

LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

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Oct 2014

BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

LSD BS RT 7 P.M. 9 Oct 2014 3140 State Ave DC, LDS Church

“ENVIROTHON” & “Humane Society of Bay County”

Opening: Your RTC KG led the Opening Pledge to the Flag. The new Opening Key (thanks to **Bill Pouncy** for making it!!) has been assigned to **T.347** for the Nov RT Opening.

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

Sharon Caldwell, LSD DE: Sharon can be reached at sharon.caldwell@scouting.org, and (850) 784-1886. Sharon discussed the following:

- Looking for Lead for LSD BS Spring Camporee 24-26 April 2015.
- There will be a short LSD meeting during Fall Encampment to discuss the Spring Camporee.
- Handed out flyers: “Scout Wire” (if enough of your unit participates you get entered into a drawing), GCC Dodge Ball, Winter Camp Leader’s Guide.
- Handed out Re-Charter Packages to those units in attendance. Deadline is 15 Dec; can do electronically and then print out forms for signature. Electronic entry starts 1 Nov.
- Popcorn close-out by 31 Oct. Turn in Show ‘n Sell.
- “Dickens of a Christmas” event: participate with a Scouting booth several weekends in Dec.
- Campcards: if you know of a business you’d like to have on the card please get contact info to Sharon as she would like to get at least 20 shops on the card.
- YPT as a group for those who need it will be Tues 14 & 21 Oct (contact Sharon for location).
- Also looking for more participation in Dodge Ball Tournament which is this Sat 11 Oct. You can enter at team of 6-10 players; Cost is \$200 to enter. Sign-up 9AM Sat and games begin at 10AM. You can also sign-up online at www.gulfcoastdodgeball.com.
- Sharon also has contact for 100 year old walnut wood from a local cabinet maker. Wood could be used for service and Eagle projects.

Kevin Hall, Scouting for Food (25 Jan – 1 Feb): Kevin can be reached at dismus60@aol.com or cell: 914-0334 and Hm: 625-1357. Kevin again updated the crowd on Scouting for Food: Drop off bags & flyers Sat 24 Jan; pickup bags Sat. 31 Jan and deliver to Rt. 77 Wal-Mart parking lot that day 9AM – 3PM. Kevin has also arranged local TV & Radio coverage of this event! Kevin also provided a large area map so units could sign up to cover designated areas. Kevin also reminded us of the 10 Jan Annual LSD Scouter Banquet to be held at Forest Park United Methodist Church.

Tom Reynolds, District Award of Merit: Tom again informed us of submittal of **District Award of Merit forms**. Tom can be reached at tom3bsa@knology.net; cell: 774-8335. A board of 7 people

will review all submittals for this award during the Dec RT. You can turn in your award forms by hand, email, or regular mail. Mail them to LSD Award of Merit, P.O. Box 18485, PC FL 32407 or email them to Sharon Caldwell (sharon.caldwell@scouting.org), or turn them in at the Nov Roundtable. **Closing date for submittal of forms is at the 13 Nov RT.** You can find the form at this link: <http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33720.pdf>.

Jeff Neitzke, Annual Troop OA Election: to schedule OA Elections, Jeff's son Jake Neitzke can be reached 866-9865 or xboxgamer@knology.net. This action is to be completed by the end of Dec. T.300 will be helping Troops with elections on Monday nights, and T.317 will be helping other Troops on Tuesday nights. Also, the OA call out ceremony will be Sat 31 Jan at St. Andrew's State Park.

*** FEATURE PRESENTATION ***

THANKS to T.310 Dale Cronwell for his presentation of the **Emerald Coast Regional "Envirothon"** event in which Scouts/Troops can participate. Teams consist of 5 high school age students with an adult advisor; this region covers Bay, Walton, Washington, and Holmes counties; the 5 areas of testing are Forestry, Soils, Wildlife, Aquatic Biology, and an Environmental Issue: "Urban Forestry"; regional team winners go to state and state team winners go to international competition. If you have a team interested contact Dale at dcronwell@knology.net or phone 763-8657 or 236-8678. Dale's work email is dale.cronwell@atkinglobal.com.

