



# Smoke Signals

Newsletter of the Big Teepee Federation

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## Late Night at the YMCA

That's right! The Y is staying open just for your Guides and Princesses. This event is a tradition in this program and this year will be better than ever! The Federation Council has planned a great night that will include exciting activities, an open swim, and even food!

This year we will welcome back Master Kim and his World Champion Taekwondo staff! The kids will be breaking boards for Strong Kids again, so bring a couple extra dollars with you! Tickets for boards will be available at the front desk, and you can redeem your board break by turning your ticket into one of the World Champion Taekwondo instructors.

Get ready for the Late Night Carnival. Play the games and receive a prize and a stamp on your Late Night Passport!

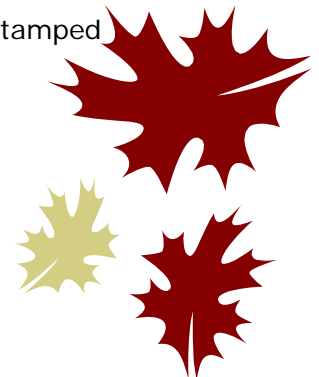
This year we will be having the famous Pinewood Derby at the Late Night at the Y! Check [www.bigtp.org](http://www.bigtp.org) for the official rules for the Late Night Pinewood Derby. Cars will be placed in divisions when they arrive and be given a race time!

Follow the Passport for the Late Night and visit all the exciting activities. Turn your stamped passport in on the way out for a special prize!

Details below, registration included in this issue of the *Smoke Signals*.

**November 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**Fry Family YMCA**  
**2120 W. 95<sup>th</sup> St.**  
**Naperville, IL 60564**  
**8:30 PM-11:00 PM**

**Costs: \$15 per father/child and \$5 per additional Child**  
**Pinewood Derby Car not included in the price**



### Passport (Sample) Late Night at the YMCA

Taekwondo mini class \_\_\_\_\_

Carnival (play at least one game and get a prize) \_\_\_\_\_

Craft \_\_\_\_\_

Pinewood Derby \_\_\_\_\_

Open Swim \_\_\_\_\_

**Get 5 stamps and receive a SPECIAL PRIZE**



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# The Snow Moon Campout

The Snow Moon Campout at YMCA Camp Tecumseh is a guaranteed great time! Camp Tecumseh, located in Brookston, Indiana has plenty to offer the Y Guides and Princesses Program. The program area includes basketball and tennis courts, an outdoor obstacle course, and hiking trails to the Wolves Den and the Ghost Cabin.

The staffed program areas will be open on Saturday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. These include the bullet and black hole sledding tubes, climbing walls, .22 rifle range, horse trail rides, archery and a nature center. The rifle range is \$.75 per ticket (10 shots) and can be purchased at the Trading Post (camp store). The horse trail rides are \$8.00 each and can be purchased at the Trading Post as well. All other activities are included in the cost. There is an early sign up for the Horse Trail rides on Friday so make sure to book your space by Saturday morning before breakfast at the Trading Post.

The earliest you can arrive is Friday at 4:30 pm. The Trading Post will be open for checking people in until 9:00 pm, and be mindful that Brookston, Indiana is one hour ahead of Illinois. Cabin assignments for guests arriving after 9:00 pm will be posted on the Trading Post front door. Remember to check in after Saturday Breakfast. Meals included in the cost are breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday and are served family style. Meals included in the one night option are lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday.

Make sure to reserve your spot early so that you are guaranteed to receive a cabin assignment with your tribe! Pricing details are below and the registration form needed is located in this issue of Smoke Signals as well as at [www.bigtp.org](http://www.bigtp.org), these forms must be faxed in or dropped off at one of the Heritage YMCA Group branches, online registration is not available for this event. See you there!!

Contact Russell at 630-585-2207 or [rclarke@heritageymca.org](mailto:rclarke@heritageymca.org) with any questions. Complete and return the registration form included in this issue of the Smoke Signal. You can fax the form to 630-585-5560 or drop it off at any Heritage YMCA Branch.

## Costs

Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup> to Sunday January 16<sup>th</sup>  
\$140 per father/child and \$45 for any additional child  
Check in starts at 9:00 AM

Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup> to Sunday January 16<sup>th</sup>  
\$170 per father/child and \$60 for any additional child  
Check in from 4:30 to 9:00 PM

Make Payments to Heritage YMCA Group



[www.bigtp.org](http://www.bigtp.org)

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## Just for Chiefs

New Chiefs! Check out the "Just for Chiefs" page on [www.bigtp.org](http://www.bigtp.org). This new page will have plenty of resources for new chiefs, and outline all of your new responsibilities.

To start with, go to the page right away and register your tribe, if you haven't done so already. The Y will use that information to place new members with you!

If you have any suggestions or additions to the page don't hesitate to contact Russell at [rclarke@heritageymca.org](mailto:rclarke@heritageymca.org)

## Longhouse Meeting

We would like tribes to send a representative (preferably the new Chief) to the November Longhouse meeting to discuss The Late Night, Caroling and Crafts, and The Winter Campout. Join us and have a say in this year's program!

