## LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

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# the CRAWLIN' KINGSNAKE

January 2009

# 8 January 2009 "GEOCACHING"

**Opening:** Thanks to Mr. Bill of T.345 for the opening. Opening Key passed to T.366 for next months opening.

#### Thanks to the following Folks for their Participation, Information, & Enthusiasm:

LISA KEPPNER, Bay Co Audubon Society – thanks for preparing the great handouts and info on the Feb 13-16 Great Backyard Bird Count. Scouts are encouraged to participate – applicable to Bird Study, Fish & Wildlife, and Nature MBs. http://www.birdsource.org/gbbc/.

**DE CHRISTIAN SHEPERD** — council updates on current budget; promotion of FOS at Troop Court of Honor; Also, SMs call Cheryl at Council Office to check on status of unit re-charter pkg.

### \*\*\* FEATURE DRESENTATION ON GEOCACHING\*\*\*:

SPECIAL Thanks to T.300 Bill Ribbing for leading the discussion and OVERVIEW (beware of "muggles", don't be a "spoiler", and always practice LNT). And a big thanks to T.82 Tim Stuhr for hiding the 5 caches. And another big thanks to T.317 Jake Jacob for providing the cache fossils.

**Big George Goehring's Medical Moment:** First Aid Kits – proper location in backpack; contents of; good reference is BS Field Book.

Jim Wolf's Knot of the Month: demo & handout on different variations of the Bowline. Bowline on a Bight from Animated Knots site <a href="http://www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php?LogoImage=LogoGrog.jpg&Website=www.animatedknots.com/bowlinebight/index.php.

Ke's Handouts Cone Wild: 2 Brochures: Checklist of Florida's Birds, Striped Bass Restoration of FL Rivers; as well as these Paper Handouts:

- FAOs About Geocaching
- Jamboree Geocaching (by Magellan)
- Quiz: GPS
- 27 Nov 08 Pensacola News Journal Article on Vick Vickery
- Outdoor Code
- The Constellation CEPHEUS
- Quiz: Gone To Seed
- Slide of the Month: Wooden Whistle
- Tour Permit Info (Jim Boksa's The Program Corner: updates & info about online permits)

LSD Traveling Spirit Stick: Thanks to T.317 George Goehring for returning the Older Spirit Stick with the outstanding additions of continuation of the Scout Law, alligator/snake head, Turk's Head knot, and embossed T.317. This stick awarded to T.366 for next month's addition.

Thanks to T.303 Dave Hodges for returning the newer cedar spirit stick embellished with 303 and the LSD RT hiking medallion. This stick awarded to T.369 for next month's addition.

**<u>Ticket Drawing Giveaway:</u>** (thanks also to Bill Ribbing and William Sellen for providing additional giveaway items)

Ceramic Turtle and Wildflower Seed: William Sellen, George Stilen, Joe Pippin. Frisbee and Desk Paper Pallet: Bill Ribbing

Fishing Lure and Desk Paper Pallet: Dave Hodges

Green Camping Day Pack: Jeff Gibbs

Cache Bolt (ala B.Ribbing): Jason Blackham
Cache Canisters and Items: Dave Oliphant, George Pfeiffer
Small Pocket Knife (ala Wm.Sellen): Steve Akin, Bill Gillis

ALSO CONGRATS TO T.366 SM MARK GILLAND selected as 2010 Jamboree Contingent SM !!

And a Big HURRAH for T.344 SM JUDY YOUNG who stood up to say she would be Spring Camporee Chairman !!

Interested in Eagle Project or Service Hours at ZOO WORLD? If so, T.317 SM Jake Jacob 258-119 has the contact info.

**CLOSING by KG:** if a dog were a teacher you would learn things like:

- 1) When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.
- 2) Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joy ride.
- 3) Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure ecstasy.

of your aluminum pans before cooking over an open fire. Make sure the wet hand soap has a few minutes to dry to a powered glaze. Cast Iron does not require soaping.

Additional Items of Interest: Remember to visit the Events and Training Calendars on LSD Website at <a href="http://www.lakesandsdistrict.org/index.html">http://www.lakesandsdistrict.org/index.html</a>

- 1) Lake Sands District Annual Scouter Awards Banquet: Sat 10 Jan, Holiday Inn Select PC.

  \*\*\*\*\* MARK GILLAND requesting photos/videos of your Scouting events over the past year in order to compile them into a show for the 10 Jan LSD Scouter Awards Banquet, send to mgilland@gmail.com
- 2) OA Work Day at STSR: Sat 17 Jan
- 3) Gulf Coast Council Banquet: Sat 7 Feb
- 4) Great Backyard Bird Count: 13-16 Feb http://www.birdsource.org/gbbc/
- 5) District Spring Camporee: 27-29 Mar
- 6) OA Conclave: 17-19 April
- 7) Norman Rockwell / Joseph Csatari Scouting Art Tour: 27-29 Apr at The Crown Plaza Hotel, Pensacola.

#### THANKS to the following 18 Troops represented at January's PT:

39, 47, 82, 300, 302, 303, 310, 311, 317, 321, 323, 344, 345, 366, 369, 377, 388, 706

TOTAL January RT ATTENDANCE = 41

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 234-407

12 Feb = Cultural Diversity / Ability Awareness (T.366 SM Mark Gilland)

12 Mar = Wildlife Mgmt (J.Moyers) 9 April = Camping (J.Herrick, LNT) 14 May = Emergency Prep 9 July = Boating / Canoeing

13 Aug = Safety

10 Sept = Nature 8 Oct = Business

12 Nov = First Aid

10 Dec = Winter Camping

**YIS, KG, your LSD BS RTC** 



