

Alberts crowned Geography Champion



Tuesday, November 23, Faith Alberts won the Parkers Prairie Geography Bee competition. Faith is the daughter of Tim and Sarah Alberts of Parkers Prairie. The school bee was held in the high school and a now has a chance at a \$50,000 college scholarship. The school bee, at which students answered questions on geography, was the first round in the 28th annual National Geographic Bee. Thousands of schools around the United States and in the five U.S. territories are participating in the Bee. The school champions, including Faith, will take a state qualifying test; up to 100 of the top scorers on that test in each state will then be eligible to compete in their state Bee on April 1, 2017. The National Geographic Society will provide an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C., for state winners to participate in the Bee national championship rounds May 2017. The first place national champion will receive a \$50,000 college scholarship, a lifetime membership in the Society including a subscription to National Geographic magazine, and a National Geographic Expeditions trip to a national park in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service. The national finals will air on television on the National Geographic Channel and PBS stations. Check local listings for dates and times. Good luck, Faith.

Test yourself to see if you can answers similar to the ones the students at Parkers had to answer.

Q. Which state is known as the Peach State because peaches are one of its major crops—Hawaii or Georgia? A. Georgia

Q. Which state is known as the Great Lakes State because it is bordered by four of the five Great Lakes—North Dakota or Michigan? A. Michigan

Q. Which state, famous for its wealth and financial resources, is known as the Empire State— Idaho or New York? A. New York

Q. A trumpet appears on the quarter of which state, known for its jazz music heritage—Louisiana or Pennsylvania? A. Louisiana

Q. The first successful airplane flight, at Kill Devil Hills, is commemorated on the quarter of which state—North Carolina or Iowa? A. North Carolina

Q. To walk in Lisbon’s Alfama district and to stay at a beach resort in the Algarve, you would travel to what country? A. Portugal

Q. To bike around Stanley Park in Vancouver and see the northern lights near Yellowknife, you would travel to what country? A. Canada

Q. To take a rain forest tour and to dance at Rio de Janeiro’s Carnival celebration, you would travel to what country? A. Brazil

Q. To see an acrobatics show in Beijing and walk along the Great Wall, you would travel to what country? A. China

Q. The threatened Canada lynx, which has large feet adapted for walking on top of deep snow, lives near Lake of the Woods in which state—Georgia or Minnesota? A. Minnesota

