

NATURE CALLS

The 2010-2011 program year will focus on Nature. Nature and the camping experience are integral parts of the program. Expeditions and tribes will plan events that allow for our members to respect Nature and more fully appreciate all its wonders. The 7th Aim (Green) is **“To seek and preserve the beauty of the Great Spirit’s work in forest, field, and stream.”** This Aim should be on the minds of all members this year as they continue to build the bonds of friendship between parent and child. Recycling, tree planting, park clean-ups, walks, and other outside activities are just some of the ways our members can celebrate Nature. We start this year with the opportunity to show our children the importance of respecting Nature and taking care of the earth. We’ll end the program year with children who will embrace this responsibility and understand the meaning of the phrase *“We do not inherit the earth from our forefathers, we borrow it from our children”*



The creation of a thousand forests is in one acorn. ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson ~

He who plants a tree Plants a hope. ~ Lucy Larcom, from 'Plant a Tree' ~



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Upcoming Federation Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
November 6-7, 2010	Olympics	Oak Grove School
October 10, 2010	Induction Ceremony	Big Bear Lake Vernon Hills, IL
December 19, 2010	Holiday Party	Lake County Fairgrounds Expo Center
January 8-9, 2010	Roller Skating	Hot Wheels, Mundelein, IL

Upcoming Trail Blazers Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
December 5, 2010	Feed My Starving Children in Grayslake (10 spots open)	Lake County Fairgrounds Expo Center - Contact Kevin Shoemaker
December 19, 2010	Holiday Party Food Drive – Collection of non-perishable food items	Lake County Fairgrounds Expo Center
February 4-6, 2011	Ski/Water Park weekend	Cascade Mountain & Great Wolf Lodge – Dells, WI



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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.



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2010 TASTE OF ADVENTURE GUIDES

The Lake Prairie Federation's annual Kick-Off event brought out a huge crowd. The event, held annually at the Independence Grove Forest Preserve, filled the facility's North Bay Pavilion to its capacity. The event allows new members and those interested in joining, the chance to experience different aspects of Y-Adventure Guides & Princess Program events such as: Campouts, Induction Ceremony, Pinewood Derby, Holiday Party, and Olympics. A classic BBQ meal with burgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies, and cold drinks makes it a great day to have fun with family and friends.

The Lake Prairie Federation would like to thank the Haleakala And Yellowstone Expeditions for their coordination and production of this event.

Thanks also goes to

- Lake County Forest Preserve
- Howard Wallach's A-Z Entertainment, Ltd.
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- Duxler Libertyville Tire/Firestone
- Kaisers Pizza – Mundelein, IL
- Zengeler's Cleaners
- Axiom Marketing
- Dominicks – Vernon Hills, IL
- The Patch Store

for their contributions to the success of this event.

Enjoy more photos on the next few pages from the 2010 Taste of Adventure Guides Event.



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THANK YOU FROM 2010 "GOLDEN OAK AWARD" WINNER KEVIN MOONEY

Dear Lake Prairie Federation members,

To say receiving the Golden Oak Award this past Spring was overwhelming is the understatement of the year, and this from a guy who is usually not at a loss for words. I was extremely touched by the extraordinary efforts made on my behalf. To have the Golden Oak and the Federation Chief with his princesses in tow make the 230 mile round trip drive to Camp Matawa and coordinate with all to pull off a total surprise was incredible. The image of Golden Oak appearing from the woods and his presence at our campout is a memory I'll never forget, especially for the impact it had on the kids in the expedition.

I genuinely appreciate the efforts made to have my wife and daughter there with me and my son for the presentation. It was a very well kept secret and a complete surprise. An award like the Golden Oak is not possible without the love and support of one's family. Mrs. Mooney has clearly earned her program name of Patient Moon through the many years of events, camp outs, Fed Meetings, etc., to allow me to serve the Lake Prairie Federation and build an everlasting bond of friendship with my kids.

One of the qualities of the Lake Prairie Federation that has meant a lot to me is the challenge it presented to take an active role in the program and improve it. Through all of YOUR dedication and efforts in the various Federation, Expedition, or Tribe positions that many of you have held, you have inspired me and others to continually strive to make every experience the best it could be for each child and parent in the Lake Prairie Federation. Your dedication as parents to actively experience Y-Adventure Guides with your child also inspires me and other parents to make this very brief time with our children the best it could be.

I'd also like to thank those of you who took the time to write some of the testimonials provided to me at the ceremony. They brought back great memories and were very touching (and funny). And while I will remain an active leader in the Lake Prairie Federation and will participate with my kids in Trail Blazer events, leaving the Guides program, and Princesses 2 years before, is very hard. Your words accentuated all the wonderful times we've had and friendships we've developed over the years for which my family and I will be forever grateful. Reading those words made the graduation experience all the more difficult and tearful for me, but in the best way possible, because it should hurt to leave something that you love so much.

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YOUR LETTERS

And lastly, WWTPD???? An acronym that I have learned to live by. What Would Tim Pasternak Do? I mentioned in my babbling at the ceremony how I first met Tim 20+ years ago in Columbus, OH. Tim was the same energetic and passionate person but little did I know that our paths would cross again in Y-Adventure Guides and how he would inspire me to be a better person and father. Finding the motivation to take the extra step for the Lake Prairie Federation was easy just by asking WWTPD. Tim, you set the bar at a height that no one else will ever attain. The fabulous experiences my family has had with Adventure Guides, Princesses, and Trail Blazers is due in large part to your passion, dedication, and hard work and has been the source of inspiration to me and many other parents in this program. It is truly a tremendously humbling honor to be recognized by you and other incredibly deserving leaders in our program. I can honestly say that receiving this honor was one of the best moments of my life and I will always cherish the respect and friendship you have given to me.

Friends Always,

Kevin Mooney - Chief Howling Moon
Devoted husband to Janie "Patient Moon"
Proud father of Michaela "Princess Wild Kitty" Mooney
Proud father of Quinn "Half Moon" Mooney

*Thank
You*

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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. Submissions should include author's name, program name, expedition, and tribe.

2010 - 2011 Lake Prairie Federation Officers

Federation Chief	Carl Shurboff
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Asst. Compass Bearer	OPEN
Camp Scout	Louis Lieberman
Asst. Camp Scout	Ray Eby
Map Maker	Dan Makeever
Asst. Map Maker	OPEN
Outfitter	Jim Filicette
Asst. Outfitter	Jim Erker
Sentinel	Doug Renz
Asst. Sentinel	OPEN
Log Keeper	Todd Killian
Treasure Keeper	John LeHocky
Asst. Treasure Keeper	Matt Boyle
Web Spinner	Matt Nevel
Asst. Web Spinner	Tom O'Keefe – Andy Edmonds
Messenger	Kevin Mooney
Flag Bearer	Kevin Mooney
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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