



Pack 208

Monthly Newsletter

Troop 208



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

August 2013

Pack News

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208



Cub Family Camp 2013
October 5th & 6th, 2013
at Camp Miakonda
YEP... you're being invited

Another great weekend event with Commodore Perry District joining Swan Creek District and, shhhh, there's a rumor Northwest District will be joining too. Word on the trail is this will be the same fun and busy schedule as before so come well rested!

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208/flyers/CFC2013.pdf

Registration flyer & details available with the flyer



God & Country Banquet ~ Feb 28th, 2014

God & Country Camporee ~ Mar 7th - 9th, 2014

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/G&C2014.pdf



2014 Pinewood Derby



Pack 208 Pinewood Derby

Tentatively Thursday Feb 20th or Saturday Feb 22nd

Swan Creek District Pinewood Derby

March 15th; Location to be determined

The **Pack's 2013 ~ 2014 Pack Meeting** schedule will be published later this summer for everyone.

2014 Dad & Lad Overnight @ Camp Miakonda

May 3rd - 4th @ Camp Miakonda

2014 Dad & Lad Overnight @ Camp Miakonda

May 10th - 11th @ Camp Miakonda

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Pack208/flyers/Me2014.pdf



Looks like a BUSY YEAR coming up for you guys.... & check out the Upcoming Activities Page for more

Troop News

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208

Next Meeting for the Troop ~ AUGUST 6th @ 7pm

We'll meet at Mr Raven's house and start the year!

Swan Creek District Annual Program Review

August 8th @ Providence Lutheran Church

Starts at 6pm and is also the District Picnic



Swan Creek District Fall Camporee

October 11th - 13th, 2013 in Cygnet, OH

The Ohio Operating Engineers Apprenticeship & Training Center in Cygnet, OH. Flyer available:

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/2013FallCamp.pdf



Swan Creek District Winter Weekend

February 7th - 9th, 2014 at Camp Miakonda
details to be provided as soon as we get them.



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2014 Catholic Boy Scout & Girl Scout
Retreat & Camporee ~ Come & See; Go & Do
April 11th - 13th, 2014 @ Camp Miakonda

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/2014CR.pdf

www.swancreekdistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/2014CRFAQ.pdf



Swan Creek District Spring Camporee

April 25th - 27th, 2014

details to be provided as soon as we get them.

PSR Summer Camp Pictures will be posted on line very soon.... It was a GREAT WEEK!

Awards & Recognitions & Training Info

AQUATICS



STAND UP PADDLEBOARDING

Stand Up Paddleboarding (SUP) has been approved as a new aquatics award. Similar to Kayaking BSA, the award has requirements that introduce a Scout to the sport, and can easily be earned at summer camp or on a troop outing. This award will encourage Scouts to develop paddling skills that promote fitness and safe aquatics recreation.

Stand up paddleboarding should be taught on calm, flat water protected from waves, wind, and boat traffic. Only people who have successfully completed the BSA swimmer test in the current year may participate in stand up paddling. Other guidelines include the following:

A responsible adult must supervise all stand up paddling activities. The supervising adult must be trained in BSA Safety Afloat and be experienced and qualified in water safety (BSA Lifeguard, Red Cross Advanced Lifesaving, or YMCA Senior Lifesaver).

All people must wear an approved U.S. Coast Guard personal flotation device (Type III recommended) at all times.

An appropriate style of leash must be worn in the appropriate venues.

No one paddles alone or at night, and paddles within swimming distance of shore

KAYAKING



1. Successfully complete the BSA swimmer test.

2. Describe various types of kayaks and how they differ in design, materials, and purpose.

Name the parts of the kayak you are using for this exercise.

Demonstrate how to choose an appropriately sized kayak paddle and how to position your hands.

3. Tell what precautions must be taken for a safe trip afloat.

Demonstrate how to select and properly fit a PFD.

Explain the importance of safety equipment such as PFDs, air bags, grab loops, and helmets.

4. Demonstrate your ability to aid yourself and others in the event of a capsize:

Capsize your kayak in water at least seven feet deep, perform a wet exit if necessary, and swim the boat to shore.

With assistance, if needed, ready the capsized craft for use.

Show how to approach a capsized paddler in your kayak and tow him to shore.

While upright in your kayak, right a capsized kayak, empty it of water, and assist the paddler aboard without returning to shore

5. As a solo paddler, demonstrate the following:

Entering and launching a kayak from shore or dock

Landing or docking and exiting a kayak

Forward stroke Draw stroke

Sweep stroke Rudder stroke

Reverse sweep Back stroke

6. As a solo paddler, do the following:

Paddle forward in a reasonably straight line.

Move the kayak sideways to the right and to the left.

Pivot 360 degrees to the right and left.

Stop the kayak.

Upcoming Activities

TRAINING

2013 Erie Shores University of Scouting to be held @ Cardinal Stritch on November 2nd, 2013 more details will be provided as soon as we get them.

