

# LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

*After - RT*

*the CRAWLIN' KINGSSNAKE*

**MAY 2011**

## BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

**LSD BS RT 7 P.M. 12 MAY 2011 N 30° 10.890 // W 085° 40.010**

### “MECHANICS”

**Opening:** Thanks to **T.323 SM Jimmy Wiselogel** for leading the Opening Pledge, Scout Law, and the Scout Oath. The Opening Key was passed to **T.321** for next month's 9 June opening.

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

**Joey Collingsworth:** Announced the Memorial Day Scouting Service Project at the Kent-Forest Lawn Cemetery putting out American Flags. All LSD Troops are welcome to participate. Details to be emailed out soon. Start time 6 AM Monday 30 May.

**Billy Egan, GCC Field Director:** hyped JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE which takes place of the annual Quality Unit Award - this is service hour tracking and more, a handout was provided, to learn more go to the council webpage click on the flashing JTE icon when it appears. When your troop is ready to register contact Billy. You will be provided a troop registration code in order to create your troop account. Billy can be reached at [biegan@bsamail.org](mailto:biegan@bsamail.org).

**Linda from the Scout Shop:** had lots of merchandise on hand and announced a National Reading Program - read books and get your card punched 5 times to earn \$5 gift certificate to the Scout Shop. Emailing details and book listing soon.

**Jon Coleman:** the Saturday 21 May New Leader Essentials training will not be held at FUMC, the new location will soon be mailed out to all those registered.

**Tim Mixdorf:** Awarded National Camping Award ribbon to T.321 and recognized T.300 ASM Rob Adams for chairing the April LSD BS Spring Camporee. Tim is now looking for a chairperson or unit to chair/host the LSD Fall Camporee 11-13 Nov. Tim can be reached at [tim.mixdorf@comcast.net](mailto:tim.mixdorf@comcast.net).

**KG:** presented newly engraved Bob Walton Spirit Award plaque to T.369 SM Joe Pippin for their great showing at the April LSD BS Spring Camporee. KG also told the Lummi Indian legend of Arcturus after showing that you can use the Big Dipper to point to much more than just the North Star.

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

**Thanks to Bobby Prieto for leading the discussion on Mechanics.** Some take-aways include: Remember that Safety comes first, wear eye protection, must have safe tires with proper inflation, check oil only after car has been sitting all night, you can check your tire tread using a penny, 3 things make your engine run (compression, ignition, and fuel), the #1 thing to keep your car running is oil - check it regularly, the 2 ways to cool your engine is with oil and water, don't open radiator cap until engine is cold, 2 ways to deliver fuel is via carburetor and injection, use ethanol treatment in your car (and mower & chain saw), and check your brakes every 10-15K miles.

And, BIG THANKS to Big George for his **Medical Moment** which focused being aware when messing around with mechanics: be careful of battery acid, ice is the best for strains, if you crush any hands or fingers its best to go to the hospital, and remember to dispose of all chemicals properly.

Another BIG THANKS to **T.303 David Hodges and Steve Akin** for their Song of the Month:  
"SCOUT WESTPERS"

Softly falls the rain today,  
As our campsite floats away!  
Silently each Scout should ask,  
"Did I bring my Scuba mask?  
Have I tied my tent flaps down?  
Learned to swim, so I won't drown?  
Have I done, and will I try,  
Everything to keep me dry?"

The wooden **Musical 1/8<sup>th</sup> Note** was given to T.317 for the June **RT SONG OF THE MONTH!**

**LSD Traveling Spirit Stick:** The **Twisty Snake Stick** was returned by **T.47** with their troop numerals and a tent carved into the handle. This stick was awarded to T.366 Joey Collingsworth for arranging our new RT facilities at Northside Baptist Church.

The newer **Oak Snake Stick** was MIA by **T.300**.

**KE's Handouts Gone Wild:** 2 Brochures: Friends of St. Andrew's State Park, Avoiding Attracting Bears; along with these 9 paper handouts:

- The Key Leadership Competencies (thanks to Carl Bennett)
- Farm Mechanics MB Requirements
- Automotive Maintenance MB Requirements
- Filipino Diagonal, Japanese Square, & Figure 8 Lashings (from Mechanics Troop Resources)
- Bike Inspection Sheet
- Turtle Watch "Helping Florida's Endangered Turtles"
- How Do Pit Vipers Inject Their Venom?
- Quiz: Mechanical Masters (Scouting Magazine Family Fun Page May-June 2008)
- Slide of the Month: Birch Bark Canoe (Boy's Life Reprint)

**Ticket Drawing Giveaways:** (posters given to each winner also)

Pack: **T.300 Rob Adams**

Mini-Headlight: **T.317 Mike Conn**

Power Scissors: **T.323 Jimmy Wiselugel**

Package Shark & Baseball: **T.366 Joey Collingsworth**

7 Function Pocket Knife: **T.303 Doris Hodges**

FL Wildflower CD & Dream Catcher: **T.317 George Goehring**

Freeze Dried Ice Cream, ID Tag, and FL is Black Bear Country Magnet: **T.300 Jim Wolf**

Water Bottle & Neckerchief Slide Wood Block: **T.82 Bobby Prieto**

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

- 1) BS New Leader Essentials, Sat 21 May, 8AM-4PM, locaton TBD soon.
- 2) Summer Camp at STSR - Celebrating 50 Years of STSR.
- 3) Commissioner College - 27 Aug at Deane Bozeman School.
- 4) LSD Fall Camporee - 11-13 Nov.
- 5) GCC Winter Camp - 27-30 Dec.
- 6) LSD 2012 Spring Camporee - 20-22 Apr 2012.

**CLOSING by KG: ALL I NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED FROM THE EASTER BUNNY!**

**Don't put all your eggs in one basket.**

**Everyone needs a friend who is all ears.**

**All work and no play can make you a basket case.**

**Everyone is entitled to a bad hare day.**

**Let happy thoughts multiply like rabbits.**

**The grass is always greener in someone else's basket.**

**To show your true colors, you have to come out of your shell.**

**And, LSD BS RT is really hopping!**

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

**THANKS to the following 16 Units represented at MAY RT:**

39, 47, 82, 300, 302, 303, 312, 317, 321, 323, 340, 345, 356, 366, 369, 706

**TOTAL MAY BS RT ATTENDANCE = 43**

**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)

**9 Jun = Shooting (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 = Public Service**

**8 Feb = Cultural Diversity**

**8 Mar = Wildlife Management**

**12 Apr = Camping**

**10 May = Emerg Drep**

**14 Jun = Health Care**

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

