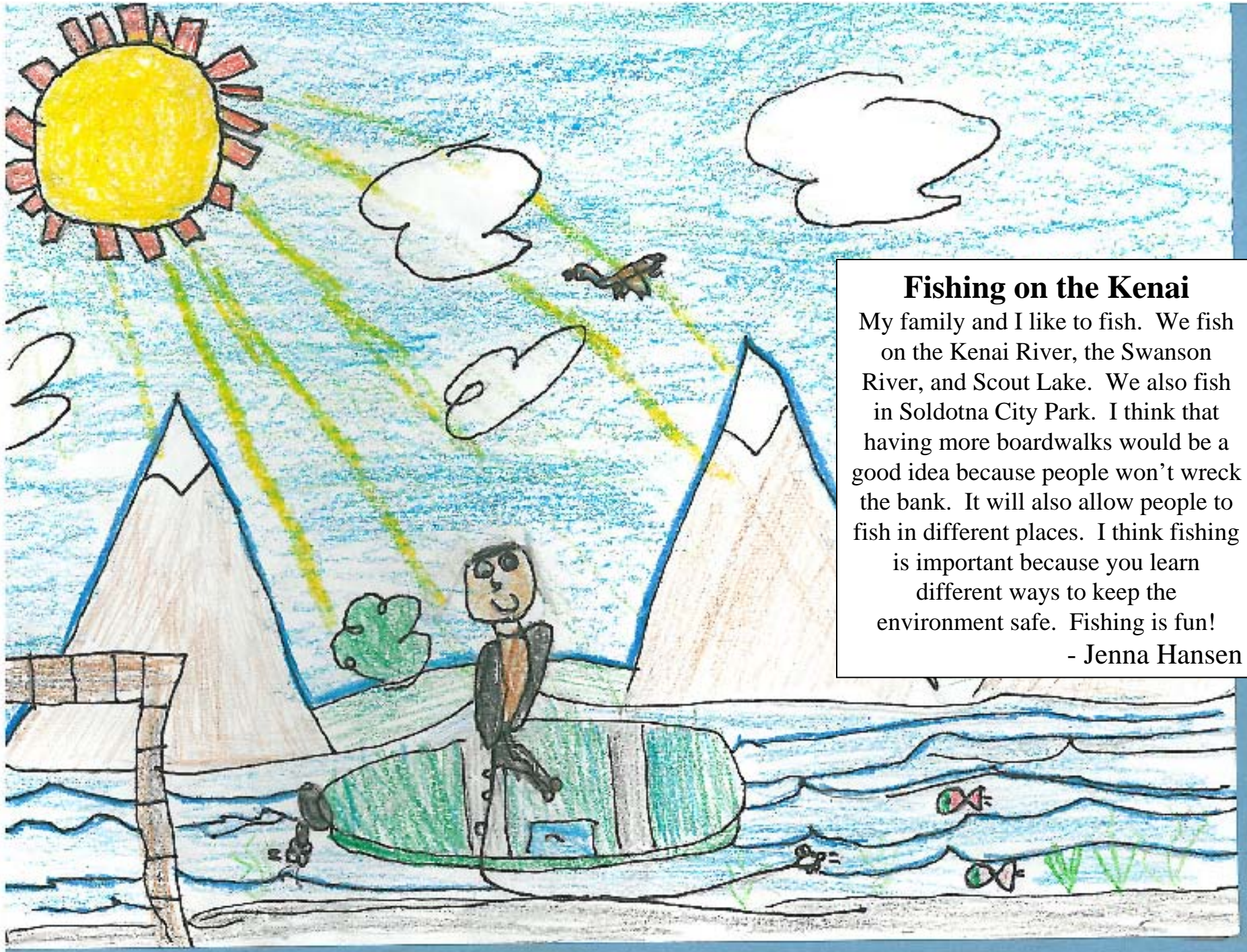


My Favorite Place in Soldotna...