And **THANKS to Rose Clemo** from the **Humane Society of Bay County**, who told us about potential service projects which LSD can help with. The plan is to set up a future Saturday for all LSD Scout Troops to participate and help out the Humane Society. Rose can be reached at (850) 960-0488 or call the Humane Society at 215-7120. They are looking for yard work/service, raking and debris put into dumpsters; rebuild wooden covers on dog runs (potential Eagle Project); working a donation drive for pet supplies, blankets, as well as items for their thrift shop; volunteering at the thrift shop and sorting out sports items and taking inventory. Our LSD Committee will discuss and determine a date and schedule.

Big George's Monthly Moment: George discussed his recent trip to Maine and while looking for turtles found out that many states have bans and/or permits required.

LSD Traveling Spirit Sticks: The **Thick Twisty Stick** was returned by **T.324** with **survival bracelet and "324" tag** attached; this stick was awarded to **T.706** for a Nov RT return. The **Thin Twisty Stick** was returned by **T.311** with a **First Aid Kit** attached; this stick was awarded to **T.300** for a Nov RT return. The **new Tall Twisty Stick** was again MIA by **T.317**.

KG's Handouts Gone Wild:

- 2 Brochures: Human Society of Bay Co; Stone Mountain Park.
- Fall 2014 Guide for Real Florida Gardeners
- Humane Society of Bay County "Donation Drive for Hours"
- Reno's Reptile Info Sheet
- Gopher Tortoises Love Wildflowers, Too!

- Setting Up A New Aquarium
- Mom's Corn Bread (recipe from BSA Deck of Cooking)
- Neckerchief Slide: Salt Shaker "Spice is Nice"

Ticket Drawing Giveaways & Winners:

"Gulf Coast Trees" Deck of Cards (thanks to Jim & Cindy Wolf of WBU): T.345 Randy Windham.

Set of 15 Wildlife & Forestry Posters 8.5x11 (7): T.706 Robert Sapp, T.323 Doreen Norbut, T.300 Rob Adams, T.347 Bill Van Der Tulip, T.317 Jeff Neitzke, T.311 Sherry Goldman, and T.303 Dave Hodges.

Upcoming Boy Scout Items of Interest:

- 1) **GC Dodge Ball Tournament, Sat 11 Oct at Bay HS.**
- 2) **Council-wide Fall "Scout Commander" Encampment, 24-26 Oct.** at STSR; and IOLS training will also be provided.
- 3) **Cub Ranger Day, Sat 8 Nov.** at Gulf Beach Baptist Church.
- 4) **Veteran's Day Parade, Tues 11 Nov.**
- 5) **LSD Merit Badge University, Sat. 6 Dec.** at FSU PC.
- 6) **LSD Annual Scouter Banquet, Sat. 10 Jan.** Forest Park United Methodist Church
- 7) **Scouting for Food, 24-31 Jan.**
- 8) **OA Call Out Ceremony, Sat 31 Jan** at St. Andrew's State Park.
- 9) **LSD Spring Camporee, 24-26 April.**

CLOSING by KG: ADVICE from a HAWK: Soar to new heights. Be a keen observer. Swoop down on opportunities. Rise above it all. Spread your wings. Find a field that suits you. The sky's the limit!

ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE !!!
THANKS to the following 10 Units represented at Oct RT:
 300, 303, 310, 311, 317, 321, 323, 345, 347, 706
TOTAL OCTOBER BS RT ATTENDANCE = 21

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 . And reminder that all past "Crawlin Kingsnake" RT newsletters and other useful links can be found at http://www.lakesandsdistrict.org/Boy_Scouts.php .

13 Nov – Tracking (T.310 Roger Shields)

11 Dec '14 – Hobbies (T.317 Jeff & Jake Neitzke Model RR-ing)

Jan 2015 – NO Roundtable - LSD Banquet Sat 10 Jan !!

12 Feb – Cultural Diversity

12 Mar – WL Management

9 Apr – Camping

14 May – Emergency Prep (T.311 Sherry Goldman)

YIS, KG, your LSD BS RTC

