

Summer 2007

## Summertime!

**ACADIA**

**BISCAYNE**

**DENALI**

**EVERGLADES**

**GRAND CANYON**

**GRAND TETON**

**HALEAKELA**

**MESA VERDE**

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN**

**SEQUOIA**

**VOYAGEURS**

**YELLOWSTONE**

**YOSEMITE**

**TRAIL BLAZERS**

## I Like it ALL!

**by Steven Daniel**  
**a.k.a. Golden Arrow**  
**Volcano Tribe**

Hi everyone!

My name is Golden Arrow from the Volcano and this is why I like adventure guides.

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I like adventure guides because funny things happen for example When sledding down the Black Hole at our last camp-out there were 5 of us sledding down the tube as fast we could go. When John Powell, who was 4th in line, went he lost his sled at the top and fell into the tube without it. Ben Furie, who couldn't stop, went into the tube and pushes John 100ft until he flies out the end laughing! The dads at first were scared then started laughing and then CHANGED THE RULES SO WE COULDN'T DO THE TRAIN ANYMORE.

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After freezing our butt's off at the rocket launch, we set a record time with Chief Furies' help tilting the rocket, but we were disqualified- that wasn't really that funny- but we did get the best rocket cheer which made up for it.

(3)

I have lots of friends in my tribe and its fun staying up late watching movies. This time we watched Star Wars V and another movie I can't think of (I guess it was not that good)

I am really looking forward to camp Tecumseh, that is the best one because you get to shoot guns and bow and arrows. I hope everyone can make that one.

## I Like it ALL Too!

**by John Powell**  
**a.k.a. Bronze Arrow**  
**Volcano Tribe**

Hello, my name is Bronze Arrow, son of Silver Hawk. I think Y Adventure Guides is very fun because my dad and many of my friends are there. We do lots of awesome activities such as the pinewood derby and camp outs. I like the pinewood derby because of all of the fast cars and interesting designs. The things I liked about the campout were the competitions that we were in. Oh yeah, I liked the black hole even when I fell off my sled. There are many more fun things about Y Guides. These are only a few of all of them.



## Winter Campout 2007 Camp Edwards

**by Nicolas Terry**  
**a.k.a. Running Wolf**  
**Hawaii Tribe**

I like Adventure Guides because in Adventure Guides you get to go on winter campouts. On winter campouts you get to go sledding. You can also get to do a little skit. Then you could go down Heron's run on sleds. Then you might be able to make a snowman if it's not too cold. You could even look for animal tracks. Also you can play tag. Then we would launch rockets. Then we would go to flag raising and flag lowering. Then you could watch a movie. Also you could sleep in a cabin. I love to go on winter campouts.

## Winter Campout 2007 Camp Edwards

**by Scott Terry**  
**a.k.a. Soaring Eagle**  
**Hawaii Tribe**

After almost three full years of being active in the Guides, my son Nicolas and I were able to attend our first winter campout. Our inaugural year I suffered from the flu and last year Nicolas had a 104 fever. The planets just didn't seem to align when it came to attending this mid-winter tradition. I watched the calendar closely as this year's date approached and was overly cautious with Nicolas and myself; making sure bedtimes were early and hands were washed regularly. I was border-line paranoid and wondered more than once whether the effort would be worth it. Well, I can now say without a shred of doubt that it was.

Nicolas and I have attended three other campouts during our stretch with the Guides and this one topped them all. We had a blast, despite the 15 degree high and -2 low temperatures. We had several inches of snow on the ground and that would be an integral part of the experience. Our day began with what's becoming a tribal tradition, pancakes at Eli's, and followed with a caravan up to the campground. Once there, we had time to unpack and get ready for the days events, which were

plentiful. It started with flag raising at 11:30am, followed by lunch ("there ain't no flies on me..."), and the rest of the afternoon was packed with fun. There were cardboard sled races, the always interesting snow snake competition, name the face, and an old classic brought back, rocket launching. My son and I have a close relationship, but even so I could feel our bond strengthen with every laugh we shared.

Fortunately for all of us there was plenty of hot chocolate available through out the day in the lodge. We completed our day with a paper airplane contest, dinner, and the tribal fire. Bless our Nation chief for letting us hold this campout tradition inside the lodge on such a frigid evening (brrrr). The cold of course didn't stop most of the dads from following through with the "post-dinner" dinner tradition outside over an open grill. We went through quite a bit of charcoal and wood, but it was well worth the marinated skirt stakes waiting on the other end. All told, it was a weekend I know my son and I will long remember.



## I Like it ALL!

**by Ben Furie**  
**a.k.a. Little Silver Arrow**  
**Volcano Tribe**

My name is Ben Furie aka Little Silver Arrow. All my years in Adventure guides have been a blast. When I went to Camp Edwards, in the black hole, I laughed so much that I cried.

I am in the Volcano tribe. Even though I couldn't be at the Pine Wood Derby because of a hockey game, my car came in 4th place. Every meeting I have with my tribe I have had so much fun.

