

LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

Pre - RT

the *CRAWLIN' KINGSNAKE*
BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

April **2011**

LSD BS RT 7 P.M. 14 APRIL 2011 N 30°09.345' // W 085°38.795'

“ORIENTEERING”

Opening: Troop 310

Discovery Dive World's Bob Provost on the STSR Summer Camp Scuba Program

Program Feature: T.366 SM Mark Gilland

Big George's Medical Moment!

Sing A Simple Song ! by T.300

SITES 'N STUFF RELATED to THEME of the MONTH:

TREASURE HUNT - Beginning Orienteering Game:

http://www.scoutorama.com/orienteer_game/

"COMPASS TIPS and TRICKS" from Boy's Life Magazine April 2008

<http://boyslife.org/outdoors/outdoorarticles/3877/compass-tips-and-tricks/>

HOW TO USE YOUR SILVA COMPASS TO FIND YOUR WAY

http://www.bigrockoutfitters.com/infopages/how_to_use_a_compass.htm

KG's NATURE BITES of the MONTH:

E. O. Wilson Biophilia Center OPEN HOUSE 9 AM - 3 PM Saturday 9 April

<http://www.eowilsoncenter.org/welcome.html>

So Many Plants, So Little Time: Ashe Magnolia, *Magnolia ashei*

<http://plants.usda.gov/java/profile?symbol=MAAS>

http://www.floridata.com/ref/m/magn_mac_ash.cfm

Per plant expert Lisa Keppner, "We have both *Magnolia ashei* and *Magnolia pyramidata* (Pyramid Magnolia <http://plants.usda.gov/java/profile?symbol=MAPY>) here but *Magnolia macrophylla* (Bigleaf Magnolia) has not yet been documented for our area. The biggest difference is that the base of the leaves of the first two have auricles ("ear lobes"). The bigleaf does not have ear lobes hanging at the base of the leaf - all of the leaf is attached to the petiole. The differences between *M. pyramidata* & *M. ashei* are somewhat subtle. The *ashei* leaf is glaucous (a grayish hue that can be rubbed off like the stuff on a blueberry fruit) underneath and *pyramidata* is not."



Ashe Magnolia at Torreya by KG



Pipevine Swallowtail

Bugga da Month: Pipevine Swallowtail, *Batus philenor*,
<http://www.nsis.org/butterfly/butterfly-sp-swallowtail-pipevine.html>

Critter of the Month: Fox Squirrel, *Sciurus niger*
<http://myfwc.com/wildlifehabitats/profiles/mammals/land-mammals/fox-squirrel/>

Everybody's Heard About the Bird: Loggerhead Shrike, *Lanius ludovicianus*,
http://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/Loggerhead_Shrike/lifehistory



Loggerhead Shrike



Fox Squirrel

The Sky Tells a Story: To the NE, look for the Big Dipper rising, using the front 2 stars of the bowl to point to the North Star. Take the pointers at the front of the dipper's bowl south instead to the head of Leo, looking much like the profile of the famed Sphinx. The bright star at the Lion's heart is Regulus, but brighter still is Saturn, just east of Regulus.

You can take the curved handle of the Big Dipper, and follow the arc SE to bright orange Arcturus, the brightest star of the spring sky. This bright star of Bootes, the Bear Driver, is said to be a refugee from another galaxy.

Now spike South to Spica, the brightest star in Virgo rising in the SE. To the SW of Spica is the four-sided Corvus, the Crow. As you see Spica rising in the SE, it's time to "plant your peas", and 6 months from now, when Spica again disappears in the sun's glare in the SW, it's time to "get your corn in the crib".

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

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

- 1) LSD Spring Camporee, 15-17 April "Disabilities Awareness" at Euchee.
- 2) COR Training, Thurs 21 April.
- 3) BS New Leader Essentials, Sat 21 May, 8AM-4PM, at FUMC.
- 4) Summer Camp at STSR Celebrating 50 Years of STSR !!
- 5) College of Commissioner Science, Sat 27 Aug at Deane Bozeman School
- 6) LSD Fall Camporee, 11-13 Nov (Theme & Location TBD)

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 me at kerry.gunn@navy.mil.

12 May = Mechanics (T.82 Bobby Prieto)
9 Jun = Hiking Shooting and/or Sport (T.317 Jeff Neitzke)
11 Aug = Hiking
8 Sept = Engineering (Carl Bennett & Doug Merkle)
13 Oct = High Adventure
10 Nov = Tracking
8 Dec = Hobbies (T.39 Mr. Ted)
12 Jan 2012 = Public Service
8 Feb = Cultural Diversity
8 Mar = Wildlife Mgmt
12 Apr = Camping
10 May = Emerg Prep

See ya Thursday Night 14 April !!!! **YIS, KG, your LSD BS RTC** RT #67

Roundtable Suggestion / Ideas

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Suggestion / Idea:
