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# APRIL SHOWERS BRING SPRING CAMPOUTS

Spring!!! The time when grass turns green, daylight gets longer, flowers bloom, and Guides and Princesses prepare for Spring Campouts. For some, it will be their last campout, as they will graduate from the program but hopefully continue the fun with their mom or dad in the Trail Blazers organization. It's also a time that we thank our current leaders and welcome in the new leadership for our program in the coming year.



The Lake Prairie Federation offers incredible experiences for kids and parents. One of the best is when a parent steps forward to take a leadership position in a Tribe, the Expedition, or the Federation. Besides the valuable contribution one can make as a leader, the experience becomes an everlasting memory for the child. Kids build confidence when they help mom or dad with their position. They learn how important it is to step up and help the organization. They understand the need for Responsibility as others depend on their parent to lead the organization. And of course, they like the chance to wear mom or dad's cool fur leadership hat that comes with the position. Thank you to all who have served. Thank you to all who plan to step forward as our newest leaders. Our organization is nothing without our volunteer leaders.

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## FEDERATION EVENTS CALENDAR

Mark you calendars for these special Federation events. Expeditions will be assigned time slots for Bowling.

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
<u>Sunday April 11, 2010</u> Guides 12 Noon – 6:30 PM  Noon – 2 Acadia & Biscayne 2:15 – 4:15 Grand Teton & Haleakala 4:30 – 6:30 Everglades & Rocky Mountain Arrive 15 minutes before your start time  <u>Sunday April 18, 2010</u> Princesses - 12 Noon – 6:30 PM Noon - 2:00pm: Yellowstone & Yosemite 2:15 - 4:15pm: Grand Canyon, Sequoia, & Mesa Verde 4:30pm - 6:30pm: Denali & Voyageur	Bowling	Lakes Bowl Round Lake, IL

*Trail Blazers – Check the Trail Blazer page on our website for details on signing up for upcoming events.*

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
TBD	TBD	TBD

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## Y-ADVENTURE GUIDES 7 AIMS

1. To be clean in body and pure in heart
2. To be “Friends Always” with my father/mother/son/daughter
3. To love the sacred circle of my family
4. To be attentive while others speak
5. To love my neighbor as myself
6. To respect the traditions and beliefs of all people
7. To seek and preserve the beauty of the Great Spirit’s work in forest, field, and stream.

## PINEWOOD DERBY ZOOMS TO NEW HEIGHTS

Congratulations to all the winners from the Pinewood Derby. Once again, the Acadia Expedition was a fantastic host expedition. The weekend was full of many creative car designs. Most importantly, many kids spent quality time with their parent designing, building, and racing their cars. There was excitement with every race. Below is a list of all the expedition winners:



### Rocky Mountain Expedition

PLACE	NAME	TIME	SPEED(MPH)
1	Sean Wittenbrink	3.7661	217.2
2	Owen Edwards	3.7688	217.1
3	Ryan Wittenbrink	3.8260	213.8
4	Jack Bjorkland	3.8349	213.4
5	Cole Houser	3.8425	212.9
6	Billy Krumm	3.8443	212.8
7	Patrick Earley	3.8647	211.7
8	Nicholas Anderson	3.8881	210.4

### Haleakala Expedition

PLACE	NAME	TIME	SPEED(MPH)
1	Nicholas Harvey	3.6256	225.7
2	Joshua Estell	3.7017	221.0
3	Nicholas Schwind	3.7107	220.5
4	Zachary Estell	3.7112	220.5
5	David Geier	3.7128	220.4
6	Devon Leckrone	3.7236	219.7
7	Jack Lasson	3.7430	218.6
8	Jared Lawless	3.7516	218.1

### Grand Teton Expedition

PLACE	NAME	TIME	SPEED(MPH)
1	Austin Becker	3.7352	219.0
2	Lucas Khubchandani	3.7357	219.0
3	Ryan Conley	3.7387	218.8
4	Billy Reidy	3.7445	218.5
5	Alec Goodman	3.7672	217.2
6	Patrick Sharpe	3.7981	215.4
7	Michael Cusack	3.8112	214.7
8	Zachary Cusack	3.8500	212.5

## Everglades Expedition

PLACE	NAME	TIME	SPEED(MPH)
1	Lucas Shurboff	3.6971	221.3
2	Caiden Silverberg	3.7290	219.4
3	Alex Ritchie	3.7449	218.5
4	Joshua Voss	3.7539	218.0
5	Zach Morgan	3.7704	217.0
6	Aidan McCallister	3.7718	216.9
7	Christopher Ambrose	3.7781	216.6
8	Mike Hennessey	3.7839	216.2

## Biscayne Expedition

PLACE	NAME	TIME	SPEED(MPH)
1	Charles Lefebvre	3.6950	221.4
2	Dylan Haffner	3.7146	220.3
3	Matthew Leissner	3.8097	214.8
4	Connor Bergin	3.8457	212.8
5	Michael Johnson	3.8544	212.3
6	Eli Grant	3.8789	210.9
7	Connor L'Heureux	3.9146	209.0
8	Samuel Litwin	3.9483	207.2

## Acadia Expedition

PLACE	NAME	TIME	SPEED(MPH)
1	Forrest Fay	3.6902	221.7
2	Brett Lila	3.7080	220.7
3	Michael Sisk	3.7193	220.0
4	Henry Pogue	3.7262	219.6
5	Jake Beshel	3.7296	219.4
6	Evan Johns	3.7400	218.8
7	Mark Loula	3.7465	218.4
8	Brett Yates	3.7490	218.2



**Pinewood  
Derby**



## More memories from the Valentine's Dance



### My Little Girl

Gotta hold on easy as I let you go  
 Gonna tell you how much I love you  
 Though you think you already know  
 I remember I thought you looked like an angel wrapped in  
 pink so soft and warm  
 You've had me wrapped around your finger since the day  
 you were born

You're beautiful baby from the outside in  
 Chase your dreams but always know the road that'll lead  
 you home again

Go on, take on this whole world  
 But to me you know you'll always be, my little girl

When you were in trouble that crooked little smile could  
 melt my heart of stone  
 Now look at you, I've turned around and you've almost  
 grown

Sometimes you're asleep I whisper "I Love You" in the  
 moonlight at your door  
 As I walk away, I hear you say, "Daddy Love You More"

You're beautiful baby from the outside in  
 Chase your dreams but always know the road that'll lead  
 you home again

Go on, take on this whole world  
 But to me you know you'll always be, my little girl

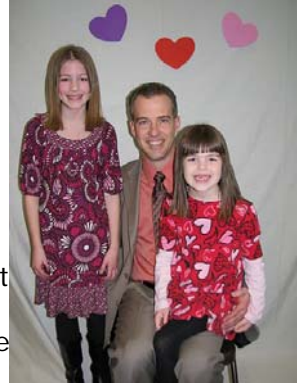
Someday, some boy will come and ask me for your hand  
 But I won't say "yes" to him unless I know, he's the half  
 That makes you whole, he has a poet's soul, and the heart  
 of a man's man

I know he'll say that he's in love. But between you and me  
 He won't be good enough

You're beautiful baby from the outside in  
 Chase your dreams but always know the road that'll lead  
 you home again

Go on, take on this whole world  
 But to me you know you'll always be, my little girl

~ Tim McGraw



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# FEDERATION EVENTS



## Lakes Bowl

601 Railroad Ave  
Round Lake, IL 60073  
847.546.2800  
[www.lakesbowl.com](http://www.lakesbowl.com)

12:00 - 2:00 pm: Acadia & Biscayne

2:15 - 4:15 pm: Grand Teton & Haleakala

4:30 - 6:30 pm: Everglades & Rocky Mountain

**Please arrive 15 minutes before your start time**

**Raffle Prizes**  
**awarded throughout the event**

- Everyone will bowl one **regular game** and one **“Crazy Bowl” game**
- 1st place trophies awarded to each tribe for high score (regular game) and kindest to the pins.
- A new traveling Expedition championship trophy will be awarded to the tribe with the Highest average score! This trophy will be passed on at each subsequent bowling event.

For more information contact Lance Khubchandani ([lance@mamin.com](mailto:lance@mamin.com))

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The Lake Prairie Federation  
& The Mighty Grand Canyon Expedition  
Presents



## 2009 – 2010

### Annual Princess Bowling Event Sunday, April 18th, 2010



Lakes Bowl in Round Lake  
601 Railroad Ave, Round  
Lake, IL 60073  
847-546-2800  
www.lakesbowl.com



#### Time Slots

12:00pm - 2:00pm: Yellowstone & Yosemite

2:15pm - 4:15pm: Grand Canyon, Sequoia, & Mesa Verde

4:30pm - 6:30pm: Denali & Voyageur

**\* Please arrive 15 minutes before your start time \***

Everyone will bowl one regular game and one “Crazy Bowl” game. See attached rules.  
1st place trophies for high score of regular game (per expedition)  
1st place trophies for “Kindness to the Pins Award” (per expedition)

**Raffle prizes and bowling prizes will be given throughout the event!**

Questions ??? Contact Tom Nevin - Grand Canyon Expedition Chief @ 847-265-4303 or  
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# COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

## YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU...GET INVOLVED

Throughout the year, this column has been dedicated to sharing the many ways that our own Expeditions and members have made a difference in their Community. The effort made by Lake Prairie Federation members comes with many benefits. First, it helps someone else. Second, it teaches our kids the importance of getting involved and helping others. Lastly, it provides another opportunity for parents and children to deepen their bond and grow as Friends Forever.

Everyone is capable of making a difference. Your Community needs you. To help inspire you, here are some ways you can make a positive impact in your Community.

1. Collect non-perishable food for your local food pantry.
2. Collect gently worn clothes to donate to clothing resale shops such as Goodwill or the Salvation Army
3. Run a lemonade stand and donate the proceeds to a charity.
4. Get some friends together and clean up loose trash and recyclable materials in a local park.
5. Contact a facility that cares for senior citizens and organize programs such as reading to the residents, playing Bingo, or putting on a show. Don't underestimate the impact of just being there to talk with residents.
6. Help a neighbor with some chores around their house.
7. Collect donations of toys for a children's hospital.
8. Organize or participate in a dance-a-thon or walk-a-thon to raise money and awareness for good causes.
9. Hold a block party to promote Community spirit.
10. Practice random acts of kindness
11. Find a veteran, active member of the US military, or police or fireman and thank them for their service.
12. Donate blood. If you're too young, help run the event and provide snacks for the donors.



*Does your expedition have a Community story to share? Please submit your stories to the Pathfinder to show the Federation how your expedition, tribe, or Family cares about the Community. Be sure to include a reference to the Aim that your story best exemplifies.*



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## YOUR LETTERS

### CAMP MATAWA

Mighty, Mighty, Mighty! Yosemite! My dad yelled at the Yosemite Campout at Camp Matawa. The campout was more fun than swimming in the summer because we were with our dads. At the Friday night activity there was materials to make friendship bracelets. A movie that was played was "Up". One of the most exciting events was the Yosemite sled race hosted by the Nevada. Each tribe made a sled or something to sled on in the race. The girl was on the sled and their dad would pull them through the course. The bon fire was really big and HOT! The Ahwahnee made it look like the Olympics. The girls of Ahwahnee made a part of the village. The Saturday night activity was like the Olympics because there were musical chairs, skiing, and stacking girls. The skis were made of wood with rope on them. In stacking girls there was 3 dads on the bottom and 2 girls in the middle. The pyramid was topped with the smallest girl in the tribe. It was really fun. The Yosemite campout was really fun, exciting, and interesting.