Construction City 2014

November 30th (Saturday after Thanksgiving) at the University of Toledo Main Campus Health Education Center

www.swancreedistrict.org/Pack208/flyers/CCity2014.pdf



Coming in September....
Popcorn Take Order Sales begin
popcorn sales end in November
popcorn will be distributed afterwards

2013 Scouting for Food Campaign

Mid-October - distribution of SFF bags
pick up of SFF bags the following Saturday
All of the food items collected remain in the Swanton community to help those in need.



17th Annual Event
September 21st, 2013
Interested in helping?

www.swancreedistrict.org/Pack208/flyers/CYS2013.pdf



FALL SCOUT STAR PARTY 2013
October 12th & 13th, 2013 @ PSR
This is a great time to stay up all night!

www.swancreedistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/SPOct2013.pdf



FREE LNT Workshop @ Camp Miakonda
8am to noon September 14th, 2013
Great time to learn more about LNT

www.swancreedistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/LNT0913.pdf

AUGUST 27th - BIG DAY!!! Make sure you have this on your calendars and HIGHLIGHTED

SCHOOL STARTS AGAIN for the year!!!
Yea! Whoo-hooo! Yippee!



ORDER OF THE ARROW

www.tindeuchen.org

Upcoming events for Arrowmen

August Ordeal:

August 16th - 18th @ Camp Miakonda

If you're tapped out at Summer Camp.... Hmmm

LODGE Meeting

August 25th @ Camp Miakonda starting @ 3pm

Annual election of Lodge Officers

LODGE Cookout

September 14th

Halloween Party @ Camp Miakonda

October 26th & 27th @ Camp Miakonda

LODGE Bowling

November 16th

Jamboree on the Air 2013

JOTA - an annual event in which Scouts and Guides of all ages and all over the world talk with each other using Amateur (Ham) radio. They share Scouting experiences and ideas via radio waves.

www.swancreedistrict.org/Troop208/flyers/JOTA2013.pdf

Saturday, October 19th from 9am to 9pm

Sunday, October 20th from 9am to noon

HALLOWEEN

at Camp Miakonda

October 26th &
October 27th

Trick or Treat in a safe & fun place where the kids can RUN and have FUN

Flyer posted on our sites

Erie Shores Council
Halloween Party
presented by the Rotary Club of Reynolds Corner
at Camp Miakonda

Saturday, October 26, 2013
5:30 pm ~ 9:00 pm
(Open to the public & Scouts)

Sunday, October 27, 2013
2:00 pm ~ 4:30 pm
(Open to the public & Scouts)

\$7.00 per child
Bring The Family!!!
(Under 2 & Adults FREE)

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE
Haunted Hayride * Face Painting
Haunted Cabin * Games, Games, Games
Trick-or-Treating * Haunted Trails
Concessions Available

WEAR YOUR COSTUME!!
Trick-or-Treat bag and patch will be included for all Scouts.
Any questions, please call the Scout Office
at 419-241-7293.

Pre-Registration is ENCOURAGED.
Walk-Ins are Welcome!!
Call 419-241-7293 to reserve for your Pack today!!

CAMP MIAKONDA
5600 W. Sylvania Ave # Toledo, Ohio 43623

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.

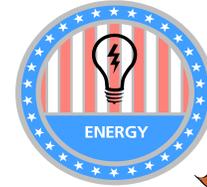
Anne Frank's last diary entry, 1944



August 3rd

This day, Congress designated June 14 as Flag Day, 1949

The Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty was passed, 1972



August 4th

During WWII, Gestapo captured Anne Frank, her family and others, in Holland, 1944

The United States Department of Energy was created, 1977



August 5th

The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame was established, 1985.

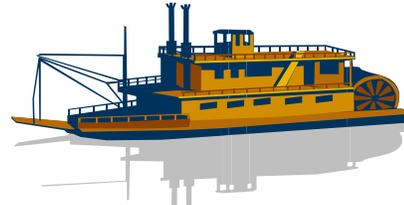
August 7th

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 9th

The steamboat *Erie*, caught on fire on Lake Erie, killing 175, 1841.

August 10th

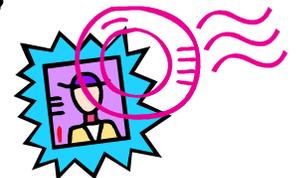
The first commercial electric streetcar in America and the world was placed into operation in Baltimore. It ran from Oak Street to Roland Avenue to 40th Street.



August 12th

The United States Postal system became independent, 1970

Isaac Merrit Singer was granted a patent for his sewing machine, 1851



August 13th

The coin operated telephone was patented, 1889



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

President Abraham Lincoln first test fired the new Spencer Carbine rifle, 1863.

Mount Whitney, the second highest mountain in the United States, was scaled for the first time by an American team consisting of John Lucas, Charles D. Begole, and A.H. Johnson, 1873.



August 22nd

The world's first nuclear-powered ship, *Savannah*, made its maiden voyage from Yorktown, VA to Savannah, GA, 1962

August 29th

The Beatles concluded their fourth American tour with their last public concert at Candlestick Park, San Francisco, 1966

August 31st

Thomas A. Edison received a patent for his Kinetoscope, 1887.

Lady Diana, Princess of Wales and her companion Dodi Al Fayed died tragically in a car crash in Paris, France, 1997