Thursday, November 4th

**7:30 PM**

Fry YMCA Family Center

**NOTE: LONGHOUSE MEETING TIME HAS CHANGED FROM 7:00 PM TO 7:30 PM**

## The Y Trailblazers Program

This program has been reinvented! Sign up using the same registration sheet as Y Guides or Princesses and you will have access to all of the great events all year. Moreover, Trailblazers will have several Trailblazer ONLY events each year.

This leadership program provides past Y Guide and Princesses with the opportunity to still come to each event, with one main difference. When you're a Trailblazer, you have the chance to set up for the famous critter hunt at the Campouts, lead crafts and games at the Late Night, and judge the S'more cook-off at the Spring Campout, and much more! Contact Russell at [rclarke@heritageymca.org](mailto:rclarke@heritageymca.org) for more details.

UPCOMING EVENTS: CONTACT RUSSELL AT [RCLARKE@HERITAGEYMCA.ORG](mailto:RCLARKE@HERITAGEYMCA.ORG) TO RECEIVE ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE LATE NIGHT AT THE YMCA. TRAILBLAZERS ARE NEEDED FOR CHECK-IN, CRAFTS, AND THE INDOOR CARNIVAL.





## BIG TEEPEE FEDERATION PARENT/CHILD EVENT REGISTRATION FORM



The YMCA accepts its responsibility to create an environment where models of acceptable behavior are found, and prohibits its staff, volunteers, and participants from consuming alcohol at YMCA events. The alcohol policy will be enforced at each event. Please don't risk participation in future events!

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribe: \_\_\_\_\_ Tribe Chief's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

New Participant? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

EVENT	CODE	DEADLINE	COST	NUMBER ATTENDING	TOTAL (\$)
Late Night at the YMCA	10OCT2964		\$15 per father/child \$5 per additional child		
Winter Campout-one night	11JAN2962		\$140 per father/child \$45 per additional child		
Winter Campout-two nights	11JAN2962A		\$170 per father/child \$60 per additional child		
<b>STRONG KIDS PATCH</b>	Help the YMCA never turn anyone away due to an inability to pay. <b>\$10 - Voluntary Donation</b>				
<b>TOTAL</b>					

Payment Type: Master \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ Debit card \_\_\_\_\_ Discover \_\_\_\_\_ Draft \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_ Holder name \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Form and Waiver of Liability**

Participant or guardian assumes all risks of injury arising out of his or her presence on or about the premises or at another location, use or intended use of equipment and facilities, or his or her participation in the activities of the Heritage YMCA Group, an Illinois chartered not for profit corporation and does hereby for himself, herself, heirs, executors and administrators waive, release, and agree to hold free from all claims for damages the Heritage YMCA Group, and its respective officers, directors, Trustees, Board of Directors, members, employees, or agents. I hereby allow the YMCA to take pictures (still or video) of myself and/or my children and grant permission for these images to be used in YMCA publications, presentations, publicity, or promotions. I have answered all above questions accurately, declare myself/family to be physically sound, having medical approval to engage in YMCA activities, have read the information above agreeing for myself and as a chosen representative for my family to the policies and procedures of the Heritage YMCA Group.

**Employee Use:**

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Center: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (Parent or Guardian) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# Big Teepee Federation Calendar 2010-2011

## August

19<sup>th</sup>- First Longhouse

## September

6<sup>th</sup>- Labor Day Parade, meet at Naperville Central at 9:45 AM

9<sup>th</sup>- New Member Information Night, bring your tribal banner and recruit some new members into your tribe!

24<sup>th</sup>- Wear your vest to school day

## October

2<sup>nd</sup>- Harvest Moon Campout, White Oak Campground in Utica Illinois, make sure to register ahead of time!

7<sup>th</sup>- Longhouse Meeting, Fry Family YMCA, 7 PM

## November

4<sup>th</sup>- Longhouse Meeting, Fry Family YMCA, 7 PM

13<sup>th</sup>- Late Night at the YMCA, Fry Family YMCA, 8:30 to 11:00 don't forget your swimsuit!

## December

2<sup>nd</sup>- Longhouse Meeting, Fry Family YMCA, 7 PM

11<sup>th</sup>- Caroling and Crafts, meet at the Kroehler Family YMCA at 9:30 AM, songbooks, crafts, and cocoa will be provided.

## January

6<sup>th</sup>- Longhouse Meeting, Fry Family YMCA, 7 PM

7<sup>th</sup>- Wear your vest to school day

15<sup>th</sup>- Snow Moon Campout, Camp Tecumseh, Brookston Indiana

30<sup>th</sup>- Winter Carnival, TBD

## February

3<sup>rd</sup>- Longhouse Meeting, Fry Family YMCA, 7 PM

5<sup>th</sup>- Daddy Daughter Dance, stay tuned for details

26<sup>th</sup>- Mother Son Dance, stay tuned for details

## March

3<sup>rd</sup>- Longhouse Meeting, Fry Family YMCA, 7 PM

11<sup>th</sup>- Dozin' with the Dinos event at the Field Museum (registration not available yet)

Check [www.bigtp.org](http://www.bigtp.org) for the rest of the schedule!

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## The YMCA Four Core Values

### **Our Mission**

To enhance the quality of life for families through programs reflecting Christian principles to build healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.