 13th thru 15th. You may even

recognize other Swan Creek Leaders helping out! details can be found at: www.DBAEC.org the next Camporee will probably be Spring 2012

Boy Scouts of America - Erie Shores Council

10 Commandment Hike

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/10CommandmentHike2011.pdf May 21st @ Camp Miakonda



Toledo Public Schools Youth Aviation Adventure Program May 21st 9am to 3pm

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/YAA2011.pdf

at the Toledo Express Airport

Who knows... this could be the reason for your son (or daughter) works harder in school... to be a pilot!



www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/2011MudHensSleepovers.pdf

It's a great family activity even if you only go to watch the game and don't sleepover. Take a look.



Scuba Diving Merit Badge & Scuba BSA Award opportunity @ Aqua Hut Dive Center SCUBA Diving Programs Flyer

Back when I was a kid....well when my son was a kid anyway we went to COSI for workshops & sleep ins. Imagination Station (formerly COSI) has a schedule of programs for 2011 for Cub Scouts to take advantage of and have a good (& educational) time.

The dates are posted on the calendar (with links to the flyer). You will need to register for this and the flyer has that information/form for you.

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208/flyers/ISScoutProgramBrochure.pdf



ORDER OF THE ARROW

Upcoming events for Arrowmen

April 15th - 17th SPRING ORDEAL @ Camp Miakonda Ordeal Candidates can fulfill their requirements to join the Order of the Arrow & Tindeuchen Lodge

April 29th - May 1st SECTION CONCLAVE tba May 13th - 15th SHOOTING WEEKEND tba June 3rd - 5th SPRING ORDEAL @ Camp Pioneer

Ordeal Candidates can fulfill their requirements to join the Order of the Arrow & Tindeuchen Lodge

You can have fun and provide service too!

The editor apologies for not always having a lot (or any) of the information on some of these events yet, we'll post it as soon as we get it ourselves so everyone can plan their personal / family calendars appropriately.

April Historical & Current Events

April 3rd

1860 First Pony Express began its route between St Joseph, Missouri & Sacramento, California



April 6th

1909 Robert Perry & Matthew Hensen became the first men to reach the North Pole

April 7th

1865 Robert E. Lee and Ulysses S. Grant discussed terms for surrender





April 8th

1974 Henry "Hank" Aaron hit his 715th home run to break Babe Ruth's record, hit against the LA Dodgers

April 9th

1865 Robert E Lee surrendered the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia at Appomattox Court House, VA
The American Civil War ended in the East

1963 Sir Winston Churchill was made an honorary United States citizen

April 10th

1790 The first patent law was passed

1964 The Beatles US album, The Beatles Second Album, was released

April 11th

1783 Congress proclaimed the end of the Revolutionary War



April 12th

1861 The bombing of Fort Sumter began, starting the Civil War; Ft Sumter surrendered on April 13th 1877 The catcher's mask was first used in a baseball game

April 14th

1865 President Abraham Lincoln was shot by John Wilkes Booth, at Ford's Theatre, Washington, D.C. 1894 First motion picture public showing



April 15th

1912 The SS TITANIC struck an iceberg and sank





April 18th

1775 The midnight rid of Paul Revere & William Dawes in Boston, Massachusetts took place

April 19th

1774 The American Revolutionary War began with the battles of Lexington & Concord



April 24th

1800 The Library of Congress was established

1990 The Space Shuttle DISCOVERY blasted off from Cape Canaveral with the \$1.5 billion Hubble Telescope

April 30th

1803 The United States purchased the Louisiana Territory from France

1789 George Washington took office in New York as the first President of the United States

