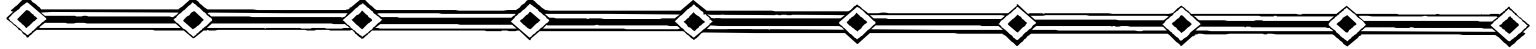
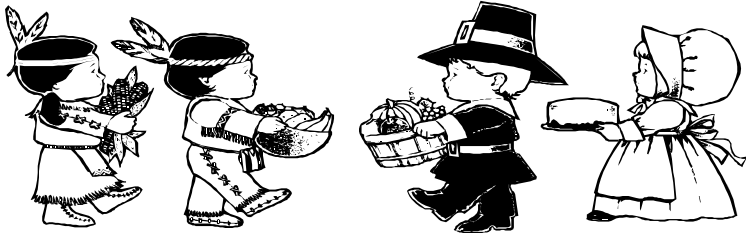


# SMOKE SIGNAL

A Publication of the YMCA of Arlington Father / Child Program



**Turkey Shoot**  
**Nov. 10th 10:00- Noon**  
**Dalworthington Gardens**  
**City Park**  
**Pay at the event**  
**Cost: \$8**  
**\$3 for 2nd Child**



**Federation**  
**Community Day**  
**Princess, Guides, Papoose, Trail**  
**Saturday, November 17th 9:00- Noon**  
**Mission Arlington 210 W. South Street**



**RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS FOR THIS SEASON AND GET A RECRUITMENT PATCH FOR EVERY NEW PARTICIPANT!**

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Elder: Gene Hubble 817.457.7466

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## TEACH YOUR KIDS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Perhaps more than anything else, the most valuable thing we can teach our sons and daughters is that they can make a positive difference in their community. We can teach them to be selfless rather than selfish, and that that can lead to a great level of personal satisfaction. We can also teach them that when the entire community chips in to address problems, the entire community ultimately benefits not just those at the core of the problem.

Our Community Day is just around the corner. This is our day to show our kids that we can make a difference both as individuals and as a community of fathers and their sons and daughters. I want to take this opportunity to encourage and challenge every father and child, every tribe, every nation, and the entire Federation to do two things.

First, show up for the event and give a couple hours of your time. Every kid I have ever talked to about the event has thought it was fun and a good way to spend some time with their dads. My own kids do not think of it as work but think it is fun, and they look forward to going every year to sort the canned goods. It is not a chore, it is making a difference.

Second, bring canned food as a donation to Mission Metroplex. In the spirit of “put up or shut up”, I will purchase at least \$50.00 of canned goods for *each* of my kids to donate – that is about 100 cans per kid. I also challenge each member to do the same if that is within their means. If that challenge is not within your means, then please donate an amount that is, but please make it something more than just a token effort. If you can do more, then all the better.

If you have to ask, “What’s in it for me?” then the answer is twofold. At every campout, I see tribes beating their chests trying to show the world they are bigger, better, and more spirited than the next tribe. Now is your chance to really show it. Do not forget, “Money [and your time] talks, bull#%\*! walks.” Don’t be “all show and no go.” If you are going to talk the talk, you have to walk the walk.

Second, and most importantly, you can positively influence your children by showing them that they can make a difference and doing so is fun! That is what is really in it for each of us.

**Jim Lanter**  
**Setting Sun**

**Amanda**  
**Rising Sun**

**Jonathan**  
**Bold Shark**





### Ya Ta Hey Trail Nation

Seventy-five Trail members braved the rapids at New Braunfels on our rafting trip on 5-7 Oct, and all returned to tell the tale. They even all came back with all the correct appendages. Not that we didn't have to take sharp objects away from certain orange clad members of our group after other events of the day. This was an excellent trip, with beautiful weather, plenty of flowing water so only Grey Hawk "Rock Bottom" Yancy and company got stuck high-center on some rocks. There was a good meal waiting at the half-way point provided by the outfitters, then a table for 55 at the Grist Mill for chicken fried steak that night.

