

SMOKE SIGNALS

IPANY LONGHOUSE

for Indian Princesses & Indian Guides

OLD PORTAGE LONGHOUSE

DECEMBER, 2007

UPCOMING EVENTS

Princesses – Ice Skating

(Saturday, Dec. 8, 2007 from 2:00-3:30 pm)

Chief Amato of the mighty Omaha Tribe has come back from his enlightening journey to the top of the Fire Mountain to announce that the Great Spirit has scheduled the annual ice skating event at Center Ice in North Canton. All are welcome to this family event. We participate in the open skating session during the time that we are there.

If you have any question regarding the event, please contact Greg Amato at 330-697-2079 or tagamato@roadrunner.com.



Princesses and Guides – Tobogganing Party (Sat, Jan. 12, 2008, from 8:00-11:00 am)

Imagine a sled on steroids, and you've got an idea what it's like to ride a toboggan down the chutes at The Chalet in Mill Stream Run Reservation in Strongsville. The two 1000-foot toboggan chutes are refrigerated ice, so they are fast and super-smooth, and ready to go even if there is no snow on the ground! The Chalet provides toboggans that are just the right size for a family of four, so all you need to bring is yourself. If Mom is nervous, you can reassure her that the chutes are operated with careful

attention to safety by the Cleveland Metroparks staff. There is a nice Chalet with fireplaces, restrooms, and hot chocolate for a warm break between the runs. We will have the place to ourselves, and the cost is just \$5.00 per person, which includes use of toboggans and toboggan chutes along with donuts and hot drinks. This is a good activity to bring the whole family, or perhaps a friend who might be interested in joining your tribe.



(Shameless family picture plug by Bob Schriener)

Brian Kenyon of the Ipany Chippewa Tribe is in charge of this event. For more info and other driving directions, see the flyer at the last page of this Smoke Signals. Thanks to Chippewa Tribe of Ipany Longhouse for sponsoring this event.



YMCA

We build strong kids,
strong families, strong communities.

UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)

Joint Longhouse Event – Car Races

(Friday and Saturday in late February, 2008)

The FASCar (Father & Son) and Powder Puff (Father & Daughter) Derbies are an annual event sponsored by the both Longhouses. In keeping with the basic theme of Indian Guides and Princess, the purpose of this event is to bring Fathers and Sons (and daughters) together to design, build, decorate and then race their cars. The event is designed to enrich the Father-son experience and to provide exposure to the excitement of competition in a positive, constructive manner.

The dates and flyer will be finalized soon and forwarded to everyone. It will be either February 22-23, 2008 or February 29 – March 1, 2008. Once again, The Mighty Sioux (Old Portage) and Shoshone (Ipany) tribes are organizing this event

TRIBE MEETINGS

The individual tribes should be starting their monthly meetings by now. Your tribe is the heart of Indian Guides and Princesses – within your tribe you will find new friends and new experiences. Make sure to go to as many tribe meetings as you can!

If you have a great idea for a tribe meeting, tell your tribe chief (and volunteer to host the event!). The Links page at www.akronprincess.org has a “Helpful Ideas from [Great Lakes Region](#)” that offers a large treasure trove of ideas for crafts, game, stories, songs, etc... Good meetings make a strong tribe, and a strong tribe makes a great time in Indian Guides and Princesses! More Ideas:

Crafts: Prepare a Tribe Banner
Prepare Torches for Y-Noah
Pumpkin Carving

Field Trips: Stan Hywet Hall, Hale Farm
Inventure Place/Great Lakes Science Center
Akron Zoo/Cleveland Zoo

Community Service: Haven of Rest Project
Park Clean Up
Fundraiser for Select Cause

Entertainment: Bowling
Laser Quest
Ice Cream or Pizza Party (pick a place!)
Biking on the Towpath

CALENDAR

GET READY FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Here is the tentative schedule of upcoming events that the Ipany and Old Portage Longhouses will be offering to all members, with the assistance of the Tribe sponsors.

