

LAKE SANDS DISTRICT
the CRAWLIN' KINGSSNAKE
BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

December 2009

Pre - RT

LSD BS RT 7 P.M. 10 Dec 2009 N 30°09.345' // W 085°38.795'

“KRITTER, INC.”

Opening: Troop 317

Updates on SCOUT JAM 2010 in 9-11 April 2010

*** Program Feature by KRITTER, INC.**

And if time allows * Big George's Medical Moment and * Jim Wolf's Knot of the Month !!

SITES 'N STUFF RELATED TO THEME OF THE MONTH:

Kritter, Inc Wildlife Sanctuary <http://www.kritterinc.com/>

MISSION: To rescue, raise, rehabilitate and release orphaned, injured, and displaced wildlife. We can provide a Sanctuary for non-releasable animals, both native and non-native and we strive to provide educational experiences to the community, allowing for a greater understanding and appreciation of wildlife.

HISTORY: Kritter, Inc. was founded in January, 2008 in Bay County, Panama City Beach, Florida by Lisa Mabry and was incorporated as a 501c3 non-profit organization that same year. Kritter, Inc. is tucked under the pine tree hammocks of the Hombre Golf Course. We serve Panama City Beach, Panama City and all surrounding towns and counties, as well as the entire state of Florida.

KG's NATURE BITES of the MONTH:

Critter of the Month: Rough Green Snake, *Opheodrys aestivus aestivus*
<http://www.flmnh.ufl.edu/natsci/herpetology/fl-guide/Opheodrysaestivus.htm>

So Many Plants, So Little Time: Indian Pipes, *Monotropa uniflora*,
http://botit.botany.wisc.edu/toms_fungi/oct2002.html



INDIAN PIPES



ROUGH GREEN SNAKE

(both were seen at LSD Fall Camporee)

Bugga da Month: Giant Swallowtail, *Papilio cresphontes*
<http://www.butterfliesandmoths.org/species?l=1366>

Everybody's Heard about the Bird: Northern Flicker, *Colaptes auratus*
<http://www.all-birds.com/Flicker.htm>



GIANT SWALLOWTAIL



NORTHERN FLICKER

The Sky Tells a Story: **Capella**, a giant star the same temperature and color as our much smaller Sun, dominates the NE sky until even brighter Mars rises about two hours later. It is part of the pentagon on stars making up **Auriga**, the Charioteer. East of Auriga, the twins, **Castor** (closer to Capella, rising first about 7:30 PM as December begins) and **Pollux** highlight the **Gemini**. UWF alumni can associate the pair with Jason and the Golden Fleece legend, for they were the first two Argonauts to sign up on his crew of adventurers. South of Gemini, **Orion** is the most familiar winter constellation, dominating the eastern sky by 8 PM. The reddish supergiant **Betelgeuse** marks his eastern shoulder, while blue-white supergiant **Rigel** stands opposite on his west knee. The three stars in a row that mark **Orion's belt** have a Christmas association in Latin America. As "Los Tres Reyes", they stand for the three kings, bringing gifts to the Christ Child.

Plus the Usual: Handouts Gone Wild!! / RT Spirit Stick / Ticket Drawing / Closing

Upcoming Events: visit <http://www.lakesandsdistrict.org>

- 1) Training: BS Leader Specifics, Lynn Haven United Methodist 4501 Transmitter Road PC, FL Dec 5th \$5.00; Time: 0830 - 1330
- 2) STSR Winter Camp: 27-30 Dec 2009. 15 MBs Offered, 6 Eagle Required.
- 3) District Banquet: Sat 9 Jan at 1st Baptist Church
- 4) Training: IOLS 22-23 Jan @ Bear Creek Assembly of God
- 5) Green Bar at STSR: 29-31 January. MBs Offered.
- 6) Webelos District Crossover; Sheffield Park, LH 6-8 PM on Monday 8 Feb.
- 7) Wood Badge for the 21st Century: at STSR weekends of 26 Feb and 26 Mar 2010.
- 8) Lake Sands District MB University: Sat 27 Mar at Deane Bozeman HS
- 9) SCOUT JAM 2010: 9-11 April, Ft. Walton Fairgrounds.

Future Monthly RT Feature Themes: If you'd like to Step Up and Become Famous as a LSD RT Theme Presenter, your support would be much appreciated!! Call KG at 234-4077.

14 Jan 2010 = Citizenship (T.369 J.Dippin)

11 Feb = Physical Fitness

11 Mar = Forestry

8 April = Leadership

13 May = Special Cooking (T.366 J.Collingsworth)

see ya **Thursday Night 10 December !!!!**

YIS, KG, your LSD BS RTC