A special thanks to Red Bull for putting together our Sunday devotional on the river bank.

The Haunted Trail at the Princess Fall Campout was another rousing success. Aargh, but those Pirates of the Plains were out in force, making the girls walk the plank. Frankenstein, his bride, Dracula, and other monsters were also out in force.

The event was well attended, with 60 Trail family members camped as Trail and another dozen or so camping with their younger Princesses but working on the Haunted Trail. There was a high 'early exit' from the younger Princesses who got scared. I hope no one had bad dreams and I apologize to any Princess Nation members who got too scared during this event. All the 'frightening' was meant in good spirits.

Thanks to all who participated in making the Haunted Trail memorable. Special thanks to Big Buck, Little Fawn, and Running Deer for putting together the entrance tunnel and to Three Feathers for the Sunday devotional before everyone headed home. Everything was cleaned up, even the big displays by 11 AM Sunday morning.

Membership is up for Trail this year, almost 20%. Getting and keeping membership is what makes the turnout and fun so good at our events. If you know anyone who is not involved and should be, tell them to register now. There are still several more fun events this year.

Next up is the Princess Luau on Nov 2, at the Central Y. All Trailmates are invited to that event, too. Get your tickets at the Y before Friday.

The next big event is **Community Day, Nov 17, 9 AM to Noon** at Mission Arlington. This is a rain-or-shine event. The food has to be sorted than weekend for the MA clients to get their food basket in time for Thanksgiving. Please come out and participate in this important event. Don't forget to bring food for our food drive that is part of the event. Most of us are only worried about how much we overeat at Thanksgiving. The MA clients may have no other food in the house on that day besides the food they get in the MA food baskets. Please be generous in bringing food. Collect food in your neighborhood, at work, at church, or at school, to contribute.

As a special challenge to the tribes within Trail (Kickapoo, Pirates of the Plains, and Wichita), lets get competitive out there. Try to win the **Community Spirit Award** for Trail by having the highest percentage of your membership work sorting food, or the **Generous Spirit Award** for Trail by bringing in the greatest amount of food per tribe member. Last year, a Trail tribe had the highest participation rate and the most food donated per tribe member of ANY tribe in ANY Nation. We brought in more food than any other NATION. Let's try to do that again, Trail having the highest participation level and most food collected and donated.

***Stanley Poynor***

*Straight Arrow  
Trail Nation Chief*

972-603-0961 (work); 817-274-8136 (home)

***Jim Norris***

*Running Deer  
Asst Trail Nation Chief*



# Papoose News

Yah-te-hay Mighty Papoose Nation,

I hope all is well since our last gathering at the Fall Campout. I know the upcoming three weekends are going to be busy for our Nation and the entire Federation. I hope to see all you at the upcoming events: the Luau for the Future Princesses, the Train Ride for everyone, the Turkey Shoot for everyone and most importantly Community Day for everyone.

I know some you are saying "Most Importantly" for Community Day. I say YES to that because we are very fortunate to be with our families and to be a part of the Father/Child program, Papoose Nation in our case, at the YMCA. However, there are people who are not as fortunate as we are and we need to give back to the community and share our good fortune with those who may be in need. So grab your mom and dad and come out to Mission Arlington to help out on the Saturday (Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>) before Thanksgiving.

Until Next Time,

Running Bear  
Allen Stallins

Screeching Owl  
Millie Stallins

Yah-Ta-Hey Princess Nation!

By the time you get this, the Fall Campout will be over. I have no doubts that it will be great. But, for now, I have to just imagine the great times that were had. Because as I write this, the Campout is still a week away. Water balloon fights, pumpkin carving, trick-or-treating, costumes, and the Haunted Trail. How could it not be a campout to remember!

We have a BIG MONTH with our Luau Dance, the Turkey Shoot and Federation Community Day. Think of it this way: if it is a weekend in November that isn't Thanksgiving, you have something to do with your kids.

