



**Pack
208**

Monthly
Newsletter

**Troop
208**



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

April 2013

Pack News

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208

2013 Pack
PINWOOD
DERBY
Winners!



CONGRATS GUYS - GOOD JOB FOR EVERYONE

Winners and Best Design go to:

Tigers 1st Devin
2nd Maxwell
Best Design Luke

Wolf 1st Blue
2nd Jacob
Best Design Marcus

Bear 1st Ethan
2nd Joshua
Best Design Antonio

Webelos I 1st Paul
2nd Christopher

Webelos II 1st Xavier

CUB DAY CAMP 2013

There are 4 weeks of Cub Day Camp again this year; the dates are listed on page 3 (Upcoming Events).

As Gary has said, we'd like someone to step up and coordinate any Cub Scouts who are going with car pools to minimize our efforts and maximize their fun and camp experience. Please see Gary or Alan if you would be interested in helping.

Help can be as the coordinator or as a driver.
On behalf of the Cub Scouts ~ Thank you!

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Spring Camporee



April 26th thru 28th is the Spring Camporee
details & planning are still in the works

March 12th Court of Honor

We've had many Scouts advance since last spring with much hard work and effort.

CONGRATULATIONS to

LIFE Scout Logan

STAR SCOUT Conor

First Class Scout Chase

Tenderfoot Scouts:

Donovan

Keaton

Ethan

Cody

Thomas

Scouts:

Donovan

Dylan

Joshua

Ethan

Cody

And LOTS of Merit Badges too! Congrats guys!



June 30th - July 6th

Summer Camp in Pioneer, Ohio

A week in the woods & sun!

Early Bird fees due by May 10th (May 7th meeting)

A comparison of the Scout Oath over time...
and Morally Straight

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/ScoutOath.pdf

A comparison of the Scout Law over time...

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/ScoutLaw.pdf

Awards & Recognitions & Training Info

National Membership Standards Meetings

Erie Shores Council will hold two Meetings in March to discuss membership standards (policy) for Boy Scouts AND to ask for feedback from the parents and/or Leaders.

The one meeting is in Fremont, the other will be at Grace United Methodist Church in Perrysburg
The Meeting at Grace UMC will start @ 7pm; Grace is located at 601 East Boundary Street

Information/Flyers/etc can be found on the Troop's website (see the ADMIN page for the links)

This is our chance to let our Council Leadership know what we think or what we want out of the Scouting program so they can , in turn, tell this to the National Organization for us.



Mile Swim Award

The Mile Swim Award (left) is a patch worn on the left side of the Scout's swim trunks, not on his uniform. The award can be earned and worn by both Scouts and Adult Scouters.

Requirements:

1. Explain how regular exercise contributes to good health and why swimming is one of the best forms of exercise.
2. Tell what precautions and procedures a swimmer and escort must follow for distance swimming over open water.
3. Under the supervision of a currently qualified certified aquatics instructor, BSA or equivalent, participate in 4 hours of training and preparation for distance swimming (1 hour a day maximum).
4. Swim 1 mile over a measured course that has been approved by the trained instructor who will supervise the swim.

Six Boys and 13 Hands - Raising the American Flag on Iwo Jima



If you ever get to go to Washington DC and see the monument of the 6 Marines who raised the American Flag at Iwo Jima you may note that there are actually 13 hands on the flag. Yes, if you look at the statue very closely and count the number of 'hands' raising the flag, there are 13. When the man who made the statue was asked why there were 13, he simply said the 13th hand was the hand of God. As we approach Memorial Day please keep in mind the servicemen and women who fought for us; and thank God for his continued, eternal watch over them.



Council & District TRAINING events



TRAINING

Cub Scout

Leader Specific Training

[Lee Schultz @ cubtraining@swancreekdistrict.org](mailto:Lee.Schultz@swancreekdistrict.org)

Cub Scout Leader training for this year is over
We'll have the 2013-2014 posted later this year



TRAINING

Boy Scout

Leader Specific Training

[Mike Pierson @ bstraining@swancreekdistrict.org](mailto:Mike.Pierson@swancreekdistrict.org)

SLT Training for this spring is still (supposedly) in the planning; details will be posted when / if available

Upcoming Activities

Dad & Lad Overnight Mom & Me Overnight



The best info available (Council Website) is:

Dad & Lad will be April 27th & 28th, 2013

To be held at Camp Miakonda

Dad & Lad will be May 4th & 5th, 2013

To be held at Camp Miakonda

Flyers (details) posted on the Pack Website Admin Page



For the Tigers, Wolves, Bears and First Year Webelos we'd like to remind you that Erie Shores Council will be offering Cub Day Camp again in 2013.

