

LAKE SANDS DISTRICT

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December **2011**

BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE NEWSLETTER

LSD BS RT 7 P.M. 8 DEC 2011 N 30° 10.890 // W 085° 40.010

“HOBBIES”

Opening: Thanks to the two Scouts of **T.706** for leading the Opening Pledge. The Opening Key was passed to **T.388** for the January RT Opening.

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

Tim Mixdorf: Tim discussed the District Scouter Banquet to be held Sat 7 Jan (you can easily register online until 21 Dec) which will include a silent auction (POC is Tom Reynolds 769-7517) and slide show (get your Scout/Activities photos/pics to Randy Segler, cell: 814-9406 by 15 Dec). And, Tim can be reached at tim.mixdorf@comcast.net, or 819-6464.

On Advancement: Tim discussed the new **Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook** which has 4 parts: Preparing the Proposal (this goes to Eagle Board for Approval); Final Plan Pages, Fund Raising Application (if raising funds outside your troop, this has to be approved by council prior to raising the funds); and, Project Report (the last 2 pages). **If you have a Scout that has not yet had his Eagle Project approved, then they have to use this new Workbook.** You can find it on the Gulf Coast Council website under Forms. A copy was also sent out to all with this letter. If you have further questions on advancement please contact Ruby Mixdorf who can be reached at 522-3945 or ruby.mixdorf@comcast.net.

DE Michael Kirkland: Michael can be reached at (850) 784-1886 and mikirkla@basmail.org.

- 1) Michael worked re-charter pkgs most of the evening as they were due.
- 2) Reminder: Annual LSD Scouter Banquet on Saturday 7 Jan at Northside Baptist Church.
- 3) 2012 Camp Card Fund Raiser: flyer provided, and cards to be handed out at Feb RT.

Jon Coleman: Please get any Adult Training Award applications to Jon by 13 Dec so he can have them available at the Jan Banquet. Jon can be reached at eaglesm@yahoo.com and (334) 863-1747. Wood Badge is coming up at the end of Mar. For those on the LSD Committee, District Committee Training will be held at 6 PM prior to the 5 Jan LSD Committee meeting.

Brandon Goodwin: Brandon is the Coordinator for Scouting for Food which starts in Feb; handout provided. And per **Georgia**, everyone please try to bring the following items to the next 3 Roundtables: **Jan = bag of dried beans; Feb = jar of peanut butter; and, Mar = can of greens.**

APPALACHEE AWARENESS: per Chapter Advisor Michael Cole along with William Humphries, James Collingsworth, and Bryce Segler: hyped OA Troop Elections - Call Out to be held during Green Bar Weekend the end of January. For help with Troop Elections please contact Lodge Chief Bryce Segler by 8 Dec at cell: **381-3059**; would like finish elections by 15 Jan.

Green Bar Weekend 27-29 Jan and YNAW 24-26 Feb both at STSR were also plugged. Registration for Green Bar will be online starting 13 Dec, click on your troop. Cost of Green Bar is \$18 if “Dining In” (open to the first 275) or \$6 if not “Dining In”. Michael can be reached at mcole@knology.net and at 303-3613. Other OA contacts are: James Collingsworth, Appalachee Chapter Chief, 960-0512; and, William Humphreys, Lodge VC, 867-5317.

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

Thanks to MR. TED SPANGENBERG, for his HOBBIES presentation. Any pursuit outside of your occupation can be considered a hobby and all Merit Badges could qualify. Note that since 2000, MBs also have a safety requirement.

And THANKS to **Bill Pouncy** for sharing his **WOODEN TOYS** building experience; suggested book to read is "The Wooden Toy Book".

And THANKS to **Big George Goehring** for his "LOCOMOTIVE" Moment to support the Hobbies theme. He was showing off his Lionel Trains that featured the BSA 100 Years of Scouting.

Another THANKS to **T. 366** for the **Song of the Month** & handout on "FISH HEADS" and the "FOOD SONG". The wooden **Musical 1/8th Note** was given to **T.369** for the **January Song!** Additional Scout songs can be found at <http://www.scoutsongs.com/categories/boy-scout-songs.html>.

LSD Traveling Spirit Stick: The **Twisty Snake Stick** was returned by **T.706** with a **leather Scout Emblem with T.706**. This stick was passed to **T.388** for a January return.

The newer **Oak Snake Stick** was returned by **T. 39** who **carved "T.39"** into the shaft. This stick was awarded to **T.303** for a January return.

KG's Handouts Gone Wild:

- Collections Merit Badge Requirements
- Boy's Life article on MB Moment on Collections, Stamp Collecting, and Coin Collecting
- The Scout Handshake (thanks to Carl Bennett)
- December 2011 Skymap
- Quiz: "brrr... it's cold"
- Slide of the Month: Bacon an' Eggs (Boy's Life Reprint by Whittlin' Jim)

Wild Bird Unlimited Tote bags with Pen and Clip were given away to all those attending as an early Holiday gift from KG and Georgia.

Ticket Drawing Giveaways:

Wild Bird Unlimited Santa Feeder (donated by T.300 Jim and Cindy Wolf): T.300 Dave Delaney.

Solar Light (2) (donated by T.302 Randy Segler): T.303 Doris Hodges, T.317 Mark Whitlow.

Hiking Stick(2) (donated by T. 302 Randy Segler): T.82 Winnie Reynolds, T.300 Sheri Roberts.

Emergency Sleeping Bag (2): T.366 Jon Coleman, T.345 Jerry Bushee.

Emergency Fire Starter: T.356 Lizzie St.Germain.

6-Pence Coins (donated by T.356 Bill St.Germain): T. 310 Dale Cronwell.

Wooden Puzzle (4): T.302 Ruby and Tim Mixdorf, T.369 Mrs. Pippin, T.82 Larry Dawson.

Upcoming Boy Scout Items of Interest:

- 1) GCC Winter Camp at STSR, 27-30 Dec.
- 2) LSD Banquet, Sat 7 Jan at Northside Baptist Church.
- 3) Green Bar Weekend at STSR, 27-29 Jan. The new Life to Eagle procedures will be discussed at this event as well as leadership and MB classes.
- 4) YNAW 24-26 Feb at STSR.
- 5) LSD Merit Badge University, Sat 7 April.
- 6) LSD 2012 Spring Camporee at Redfish PT TABF, 20-22 Apr 2012; plus BS IOLS training.

CLOSING by KG: Advice from a MOUNTAIN: Reach for new heights. Rise above it all. There is beauty as far as the eye can see. Be uplifting. Patience, patience, patience. Get to the point. Enjoy the view!

ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE !!!

THANKS to the following 18 Units represented at December RT:

39, 47, 82, 300, 302, 303, 310, 312, 317, 321, 323, 345, 356, 366, 369, 377, 388, 706

TOTAL December BS RT ATTENDANCE = 56

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

12 Jan 2012= Public Service (T.302 Randy Seeler)

8 Feb = Cultural Diversity (T.369 Joe & Mrs. Dippin)

8 Mar = Wildlife Mgmt (Jim Moyers, Wildlife Biologist)

12 Apr – Camping

10 May – Emergency Prep (T.317)

14 Jun – Health Care

9 Aug – Safety

13 Sept – Nature

11 Oct – Business

8 Nov – First Aid

13 Dec – Winter Camping ?

YIS, KG, your LSD BS RTC

