



# Smoke Signals



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2012-2013 Program Year

Welcome to the EMAIL/ONLINE issue of SMOKE SIGNALS.  
Committed to keeping the Timucuan Federation Nations  
Informed about what's happening in  
Native Sons and Daughters

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## Big How!

Holy smoke, I can't catch my breath! There is just too much going on in our program. I warned you to hold on after the holidays because events come up fast and furious. Looking at the calendar, there are still tons of events heading this way. All will be great times for the kids, dads and moms too! Look at the list of upcoming events and plan now. They will be here before you know it.

Where did the last Smoke Signal leave off? I believe it was the Family Camp Out, which was once again a great time. The weather was perfect. War Games were perfect. The oysters were perfect, as was my chili. I think someone paid the judges off to not pick mine because I know mine was the best! And, once again the Princesses beat the Braves in tug-o-war. There is a trend happening here.

A few weeks after the camp-out the Jax Cracker Car Race zoomed into town. Let me be the first to say that I know nothing about speed when it comes to building these cars. My brave and princess' cars were SSLLOOWW! They were so slow that a push to cross the finish line in the race was just about needed. No trophies for my tipi but I saw some fast cars and giant smiles on the faces of those that received trophies. Big how to YUMA for purchasing the new track. The cars are smaller and lighter and the track style is different from years past but it is still the same fun time. Be worried because this tipi is already thinking and planning for next year.

Then the Monster Truck Jam roared onto Ever Bank Field. This event is one of my favorites! Who doesn't like watching guys and gals destroy their trucks? Massive trucks flying in the air and landing on their roofs. Tires breaking off, loud engines, smoke going every direction...crazy stuff! The "Great Spirit" thought the crowd was too big so he let some rain pour down to chase some away and then let the destruction continue. Thanks "Great Spirit" for the front row seats!

Two weeks later the Eola Nation from the Orlando area hosted the 2013 Florida State POW WOW in Lake Wales. Jimmy Sawgrass, Native American Dancers and of course the Snake Man were there to put on shows. Skeet and arrow shooting were some the many activities offered. Saturday night all the young braves and princess had fun chasing the bulls at the Rodeo. Ok, they were calves but the kids had fun. And the Sacred Fire was extra special because our Federation was asked to perform this event. It was awesome watching our big braves perform the “Broken Arrow” ceremony to a thousand plus braves and princesses. What a blast! Next year will be in Miami. A bit of a drive but there are plans for a grand time.

P.S. Keep those letters and Seek and Finds coming in. I will post all in upcoming letters.

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### POW WOW 2013



### Jax Cracker Race 2013



# Up Coming Events

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Apr 5 -7 Girls' Longhouse	Blue Springs Park, High Springs, FL
April 26 Jax Suns Game	Baseball Grounds of Jacksonville
May 4 Jax Sharks Game	Veterans Memorial Arena
May 11 Alex's Lemonade	Publix
May 18 Kite Fly	TBD
Jun OWB Party	Ichetucknee River
Jun - Jul Summer Bowling	Bowl America Mandarin

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**Check Web site for more information and costs on upcoming events. Mark your calendars. Do not miss out on great times with your kids!**

**Please check out our online store for tons of cool items. Lost or replacement patches, shirts, backpacks. Everything! Check it out on our web site.**

2012 Statewide Pow Wow T-shirts from the Timucuan Federation hosted Statewide at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park are on sale for **\$5 each**.

Also, OWB T-shirts are available: \$8 for kids sizes, \$10 adult sizes, \$12 for XXL or larger.



6" Round Car Magnets \$5

## Seek and Find

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Use Timucuan Web site to find words. Over 30 words hidden.  
Bring completed Seek and Find to Smoke Signal Chief, Eagle  
Feather for a prize.

**New Seek and Find next issues**



# Smoke Signals

## Family Camp Out

### Calusa Tribe

I like camping with the tribe because I like the food and I like the marshmallow. I like to go with my family and play with my friends. I know what to do the best with camping. Jump on the bouncy is fun and to drink a cup of water and do things that are great! and play with my friends again. I like to do the best of camping. Sit by the fire. Get a flashlight.

Pink Grass (Kennedy Rogers) 4 years old.