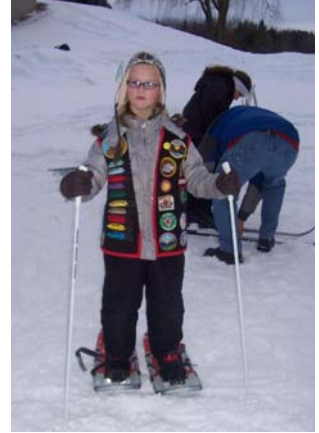
Jamie Filicette - Colorful Rainbow  
Yosemite Expedition – Tenaya Tribe



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## WINTER CAMPOUT FUN – CAMP MATAWA

This year at the winter campout we went snowshoeing and cross country skiing. It was hard to walk in them we chose to take the long trail for cross-country skiing and we got lost. The dads said that we weren't lost they found our way back through the woods. But it was a fun adventure. On the way home in the car we saw our ski tracks from our trail we made. The snowshoeing was very hard to walk in and it felt like we had duck feet on.



Sophie Yunker – Bunny Tail  
 Yosemite Expedition - Nevada Tribe



## WINTER CAMPOUT FUN – CAMP MATAWA

I thought the Pinewood Derby races were fantastic. My car did very well and stayed in the race for quite a while. My car the "Nene" won best design for a Dad. Next year my Dad and I are going to try to win fastest. I'm so excited for next years race to see all of the new cars speeding sown the track. Go derby cars go!!

Jonathan Hiscox - Blue Feather  
 Haleakala Expedition - Nene Tribe



## MY FIRST YEAR SO FAR

My first memory was where all the tribes met and somebody asked a question to the Chief or his daughter, I'm not sure, and then we were allowed to join the snake dance. I was given a feather and there was lots of fire and firecrackers. Then I looked into my dad's eyes and we felt the love.



The Fall Campout at Camp Duncan was fun. It was a special place, since my dad and grandpa had all of their campouts at the place when my dad was in the guides. We called Grandpa to tell him when we got there. I liked being with the whole tribe, the big fire was cool and fun to watch. I got in 3 points for the pumpkin throwing contest. I wore a bee costume and my dad wore a jail person costume with cuffs around his wrists and walked down the runway after me. The tribe made people out of newspapers, I rock climbed, and won a prize that was a bat and a pumpkin (that you saw the eyes come out of). We also went downstairs to an art place and hammered a bookmark thing with our program names on them.

Then we had a Valentine's Day Dance, we went into the gym and heard the music and we danced. It was fun actually. Then we went to the magic show and they stabbed something through a person's body and it should have made holes, but it didn't. Then we went back to the gym and I won the raffle - a Hanna Montana prize. I got two balloons, too. The second to last song was one of my favorite songs - "Thriller" - I love "Thriller".



On the way to the Winter Campout Chief "Tickling Spider" drove us along with our friends to the camp. When we got there, I went to see "Up" and we came back and I played the guitar. I played a good tune. Then I put on my pajamas and we went to sleep. Then I woke up, ate something, and went back to sleep. In the morning I woke up and played my DS with "Tumbling Rose" and a couple of other people in my tribe. Then the tribe went to the town and had breakfast together. One table was singing a Hanna Montana song and I had pancakes with syrup and eggs. We had an exciting sled race and my dad got tired. We took a picture with the tribe and then I went to the top of the rock-climbing wall and "Running Jaguar" took my picture.



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Some of the dads made those big snowballs that were cold to sit on. That night we did the snake dance, I saw a town burn down, turn into colorful firecrackers and I loved them. They were colorful – purple, green, orange, red, and that’s it. I loved them. Then we did the Olympics and I remember that we versed our own tribe and I versed my friend, “Sparkling Angel”. At the end we got a prize that we won - medals. We stayed up late and played house – I was a baby and changed to a kitty. The next day the tribe packed up all our stuff and went home. “Tumbling Rose”, “Sparkling Angel”, and I watched High School Musical 2 on the way home.



At the last tribal meeting we sang Happy Birthday to all of the March Tenaya birthdays and I was one of them. That was fun having a bunch of my friends singing Happy Birthday and I felt really good. Me and my dad sold 6 boxes of candy over the weekends and I won’t forget how we danced in the cold together. I know that the Spring Campout will be fun and I know that there will be no snow there this time.