Week 1: Are you ready to Hula? The Winnebago are Warchiefing the Luau Dance at the Central Y. They have promised a great time with leis, limbos and hula dancing. Don't forget Hawaiians are Native Americans also.

Week 2: The paper turkey target for the Turkey Shoot can be downloaded from the Resources page of [www.princessnation.org](http://www.princessnation.org). You can color it before the event and have it ready to show the boys what real Eagle Eyes are.

Week 3: How much food have you collected for the Federation Community Day? This is my favorite event of our calendar because it shows my princess that charity can be fun and rewarding. That's why my Seminole tribe is Warchief and why I challenge each and every one of you to help your "neighbor" by donating and sorting non-perishable food items.

I will be at Mission Arlington on November 17<sup>th</sup> to sort food. **Will you?**

If you have had something great happen to you at one of our events, email me at [nationchief@princessnation.org](mailto:nationchief@princessnation.org). Or better yet, tell your friends that aren't in this great program what they are missing. It's never too late to get that Recruitment Patch.

Yah-Ta-Hey

Chief Grey Wolf (Michael McArthur)  
Little Chief Dancing Butterfly (Kayden)

Asst. Chief Soaring Hawk (Frank Dylla)  
Little Asst. Chief Rising Star (Celeste)  
Little Asst. Chief Silver Rain (Chloe)

## **Ya Ta Hay Mighty Guides Nation**

**By the time you read this all Fall campouts will be completed, what a fall camp out, and what a time it was I attended 3 of the four campouts with my kids ( all but the Papoose camp) and on each time returned with tired , dirty and happy faces.**

**Our camp out to me was particularly enjoyable to me. It never ceases to amaze me at the volunteerism that is shown time and time again by the dads. From the preparation of the Warchief through the packing of the trailer, the work was done with excitement and anticipation of what they were doing would be enjoyed by all. Trying to pick out a few to make note would not be sufficient so I will say a thank you to all that helped it is obvious to me that we have the finest dads in the DFW in this program.**

**There has been a concern that we have not been getting achievement many patches earned and handed out at the council fires. I would encourage all to work on bead deeds over the time between now and the winter camp out, it may surprise you how many of the things you already do with your son is on the list. If you need any help do not hesitate to contact your tribe chief or any of the Nation or Federation officers. We are here to help you any thing to make your experience in this program better. That is why we get to put on the cool hats.**

**Paul Mayo  
Strutting Elk**

**Parker Mayo  
Growling Bear**

# CALENDAR

## Papoose

Turkey Shoot- Nov. 10, Dalworthington Gardens, 10am- Noon

Federation Community Day- Mission Arlington 9am- Noon

Arlington Parade of Lights- Dec. 8th

Papoose Christmas Party- Dec. 16th, Central YMCA

Winter Campout- Jan. 25-27, Loyd Park

## Princess

Turkey Shoot- Nov. 10, Dalworthington Gardens, 10am- Noon

Federation Community Day- Mission Arlington 9am- Noon

Arlington Parade of Lights- Dec. 8th

Winter Campout- Jan. 25-27, Loyd Park

## Guides

Turkey Shoot- Nov. 10, Dalworthington Gardens, 10am- Noon

Federation Community Day- Mission Arlington 9am- Noon

Arlington Parade of Lights- Dec. 8th

Winter Campout- Jan. 25-27, Loyd Park

## Trail

Turkey Shoot- Nov. 10, Dalworthington Gardens, 10am- Noon

Federation Community Day- Mission Arlington 9am- Noon

Arlington Parade of Lights- Dec. 8th

Winter Campout- Jan. 25-27, Loyd Park

*Please Check for Event Registration Deadlines!*

*YMCA Phone Number: 817.274.9622*

**Federation Longhouse:  
November 27, 6:30p.m.  
Arlington YMCA- Central Branch**

Tribal Chief Longhouse:  
November 27, 7:30p.m.  
Arlington YMCA - Central Branch

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