

## LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

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the CRAWLIN' KINGSSNAKE

October 2012

### BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

LSD BS RT 7 P.M. 11 Oct 2012 N 30° 10.890 // W 085° 40.010

## “SAFETY”

**Opening:** Thanks to the 2 Scouts from T.321 for leading the Opening Pledge and Scout Oath & Law. The Opening Key will be passed to T.345 for the November RT Opening.

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

**Addison Marvin & Jacque Cartes, PC Amateur Radio Club:** Addison & Jacque hyped **JOTA = Jamboree on the Air** which the Radio Club is hosting **Sat 20 Oct 9AM till noon**. Patch available at \$4. Please call or email Rick Gutknecht at 524-7083 or [rick.gutknecht@gmail.com](mailto:rick.gutknecht@gmail.com) or email Addison at [kk4dkt@gmail.com](mailto:kk4dkt@gmail.com) with your Troop #, number of boys attending, and the time you expect to show up at the PC Amateur Radio Club, 130 N. Church Ave, PC FL on Saturday 20 Oct. There will also be hands-on antenna raising and much more; and JOTA is applicable to Electronics, Electricity, and Radio Merit Badges. You can also look up JOTA at <http://www.scouting.org/jota.aspx>.

**John Ford, GCC 2012 Fall Fling:** John hyped the GCC Fall Fling **16-18 Nov** for Scouts 14 and over and all Ventures. You can also find more info at [www.gulfcoastcouncil.org](http://www.gulfcoastcouncil.org) as there is a link on the home page.

**Georgia Gunn, LSD Activities Chair:** Georgia hyped upcoming LSD events for the district. She discussed the Monday **12 Nov Veteran's Day Parade** starting at 9AM at Tommy Oliver Stadium and ending up at the PC Marina. We hope all units attend as we will participate as a district. POC for the event is Susan Goldman, [apis25@hotmail.com](mailto:apis25@hotmail.com), phone 841-1256; please let her know either way if your Troop is attending or not.

Georgia is seeking a Chairperson for the **LSD Annual Scouter Banquet** to be held 12 Jan, as well as a POC for a **Merit Badge University** day in 2013. And, Rob Adams graciously volunteered to chair the **April Scout Show at the PC Mall**.

Georgia also holds monthly planning meetings the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at Hardees on Rt 77 starting at 6:30 for Cub Scout Activities and 7 PM for Boy Scout Activities. If you'd like to help plan activities and events, please contact Georgia at 381-6667.

**Michael Kirkland, LSD DE:** Michael can be reached at (850) 784-1886 and [mikirkla@basmail.org](mailto:mikirkla@basmail.org). Michael talked and had handouts on **CFC, Winter Camp, YNAW, NRA Training, Fam Camp** (requesting Scouts volunteer to help, no charge and free patch), **District Award of Merit Nominations** (forms due NLT 7PM prior to 13 Dec RT), **District Committee Nominations** (due to LSD PO box NLT 22 Oct.), and **Show & Sell Popcorn** is due back by 22 Oct.

**Sheri Roberts, Scouting for Food:** Sheri discussed what's taking place for Scouting for Food on 10 & 17 Nov; and several handouts were provided. Sheri needs your troop address, no. of Scouts, and how many bags your troop needs for this event. Drop off of collected items will be at the Lion's Club on 17 Nov. This event supports 4 local Food Banks. Sheri can be reached at 571-1224, or email: [sheriann69@hotmail.com](mailto:sheriann69@hotmail.com).

**Frank Sforza, T.317 ASM:** Frank is the new Executive Director of Emerald Shores Health & Rehabilitation Center. Scouts can earn service hours by volunteering to help at the center. Frank can be reached at [frank.a.sforza@gmail.com](mailto:frank.a.sforza@gmail.com) or call 819-0928.

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

**A HUGE THANKS to *Cincy Mulla* of Beach Mosquito Control District**  
<http://www.pcbeachmosquito.org/> (850) 233-5030

**for her presentation on **MOSQUITO PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY PROGRAM!**** Cindy had an awesome display and a variety of informative handouts and brochures. Take-aways include: mosquitoes can lay up to 250 eggs twice; the pupa stage of a mosquito is only 2 days; 50% eggs become female and 50% become male, but only the female bites; birds (like chickens) transmit West Nile Virus; there is both larvaciding and adultciding for control; 15% DEET can melt a watch crystal; you can contact PC Beach Mosquito Control to obtain mosquito eating fish (*Gambusia affinis*) for your pond.

Two “good” things about mosquitoes: they are food for others (they are part of the food chain), and they eat nectar and thus are pollinators.