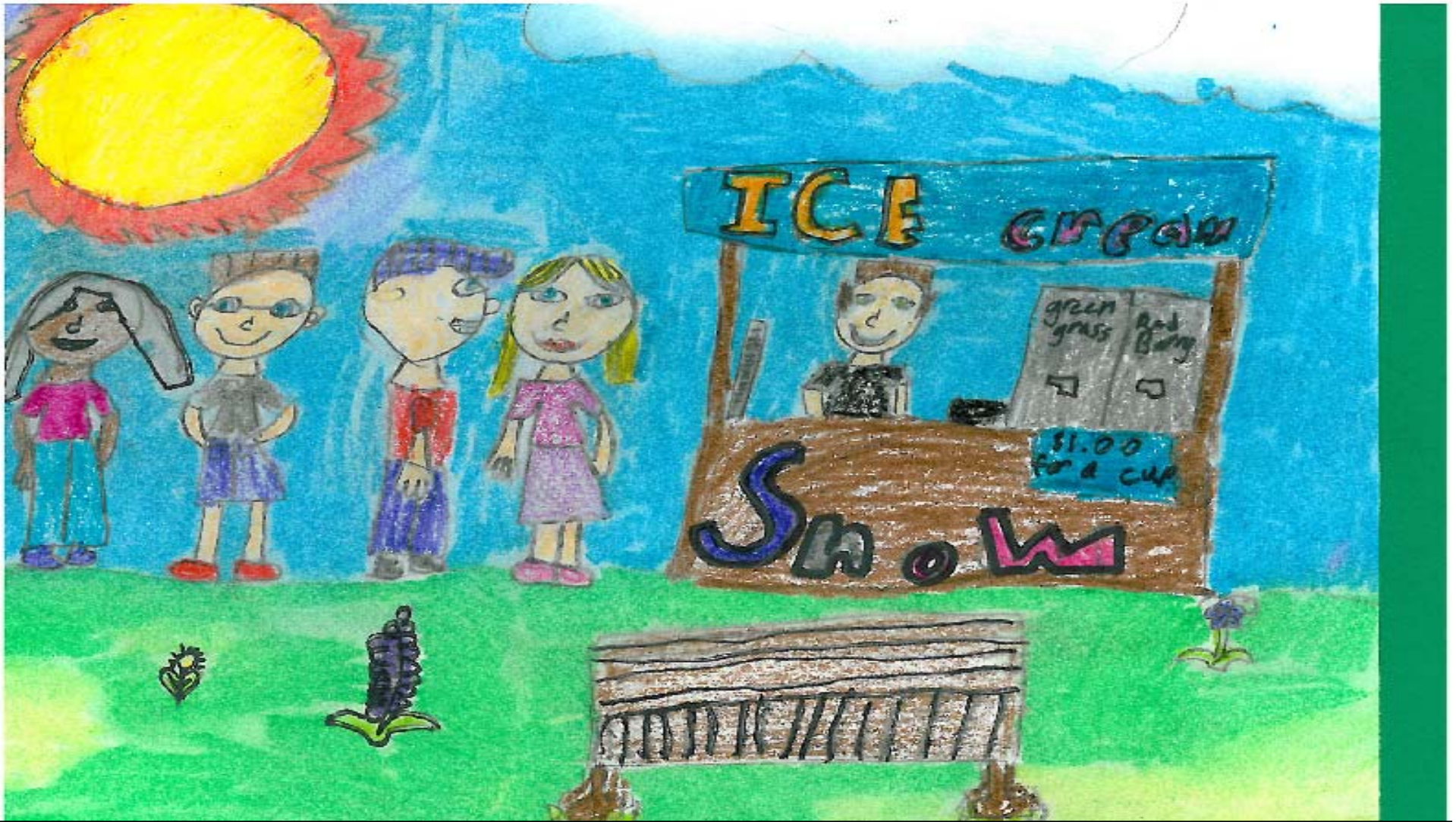
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Fishing on the Kenai

My family and I like to fish. We fish on the Kenai River, the Swanson River, and Scout Lake. We also fish in Soldotna City Park. I think that having more boardwalks would be a good idea because people won't wreck the bank. It will also allow people to fish in different places. I think fishing is important because you learn different ways to keep the environment safe. Fishing is fun!

