



Hello Guides & Princesses:

Thanks to both the Chinook and Cree Tribes, our last Nation Event, Cosmic Bowling at the Matador Bowl went off without a hitch. I arrived about half an hour late by which time there were plenty of beverages and pizzas being consumed by all!

It was good to see both Dads and kids bowling this year, the North Valley YMCA could most definitely field a strong adult team as there were some quite serious dads out there!!!

As you are all well aware by now, February is the month for our Annual Support Campaign. By the time you read this, we will have had our Victory dinner at Shepherd Of The Hills Church on March 2nd to tally our totals which I will report next month. I would like to thank all of you that participated in our campaign, especially the Team leaders and members for your generous donations and efforts to reach our goal. By now, you should have all submitted your pledge

amounts to your Team leaders and that would have in turn been reported to Josie Rea, our Program Director. It is never too late to actually make your payment so if you have not done so already there is still time!

The next Nation Event is Camp Fox. As many of you know, we were unfortunately limited to 132 campers this year due to 'sewage' problems at camp. We are very sorry that some of you did not register in time to make the cut off number. For those of you that would normally be having your graduation photo's taken at Camp, Josie will advise of an alternative location to do so.

Always remember our slogan, 'Pals forever'

See you all soon,

Chief Prowling Bear.

## TRIBAL NEWS

### SHAWNEE TRIBE

How How from the mighty Shawnee Tribe.

It's been a great year so far with never a dull moment! Thank you to Wise Old Owl and Little Brown Bear (Randy and Rachel Klebe) for the great meeting and the great craft with professional photographer and all!!

Our quarterly Dad's planning meeting has been such a success, that we are doing it monthly!

Special thanks to Issam, Gabriella, Jim, Carly and Hallie for representing us at skate night. We all had too many other commitments to attend.

Word is out that Camp Fox is full. We'll have about half of our tribe attending. Even Camp Fox couldn't compete with the First Pres. open house on that same Friday night.

Until next month, Shawnee is signing off with Rachel Z, Gwyn B., Lacy E., Rachel K., Danielle and Stephanie R., Liz H., Carly B., Megan and Melissa L., Kendall and Macy K, and all the dad's (Who Let The Dad's Out??)

Big Buffalo

### FLOWER WOLVES TRIBE

Did I mention that we have two new families? Well, I would have had I written articles for September through December like I was supposed to. Anyway, we have two new families: The Fromers (Steve "Big Dog," Heather "Puppy Face," and Arielle "Angel Face") and the Hizamis (David "Big Flower" and Sarah "Little Rose"). Welcome!

The Fromers hosted their very first meeting at their Encino manse on Monday, January 26 and we had near-perfect attendance.

February was still busy, however. We had a nice little group at Cosmic Bowling on Saturday, February 7 as your faithful correspondent (with daughter Julia "Angel Petals" in tow) got in 25 frames with the Marco family: Noah "White Fish," Shaina "Cuddlefish," and Suzie "Angelfish." The angel(fish)s really did smile on Suzie as she bowled a 108 in the first game! On Thursday, February 12, we had our second annual Dads-Only Poker Night. Attending (in addition to your faithful correspondent, Noah M., and Fernando F.) were Dave "Lots Of Cubs" Subar (a.k.a "Shark With Cards"), Ed "Purple Planet" Silverman (a.k.a. "Poker Face Like Stone"), and Jim "Big Heart" Wenger (a.k.a. "Got Big Hearts, Didn't Get Flush").

Well, now it's on to Camp Fox and the dreaded Guns Of Navarone / Caine Mutiny -type sea passage out of San Pedro. (After a very short discussion, the dads have turned down Janet Jackson's and Justin Timberlake's offer to do our Saturday night skit.)

-- Doug "Laughing Bear" Schwartz

### MOHAVE TRIBE

January's meeting was held at the home of Sneaky and Silent Buffalo, a.k.a., Ryan and Scott. The Tribe experimented with liquids of different density e.g. water and oil, with some food coloring mixed in for good measure, and learned how a lava-lamp works - groovy man.

Everyone had an out of this world time at Cosmic Bowling in early February. Joel, Ethan, Chase, Noah, Josh, Craig, and Braxton all displayed the makings of future bowling champions. Even some of the Dads got into the fun, good thing they had the bumpers up.

## CHINOOK TRIBE

Strike! No, this isn't a baseball game -- it's the Chinook girls strutting their stuff at Matador Bowl for the annual February ritual of Cosmic Bowling! Rocking the house (and the pins) were Emily A., Hannah, Megan, Juliette, Stephanie, Elizabeth, and Emily W. A great time was had by all, fueled by the free soda and candy (thoughtfully provided by Chief Gregg of the Cree tribe, who also designed our cool patch). So much for my diet. . .

In January the Chinook decided to forego the traditional meeting in favor of a Saturday morning pow-wow at Mountasia in Valencia. After bumper boating, miniature golfing, and go-carting (a favorite of the dads), the tribe assembled at Farrell's restaurant for a well-deserved feast. The turnout was great, and we look forward to returning to Mountasia for the April Family Event Fundraiser. (Stephanie and I will take on anybody on the go-cart track as long as we can drive Car No. 1!)

The year is going by so fast -- can you believe it's almost time for Camp Fox? After last year's weather-laden adventure (which I remember quite fondly now that my socks are dry), the Chinook look forward to a leisurely extremely-sun-drenched stroll up to Bible Peak. Until then, keep aiming for the second pin on the right. . .

Chief Singing Wind

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## NATION CALENDAR 2003 - 2004

Camp Fox	March 12 - 14
Mountasia	April 4
Jethawks Baseball	May
Spring Family Campout	June 4 - 6

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