

LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

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Aug **2014**

BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

LSD BS RT 7 P.M. 14 Aug 2014 3140 State Ave PC, LDS Church

“SHOOTING SPORTS”

Opening: Your RTC KG led the Opening Pledge to the Flag. T.323 has been assigned the Sept RT Opening.

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

Jon Coleman, LSD Training Chair: Jon announced that **Fundamentals of Training** will be held Sat 6 Sept headed up by T.311 Sherry Goldman who can be reached at sherrygoldman@yahoo.com and 763-2692. That training is 4 hours and will be held same place as RT, and Scouts may also attend. **Trainer's Edge** is being offered 6 Dec. **SM Specifics** will be offered 25 April during the LSD Spring Camporee. Jon also mentioned there is a new Training Form out for recording your training completion. If you need further info, please contact Jon at eagleasm@yahoo.com and (334) 863-1747. Here is a link to BSA Fundamentals of Training:

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/training/pdf/511-037wb.pdf>

Kevin Hall, LSD 10 Jan Banquet & Scouting for Food (24 -31 Jan): Kevin can be reached at dismus60@aol.com or Cell: 914-0334 and Hm: 625-1357. Kevin announced that the annual **LSD Scouter Banquet** will be held on Sat 10 Jan, location TBD, and working to have child care available during banquet also. And, drop off and pick up of **Scouting for Food** Bags will be 24 & 31 Jan. Bags to be distributed at Dec RT and areas assigned.

Billy Egan, District Executive: Billy can be reached at cell: (850) 784-1886 or hm: (85) 207-5038. Billy reminded the crowd of **Aviation MB** 20 Sept in Ft. Walton Beach (handout provided), and **GCC NYLT** training 27 Dec- 1 Jan (handout provided). He also hyped the Oct 24-26 **GCC “Scout Commander” Encampment** at Spanish Trail Scout Camp. Also, **Show & Sell Popcorn** can be picked up at the Pepsi Plant 9AM-4PM on Thurs 12 Sept. And the Big Announcement was the **SHARON CALDWELL** is our **NEW LSD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE! YEAH!!**

Sharon Caldwell (OUR NEW LSD DE): Sharon told the crowd of potential Jamboree **On the Air (JOTA)** on Sat 18 Oct. to be hosted by the Bay County Amateur Radio Club. More details and confirmation on the way. Sharon can be reached at secaldwell71@gmail.com, and (615) 477-8192.

Michael Cole, Appalachee Awareness: Michael can be reached at 303-3613. Mike announced that Bryce Segler worked OAOA this summer (OA Ocean Adventure) and that Mike's son AJ worked the OA Trail Crew. **Fall Pow Wow** to be held at Camp Euchee 12-14 Sept. Individual **Troop OA Elections** will be discussed at the Sept RT; elections for your Troop should be scheduled in Nov/Dec for an OA rep visit to help out.

*** FEATURE PRESENTATION ***

BIG THANKS to Scouters **T.303 Dave Hodges, T.347 Bill Van Der Tulip, and T.317 Jeff Neitzke** for leading the theme of **SHOOTING SPORTS!**

Dave provided a handout on NRA Gun Safety Rules and discussed them. He also suggested contacting GCC Shooting Sports Chairman Chuck Kuzma if you need shooting sports info, help, or advice. The **Big 3 Safety Rules** are: Always point your firearm in safe direction, keep your finger off the trigger till you are ready to shoot, and keep your firearm unloaded until you are ready to shoot. Also, watch out for what is behind your target also. **Jeff** indicated that Scouts always love shooting sports merit badges and the Scouts learn more safety. Take-aways include: what kind of gun to use hunting in different terrains and environments; rules/ages for hunting w/wo license for youth; Jeff is a firm believer in the Hunter Safety Program and he has contacts that will visit your Troop (summer and spring is best, as fall is too busy); he talked about local shooting ranges (new one now in Santa Rosa); proper clothing, shoes, ear/eye protection; he indicated at C&G Sporting Goods the Eagle Scout rifle is now down to \$650; and Jeff also brought along several types of rifles to show the crowd. **Bill** told the crowd that Scouts love Shooting Sports because it builds memories. As the Spanish Trail Archery Instructor he is working on improving the Archery activities as well as build a walking trail shooting course. He discussed when purchasing a bow that draw length checks are important as well as arrow length, and to look for warranties on purchases.

Big George's Monthly Moment: **George** stressed Eye & Ear Protection when participating in Shooting Sports. Always take a First Aid Kit along. Have eye protection for yourself as well as those standing nearby. You can get eye protection that will also cover your glasses if you wear them. He stressed it is good to put ear protection in your ears as well as over your head covering your ears. And remember: "CLICK-POP-STOP", as in if you hear a click or a pop then stop!

LSD Traveling Spirit Sticks: The **Thick Twisty Stick** was MIA by **T.324**. The **Thin Twisty Stick** was MIA by **T.321**. The new Tall Twisty Stick was MIA by **T.317**. Please return them next month!!

KG's Handouts Gone Wild:

- "Butterfly World of Ft. Lauderdale FL" brochure
- "Mail Order Natives" brochure/catalog
- "Harley-Davidson of PC Beach" T-shirt Coupon brochure
- Make a Camera-Phone Stabilizer (from Boy's Life June 2014)
- Make a Paracord Watchband or Bracelet (from Boy's Life May 2014)
- How Will You Fare Out There? (quiz from Scouting Magazine May/June 2014)
- Get Your Bearings (quiz from Scouting Magazine March/April 2014)
- Plant This, Not That!
- Quiz: FOSSILS
- Not Your Mama's Baked Beans (recipe from BSA Deck of Cooking)
- Neckerchief Slide: Archery Target

Ticket Drawing Giveaways & Winners:

Pad, Pen, Dish Towel ala WBU: T.706 Robert Sapp

2015 Wildlife Calendars, the Atchafalay BSA Swampbase Brochures, & small plastic bowl (7):
T.345 Randy Windham, T.300 Kevin Hall, T.310 Roger Shields, T.347 Bill Van Der Tulip,
T.82 Larry Dawson, T.300 Rob "Mr. Safety" Adams, and T.317 George Goehring.

Upcoming Boy Scout Items of Interest:

- 1) **College of Commissioner Science**, **Sat. 23 Aug.** at Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine (ACOM), 445 Health Sciences Boulevard, Dothan, AL
- 2) **Aviation MB Clinic**, **Sat 20 Sept.** at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University Facility, located at the rear of Choctawhatchee High School, 110 Racetrack Road NW, Fort Walton Beach
- 3) **JOTA Sat 18 Oct.** details forthcoming.
- 4) **Council-wide Fall Encampment**, 24-26 Oct.
- 5) **LSD Annual Scouter Banquet**, **Sat. 10 Jan.**
- 6) **Scouting for Food**, 24-31 Jan.

CLOSING by KG: **ADVICE from an OCEAN: Be Shore of Yourself. Come out of your Shell. Take time to relax and Coast. Avoid Pier pressure. Sea life's beauty. Don't get Tide down. Make Waves!**

ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE !!!
THANKS to the following 10 Units represented at **AUG RT:**

82, 300, 303, 310, 311, 317, 345, 347, 366, 706

TOTAL **AUGUST BS RT ATTENDANCE = 22**

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**

11 Sept – **Engineering (T.310 Dale Cronwell)**

9 Oct – **High Adventure**

13 Nov – **Tracking (T.310 Roger Shields)**

11 Dec '14 – **Hobbies or Public Service**

Jan 2015 – **NO Roudtable - 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