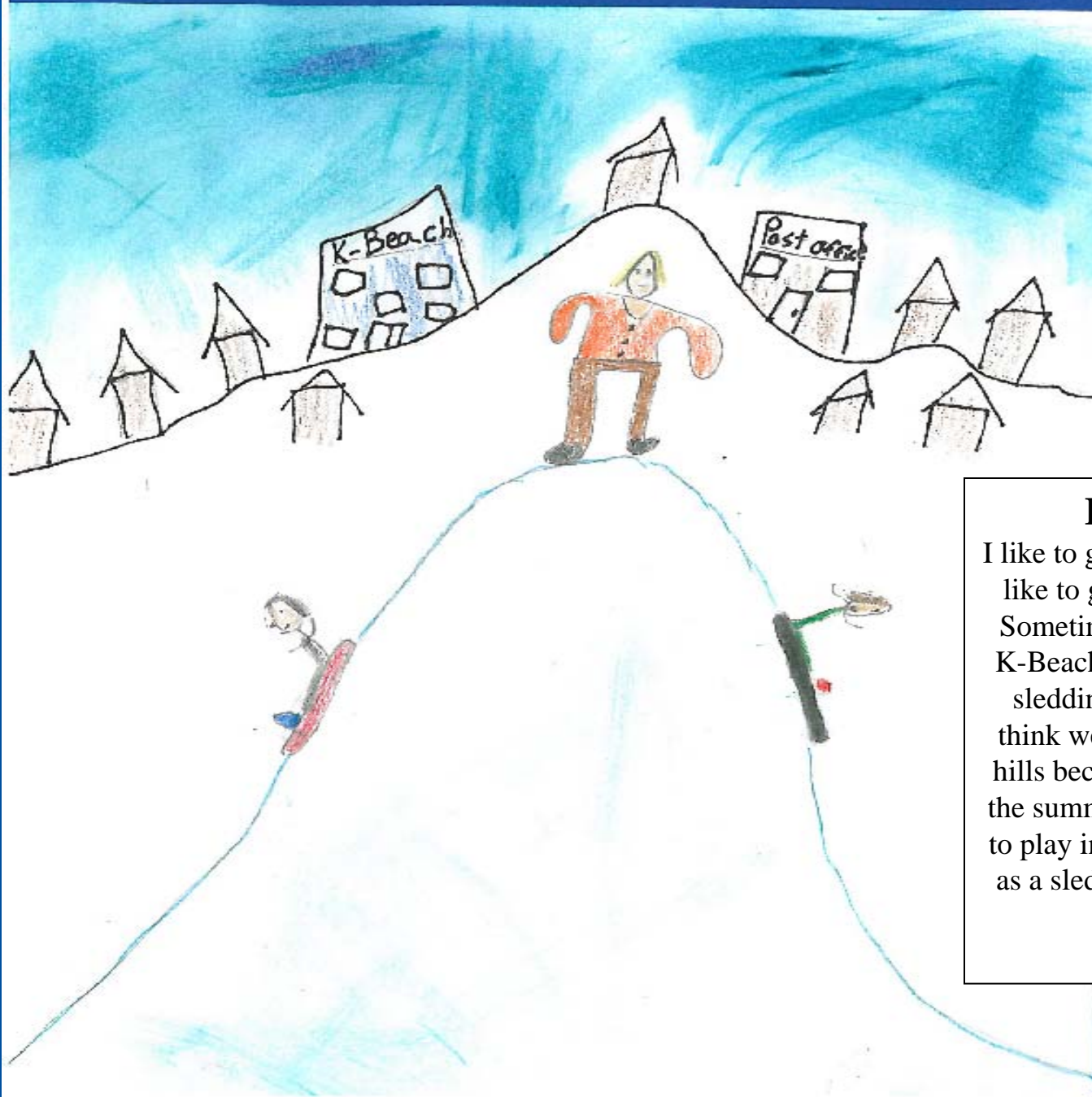
- Jenna Hansen



Fun in Soldotna

My family and I spend a lot of time at the parks but we don't stay long because I get hot and tired. I think it would be cool to have ice cream stands so people can stay long at the parks. Some people are hot playing in the sun so they go home to cool down but with the ice cream stands they will stay longer. We can put the ice cream stands in the kiddy park, on the bike trail, and the Soldotna city Park. In the summer it can be ice cream stands and in the winter it can be a hot coco stands. The money from the stands can be given to a charity to help people with cancer. My family and I love the parks!