## I'm Graduating!

**by Danny Furie**  
**a.k.a. Silver Falcon**  
**Volcano Tribe**

This year I am a graduate in Adventure Guides. I have so many great memories in this organization. Like the best camps, the worst camps and all the fun I had with my dad. My favorite camp is Camp Tecumseh because of the great cabins, ice cream socials, and all the fun activities especially the riflery.

I am going back to Camp Tecumseh for my graduation. So I'm really happy I can go back there one last time.

This was a great experience bonding with my dad and learning about each other.

I'll never forget all the fun times we had.

## Derby Race 2007

**by Jonah Emil**  
**a.k.a.**  
**Hawaii Tribe**

Zoom, Zoom, Zoom... No, they weren't Mazda's, but they sure were zoomin' down the tracks.

This was my third year in Adventure Guides, and my third entry at the races. I sure did learn a lot at my previous races, and I used all of that car-building knowledge to make an exceptionally fast car this year! It went down the track so fast so many times; the tribe & I picked up 4th, 6th, & 7th place trophies!

I don't want to give away my insider racing secrets, but at Adventure Guides we are one big Team, so my Dad & I made sure we had that weight centered in the back, and those axels must be polished, polished, and polished so they shine, shine, and shine!

Congratulations go to everyone who participated at the races – we had a Racing Good Time!

## Snoozeum @ Museum of Science & Industry

**by Steve Palmer**  
**a.k.a. Coyote Claw**  
**Hawaii Tribe**

Coyote Paw and Bear Claw had a great time at the Snoozeum. This was our first time at any type of museum overnight and Bear Claw's first overnight. He was very excited and we had a lot of fun especially seeing all of the members of our tribe. There were several seasoned veterans in the group to help us and make sure we hit the best exhibits. The entire outing was well planned with a lot of different things to do. We are already looking forward to wherever we might be next year. Pals forever.



## Spring Campout

**by Brandon Rich**  
**a.k.a. Sleeping Tiger**  
**Hawaii Tribe**

As a boy, Brandon Rich (Sleeping Tiger) was involved in the YMCA Indian Guides Program through the Elmhurst Y. Today, he and his son Nathan (Saber-Tooth Tiger) are involved in the Lake Prairie Federation Adventure Guides.

This month, we went to Camp Tecumseh together. It was the first time for both of us, as there were no trips to this camp in Sleeping Tiger's Youth. Sleeping-Tiger loved the trip for many reasons. He enjoyed carpooling with his pal Digging Dog, loved canoeing, horseback riding, and the rifle range. "This is like the coolest campout ever!" he exclaimed.

His favorite part of the trip, however, was spending time with his dad and his friends around the campfire and in the cabin. The opportunity to spending quality time of this nature just being "guys" makes this program special for child and father alike. After each event, we anticipate what's coming next. We can't wait to participate in this wonderful program for years to come.

H-A-W-A-I-I!

## A Night at the Museum

**by Jonah Emil**  
**a.k.a.**  
**Hawaii Tribe**

My Haleakala friends and I had more fun than Ben Stiller!

The night began in the darkness of the coal mine. I never realized how dirty all the coal was, but the train ride done under was awesome. I am glad the ceiling didn't cave in like they said it did a lot of times in the real coal mines. We then took a ride on the Pioneer Zephyr train. My mom said there were real ghosts on that train, but it was a good thing my friends and I didn't see any that night. We then saw an OmniMax movie about the bayou and Hurricane Katrina. That was a great movie, and it made all of us want to go down there and help the soil erosion by planting. This would be a great way to seek and preserve the beauty of forest, field, and stream; I am going to tell my Chief we should have a field trip!



We ended the evening (at midnight) inside the REAL U505 submarine. I am glad our troops back then were able to capture it and win the war! It made me realize that our troops of today can win too! Go Army, Navy, Airforce, Marines!

As I was lying down to sleep, the United Airlines 727 kept me awake for awhile until the thunders of the jet engine traveled into space.

I can't wait for another Night at the Museum.

## Pinewood Derby Blues

**by Jim Cronin**  
**a.k.a. Broken Wind**  
**Hawaii Tribe**

Last year, the Pinewood derby was brand new to us and we had “very low” expectations. It was our first year and I was making sure my son understood that competing was the fun. In reality, I was preparing him for the worst. I was realistic about our chances, given the fact, that car since the early 70’s and my memories of those races wasn’t filling me with confidence.

We were fortunate to finish third last year and the memory of the smile on my son’s face is something a Dad never forgets. However, as soon as that race was over, I felt the pressure of next year’s race.

We tried to copy everything we did last year and we felt confident. Race day came and when it was our turn it was very obvious that last year’s car was better than this year’s. As our car continued to finish in the bottom half, I hoped my son realized that although winning is fun. The true fun is participating. We had some sad moments, but those were replaced by excitement as we cheered on our Tribe members that were still in it.

As the Pine Derby event was coming to an end, I had the dreaded conversation with my son that all Cub Fans have.  
 “Wait till next year!!!”



## So Much To Miss

**by Jackie Durnil**  
**aka: Wild Wolf**  
**Red Fox Tribe**

I love Adventure Princesses!  
I'm Jackie Durnil, also known as Wild Wolf. I have been involved in Adventure Princesses with my dad and sister for three years. This May I will graduate from the program. I have so many wonderful memories and there is so much I will miss and remember.

