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On August 22, Kathy and Rylan celebrated thier birthdays together by having a pool party at our house. (Their European trip trumped their usual dates for celebration.) The most fun was jumping off the diving board. In 2nd place was the unique scavenger hunt Kathy organized. Kids ran around with cameras taking pictures of items she listed on a piece of paper.

Labor Day Weekend, Robert and I took Rylan, Aubrey, and Sierra camping in the redwoods. Going camping with the grandkids is one of my most favorite things to do with them! We took several hikes with the kids constantly racing ahead of us in glee discovering benches and goose pens everywhere on the trails. They also found an abundance of poison oak!



The Napa Tree Moose now has its own [website!](#)

Posing on one of a dozen benches we found while hiking.



While camping, The kids were always up for helping with dishes. I really liked that! And of course, every night we enjoyed fires and lots of s'mores. We really enjoyed morning fires as well—*nights were cold!*

The kids were also great about helping set up and take down the tent and when it was time to pack up to head home, they were right at the helm helping to haul sleeping bags, suitcases and boxes to the 4-Runner.

At just about every turn on our redwood hikes, goose pens appeared in different sizes and shapes—nearly all of them large enough for three kids to climb inside and check out.

At our campsite, the kids were able to easily reach a river close to our campsite by walking down a long log. They spent a lot of time playing on the pebbled riverbed while being entertained by small fish, tiny frogs and tadpoles thriving in shallow waters.

On our trip home, we checked out the Legend of Big Foot Gift Shop. All three kids found very cool souvenirs to take home.



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