

# LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

*After - RT*

*the CRAWLIN' KINGSSNAKE*

March 2011

## BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

LSD BS RT 7 P.M. 10 Mar 2011 N 30°09.345' // W 085°38.795'

### “Environment”

**Opening:** Thanks to John Hopkins of T.310 for his Opening comments about “ON MY HONOR” and leading the Opening Pledge. Per John, “If you don’t stand for something, you’ll probably fall for just about anything”. The Opening Key was passed to T.317 for next month’s 14 April opening.

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

**Bill Payne on MBU:** Bill updated everyone on the status of MBU. Approximately 100 Scouts are signed up to date. 26 MBs are being offered. And please note that all Scouts attending MBU must be REGISTERED (as in new cross-over Scouts)! Also, Bill, along with Randy Segler, presented KG with a certificate and beaded choker with turtle for his “Cheerful Service” to OA; this was big surprise to KG and it was much appreciated.

**Jon Coleman:** Jon hyped upcoming training events (listed below). The deadline to register for IOLS training to be held during the Spring Camporee is 7 April.

**Ruby Mixdorf:** Ruby is still working with Council to update the LSD MBC list. AND she is still looking for volunteers to help with Eagle Board of Reviews. Ruby can be reached at [ruby.mixdorf@comcast.net](mailto:ruby.mixdorf@comcast.net) and 522-3945.

**Tim Mixdorf:** Tim awarded Georgia Gunn with a certificate for leading last year’s LSD MBU and awarded T.302 with the National Camping Award.

**Bill Duncy:** Bill provided info on the 9 April Pine Log State Forest Celebration from 10AM - Noon for the “75<sup>th</sup> Year of FL State Forests”. Your Troop is welcome to attend. Please contact Keith Cullen (850-535-2888) with the number of Scouts you think will be attending. Daily use entry fees will be waived for the day. Smokey the Bear to be on-site.

**Tom Reynolds:** Tom once again hyped contacting those Webelos who should be crossing-over. Contact info provided to all troops.

**DE Brandon:** Brandon reminded everyone about FOS and sale of CampCards.

**T.300 Rob Adams:** provided updates on the LSD Spring “Disabilities Awareness” Camporee 15-17 April. Reminder to please register by Patrols as all competition will be by Patrols. And, please register by 1 April!

#### \*\*\* FEATURE PRESENTATION \*\*\*

**KG presented a slide show on Invasive Plants of Bay County. And A HUGE THANKS to T.82 Eco-Guru Tim Stuhr who provided a Map of the Econfina/FL Trail Area as well as a handout and short discussion on Interesting Plants along Econfina Creek.**

KG also explained the Yakima Indian legend of Cassiopeia and the Iroquois legend of the Big Dipper.

And, BIG THANKS once again to **Big George** for his **Medical Moment on POISON IVY**. Take-aways include: if it's moist and oozy, dry it out; don't break the blisters; if you have dry skin patches then keep it moist.

Another BIG THANKS to **T.82's Tim Stuhr and Larry Dawson** for their song "**FLEA**", you remember **Cumma-ladda, Cumma-ladda, Cumma-la Vista!**

The wooden **Musical 1/8<sup>th</sup> Note** was given to T.300 for the April **RT SONG OF THE MONTH!**

**LSD Traveling Spirit Stick:** The **Twisty Snake Stick** was again MIA by **T.47**. The newer **Oak Snake Stick** was returned by **T.321** with the addition of guinea fowl feathers; this stick was awarded to **T.356** for the next go round.

**KG's Handouts Gone Wild:** 3 Brochures: Trail of Florida's Indian Heritage; Heritage Park and Cultural Center; Bay County Eco-Tourism Map, along with 8 paper handouts:

- Boy Scouts and the Environment
- William T. Hornaday Award Requirements
- Marion C. Leach Conservation Award
- Invasive Species: wanted dead not alive
- USFW Invasive Plants in Our Backyards
- FL Exotic Pest Council's Q&A on Invasive Exotics
- Word Search: Welcome Spring Flowers
- Slide of the Month: White Ibis (**thanks to Mr. Ted**)

**Ticket Drawing Giveaways:** And all winners received an **Endangered Species Poster** and a **FL is Black Bear Country Info Magnet!**

**Garden Design Tote Bag:** T.300 ASM Rob Adams

**Camping Bag:** District Commissioner Dave Kirkland

**Table Tennis Set:** T.317 SM Steve Shoner

**Cooking Utensils:** RT Staffer George Goehring

**Pet Smart Frisbee (2):** T317 ASM Jeff Neitzke and T.388 ASM James McCallum

**Garden Trowel and Watch Your Watts Clip:** Doug Merkle

**Complete Seasoning and Watch Your Watts Clip:** T.300 SM Jim Wolf

**Upcoming Boy Scout Items of Interest:** REMEMBER to visit the District Calendar on LSD Website at <http://www.lakesandsdistrict.org/index.php>

- 1) OA Ordeal **18 March.**
- 2) LSD MB University, **Sat 26 Mar**, Deane Bozeman School.
- 3) Trainer's Edge, **Sat 2 Apr**, 8AM-5PM, Deane Bozeman School.
- 4) LSD Spring Camporee, **15-17 April** "Disabilities Awareness" at Euchee.  
Plus IOLS Training offered!
- 5) COR Training, **21 April.**
- 6) BS New Leader Essentials, **Sat 21 May**, 8AM-4PM, at FUMC.
- 7) Summer Camp at STSR - **Celebrating 50 Years of STSR.**
- 8) Commissioner College - **27 Aug.**
- 9) LSD Fall Camporee - **11-13 Nov.**
- 10) GCC Winter Camp - **27-30 Dec.**
- 11) LSD 2012 Spring Camporee - **20-22 Apr 2012.**

**CLOSING by KG:** **Advice from a Wildflower:** Show your true colors | Delight in simple pleasures | Celebrate your natural beauty | Open up! | Spread seeds of joy | It's OK to be a late bloomer | Be wild and wonderful!

**ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE !!!**

**THANKS to the following 15 Units represented at March RT:**

39, 82, 300, 302, 303, 310, 317, 321, 323, 345, 356, 366, 369, 388, 706

**TOTAL MARCH BS RT ATTENDANCE = 40**

**\*\*\*\* And hot off the press by our own T.300 SM Jim Wolf \*\*\*\***

**Coming Soon: WILD BIRDS UNLIMITED Nature Shop**

**<http://panamacity.wbu.com/>**

**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 or email: [kerry.gunn@navy.mil](mailto:kerry.gunn@navy.mil)

**14 Apr = Orienteering (T.366 Mark Gilland)**

**12 May = Mechanics (T.82 Bobby Prieto)**

**9 Jun = Shooting Sports (T.317 Jeff Neitzke)**

**11 Aug = Hiking and/or Sports**

**8 Sept = Engineering (Carl Bennett & Doug Merkle)**

**13 Oct = High Adventure**

**10 Nov = Tracking**

**8 Dec = Hobbies (T.39 Mr. Ted)**

**12 Jan = Public Service**

**8 Feb = Cultural Diversity**

**8 Mar = WL Mgmt**

**12 Apr = Camping**

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