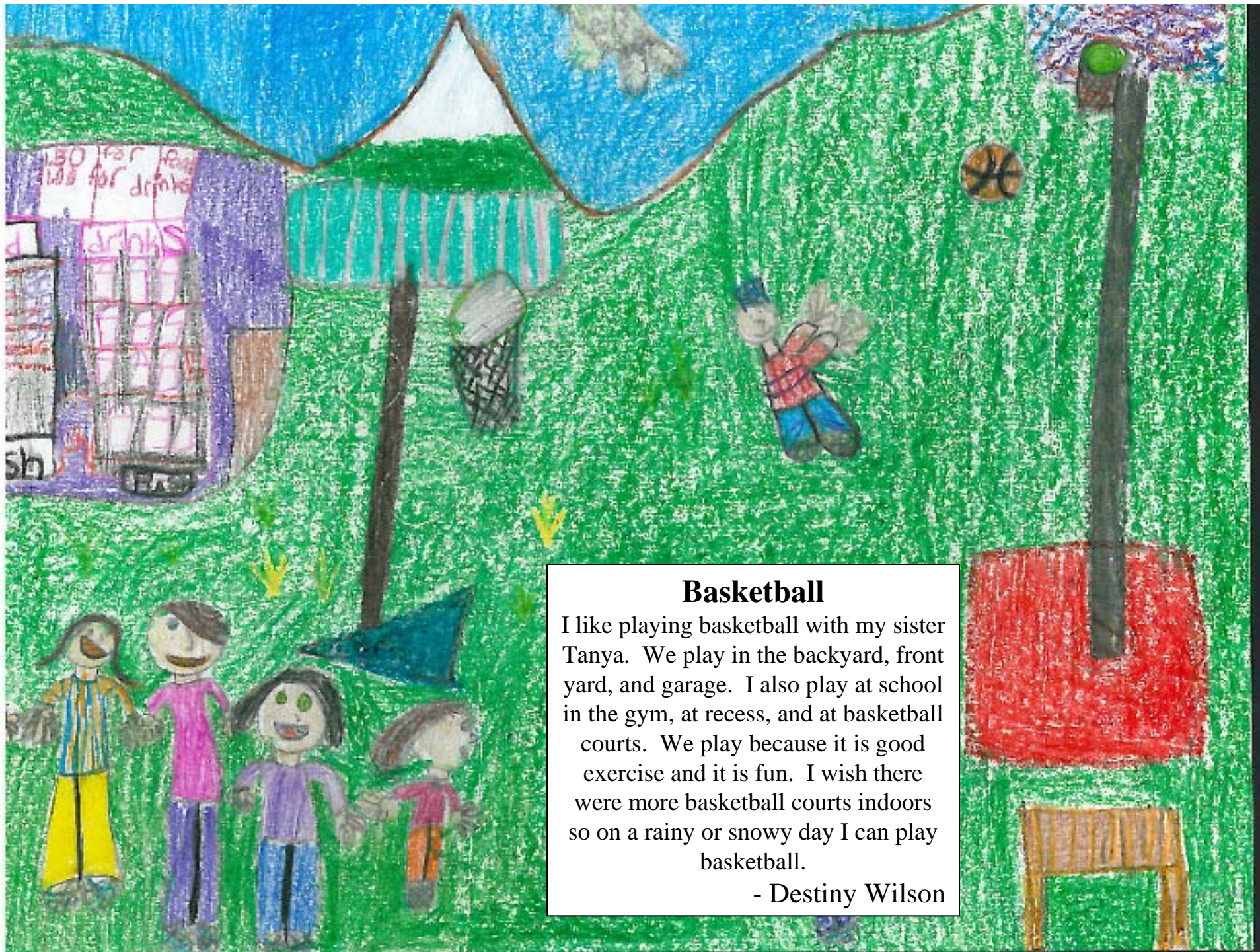
- Kaley Hunter



Fun in Soldotna

I like to go sledding with my family. I like to go sledding in my backyard. Sometimes we go to the park and to K-Beach Elementary. I would like a sledding hill at Grace Lutheran. I think we should have more sledding hills because it provides exercise. In the summer we can use it as a dirt hill to play in. In the winter we can use it as a sledding hill. Sledding with my family is fun.