Y-Princesses:

Saturday, January 12, 2008; 8:00-11:00 am

Tobogganing Party
The Chalet in Mill Stream Run Reservation
Valley Parkway, Strongsville
Tribe Sponsor: Chippewa
See attached flyer for additional info.

February, 2008

Powder Puff Derby
Ask your tribe chief NOW for a car kit!
Weigh in: Friday, 6:00 to 7:30 pm for Princesses (7:00 to 8:30 pm for Guides)
Race: Saturday, 8:30-11:30 am for Princesses (1:00-4:00 pm for Guides)

Copley Middle School North Gym
Sponsoring Tribe: Shoshone
Questions? Call Bob Schreiner, (H) 330-666-9235, (C)330-620-2538 or e-mail at bobschrei@roadrunner.com

April 5, 2008

Adventure Day at Virginia Kendall Park
11:00 am

April 25-27, 2008

Camp out at Y-Noah
Fee: Friday/Sat/Sun: \$120 for Dad & Princess, plus \$40 for each add'l Princess;

Y-Guides:

January, 2008 (date and time TBA)

Bowling
Tribe Sponsor:

February, 2008

FASCar Derby

Ask your tribe chief NOW for a car kit!

Weigh in: Friday, 7:00 to 8:30 pm for Guides
(6:00 to 7:30 pm for Princesses)

Race: Sat. 1:00–4:00 pm for Guides (8:30-
11:30 for Princesses)

Copley Middle School North Gym

Sponsoring Tribe: Sioux

Questions? Call Tom Dugan, (H) 330-867-2686,

(C) 330-714-3568, or e-mail at

dugiesbackyard@neo.rr.com

March, 2008 (date and time TBA)

Sports night at Pinnacle

April, 2008

Camp out at Y-Noah

Fee: Friday/Sat/Sun: \$120 for Dad & Guide,
plus \$40 for each add'l Guide;

MESSAGES FROM THE BIG CHIEFS

Old Portage Longhouse Chief Racing Mustang:

Hello members and welcome to all the new Guide members. The t-shirt campaign was a huge success (second run order has been placed for those who are still waiting) and a big thanks goes out to Rick Riley for his companies (MelamedRileyAdvertising) help in designing the shirts and pointing us in the right direction for having them printed. I would like to remind everyone that these shirts are available for purchase as a fund raiser for \$8.00 should anyone want more or knows someone who would like one. We had a great Camp out with lots of new things to do and see and I hope everyone had a great time. If anyone has Pictures please send them in and I will have them put on our website. I would like to welcome to our group the Blackfeet tribe, they will make a great addition to The Old Portage Longhouse, should you need any help please feel free to contact me or anyone in the group. I would also like to give a special thanks to Nab Kundu, Greg Amato, Rick Riley and everyone else you helped me out at camp in my absence. This was the first time I have missed a camp out and I really missed it.

The winter season is upon us and there is so much to do. I would like to suggest to all the tribe chiefs out there many things you can do as a tribe (example: going out together to cut down a Xmas tree, bowling, sledding, hiking, paintball, laser tag ...) just to name a few. Lets make sure we all get together at least once a month so the kids continue to have fun in guides and build friendships with there fellow tribe members.

In addition to the events you plan don't forget about the monthly events that the longhouse has scheduled.

Here's wishing everyone a Happy Holidays and a very Merry New years.

Feel free to contact me with any suggestions, questions, or concerns. The best way to reach me is via e-mail at brittc@gmail.com . Or, you can call me on my cell at 330-819-0960.

Pals Forever!

Racing Mustang (Britt Cherry)

Chief of Chiefs, Old Portage Longhouse

Ipany Longhouse Chief Wozozompey:

Holidays are Among Us!!!

I hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving and is looking forward to the upcoming holidays and the special times you can share with your Princesses. Remember your pledge to sacrifice selfishness, and make this year your best year ever with your daughter(s)!