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I like the trips where you can do the sports. Sometimes, you can tug-of-war, and you can go on the zip line anytime you would like. We got to sleep in a cabin. You get to play with your campsite friends. You can color, if you bring a coloring book. You can take pictures of the games you play. We got to see some bats, and some are little bats. We got to ride on the golf cart. My favorite things to see was the cabin we were staying in. My second favorite thing was playing tug-of-war. We got to see our friends after we put our camping stuff up in our cabin. We played camping sports. I like to do the bow and arrow and the bb guns and the frisbee.

Butterfly Rose (Leah Rogers) 6 years old.

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Dear Webspinner,

I liked the zip line and the big fire. My dad got a golf cart. I shared a cabin with the Rogers. I had a great time with my family! I learned how to ride my bike. I have a great time going camping that I want to go again!

Dancing Bear (Madelyn Marcellus)

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Dear Webspinner,

My name is Gracie. I love all the games because I get better and better. I like to be in this program because I get to do crafts and campouts, too. This is the 2nd year in the program. I like

to learn about Indians. I love family campouts! My Indian name is Red Rose. Have a great year! I'm in the Calusa Tribe.

Love, Gracie – Red Rose

What I like about half suns and daughters is spending time with my friends and camping. This is how it was. On Saturday, I woke up at night and made a fire. Guess what? I did not use a fire lighter. Soon, it was time for tug-of-war. I won 2nd place! Well, my tribe did! Then, I went on the zip line. It was as the wind. Then, I tried frisbee, then I went to bb guns and shot 1 in the paper. Then, I went to the smoke signal and got the medal. Then, roasted marshmallows.

Half Moon (Savannah Friday)

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Dear Webspinner,

My favorite part of Native Sons and Daughters is camping because I get to stay up all night with my best friends under the stars. Another thing I liked was all the stores nearby! But, my favorite is like riding and the zip-riding! But, I still miss the petting zoo!

Yours Truly,

Skipping Cardinal (Tori Moody)

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Dear Webspinner,

My favorite part was the zip line! I like it because it was a blast and it was fast. I also liked the bouncy houses. That was my favorite!

Thank you, Howling Wolf.

Little Flower (Delaney Friday)

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Dear Webspinner,

My name is Lily. One of my favorite things was the zip line because it was super duper fast!

This is my 2nd year in Indian Princesses. This is my 2nd year going to the Spirit of the Suwannee.

Love,

Smiling Shell (Lily Arthur)

Suzie Q Family Camp Out 2013



## Family Campout 2013

My favorite thing about camping is the ziplines. The ziplines are fun! I wish we had a water balloon fight at the campsite. I hope next time I could do the punt, pass, and kick.

Mountain Falcon



Evan Johnson

## Monster Truck Jam 2013



## Gator Bowl Parade 2013



Kickapoo  
Brayden Deshazo little elk

I had a lot of fun at the parade and most of all I liked seeing a lot of people cheering us on while we walk and talk and talk on the float and on the back of the golf carts. Also I saw at least two or three people that went to my school. And the funest part is getting to play with my friends and my family!! I like to go sight seeing so before I looked at all of the floats I liked the pirate ship and the foot ball. I had fun with my tribe and other tribes I really enjoy being in the Kickapoo tribe a lot.

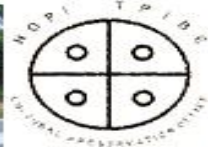
Logan Deshazo Wild Turkey

I had fun at the parade. It was very fun and I can't wait to do it next year! I also liked working on the float with my friends. I got to ride on the float with my sister and brother. We all had a really fun time together!

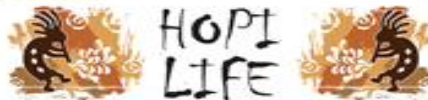


Lauren Deshazo Little kitten

I had an amazing time at the parade! I loved making pomps with tissue paper. I also liked seeing all the floats but I especially liked one float. But I liked that we were in the float. I saw many people that I knew. I think I had a terrific time. And I also liked roasting marshmallows in the fake fire. Also I loved decorating the float. That was fun too. I think that I really liked being in the float because most people aren't going to be able to be in a float in a parade. But I loved being in the parade. I had lots of fun decorating and being on the float. I think that next year I will want to be in the parade. Because when I went I had fun and an amazing time. I loved the parade. I really liked having fun! I had a wonderful time at the parade and I hope you do to!

