



# Smoke Signals

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## “That’s a Peach, Hon...”

Reserve your spot and mark your calendars for Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 7pm. The Federation will be given a private showing of the Theatre of Western Springs’ holiday show, *James and the Giant Peach*. Nation Chief **John Rymsza** is planning a fabulous night of fun including:

- an evening of great family-friendly theatre,
- a cookie-and-cocoa reception,
- a meet and greet of the show’s cast, which has historically included several current and former Guides and Princesses,
- a cameo appearance from Santa Claus!

You don’t want to miss this Federation **family** event! The theatre only holds 400 people, so e-mail your request to Mr. Rymsza today at [kmr1961@aol.com](mailto:kmr1961@aol.com).

## Showcase your Artistic Abilities!

As promised, we are once again offering the opportunity for our children’s artwork to be sewn onto thousands of vests. Federation Sandpainter **Paul DiVittorio** will be accepting submissions until November 15<sup>th</sup> for this year’s **Patch Design Contest** (see attached flyer for details). Winners will get:

- his or her name announced in the Smoke Signals and on the web site,
- his or her initials emblazoned on the patch, and
- his or her patch prominently worn by all members.

Think about it — professional artists pay dearly for this type of exposure and we’re giving it away for free!

### Native American Quiz

How old was Sacajawea when she accompanied Lewis and Clark on their historic journey to explore the Louisiana Purchase?

Flip to the next page to see the answers.

## ...To Love My Neighbor as Myself... (Aim #5)

Here at the Prairie Trail Federation, we're not **all** fun and games. We understand that civic activities aren't just a way to get honor points, but rather part of our responsibility as good citizens and members of a community. This is why our Federation has become such an integral part of the Community Nurse Health Association's **Secret Santa Program**. Participating tribes will once again be shopping for and donating Christmas presents and other necessities to needy families **within our surrounding area**.

Nation Chief **Phil Palmer** will once again be spearheading our involvement with this important local program. Please see the attached flyer for details.

## Bike Hike Raffle Winners!

Congratulations to **Brie Voetberg** of the Miami Princess Tribe and **Brian Severson** of the Huron Guides Tribe. Simply by coming to the Bike Hike and entering our raffle, Brie and Brian were each able to land a brand new bicycle. Way to go, kids!

Also, Bike Hike coordinator **Joe Miller** would like to pass along his gratitude to the following people for their help: **Dave Miller, John Rymysza, Chris Breakey**, and the entire **Sauk Fox Guides** Tribe. The Bike Hike was a great success, and we could not have done it without you.

### Native American Quiz Answer Sheet

Sacajawea was a mere 19 years old when she began assisting the Lewis and Clark Expedition. She acted as navigator, translator, and diplomat, and it is widely acknowledged that they would likely have perished without her assistance.

Source: [www.infoplease.com/spot/sacagawea1.html](http://www.infoplease.com/spot/sacagawea1.html)

