

LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

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January **2010**

BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

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

“CITIZENSHIP”

Opening: Thanks to **T.321** for the opening pledge and acknowledge of the 100 Years of Scouting. The Opening Key was passed to **T.323** as a reminder for the February opening.

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

Council Executive Spencer Page: told about the new **2010 Camp Card fund raiser**; handout provided, the card sells for \$5 and you (your unit or your Scout) gets \$2.50 of that; prize drawings and patches included as incentives; available at Feb RT or sooner if you order them.

DE Brandon Goodwin: please let him know about your Troop's next Court of Honor.

Advancement Chair Margaret Watts: **Congrats to new T.388 Eagle Scout Josh Pheiffer!** Also, please register with Margaret if you wish to be a MB Counselor. There were some problems with the list she was provided by council. If you think you are a MB counselor, but were not mentioned last night or you think you are not on the list, please check with Margaret.

LSD Program Chair Georgia McFadden: Hyped upcoming **Webelos Cross-Over** and **SCOUTING FOR FOOD** (flyer provided), both in Feb, and also the **District MB University** planned for 27 March offering **Bird Study, Insect Study, Fish & Wildlife Mgmt, Crime Prevention, Personal Mgmt, First Aid, Pets, Plumbing, Electricity, Computers, Wood Carving, Weather, Engineering.** More to come soon from Georgia, who can be reached at **890-2498** and lv2drv18@yahoo.com.

KG: Scout Jam 201 9-11 April 2010: Leader's Guide now available on Gulf Coast Council Website <http://www.gulfcoastcouncil.org/>. More info is being added almost every day. Forms for **Registration and Ordering Memorabilia** must be received by the Council Office **before 1 March.**

T.38 SM David Bradford: provided POC for Forestry, **Mr. Jon Gould, cell:(205) 296-4923**, has 580 acre tree farm located W. of New Hope AL with over 50 species of trees. You can make arrangements for your troop to visit.

***** FEATURE PRESENTATION *****

SPECIAL Thanks to T.369 SM JOE DIPPIN for his feature presentation on “CITIZENSHIP – THE IMPORTANCE and THE CHALLENGES”. Some takeaways include: Civics MB (changed to Citizenship in the 1940's), relationship to Scout Oath & Law, Duty to God & Country, One Nation under God, the causes of Scouts dropping out, the loss of social skills. Hadith: "Love for your brother what you love for yourself." Joe also provided a constitutional booklet obtained from Bay Patriots <http://www.baypatriots.org/>. He also suggested Troops attend the next locally held Festival of Nations to fulfill reqmt #7e of Citizenship in the World MB. Lastly, Joe publically thanked T.82, T.321, & T.366 for all the help they provided his Troop this past year.

And thanks to Big George Goehring for his MEDICAL MOMENT on Citizenship & Disaster Preparedness: reviewed the current disaster in Haiti, told of World Organizations that provide assistance (Red Cross, CARE); what could Scouts do in this sort of situation (messenger service, traffic control, crowd control, collection & distribution of food). Suggestion: make up an emergency drill for your Troop to compete in a message delivery (timed), or quickest patrol to boil water. And, remember the Rules of 3:

3 minutes without oxygen, 3 days without water, and 3 weeks without food.

And thanks to Jim Wolf for his RT audience participation demo of KNOT BASEBALL, another fun method of teaching and encouraging Scouts to learn knots and compete as a team or patrol.

LSD Traveling Spirit Stick: Barkless Spirit Stick: in from T.706 with small metal Eagle to honor newest Eagle; this stick was awarded to T.356 for the upcoming month; after February this stick will most likely be retired. The newer **Twisty Stick** came back from T.300 with an a small banner and a Wooden Nickel attached as their Troop token used to honor Scouts fro various activities in their Troop; this stick was awarded to T.369 for the next month.

KG's Handouts Gone Wild:

- Scout Jam 2010 Home Page
- 2010 Historic Merit Badges:
 - Signaling, Pathfinding, Tracking ("Stalking"), Carpentry
- List of District Citizenship MB Counselors (please see Margaret if you think the list is not up to date)
- Scout Jam 2010 Home Page (reminder: registration due NLT 1 March)
- 13th Annual Great Backyard Bird Count 12-15 Feb
- GBBC Top 25 for the Southeast
- MB Listing by Category
- Boy Scout Quiz (from Sept '09 Backpacker Magazine)
- Quiz - Jolly Holly Landscape
- Slide of the Month: Sioux Chief ([Boy's Life Reprint](#))

Ticket Drawing Giveaways: Congrats to these lucky winners:

Survival Bandana: T.388 James McCallen

Squirt Gun and Mini-Knife: T.317 George Goehring

Wild Flower Seed and Mini-Knife: T.321 George Smith

Wooden Puzzle & Toothpaste: T.356 Chuck Rexroad

Wooden Puzzle & Toothpaste: T.82 UC Bobby Prieto

The "VERY LAST" Ceramic Turtle: T.82 Steve Akin

Camp Cook Kit: T.82 Tom Reynolds

Camp Silverware: T.39 Ted Sr.

NEW ITEM: Welcome to the "Boy Scouts of America: Today" National Photo Contest! <http://scoutstuff.upickem.net/engine/Welcome.aspx?contestid=12834>

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

- 1) Training: OWL & IOLS 22-23 Jan @ Bear Creek Assembly of God.
- 2) Green Bar at STSR: 29-31 January. MBs Offered.
- 3) Gulf Coast Council Banquet at FUMC Sat 6 Feb.
- 4) [Webelos District Crossover; Sheffield Park, LH 6-8 PM on Monday 8 Feb.](#)
- 5) Wood Badge for the 21st Century: at STSR weekends of 26 Feb and 26 Mar 2010.
- 6) [Lake Sands District MB University: Sat 27 Mar at Deane Bozeman HS](#)
- 7) [SCOUT JAM 2010: 9-11 April, Ft. Walton Fairgrounds.](#)

Left Over LSD Banquet Recognition: KG presented T.300 SM Jim Wolf with framed certificates for T.300 2009 LSD BS RT Perfect Attendance and to Jim as a 2009 LSD RT Staff Member.

CLOSING by KG: Advice from a WOLF: Trust your instincts | Be at home in nature | Keep your den clean | Stand for what you believe | Stay on track | Howl with your friends | Be a leader | Pack life with good memories!

ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE

THANKS to the following 14 Troops represented at January RT:

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

TOTAL JANUARY BS RT ATTENDANCE = 43 !! (counting drifters, presenters, and announcers),

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

11 Feb = Physical Fitness

11 Mar = Forestry

8 April = Leadership (T.345 Bill Douncey)

13 May = Special Cooking (T.366 Joey Collingsworth)

10 June = Backpacking / Aquatics

12 August = Fishing

8 September = Athletics

14 October = Science

11 Nov = Cooking / VETERAN'S DAY

9 Dec = Wilderness Survival

YIS, KG, your LSD BS RTC



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