

LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

After - RT

the *CRAWLIN' KINGSSNAKE*

October 2010

BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

LSD BS RT 7 P.M. 14 OCT 2010 N 30°09.345' // W 085°38.795'

“SCIENCE”



Opening: KG led the Opening Pledge. The Opening Key was passed to T.82 for next month's opening.

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

DE Brandon: awarded T.356 the National Camping Award Ribbon for 20 nights, and indicated that the New 2010 Recruiter Patches are now available.

District Commissioner Dave Kirkland: hyped re-charter: packages were made available to all units and are due back NLT Dec RT (bring 'em back in Nov would be even better!). Give the packet to DE Brandon, your Unit Commissioner or to Dave, do not send in to council. Reminder, every adult needs to complete Youth Protection Training.

Training Chair Jon Coleman: hyped near term Leader Specific & IOLS training; and reminded everyone that even if they paid on the GCC website they **have to register on the LSD website**. Also, training award application forms are now on the LSD website www.lakesandsdistrict.org.

Deputy & T.312 SM Bowen: Tim provided the Sheriff's cups for the ticket giveaways and also invited everyone to contact him if the sheriff's office can be of help to your unit (such as Citizenship in the Community MB has a requirement to talk to a public/govt official). Tim can be reached at 774-4700 ext 2162 and at tim.bowen@bayso.org.

Program Chair Tim Mixdorf: Tim thanked everyone for participating in the Fall Camporee, and recognized T.323 for winning the **Bob Walton Spirit Award** and T.321 for winning the **MAHOGANY MAN "OSCAR" AWARD** for Best Camporee Campfire Skit. Also, when applying for MB Counselor, please turn in all your paperwork to Ruby Mixdorf, who will review it prior to forwarding to council office.

*** FEATURE PRESENTATION ***

A HUGE THANKS to T.300 ASM John Duval for his Patrol Science Experiment on Roller Coasters 'R' Us.

John gave an excellent slide show presentation on Science and its relationship to Scouting that included many great quotes (per Ernest Rutherford, "If your experiment needs statistics, you ought to have done a better experiment."). He also

applied the scientific method to a Scout campout. Also, remember to translate your hypothesis into something that is measureable, answering only 1 question with True or False. Then John outlined an experiment and provided the necessary "tools" to build a roller coaster, with some height and several loops, and being able to roll BBs, marbles, and steelies into a cup thus scoring points. The RT crowd broke up into 3 Patrols to work the experiment in 15 minutes and everyone had a great time and each Patrol was successful. The results were:

Patrol #1 – Larry Dawson reported 8 points scored.

Patrol #2 – Alan Holt reported 21 points scored.

Patrol #3 – Joe Dippin reported 24 points scored.

And a Big Thanks to Big George Goehring for his Medical Moment: "Beginning with Hypocrites and progressing to the grave robbers of the 17th and early 18th century, science has given us the modern marvels of heart transplants and new equipment such as CAT scans, MRI, and new medications for treatment of disease." And thanks for sharing with us where the phrases *Dead Ringer* and *Grave Yard Shift* came from!

And a Big Thanks to Jim Wolf for his Knot of the Month the Packer's Knot, handout provided. <http://www.wonderhowto.com/how-to-tie-packers-knot-with-animated-help-266036/view/>. Also known as the Butcher's Knot and is ABOK #187 & #408.

Another BIG THANKS to TOM REYNOLDS SONG OF THE MONTH: Tom led the newly formed elite "LSD Boys Choir" in *Monster Mash* as well as providing a handout.

LSD Traveling Spirit Stick: The **Twisty Spirit Stick** came back from T.317 embellished with Scout Socks, "317" beadwork, as well as the "one eyed EUCHEE" - thanks to Georgia and Big George. This stick was retired and will be auctioned off at the January Scouter Banquet. The newer **Twisty Snake Stick** came in from T.345 with a nicely carved scout symbol and "345". This stick was awarded to T.323 for winning the Fall Camporee Bob Walton Spirit Award for a November return.

KG's Handouts Gone Wild: 3 Brochures: Minimizing Conflict with Venomous Snakes, Ruby-throated Hummingbird, A Guide to Living with Gopher Tortoises; as well as these paper 6 handouts:

- Science Education and the BSA
- The Science of Plants: How Plants Use Water, Minerals, and Sunlight to Grow
- Anatomy of a Turtle's Shell
- October SkyMap, highlighted with Jupiter and Fomalhaut.
<http://www.skymaps.com/downloads.html>
- Quiz: In the Wings (Butterfly related)
- Slide of the Month: Make This Sundial (Boy's Life Reprint ala Whittlin' Jim)

Ticket Drawing Giveaways:

"Discover Science" Activity Book and "Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers" Metal Sign:
T.706 SM Robert Sapp

Limestone Honeycomb Poster, GA Sport Fish Pocket Guide, and Sheriff's Coffee Mug (8 winners): T.366 Kelly Williams, T.312 Kevin Baum, T.82 Tom Reynolds, T.366 Scout Kerin Williams, T.82 Tracey Holiday, T.300 Michael Cole, T.706 Gary Aukema, and T.317 Big George Goehring.

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

- 1) **Webelos-ree, 29-30 Oct, Deane Bozeman School.**

- 2) BS Leader Specific Training, Sat 13 Nov at FUMC Trinity Center.
- 3) STSR Winter Camp: 27-30 Dec at STSR.
- 4) IOLS (Intro to Outdoor Leadership Skills): 7-9 Jan at LHUMC.
- 5) LSD Annual Awards Banquet: Sat 15 Jan.
- 6) YNAW: a new event! 25-27 Feb at STSR. Native American related, hosted by OA, open to all in council. Put this on your Troop's Calendar!
- 7) LSD MB University, Sat 26 Mar, Deane Bozeman School.
- 8) LSD Spring Camporee, 15-17 April

CLOSING: Thanks to T.39 Ted Spangenberg for leading the Scout Law!

ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE !!!

THANKS to the following 17 Units represented at October RT:

39, 47, 82, 300, 302, 303, 310, 312, 317, 321, 323, 345, 356, 366, 369, 388, 706

TOTAL October BS RT ATTENDANCE = 48

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

11 Nov = Cooking (T.356 Bill St.Germain)

9 Dec = Wilderness Survival (T.317 George Goehring & T.300 Rob Adams)

13 Jan 2011 = Communications

10 Feb = Pioneering

10 Mar = Environment

14 Apr = Orienteering

12 May = Mechanics

9 Jun = Hiking

YIS, KG, your LSD BS RTC