

Planting Moon Campout

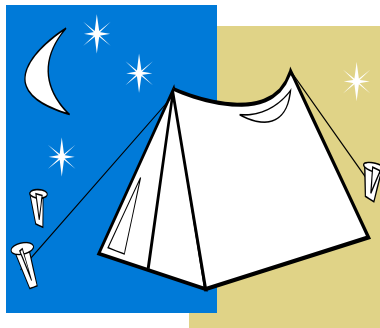
Dust off those grills, dig out that torch, and grab your flashlight for the critter hunt! It's time to start thinking about the Spring Campout. We are very excited about the fun events going on. Stronghold is an amazing campground and offers a lot of exciting activities. The May Smoke Signal, which will be mailed out at the end of April will provide all of the details and the official itinerary for the campout.

This year, you can expect a lot of the old traditions such as the Critter Hunt, Golden Pouch Hunt, and the Torch Light Procession along with some new and exciting activities! Don't forget that guests at the Spring Campout are free! Let Russell at 630-585-2207 know if you would like to be a Host Tribe at this campout, it's a great way to recruit new members.

Graduations from the Y Guide and Princess Program will also take place during this campout, along with a Tribal Banner Competition, crafts, recognition of Honor Tribes, a cheeseburger cook-off, and the option to go canoeing, thanks to TJ's Canoe Rental. Stay tuned for the official itinerary, but in the meantime here is some information on what you need to bring and the cost for this event:

Supplies List

- Tent & Tarp
- Sleeping Bag
- Stove or Grill
- Plates, cups, glasses, silverware
- Warm clothes (check the weather!)
- Firewood (can purchase from campground)
- Food
- Air mattresses or foam pads and pillows
- Flashlights
- Chairs
- Matches/lighter
- Cooking utensils
- Bug spray
- First Aid Kit
- Personal Items
- Lantern
- Recreational items (balls, gloves, football)
- Extra socks and shoes!



Costs

Saturday, May 15^h to Sunday May 16th
\$35 per father/child and \$15 for any additional child
Check in starts at 9:00 AM

If you decide to campout Friday, May 14th you will have to pay at the campground

Contact Russell at 630-585-2207 or rclarke@heritagemca.org with any questions or fill out and return the registration form on page 5. You can fax the form to 630-585-5560 or drop it off at any Heritage YMCA Branch.

The New Trailblazer Program

The Trailblazer Program is being reinvented and re-launched, and will kick off at the Spring Campout. Keep an eye out for updates via the *Smoke Signal* and www.bigtp.org. For now, here is a taste of what the program will look like:

This leadership program is designed to instill the four core values of the YMCA into these graduates from the Y Guides and Princesses Program. Trailblazers will not only receive special shirts, but also will have the opportunity to see the Y Guides and Princesses behind the scenes happenings that make the program run. Trailblazers will take the lead on the critter hunt at campouts, help with events at the Late Night, and volunteer at other events. The program will have several Trailblazer Only events, but members of this re-designed program are invited to all of the Y Guide and Princess events as well!

Graduate from the Y Guides and Princesses into the Trailblazers!

Contact Russell at 630-585-2207 or rclarke@heritageymca.org for more details

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Y Guide and Princess Dances

February was a great month for the Y Guides and Princesses Program! The Daddy Daughter Dance, held at Celebration Community Life Center was a tremendous success and a great time was had by all. This year, the theme was a sock hop, awards were given for best dressed and the best dancers. A big thank you to James Bergeron, of **Jimmy's Grill** in Downtown Naperville for generously donating appetizers for this dance. It was a great night, and we look forward to planning next years dance.

The Mother Son Dance was also a huge success, this dance was held at the Kroehler Family YMCA and 100% of the proceeds were donated to the Heritage YMCA Group's Annual Strong Kids Campaign. Nearly \$600 was raised for families and children to attend YMCA programs. Thank you for all who attended, and a special thank you to David Lakin, for spearheading this event. David and his tribe, the Sekani graciously volunteered to run this dance and did a tremendous job! Another special thanks to Dan Wolfe for collecting dozens of special prizes to hand out at the parade. David, Dan, and the rest of the Sekani tribe secured not only a large amount of prizes, but also a large amount of food! Great job guys, we couldn't have done it without you.



Thank you to all the businesses that donated to this great event:

Ted's Montana Grill
Mimi's Café
Massage Envy
Elegance Underneath
Elan Boutique

Oil Depot
Grand Slam Carwash
Buona Beef
The Pampered Chef
Schmidz Jewelry



Other Events



Key Lime Cove Overnight

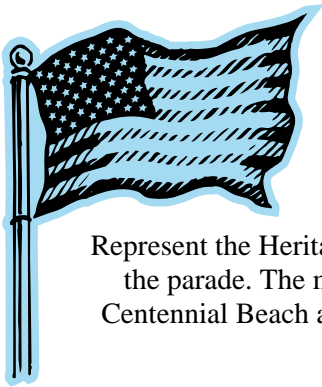
Gurnee, IL
Saturday, April 10th

See you next year!

Brunswick Zone Bowling

Aurora, IL
Saturday April 17th
3:30 to 5:30

Contact Russell at 630.585.2207 to inquire about information and registration for these events



Memorial Day Parade

Monday, May 31st

Represent the Heritage YMCA Group's Y Guide and Indian Princess program by wearing your vests and walking in the parade. The more people the better, and this is a great way to get some new members in your tribe! Meet at Centennial Beach at 10 AM. Parade marching orders haven't been made, so stay tuned for more information about where to find us when you arrive at the beach.

