

Arrowhead District Boy Scout Roundtable Newsletter

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March 2009 Theme:

Wildlife Management: Dave Brinker

April 2009 Theme:

Cultural Diversity: Mel Schitman

Upcoming monthly themes:

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| April 09 | – Cultural Diversity | Mel Schitman |
| May 09 | – Emergency Preparedness | Presenter needed |
| June 09 | – Health Care | Presenter needed |

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



Related Web sites:

Patuxent Wildlife Refuge: <http://patuxent.fws.gov>

Maryland Endangered Species: <http://www.dnr.state.md.us/wildlife/espaa.asp>

Bird of the Month:

Barn Swallow

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

Scoutmaster Minute Possibilities

Sought knowledge lasts, unsought does not.

Nature study is the key activity in Scouting and Guiding.

The man who is blind to the beauties of Nature has missed half the pleasure of life.

It is something to be good, but it is far better to do good.

(All attributed to Baden Powell in Footsteps of the Founder)



Knot of the Month: Surgeons Knot



The surgeons knot is a variation of the square knot used to join two ropes of the same size together. To start lay the left hand line over the right and then wrap each end around the other. The cross the right over the left as in a square knot. There are two ways to finish this knot, either wrap the right end around the left of wrap both ends the way you started the knot. The extra turns make the knot more secure, especially when wet.

Constellation of the Month

Cassiopeia (Queen of Ethiopia): Cassiopeia's story is like a soap opera. She claimed to be more beautiful than Poseidon's daughters which upset Poseidon and he sent a sea monster to pry on Ethiopia's coast. The only way to appease Poseidon was to sacrifice the Queen's daughter, Andromeda, but she was rescued by Perseus. They all ended up in the heavens. To find Cassiopeia look down and to the left of the North Star for five stars that form a stretched out W.

Information about the constellation from Constellations Knowledge Cards © Dona Budd

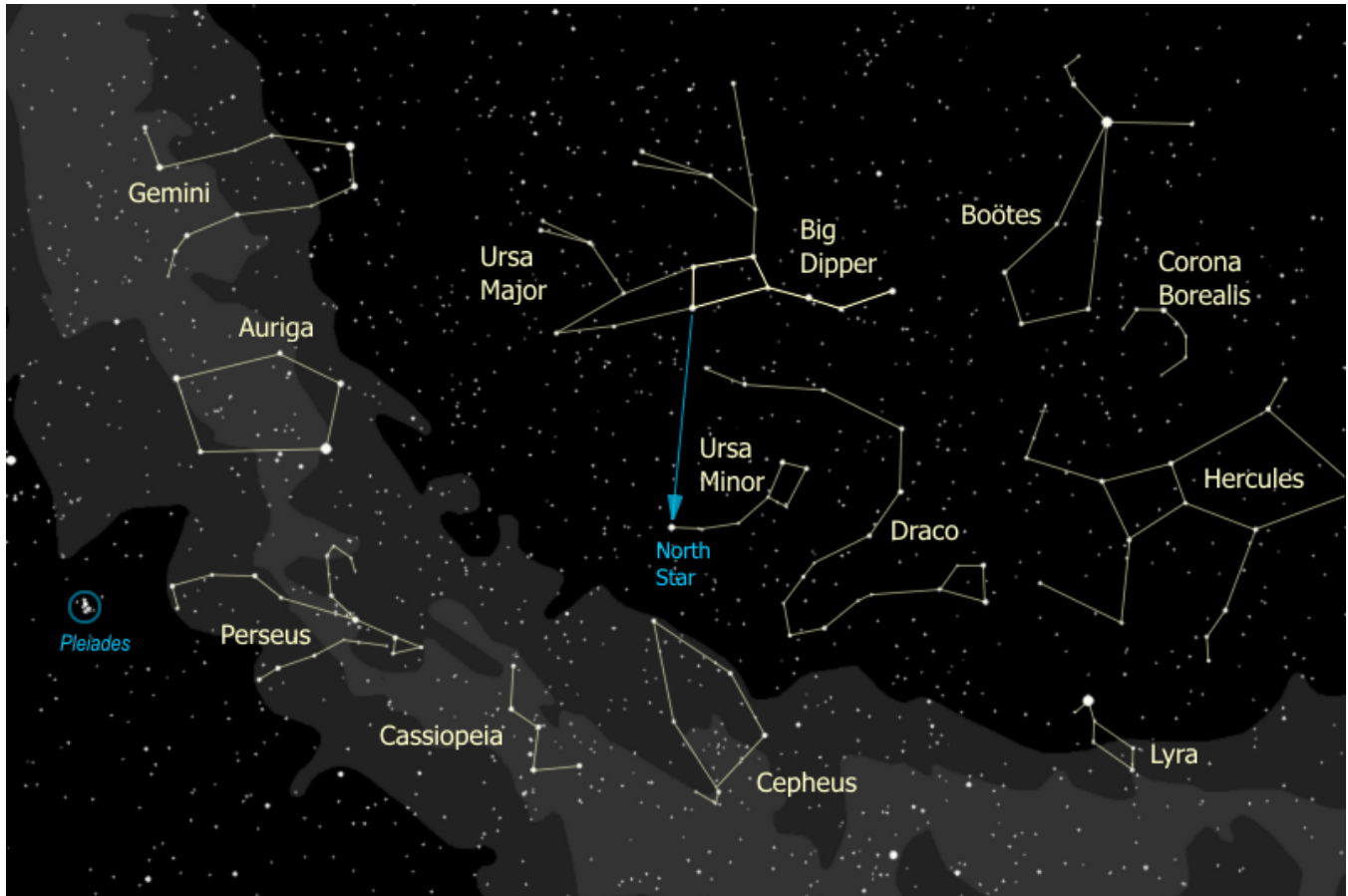


Image from the following web site

<http://www.smokymtnastro.org/Seasons/Spring/Spring%20Sky%20Tour.htm>

**Are you trained for your position? Is your training current?
Every Scout deserves a Trained Leader.**