And remember to practice the 5 D’s:

- **Dusk & Dawn:** avoid being outdoors during these times.
- **Dress:** Cover your skin with clothing.
- **DEET:** Apply mosquito repellent containing DEET to skin and clothing.
- **Drain:** Empty containers and stagnant water to prevent mosquito breeding.

**LSD Traveling Spirit Sticks:** The **Twisty Snake Stick** was returned **T.356** with numerals and small artwork etched on the shaft. This stick is now retired and will auction if off at the Jan Scouter Banquet. A new twisty stick was awarded to **T.47** for a November return.

The **Oak Snake Stick** was returned by **T. 706** with a small personal first aid kit attached. This stick was awarded to **T.366** for a November return.

**SING A SIMPLE SONG:** No song this month. T.700 Tom Reynolds has the traveling **Musical”1/8<sup>th</sup> Note** and hopefully we will have a song in Nov.

**KE's Handouts Gone Wild:** 3 Brochures: **Luray Caverns, Shenandoah Caverns, Guide to Hurricane Preparedness and Pet Safety Tips.** And, these 9 paper handouts:

- The Sweet Sixteen of BSA Safety
- Safety MB Requirements
- BSA Animal and Insect Hazards
- BSA Bike Safety
- Get Out and Get Back Safely (Sept/Oct 2012 Scouting Mag article)
- Bay Co Health Dept – Mosquito Born Illness Advisory
- The “Do Not Fee” List (foods that are off limits to cats and dogs)
- Quiz: Toad-ally Terrific!
- Slide of the Month: Knot Slides (Boy’s Life Reprint)

**Ticket Drawing Giveaways & Winners:**

**WBU Hummer Feeder & Nectar (thanks to Jim & Cindy Wolf, owners of WBU):** T.302 Randy Segler.  
**Big Travel Mug and Coffee Cup (2):** T.311 Dave Rogers and T.317 Frank Sforza.  
**Travel Mug and Coffee Cup (2):** T.345 Bill Pouncy and T.706 Robert Sapp.  
**Insect Net:** LSD Commissioner Winnie Reynolds.  
**Pocket Knife & Cavity Nester Bird Poster:** T.300 Crystal Stevens.  
**Pocket Fan & Cavity Nester Bird Poster:** LSD Committee Member Mike Dwyer.

**Upcoming Boy Scout Items of Interest :**

- 1) LSD Boy Scout Fall Camporee "Be Prepared to Lead", 12-14 Oct.
- 2) JOTA, PC Amateur Radio Club, 130 N. Church Ave, PC FL Sat 20 Oct.
- 3) Scouting for Food, Sat 10 & 17 Nov.
- 4) Veteran's Day Parade, Mon 12 Nov.
- 5) GCC Fall Fling, at STSR 16-18 Nov.
- 6) Pop Corn Pick-up at Buffalo Rock, Thurs 23 Nov.
- 7) Re-Charter Pkgs Due, NLT 1 Dec.
- 8) LSD BS Shooting Sports Day, TBD ?? Sat 1 Dec.
- 9) LSD District Award of Merit nominations, NLT 7PM 13 Dec prior to LSD BS RT.
- 10) LSD Annual Scouter Banquet, Sat 12 Jan.
- 11) Suwannee River Council Univ. of Scouting, Sat 26 Jan.
- 12) Gulf Coast Council Banquet, Sat 2 Feb.
- 13) LSD Spring Camporee, 17-19 May.

**CLOSING by KG:** Advice from a SKUNK - One man's garbage is another man's treasure. Show your true stripes. Don't be a stinker. Life's a trap shoot. Wear expensive perfume. Spray good cheer. Enjoy the nightlife!

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

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

39, 47, 82, 300, 302, 303, 310, 311, 317, 321, 323, 345, 366, 388, 700, 706

**TOTAL October BS 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 234-4077 or email: [kerry.gunn@navy.mil](mailto:kerry.gunn@navy.mil). And reminder that all past "Crawlin Kingsnake" RT newsletters and other useful links can be found at [http://www.lakesandsdistrict.org/Boy\\_Scouts.php](http://www.lakesandsdistrict.org/Boy_Scouts.php).

**8 Nov - First Aid ( T.82 SM Nate Weeks)**

**13 Dec - Winter Camping (??)**

**10 Jan 2013 - Citizenship**

**14 Feb - Physical Fitness**

**14 Mar - Forestry**

**11 Apr - Leadership**

**9 May - Special Cooking (T.366 Joey Collingsworth)**

**13 June - Backpacking**

**8 Aug - Fishing/Aquatics**

**12 Sept - Athletics**

**10 Oct - Science**

**14 Nov - Cooking**

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