SEE YOU THERE!!

Kane County Cougars Campout

June 12th, 2010



This event will be a blast! Check-in begins at 3:00 PM, the price includes the game, dinner, fireworks, and a movie! Check-out is 8:00 AM on Sunday morning.

Specific instructions and information will be detailed in the next smoke, but register early to reserve your spot for this event!

Cost: \$60 per father/child and \$25 per additional ticket

Parking is Free, tickets will be available at the Safe 'n Sound office a week prior to the event, otherwise a YMCA representative will be located at the Information Tent outside of Gate 2.

2009/2010 Schedule of Events

Date	Event	Location	Notes / Time / Sponsor
Tue, Sep 15	All Membership Information Night	Naperville	Celebration Center at 919 S. Washington St. at 7:00pm
Thu, Sep 10	Longhouse Chiefs meeting	Fry YMCA	7PM - Tribal Chiefs or rep. should attend.
Thu, Sep 10	Federation Council meeting	Fry YMCA	8PM - Fed. Council members or rep. should attend.
Fri, Sep 25	Wear Your Vest to School	Your School	Wear your vest to school to promote the program.
Sat, Sep 26	Harvest Pow Wow	Naperville	Family event at Naper Settlement
Thu, Oct 01	Longhouse Chiefs meeting	Fry YMCA	7PM - Tribal Chiefs or rep. should attend.
Thu, Oct 01	Federation Council meeting	Fry YMCA	8PM - Fed. Council members or rep. should attend.
Sat, Oct 03	Harvest Moon Campout	White Oak	White Oak Campground, Utica, IL
Sat, Oct 24	Morton Arboretum	Lisle, IL	Special Event: Fall Festival Focus
Thu, Nov 05	Longhouse Chiefs meeting	Fry YMCA	7PM - Tribal Chiefs or rep. should attend.
Thu, Nov 05	Federation Council meeting	Fry YMCA	8PM - Fed. Council members or rep. should attend.
Sat, Nov 14	Late Night at the YMCA	Fry YMCA	Fry Family Y on 95th Street- 8-11PM
Thu, Dec 03	Longhouse Chiefs meeting	Fry YMCA	7PM - Tribal Chiefs or rep. should attend.
Thu, Dec 03	Federation Council meeting	Fry YMCA	8PM - Fed. Council members or rep. should attend.
Sat, Dec 19	Caroling and Crafts	Kroehler Y	1PM - Singing, Crafts, snacks
Thu, Jan 07	Longhouse Chiefs meeting	Fry YMCA	7PM - Tribal Chiefs or rep. should attend.
Thu, Jan 07	Federation Council meeting	Fry YMCA	8PM - Fed. Council members or rep. should attend.
Fri, Jan 08	Wear Your Vest to School	Your School	Wear your vest to school to promote the program.
Sat, Jan 16	Snow Moon Campout	Tecumseh	Camp Tecumseh, Brookston IN (www.camptecumseh.org)
Sat, Jan 30	Tubing Event	Lombard	Villa Olivia Resort
Thu, Feb 04	Longhouse Chiefs meeting	Fry YMCA	7PM - Tribal Chiefs or rep. should attend.
Thu, Feb 04	Federation Council meeting	Fry YMCA	8PM - Fed. Council members or rep. should attend.
Sat, Feb 06	Father/Daughter Dance	Naperville	919 S. Washington St. Celebration Community Life Center
Sat, Feb 27	Mother/Son Dance	Kroehler Y	Kroehler Family YMCA
Thu, Mar 04	Longhouse Chiefs meeting	Fry YMCA	7PM - Tribal Chiefs or rep. should attend.
Thu, Mar 04	Federation Council meeting	Fry YMCA	8PM - Fed. Council members or rep. should attend.
Thu, Mar 20	Canoe on Wheels	Fry YMCA	Special Event: 6 PM at the Field Museum, call 630-585-2207 for details.
Sat, Apr 10 th	Waterpark Overnight	Gurnee, IL	Key Lime Cove Resort- Special event-call 630-585-2207
Sat, Apr 17 th	Bowling and Brunswick Zone	Naperville, IL	3:30-5:30 bowling and shoes included in cost
Sun, May 15	Planting Moon Campout	Oregon, IL	Stronghold Campground www.strongholdcenter.org
Mon, May 31 st	Memorial Day Parade	Naperville	10 AM at Centennial Beach – Mesa Nation
Sat, June 12 th	Cougars Overnight	Geneva, IL	Game at 6:00, dinner, overnight, tour, and a movie



BIG TEEPEE FEDERATION PARENT/CHILD EVENT REGISTRATION FORM



Session: 09SEP

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 (\$)
Planting Moon Campout May 15 th -16 th	10APR 2990		\$35 per father/child \$15 per additional child		
Brunswick Zone Bowling Saturday April 17	10APR 2992		\$30 per father/child \$10 per additional shoes and 2 hrs		
Cougars Overnight	10JUN 2990		\$60 per father/child \$25 per additional child		
STRONG KIDS PATCH	Help the YMCA never turn anyone away due to an inability to pay. \$10 - Voluntary Donation				
TOTAL					

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 my self 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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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.