Jordyn Duberstein - Dancing Bunny  
Yosemite Expedition - Mighty Tenaya Tribe



## THE NENE BIRD

I went to Hawaii this summer. I learned a lot about the Nene, which is a Hawaiian bird and the name of our Tribe. The Nene were almost extinct but were saved. They mostly eat berries and leaves on bushes. They are hard to find. The Nene bird is the state bird of Hawaii. The picture above shows what a Nene bird looks like. It looks kind of like a goose but is a little different. We also saw a Nene crossing sign on our way up to Haleakala. I hope the Nene continue to be a part of nature in Hawaii.



Carter Sherwin - Little Purple Mountain  
Haleakala Expedition - Nene Tribe

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## LASER TAG A BLAST FOR TRAIL BLAZERS

Striker, Shazaam, Bald Unicorn, Yoda, Cheeto, Boba Fett, Crossshares, Precious, UR Toast, Speedy, Storm, Thor, Spider Pig, Patton, Old Jack, Wildebeast, Dead Meat, Qrush, Cookie Monster, Raven, Rain, Stealth, Spice, Tafkap, Terminator, and on and on and on go the names of the players who attended the Trail Blazers Laser Tag event on Saturday March 20.

Four 20+ minute games of all out hilarious action with plenty of pizza, snacks, and drinks made for an outstanding event. Special recognition goes out to Boba Fett who secured a Top 5 Score of the Day spot.



The 2010 version of the Parents vs. Kids match will forever be known as the "Miracle at Laser Quest" as an outnumbered and dimwitted set of parents pulled off the upset of all upsets, despite abandoning their game plan two minutes into the match.

Big thanks go out to Jeff Block for organizing the event and food. Keep an eye open for the next fun Trail Blazer event.



*Trail Blazers are a parent-child group that meets for monthly fun activities both nearby and far away. They don't meet monthly in family houses, are not grouped into tribes, and don't wear vests. Trail Blazers are co-ed. Your child can be a member of both their current tribe and of Trail Blazers, if of the right age, usually 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up, but some activities may be appropriate for younger kids. Trail Blazers helps the fun continue in the Y-Adventure Guides program and the Lake Prairie Federation. Many of our events are open to the whole family. In addition to the fun, Trail Blazers also focus some events on Community service and charitable work!*

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## RIDDLE ME THIS

In honor of April Fools Day and as a tribute to the legendary Riddler, Frank Gorshin (kids asks your parents), try these riddles. Don't cheat and look at the answers before trying to solve these brain busters.



### Riddles

1. How can you distribute 3 apples to 2 fathers and their 2 sons, giving a whole apple to each?
2. How do you divide seventeen apples among sixteen people?
3. I can fly. My posterior is adorned with feathers. I have a rather long neck and quite a pointy nose . I am able to fly, yet I have no wings. What am I?
4. What's a monster's favorite bean?
5. What can you catch but not throw
6. Give it food and it will live; give it water and it will die.
7. I run, yet I have no legs. What am I?
8. Remove the outside, cook the inside, eat the outside, and throw away the inside.
9. What goes around the world and stays in a corner?
10. What gets wetter the more it dries?



### Answers

1. They are Grandfather – Father- Son. The middle is a father and a son at the same time.
2. Make apple sauce
3. An arrow
4. A human bean
5. A Cold
6. Fire
7. Nose
8. Corn
9. Stamp
10. Towel

**Holy Brain Teaser**  
**Zzzzap**

**KRUNCH!**

**KA-POW**

## SOLUTION TO MARCH'S PICTURE FUN

Compass Bearer  
Stinky Foot  
Rat Sack  
Bury the Grouch

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Do you have a story or a picture to share of a special time in the Y-Adventure Guides and Princess Program? Contributors to the Pathfinder will receive a special "PATHFINDER" patch for their vest or special treat. Submit articles and pictures to Kevin Mooney @ [moonpup@sbcglobal.net](mailto:moonpup@sbcglobal.net). Submissions should include author's name, program name, expedition, and tribe.

## 2009 - 2010 Lake Prairie Federation Officers

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Trail Blazers President	Kevin Shoemaker

If you are interested in participating in a Federation position, please contact any of the officers listed above for more information. This Program benefits greatly from the talents and commitment of the individuals listed above. Come share your talents and be a part a great team.

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