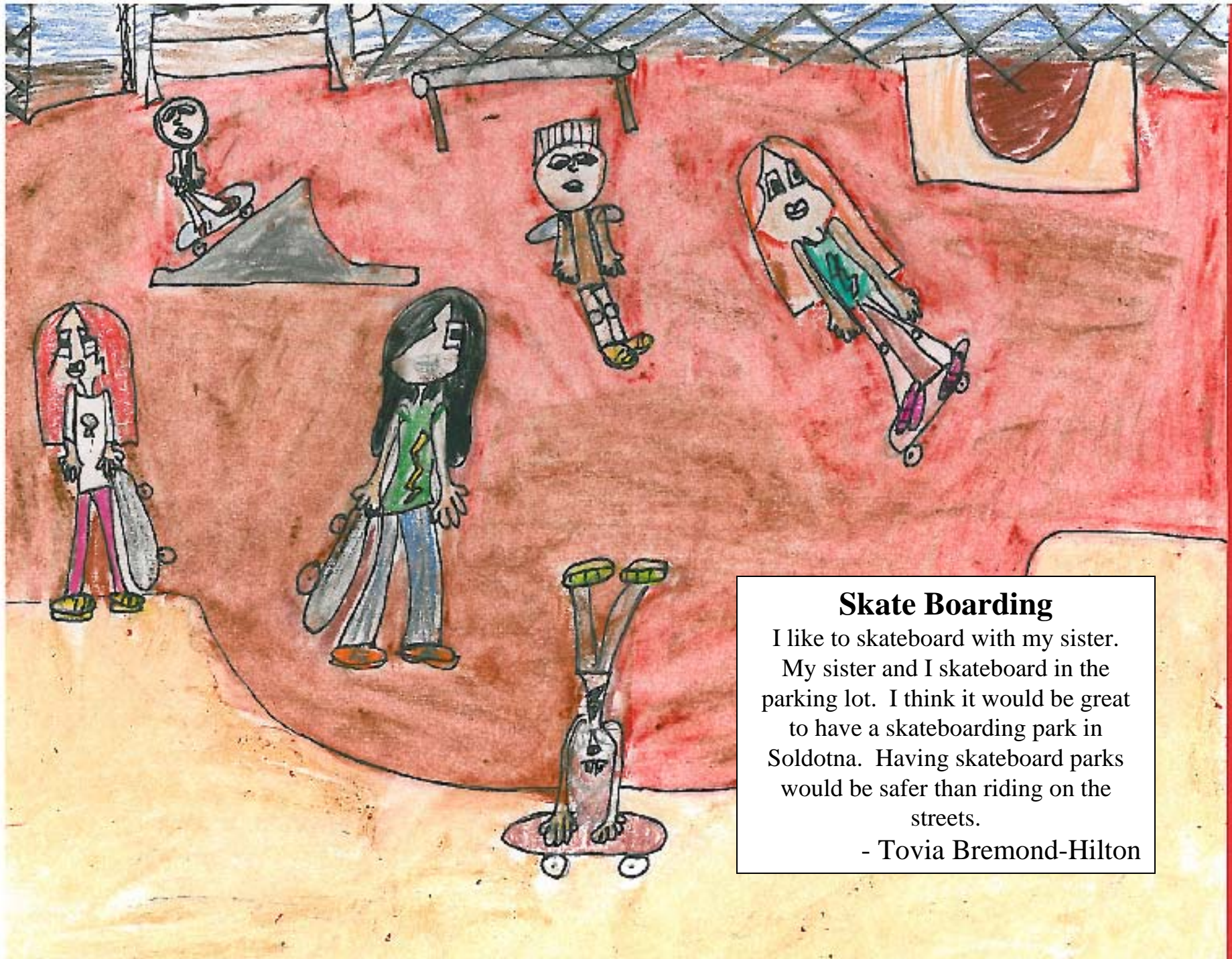
- Anna Aley



Basketball

I like playing basketball with my sister Tanya. We play in the backyard, front yard, and garage. I also play at school in the gym, at recess, and at basketball courts. We play because it is good exercise and it is fun. I wish there were more basketball courts indoors so on a rainy or snowy day I can play basketball.

