



# Smoke Signals

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Back in the Saddle (or Federation) Again!

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**Welcome to the 2010-2011 Prairie Trail Federation Program Season**

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## FEDERATION BIKE HIKE & PICNIC



### 9/12/2010 Bike Hike & Picnic

Family Event - No Cost

12-3pm - Brezina Woods (LaGrange Rd just North of 31st)

live music, food, games, bring your entire family, bikes, and appetite

**Know anyone who might be interested in joining the Federation?**

**Invite new/interested families to join the fun!**

Thinking of Joining but can't make the Bike Hike? Join us at one of our POW WOW's. Come meet some tribes, play a game or make a craft. Ask questions. See what we're all about.

Dates: September 8<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. See insert for further details

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## UPCOMING TRAILBAZER EVENTS

Camp Tecumseh

August 27-29

You've seen the pool empty. Now you have the opportunity to actually swim in it!

Come join the fun. Horses, Capture the Flag, Canoe Trips, Golf, Indiana Beach

Too much to do and so little time.

See insert for further details





Are you REGISTERED?

Timely registration helps everyone. Registrations are a key component for camp selection. Accurate tribal counts help our great Guide and Princess Nation Chief's with planning. The better the numbers the better the chance of not having to sleep on the floors!

Complete your forms today.

Don't have a form – Go to [WWW.YIGP.ORG](http://WWW.YIGP.ORG) (in the events section and click on download here) Couldn't be much easier.

Thanks!

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**CHECK WEBSITE FOR UPDATED CAMP SCHEDULES  
WWW.YIGP.ORG**

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**CHIEFS: PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THE NEXT  
LONGHOUSE MEETING. AUGUST 23, 2010  
Nation Chiefs @ 7:00 pm and Tribal Chiefs @ 8:15 pm**

**Location: The First United Methodist Church of La Grange  
100 West Cossitt, La Grange, IL**

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### *Indian Prayer*

**Oh our Mother the earth, Oh our Father the sky,  
Your children are we, and with tired backs  
We bring you the gifts you love.  
Then weave for us a garment of brightness;**

**May the Warp be the white light of the morning,  
May the weft be the red light of the evening,  
May the fringes be the falling rain,  
May the border be the standing rainbow.**

**Thus weave for us a garment of brightness,  
That we may walk fittingly where birds sing,  
That we may walk fittingly where grass is green,  
Oh our Mother Earth, Oh our Father Sky.**

Want to know what's happening with the federation in between the Smoke Signals?

**[Bulletin](#): WHERE'S MY EMAIL BLAST ???**

GO TO [WWW.YIGP.ORG](http://WWW.YIGP.ORG) AND CLICK ON EMAIL UPDATE BUTTON AT TOP LEFT CORNER



# **YOU ARE INVITED TO A POW WOW !!**



The Prairie Trail Federation invites you to learn more about the local Guides and Princess programs available for children ages K and up and their Dads. This program is through the Greater La Grange YMCA.

There will be two evenings to choose from:

Wednesday, September 8th from 7:00PM – 8:00 PM

OR

Monday, September 13th from 7:00 PM – 8:00PM

Location:

First United Methodist Church

100 West Cossitt Avenue • LaGrange, IL • 60525

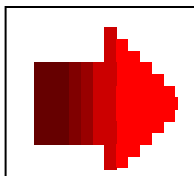
The Pow-Wow is a social event to introduce your family to the purpose, activities and schedule of The Prairie Trail Federation. The Pow-Wow includes a brief presentation, snacks, registration materials and a craft. Several tribes will be on hand to discuss Guides and Princesses with you and to display some of their tribal property.

Although this is an informal opportunity to learn more about the program, a registration table will be available for those who wish to sign-up that evening. However, registration can take place anytime by downloading the registration form from our website and mailing them to Debbie Strus, Program Director, Greater La Grange YMCA 1100 31<sup>st</sup> Street, La Grange Park, IL 60526

Website: [www.yigp.org](http://www.yigp.org)



Further questions?  
Call Debbie Strus  
708-497-1028



In addition to the Pow-Wows, please be our guest for the annual picnic and bike hike to see what we are all about! See back for details.

**PRAIRIE TRAIL FEDERATION  
Y Guides and Princesses  
BIKE-HIKE & PICNIC**

**SAUK FOX TRIBE INVITES  
YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY!**

**LIVE BAND, FOOD,  
GAMES, .....**

**When: Sunday, September 12, 2010**

**Where: Brezina Woods**

**(LaGrange Road just North of 31st)**

**Time: 12:00—3:00 pm**

**Cost: FREE**

- Bring your entire family, bikes, lawn chairs  
and an appetite for food and fun!**
- Native American Presentation**

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**Chiefs invite new dads and their families  
to experience what the Guides and Princesses  
Program has to offer. If they like what they see, invite  
them to join. We will be registering at the picnic.  
Questions? Call 708-497-1028 or e-mail [yigp.org](http://yigp.org)**

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**Check out our website at [www.yigp.org](http://www.yigp.org)**