One of my favorite things to do is go on campouts. I love getting to spend the whole weekend with my dad and sister. At the campouts I especially like the Saturday night events. It is fun seeing what the theme will be each time. Also, I enjoy the Black Hole! I love speeding through the dark tunnel on the little sleds! Although I know I'm going to miss the program a lot, I'm glad I got the chance to enjoy the fun of Adventure Princesses.

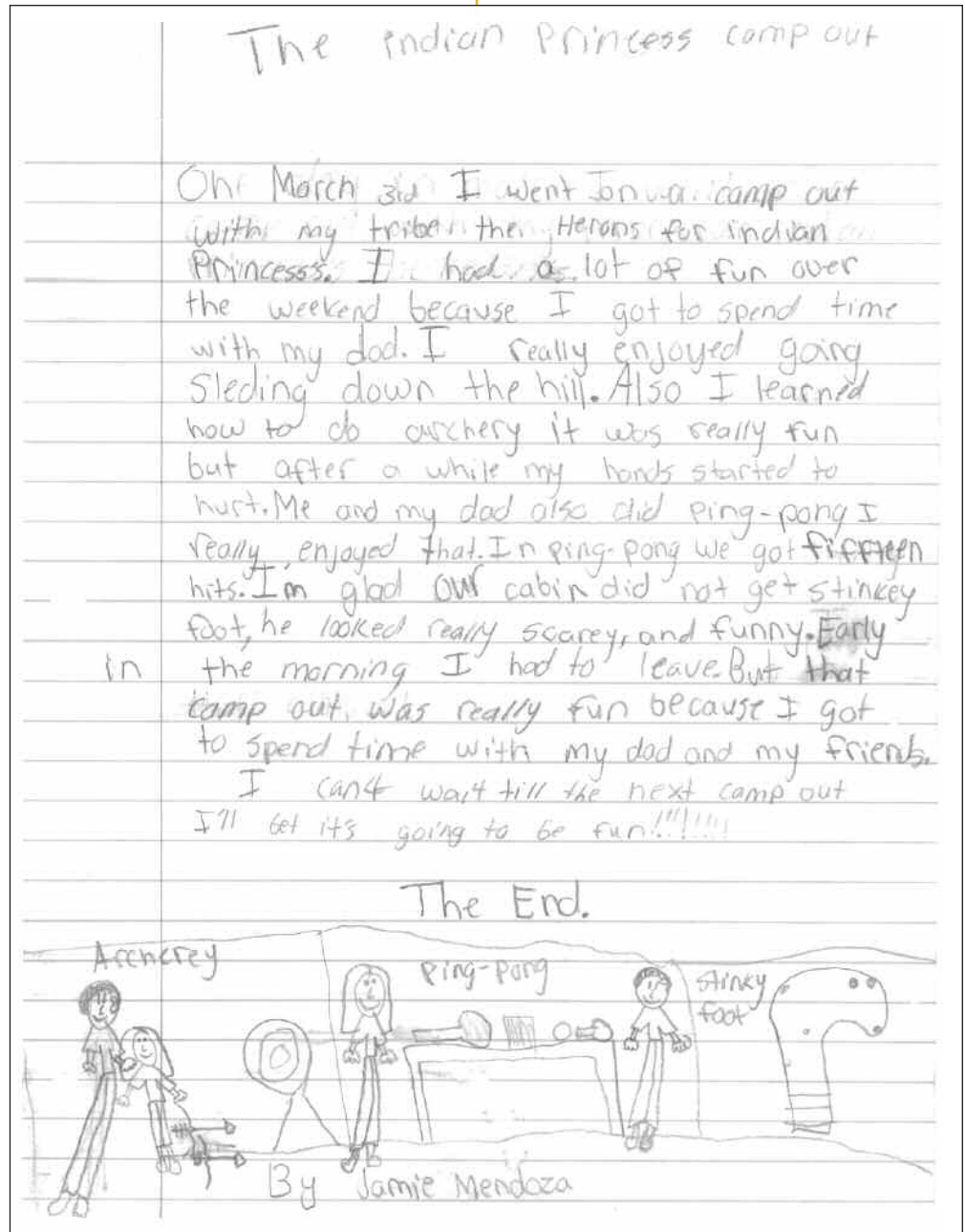


## The Indian Princess Campout

by **Jamie Mendoza**  
aka:  
**Heron Tribe**

On March 3rd, I went on a campout with my tribe, the Herons for Indian Princesses. I had a lot of fun over the weekend, because I got to spend time with my dad. I really enjoyed sledding down the hill. Also, I learned how to do archery. It was really fun, but after a while my hands started to hurt. Me and my dad also did ping-pong. I really enjoyed that. In ping-pong, we got fifteen hits. I'm glad our cabin did not get stinky foot. He looked really scary and funny. Early in the morning, I had to leave. But that campout was really fun because I got to spend time with my dad and my friends. I can't wait until the next camp out. I'll bet it's going to be fun!!!!!!

The End.





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