We have had two excellent Longhouse events since our last Smoke Signal; the October Hayride and the Cavaliers Basketball game Nike High Five Tunnel. The weather for the Hayride was the best I can remember and we had a good turnout. Special thanks to Jim Pianalto and the Shawnee Tribe for organizing this annual event. Our first Nike High Five Tunnel event was a huge success also and I hope we can do it again next year. Twenty five princesses had the opportunity to go down on the court on November 27th and high five the Cav's players as they took the court. Everyone had a good time, thanks to efforts of Jim Koewler and the Yellow Creek tribe.

Don't forget that your Princess(s) receive a "charm" for each Longhouse event they attend! This is new starting this year, and my princess already has cool charms from the Hayride and the Cavaliers game that she has put on a necklace she made at one of our Tribe meetings. She's determined to collect them all!

Feel free to contact me with any suggestions, questions, or concerns. The best way to reach me is via e-mail (eric_smith@urscorp.com). Or, you can call me at home at 330-869-6062 or at work at 330-836-9111. My residence is 2515 Cardigan Drive, Akron, OH 44333.

Friends Always!

Wozozompey

Chief of Chiefs, Ipany Longhouse

January Longhouse Event TOBOGGANING PARTY

Experience the thrill of tobogganing at The Chalet in Mill Stream Run Reservation, located on Valley Parkway between Routes 42 and 82 in Strongsville (a short distance from both I-71 and the Ohio Turnpike). The two 1,000-foot refrigerated ice chutes operate with or without snow the day after Thanksgiving through February, weather permitting. In addition to tobogganing, guests can enjoy the facility with two fireplaces, a large-screen television, indoor restrooms, and a main gathering area.

All children must be at least 42 inches tall to ride. Children 11 and under must be accompanied by an adult. All riders must wear gloves or mittens.

WHERE: The Chalet in Mill Stream Run Reservation, Valley Parkway, Strongsville (see below for driving directions). For more information on the toboggan chutes, call (440) 572-9990, or see www.clemetparks.com/recreation/tobogganing

WHEN: Saturday, January 12, 2008; 8:00–11:00 a.m.

COST: \$5.00 per person (cost includes use of toboggans and toboggan chutes). Donuts, hot chocolate and coffee will be provided.



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MILL STREAM RUN
RESERVATION

The Chalet
16200 Valley Parkway
Strongsville, Ohio 44136
(440) 572-9990

COMING NORTH ON I-71 FROM SOUTH

Exit at Route 82 (Exit 231). Turn right at end of off ramp traveling east. Travel less than 1 mile to first traffic light (Valley Parkway), turn left onto Valley Parkway. The Chalet is down the road approximately 1.5 miles on the left hand side.

COMING SOUTH ON I-71 FROM NORTH

Exit on Route 42 (Exit 234). Turn right at end of off ramp traveling south towards Strongsville. Travel approximately 1.8 miles to fifth traffic light (Valley Parkway), turn left onto Valley Parkway. The Chalet is down the road approximately 1.5 miles on the right hand side.

OHIO TURNPIKE - EXIT 161 (OLD EXIT 10)

Directly after toll booths, take exit to extreme right, Route 42 - Pearl Rd. This exit winds around and goes past Ranger Headquarters on the left, and past RTA Park-N-Ride on right. Continue straight, following sign to Route 42 - Pearl Road. Turn left onto Route 42. At first traffic light (.2 miles), turn left onto Valley Parkway. The Chalet is down the road approx. 1.5 miles on the right hand side.

COMING I-77 TO ROUTE 82

Exit I-77 at Route 82. Take Route 82 west towards Strongsville. Travel approximately 7.6 miles to Valley Parkway. Turn right (north) on Valley Parkway traveling 1.5 miles to the Chalet, located on the left hand side of the road.

COMING FROM EAST SIDE IN CHAGRIN

Take I-271 to I-480 west. Continue on I-480 west to I-71 south. Exit I-71 at Route 42 (Exit 234). Turn right at end of off ramp, head south towards Strongsville. Travel less than two miles on Pearl Rd. to Valley Parkway, turn left onto Valley Parkway. The Chalet is on down the road approx. 1.5 miles on the right hand side.



Sponsor: Ipany - Chippewa Tribe. Questions? Contact Brian Kenyon (bkenyon@rockhall.org) home phone: (330) 668-2410