



Hello Guides & Princesses:

As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, I would like to take a moment to think of all the less fortunate people in the world than ourselves. We are all very blessed to have such great families and programs such as YIP / YIG.

It was only a couple of weeks ago that our community was threatened by the wildfires. Our thoughts and prayers should also go out to all the families that suffered losses as well as to all the Firefighters and emergency workers who put their lives on the line to help others during that time, we are very lucky to have such people in our lives.

Looking back, I think the Nation Picnic was a great success again year. I was unable to stay for the entire time but I have heard that the Nation Games were a great hit thanks to the organization of the Chumash Tribe.

The Pilgrim Feast is next up on our agenda this coming Friday, November 21st. Please remember to bring some canned food goods to be donated to needy families in our community. You should have all registered by now but if you haven't please call Josie immediately. Patches for the Nation Picnic and Pilgrim Feast will be available at the door. Please remember to BYO drinks and desert as they are not included with dinner.

The induction ceremony will follow dinner where we will officially welcome the many new parents and children to our program. We will fit in the raffle somewhere in the proceedings. As previously mentioned, we will raffle a 25" color TV and a home CD unit with the proceeds going to the 'Y'.

The Granada Hills Parade will be our December nation event where we will have two floats in the parade. Camp Whittle managed to escape damage during the

Arrowhead fires so stay tuned for further camp info.

For those of you who have still not registered with Josie for our program, you need to do so immediately please.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving holiday, my favorite holiday of the year.

Take care and I look forward to seeing you all at the Pilgrim Feast.

Chief Prowling Bear.

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NATION CALENDAR  
2003 - 2004

Pilgrim Feast	Nov. 21
Granada Hills Parade	Dec. 7
Camp Whittle	Jan. 2 - 4
Cosmic Bowling	Feb. 7
Camp Fox	March 12 - 14
Nation Event	April
Sports Event	May
Spring Family Campout	June 4 - 6

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## TRIBAL NEWS

### APACHE TRIBE

The Apache gathered for our monthly meeting at the teepee of Evan and his dad David. While the boys played race cars and foosball the dads discussed the upcoming events. Because of scheduling conflicts, only a couple of us were able to make it to the Nation Picnic but we are hoping to have most of us in attendance for the Pilgrim Feast.

The boys then gathered to share what they had done during the month to help out around the house and what they had done that was fun. Some of new boys also shared their Indian names with the group. It was then craft time in which the boys decorated their favorite pictures with artwork, glitter glue and captions. Making pictures all ready for framing were D.J., Will, Corey, Ryan, Matthew, Evan, Anthony, Harrison and Gabriel. Below is a picture of the boys and their dads hard at work.

All of us Apache are looking forward to walking in the upcoming Holiday Parade and we have already begun to make plans for Camp Whittle. We are planning on there being plenty of snow, so we are getting our sleds warmed up.

Well, that's it for this month. We'll see you all at the Pilgrim Feast.

Chief Hungry Bear



### CHINOOK TRIBE

Trick or Treat! Or I should say Trick and Treat as the Chinook gathered at the home of Big Thundering Cloud and Little Silver Cloud (Don and Reanna Shafer) for the Halloween party-to-end-all-parties! We knew we were in for something special when a skeleton jumped out of a box on the front walkway before we even reached the front door! The Shafers' home was a virtual haunted house complete with a coffin in the backyard immersed in fog. Walk up for a look and -- Yikes! -- the ghoul inside rises up and is in your face. Good thing there were lots of pizza and snacks to calm us all down

before the campfire in the backyard. Thanks to Don and Reanna for throwing a meeting the tribe will never forget.

Earlier in the month we had a great family day at the Nation Picnic. Joining in on the Nation Games were Rebecca, Reanna, Kyra, Delaney, Stephanie, Juliette, Makenzie and Morgan. We were joined by our friends in the Apache tribe for some good food and great weather. (Thanks to Brian Flynn for breaking down the canopy and hauling it halfway to the parking lot!)

The Chinook will be in full force at the Pilgrim Feast as we have many new members ready for the Induction Ceremony. See you there. Chinook rocks!

Chief Singing Wind

#### MOHAVE TRIBE

The Mohave tribe has rounded out its roster with the welcome addition of its newest members JP a.k.a Big Ram and Matthew a.k.a. Tiny Trojan. Now that the tribe has reached full capacity, it will be a force to be reckoned with at all future nation games: So you other tribes better be ready at camp whittle.

This month's meeting was hosted by Rolling Thunder and Swift Fox, a.k.a. Chase and Larry. And in between batters and innings of the World Series, the Tribe furthered its exploration of science by creating water clouds in plastic bottles. If you're interested in creating your own cumulus nimbus, here's what you do:

Take an empty 2-liter drink bottle. Add a little water. Have a responsible adult drop in a lit match and close the top. Squeeze the bottle several times and, ta-da, instant cloud.

#### SHAWNEE TRIBE

Our tribe is growing, growing, growing! We now have thirteen girls! Rachel Z., Rachel K., Stephanie, Danielle, Meghan, Mellisa, Lacey, Elizabeth, Macey, Kendall, Gwynn, Carlie, and Paige!

The Nation Picnic was sooo much fun, even though Big Buffalo was late with the hamburgers! We had a terrific turn out and a very daring and exciting nature hike after the festivities were over. Thanks to all our squaws and grandsquaws for the smorgasbord of great food! It was a perfect Sunday.

Our next event with almost one hundred percent attendance was our meeting with the Porter Ranch Fire Department Station 28. Those guys are the GREATEST. We were able to keep our scheduled meeting even though the horrific local firestorms were just put under control a couple of days earlier. Captain Jeff and his crew opened their house to us. They had a great sense of humor and dignity and were very attentive to the girl's needs and questions. We really got a feel as to how dedicated our firefighters are and how they are a family in their own right. It was an awesome, exciting and educational experience for all of us.