June 17th - 21st CDC Week #1

June 24th - 28th CDC Week #2

No CDC this week due to the 4th of July Holiday

July 8th - 12th CDC Week #3

July 15th - 19th CDC Week #4



Toledo Mud Hens 2013 Scout Sleepovers



Mudhens' Sleepovers @ 5th/3rd Field

Watch a game, see fireworks, a movie and campout in the outfield for the night - WOW!



Friday, May 31st

Saturday, June 1st

Friday, June 21st

Saturday, June 22nd

Friday, July 26th

Saturday, August 3rd

Brochure & details are posted on the Pack & Troop websites or you can go to the Mud Hens site (look under PROMOTIONS and SCOUT EXPERIENCE)

Word of caution (for first time participants....)

Sleeping on the outfield is like sleeping on a carpet.

No rocks, roots or ruts.... It's like setting up your tent in the living room. One of my most unusual camping experiences ever!



ORDER OF THE ARROW

Upcoming events for Arrowmen

Upcoming LODGE Events

www.tindeuchen.com



2013 Events

March 23rd ~ Service Day @ Camp Miakonda

May 3rd - 5th ~ Spring Ordeal @ PSR

May 17th thru 19th

OA Section C6-B Conclave @ PSR

details will be posted as soon as made available

ANY Arrowman can attend & participate at the Ordeals (plenty of work to get done) and many hands make it go faster! Please sign up guys.

If you've been called out for membership in the OA - make sure you sign up for your Ordeal

May 31st - June 2nd ~ Spring Ordeal II @ PSR

Annual Order of the Arrow UNIT ELECTION

This year the Troop will hold the annual Unit Election at our April 30th Troop meeting.

Member(s) from Tindeuchen Lodge will come to our meeting to inform everyone about the Order of the Arrow and hold the election. Tap out for those elected will be at Summer Camp/Family Night.

Scouts - this is probably the only (that's right - ONLY) organization where NON-MEMBERS vote for and select the members! Come on out learn about the OA. And vote too!



National Train Day 2013

Toledo's Amtrak Station

on Saturday, May 4th

9:30am to 4:00pm



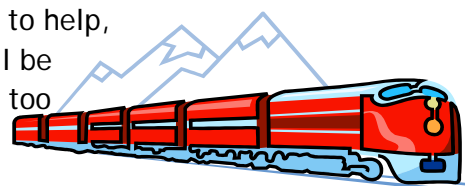
<http://www.dotoledo.org/Events/National-Train-Day-Toledo>

FREE OPEN HOUSE event for everyone to come see! Model trains, displays, and more!

And if you want to help,

volunteers will be

appreciated too



April Historical & Current Events

www.aboutfamouspeople.com

April 2nd

- Juan Ponce de Leon discovered Florida, 1513
- First Easter egg roll at the White House, 1877
- Congress passed the Coinage Act, which authorized the establishment of the United States Mint, 1792



April 3rd

- First Pony Express began its route between St. Joseph, Missouri, and Sacramento, California, 1860
- American's Creed accepted, 1918



April 7th

- Lee and Grant discussed terms for surrender, 1865
- "South Pacific" opened on Broadway, 1949

April 8th

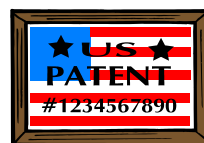
- Frank Robinson, major league baseball's first black manager, managed his first game for the Cleveland Indians, 1975

April 9th

- The American Civil War ended in the East, 1865
- Sir Winston Churchill was made an honorary United States citizen, 1963

April 10th

- The first patent law was passed, 1790



April 11th

- Congress proclaimed the end of the Revolutionary War, 1783
- Jackie Robinson, entered Major League Baseball, 1947

April 12th

- England adopted original Union Jack as its flag, 1606
- The bombing of Fort Sumter began, starting the Civil War, 1861
- The catcher's mask was first used in a baseball game, 1877



April 13th

- Pennsylvania Railroad received its charter, 1847
- Fort Sumter surrendered, 1861
- President Roosevelt dedicated the Jefferson Memorial, 1943

April 14th

- First motion picture public showing, 1894

April 16th

- A bill ending slavery in the District of Columbia became law, 1862

April 18th

- San Francisco earthquake & fire, 1906

April 19th

- Spanish-American War began, 1898

April 22nd

- U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum dedicated in Washington, 1993

April 24th

- Spain declared war on the United States, 1898

April 25th

- St. Lawrence Seaway opened, 1959

April 27th

- The nation's first Social Security checks were distributed, 1937

April 30th

- The United States purchased the Louisiana Territory from France, 1803