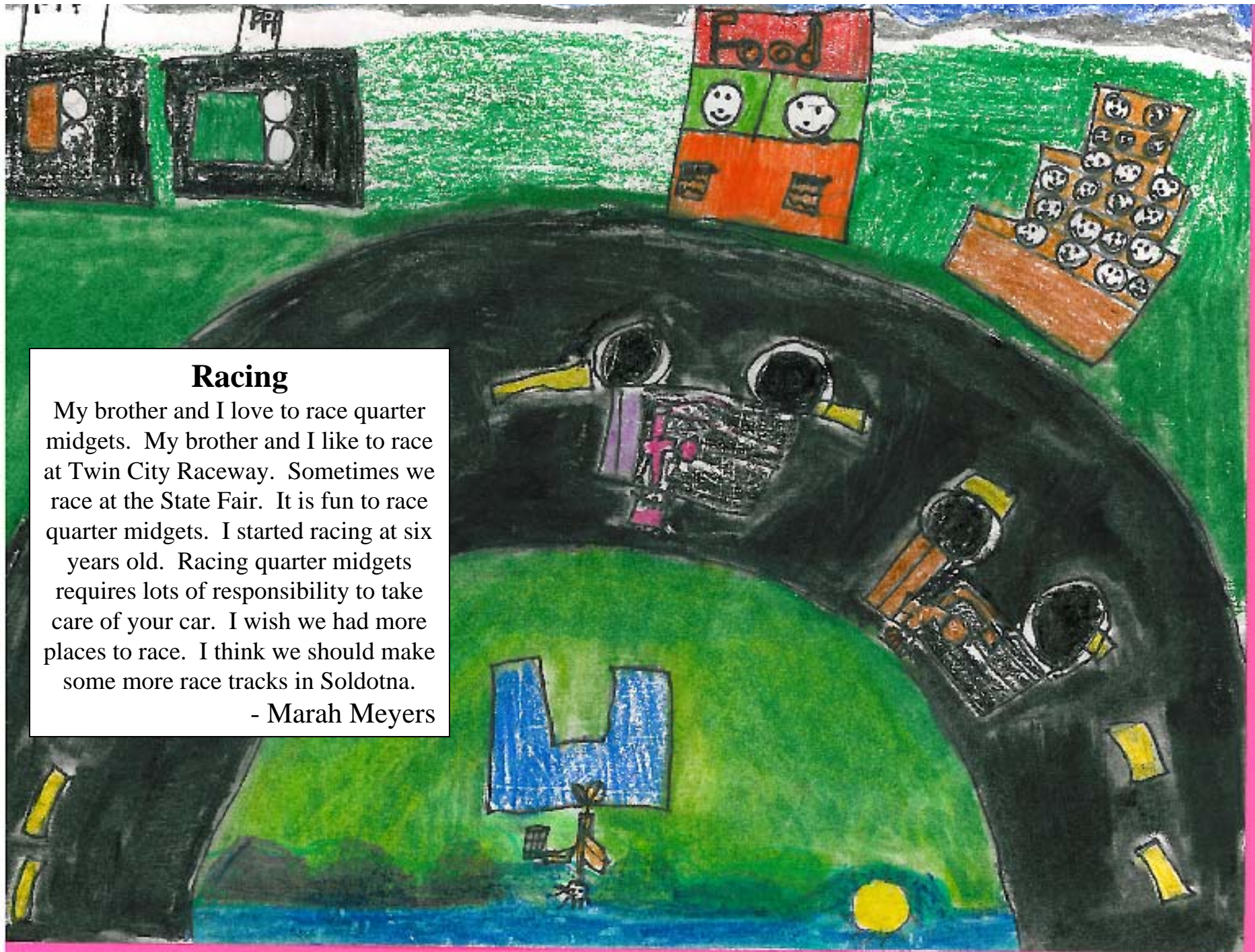
- Destiny Wilson



Skate Boarding

I like to skateboard with my sister. My sister and I skateboard in the parking lot. I think it would be great to have a skateboarding park in Soldotna. Having skateboard parks would be safer than riding on the streets.