The Shawnee are really looking forward to the upcoming events, especially Camp Whittle, since Josie promised us three feet of snow!! (I am wishing for snow and lots of it!)

See you all at the Pilgrim Feast.

Chief Big Buffalo

# Pilgrim Feast

Friday, November 21  
6:30 p.m.  
at  
Our Lady of Lourdes School  
18437 Superior St.  
Northridge



**Tribal Members Only**  
\$14.00 per person  
PCS: 806-26

**Location:** This event will take place at Our Lady of Lourdes School. The school is located on Superior St. just east of Reseda Blvd.

**Tribal Responsibilities:** Each tribe will be responsible for their own drinks and desserts. Dinner is provided.

**Food Donations:** Please bring 2 – 3 canned goods which will be donated to a local charity.

**Events:** There will be an induction ceremony and a campfire following all of the festivities.

**Registration:** Everyone attending the event must register and pay for the event by Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. A late fee will be added to those who do not register in time.

Please wear your Vest  
Sponsored by the Chumash and Blackfeet Tribes

# T-Shirt Design Contest

You have the opportunity to design a t-shirt for the Ga-Sioux Nation. Grab your crayons, colored pencils, markers or turn on the computer and make your design. All entries must be submitted on an 8½x11 sheet of paper by Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. No late entries will be accepted.

What's the theme? It is the Ga-Sioux Nation (the parent-child program), what it means to you. If you want to put the tribes names in the design here they are:

Apache, Arapaho, Blackfeet, Cheyenne, Chinook, Chippewa, Comanche, Chumash, Cree, Flower Wolves, Mohave, Mohawks, Mohican, Rising Stars, Seminole, Shawnee, Sioux North, and Zuni.

Everyone who goes to Camp Whittle will receive a t-shirt at camp. If you can't make it to camp, you will have the opportunity to buy a shirt.

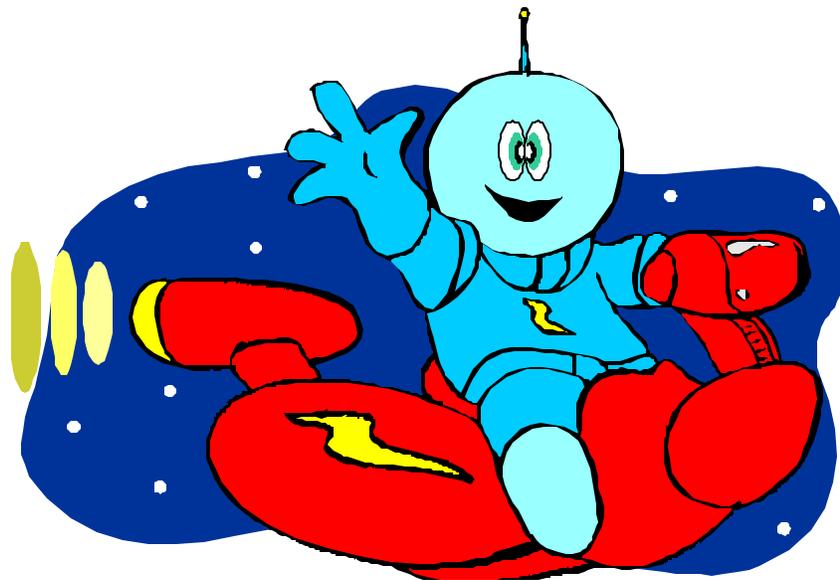
Let's not make this a competitive event but one in which people can share and express their thoughts through their entry.

Who can participate? Anyone in the program. Remember, all entries are due by Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>.

# Granada Hills Holiday Parade

"Holidays of the Future"

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>  
1:30 p.m.



- Staging Area:** We will meet on Petit St, north of Chatsworth. Chiefs will be informed of our parade number once they are announced.
- Cost:** \$4 per person. Chiefs or a tribal representative will collect the money and pay at the parade.
- Time:** Parade starts at 1:30 p.m., make sure you are there at least ½ hour before the parade begins.
- Hint:** Leave cars at the end of the parade route and carpool to the start of the parade. It will save the two mile walk back.

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# Camp Whittle

January 2 to January 4, 2004

Cost: \$75 per person



**INCLUDES:** The fee includes all camp activities, patch, Nation t-shirt, lodging and meals (Breakfast, lunch, dinner on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday).

**DEADLINE:** Please register by December 26.

Bring your cold weather gear and snow toys, games and snacks (optional).

**Note:** If you have children in different tribes, please let us know so that we may make the most convenient cabin assignments as possible.

Hot chocolate and cookies will be available for those arriving on Friday night in the dining hall. The barbeque, plates and utensils will be available for your use on Friday night; dinner is supplied by the tribe.

For road information, call 909-866-ROAD.

Remember to bring warm clothes, car chains are advisable.

For more information, contact your tribal chief or Josie at the YMCA at 818-368-3231 or by e-mail at [JosieRea@ymcala.org](mailto:JosieRea@ymcala.org).

# THE NOVEMBER SOCCER PUZZLE



**CRUSH**

- WINGER
- PITCH
- GOALIE
- REDCARD
- FOOTWORK
- MIDFIELDER
- DAVID BECKHAM
- SARI
- PASS
- HARRIERS
- WORLD CUP

**BEND IT LIKE BECKHAM**

- FAMILY
- TEAMWORK
- DRIBBLE
- MANCHESTER UNITED
- MIA HAMM
- SANTA CLARA
- LONDON
- SOCCERBALL
- OFFSIDES
- HEADER