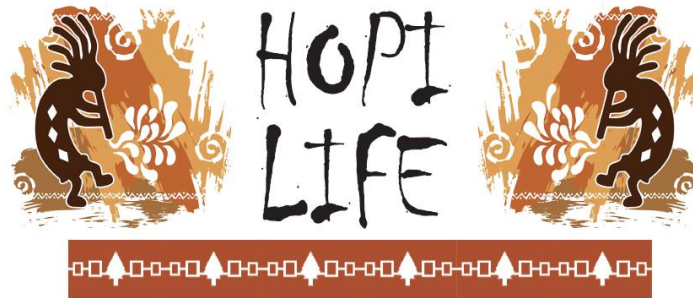


Winter Service Project



March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013





## The Best Campout!

There is no feeling like the feeling of waking up, nestled in your sleeping bag, hearing the fire crackle to life outside your tent. That's how I feel every time I go camping with my dad!

You may wonder what the best ever Campout was though, and I can tell you for sure that it was the Susie Q Miller 2013 spring family Campout, Way down upon the Suwannee River. We had the most fun ever!

On Saturday morning I was awoken by the smell of eggs and bacon popping in the skillet. After I ate breakfast, we went to opening ceremonies. With a "BIG HOW" we were off and ready to start the day.

Sometime after lunch though, was the best. We all piled into the back of my dad's Ford Expedition, singing the lyrics to the song of the Suwannee. We drove off to an area we called Suwannee Beach, where the sand is whiter than white! We were playing in the water and laying in the sun when we heard the wretched words "5 more minutes!" Well, 30 minutes later, we were still there. "We're leaving now!" I heard. None of us moved. "Who wants ice cream?" My dad said. "Yaaaaaaay!!!!!" You could hear us yell from mile away as we piled into the car like an Indian princess army!

So off we went to get ice cream from the Suwannee village. (By the way, cookie dough is the best!) But it wasn't over yet! Daddy let me get an Indian flute from a store there, and it even played the right tunes!

After all that fun, my friends and I went out to the war games. I even hit a bulls' eye in archery! Lastly, I decorated a cookie with a heart and flower sprinkles. It was super sweet and deeee-licious!

Soon though, it was getting dark, so we decided to head to the nice warm Bon Fire. Us Hopi's even won honorable mention in the Chili Cook off. What a surprise!

Although we had to leave the next day, it was still super duper! We went canoeing, and I even went on a rope swing over the water with my dad! That topped it off. I'd officially had the best Campout ever! Thanks dad!

Little Sunflower  
Hopi Tribe  
Age 11

Lauren Donalson^\_^

By: Biting Cobra, aka Sydney VillacortaBuer , Dakota

# SMOKE SIGNAL

March 2013

A lot of kids my age go broken arrow. I'm not saying it's bad, but I prefer to wait.

This last campout, at Buelow was superb. When we first got to the campout, I helped my dad set up, and we talked a lot. I realized I was really lucky to have my dad, because some people don't. He surprisingly knew a lot about me.

After we set up, I saw my friend, Marla, also known as Rose Petal. She had finally come. The after her, Isabel, and my other friends came. The next day we decided to go biking to the nearby sugar mill.

It wasn't on our schedule that the Chief's gave out, so we didn't see any one else from the program. It was really quiet, and each of us talked and rode with our dad. That was one of my favorite parts.

I took time to really get to know my dad. When we got to the sugar mill, my dad took my hand and led me over to this really old water well. It was amazing. We also saw these old blocks and bricks that they used to build with. It was really fun.

Later on, we had the Arts and Crafts at the Hopi tribe. First my dad and me made a rainbow headband; he held my end of the string so I could tie my other end. After tying mine, I did his.

Then we did face painting. I made his face yellow, and then I drew a head with steam coming out of it, since his Indian name is "Steaming Head".

Then I told him not to do anything funny on my face, but when I looked in the mirror, I had six stripes, a question mark, a tear drop coming from my eyes, and a big blue mustache. It was pretty funny, but I was embarrassed so I painted his face red.

The night before we were going to leave, we had the Sock Hop. The DJ worked really hard to put this together, so I rocked out, and my dad joined in. We were dancing until I was tired- it was a great moment. Then the song, *Butterfly Kisses* came on. I loved it, my dad and I danced together. It was my favorite time.

Now you can see why I like to wait to go Broken Arrow. I love the times and moments I get with my dad, and I think every kid should be in this program, because anyone can bond with their dad, and have a spectacular moment.

**IN LOVING MEMORIES**

**“LOVE BIRD”**

**Cadence Mckenzie Armstrong**

**September 2006 – 2013**

**Always in our thoughts and  
prayers**

**PALS FOREVER!**

**BIG HOW!**