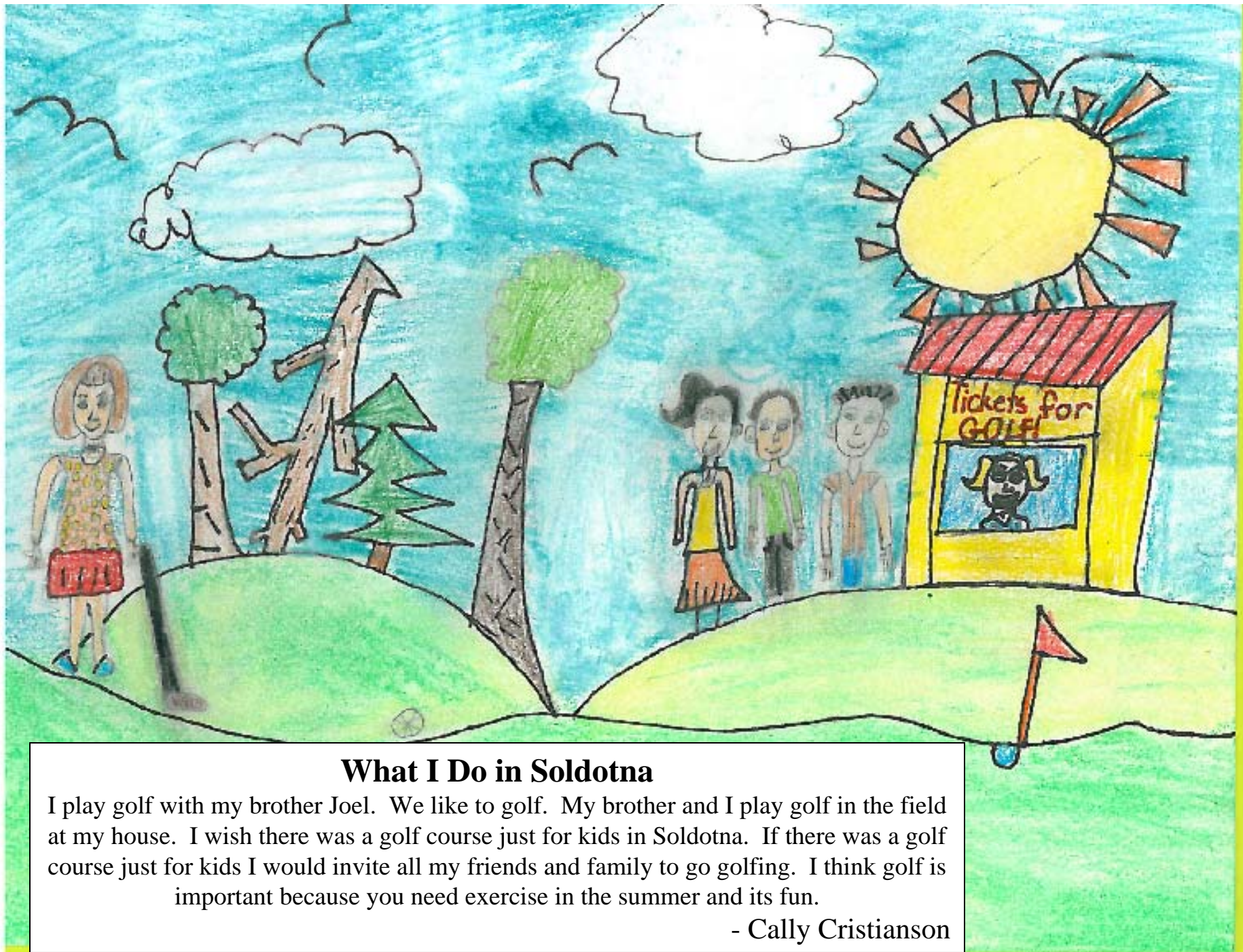
- Tovia Bremond-Hilton



Racing

My brother and I love to race quarter midgets. My brother and I like to race at Twin City Raceway. Sometimes we race at the State Fair. It is fun to race quarter midgets. I started racing at six years old. Racing quarter midgets requires lots of responsibility to take care of your car. I wish we had more places to race. I think we should make some more race tracks in Soldotna.

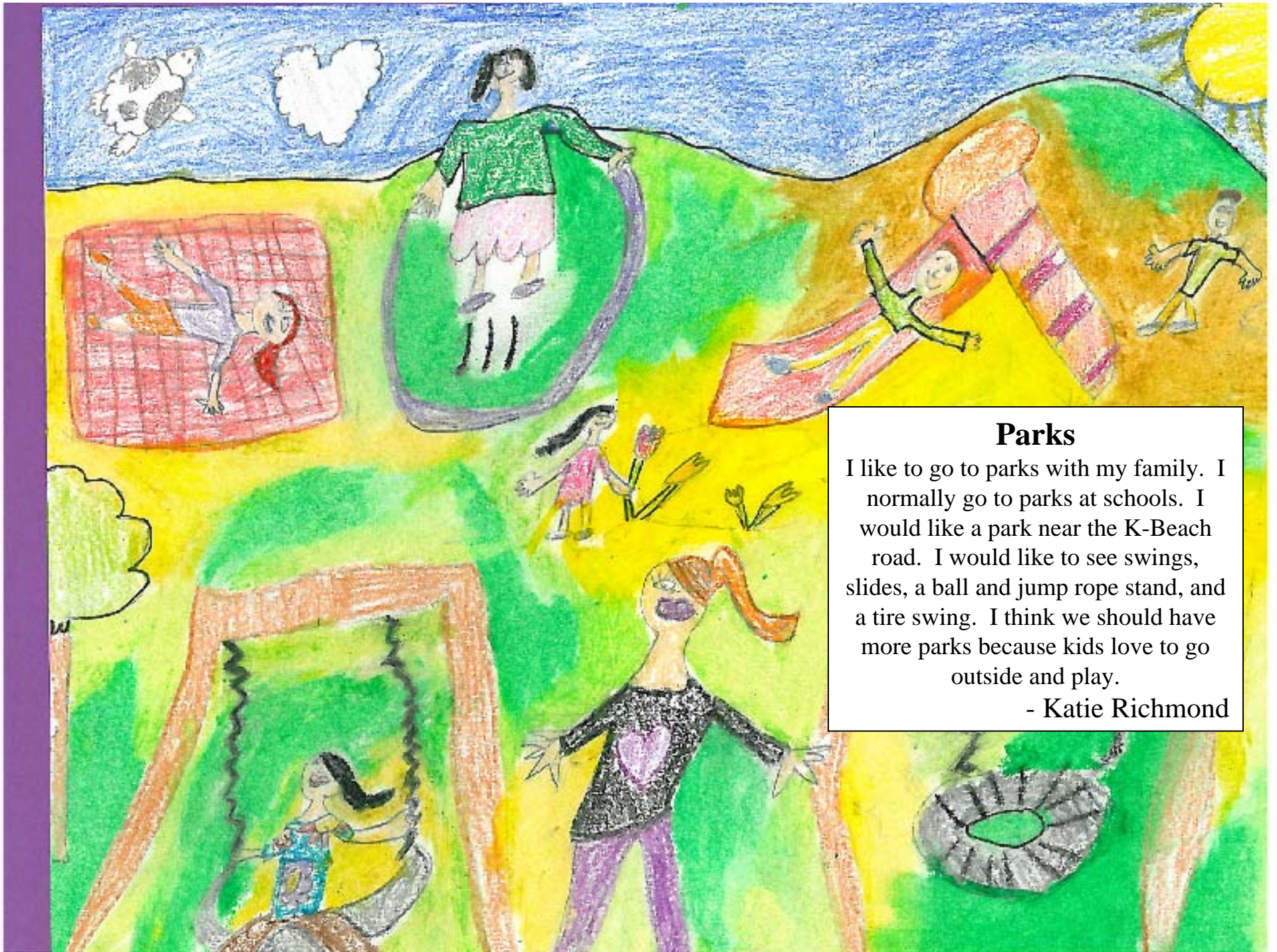
- Marah Meyers



What I Do in Soldotna

I play golf with my brother Joel. We like to golf. My brother and I play golf in the field at my house. I wish there was a golf course just for kids in Soldotna. If there was a golf course just for kids I would invite all my friends and family to go golfing. I think golf is important because you need exercise in the summer and its fun.

