

Arrowhead District Boy Scout Roundtable Newsletter

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April 2009 Theme:

Cultural Diversity: Mel Schitman

May 2009 Theme:

Emergency Preparedness Presenter found

Upcoming monthly themes:

June 09 – Health Care Presenter needed

BSA Merit Badges: <http://usscouts.org/usscouts/meritbadges.asp>

Related Web sites:

Family Village: <http://www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/General/Disability-awareness.html>

Council for Disability Awareness: <http://www.disabilitycanhappen.org/>



Bird of the Month:

Blackburnian Warbler

http://www.birds.cornell.edu/AllAboutBirds/BirdGuide/Blackburnian_Warbler.html



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Scoutmaster Minute Possibilities

- In addition to the more muscular activities, at the (Olympia) jamboree we have to give consideration and opportunity to those boys who are not physically capable of extreme competitions of endurance. We want especially to help the weaker not to feel their weakness and to gain hope and strength.
- Through Scouting there are numbers of cripple, deaf and dumb, and blind boys now gaining greater health, happiness and hope than they ever had before. Most of these boys are unable to pass the ordinary Scout tests and are supplied with special, or alternative, tests. The wonderful thing about such boys is their cheeriness and their eagerness to do as much in Scouting as they possibly can. They do not want more special tests and treatment than is absolutely necessary. Scouting helps them by associating them in a world-wide brotherhood, by giving them something to do and to look forward to, by giving them an opportunity to prove to themselves and to others that they can do things – and difficult things too – for themselves.
(All attributed to Baden Powell in Footsteps of the Founder)

Knot of the Month: Double Overhand Follow Through



This knot is used to join two ropes of the same size together. Start with an overhand knot. Then take the working end through the loop a second time to make a double overhand knot. Then, using the second rope, thread it through the knot following the path of the first rope. When you work the knot tight you should end up with a nice barrel like formation. As with most follow on knots you will end up with excess rope. To make this neater just tie an overhand knot around the standing part of the other rope.



Constellation of the Month: Hercules

Hercules is east of the North Star. Hercules is a legendary strong man who is said to have performed twelve labors. In the picture above he is kneeling above Draco the Dragon. Contained in the constellation is the Great Cluster of Hercules, a globular cluster of about 300,000 stars. It is just visible with the naked eye. There are also several double stars of contrasting colors. A telescope is required to see the colors.

Information about the constellation from Constellations Knowledge Cards © Dona Budd

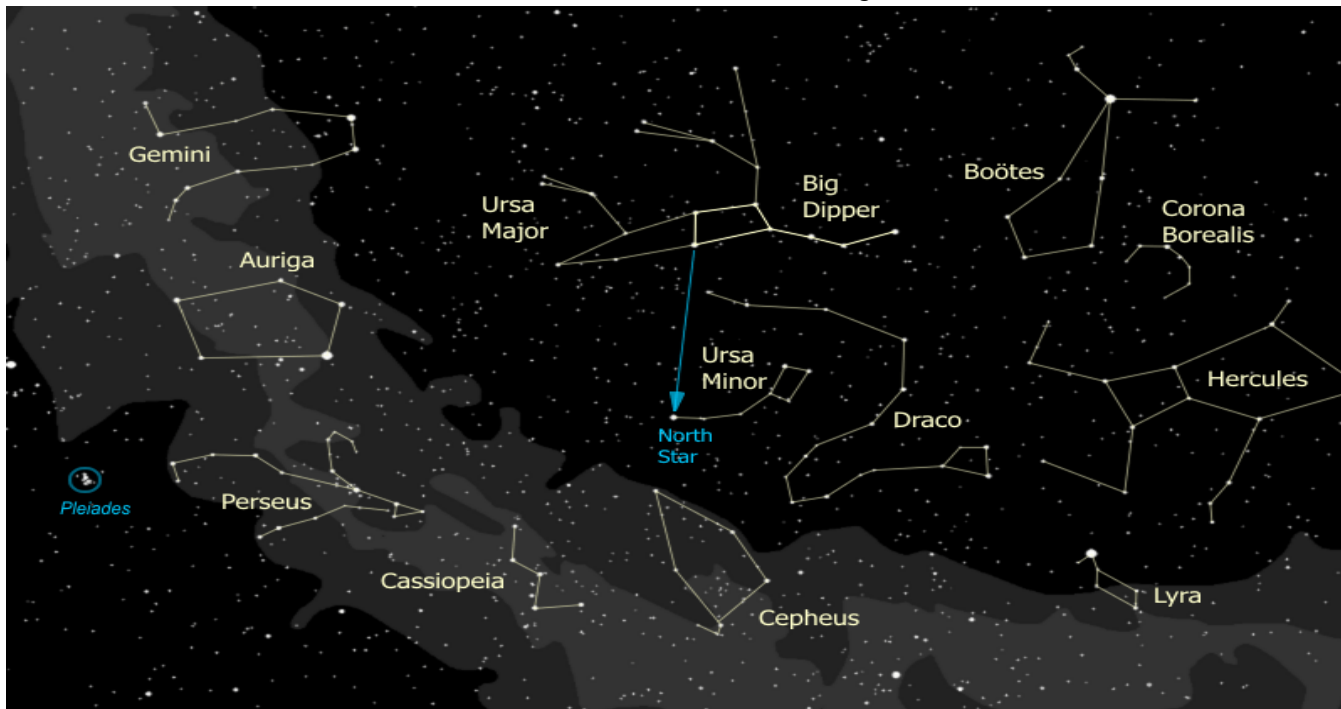


Image from the following website
<http://www.smokymtnastro.org/Seasons/Spring/Spring%20Sky%20Tour.htm>

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Every Scout deserves a Trained Leader.**

