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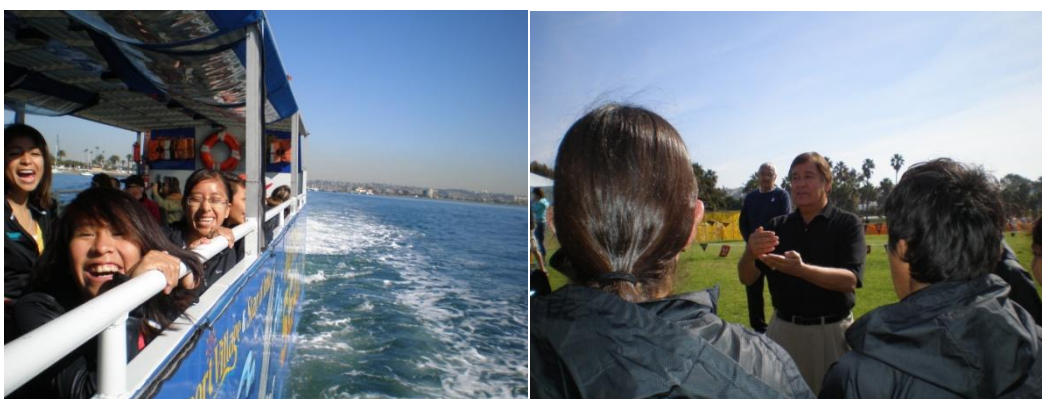
Wings of America Teams finish 2nd and 3rd at the National Championships!!!!



Mikayla, Leanne, Tamera, Julia, Felicia, Rolonda ----- Johnathan, Maruice, Warren, Justin, Kyle, Troy

The Wings of America Junior Team traveled to San Diego February 3rd for the USATF Cross Country National Championships. In the Junior Women's race, Julia Foster (Jemez/Navajo/Mohawk) guided the team finishing 8th overall and earning a spot on Team USA for the North American, Central American and Caribbean Championships (NACAC) to be held in Trinidad and Tobago on February 19th, 2011. Rolonda Jumbo (Navajo) was not far behind in 12th place overall. She is an alternate for Team USA and waiting to hear if she is going to race at the NACAC Championships as well. Tamera Lementino (Zuni) was 33rd overall, Leanne Lee (Zuni/Navajo) finished 44th, Mikayla Hudgins (Navajo) finished 50th overall and Felicia James (Navajo) was 51st respectively. The Junior Women placed third as a team.

The Junior Men's Team finished the 8k race earning a National Runner-Up team title. Leading the team was Troy Madalena (Jemez) in 59th place. Justin Lueras (Zuni) finished 61st, Kyle Fast Wolf (Oglala-Lakota) was 66th, Johnathan Yazzie (Navajo) was 70th, Warren Jim (Navajo) was 78th and Maruice Cruz (Ohkay Owingeh) finished in 80th place respectively.



During the week, the team was able to see San Diego via amphibious vehicle tour and experience Southern California beach life at Mission and Pacific Beach. Wings of America Board Member, Billy Mills was able to join the team all weekend and provide very inspirational words and encouragement.

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