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Dear ISMF Committee Members,

It gives me great pleasure to share with you my family's ISMF experience in Louisville, Kentucky.

My sons, Stephen and Jonathan, had a fun-filled learning experience. Stephen, 10 years old, won last year by entering a website. Also, he won this year by entering an animation with Doink. Stephen learned Doink through one of the workshops in Kentucky. He was eager to apply his new found knowledge. Consequently, he won again and is so excited about attending ISMF in California.

Jonathan, my seven year old, was recognized in Kentucky for entering an electronic story book. He took a photography workshop which allowed him to take pictures in the city of Louisville. Wow! Jonathan had so much fun, and now he loves to take pictures.

As for me, I learned a few things too! Scratch and Doink are now a part of the Mommy's tool box. I can also take some pretty good pictures.

In addition to the workshops, the activities were great. We enjoyed the field trips to Colonel Saunders' Restaurant, the Derby Farm and the museum. My sons love rock collecting, and digging for fossils was an unforgettable experience.

When Jonathan returned to school, he made a scrapbook of his ISMF experiences and shared it with his classmates. His teacher was very impressed. Stephen shared his experiences with his peers, and as a result, one of his buddies entered the ISMF this year and won.

ISMF provides an opportunity of learning technology, but it's a great family vacation too!

In today's world, we must continue to encourage our students do great things, and the ISMF is a wonderful way of rewarding and preparing our students for the future.

Yours Truly,

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