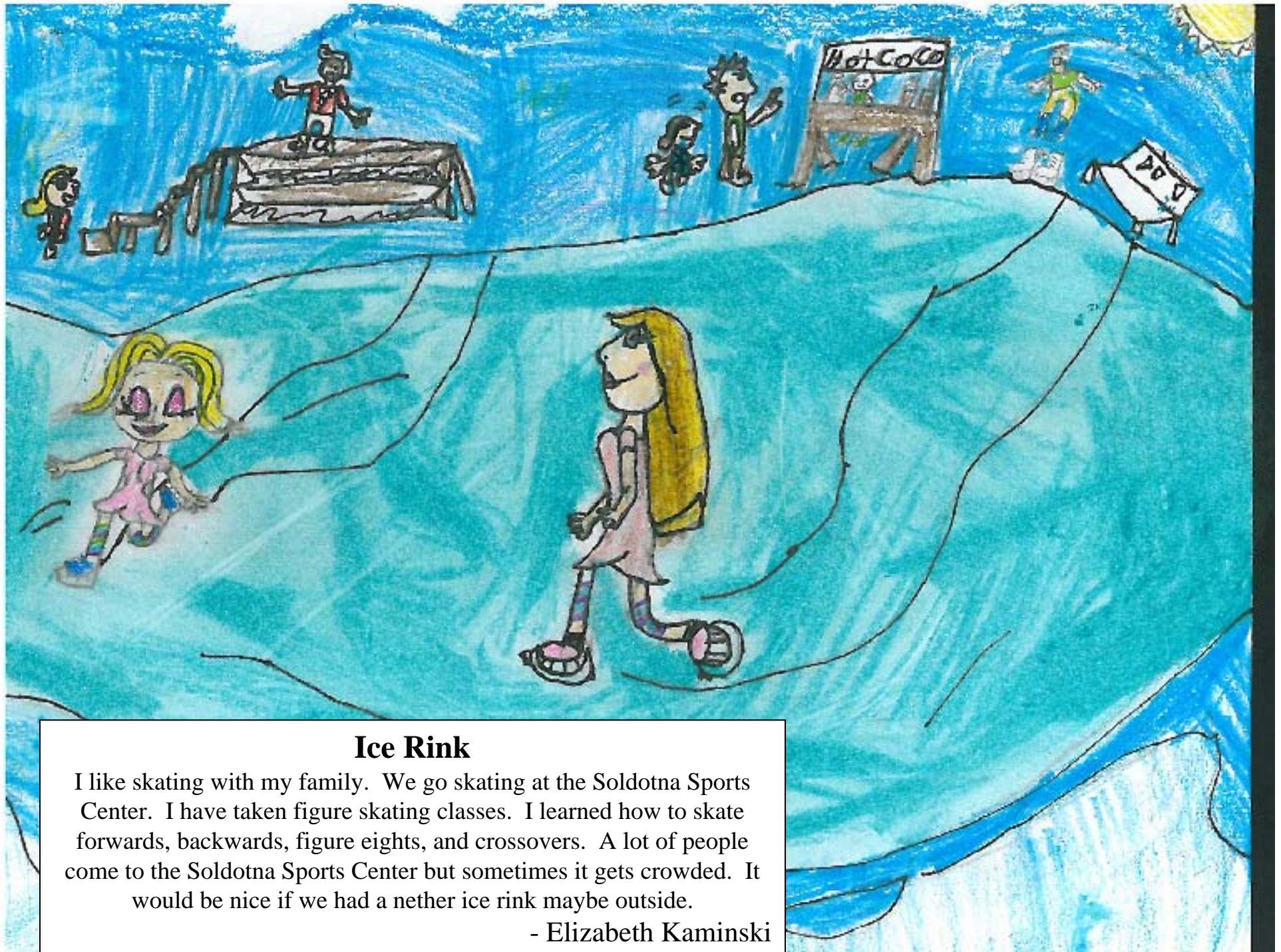
- Cally Cristianson



Parks

I like to go to parks with my family. I normally go to parks at schools. I would like a park near the K-Beach road. I would like to see swings, slides, a ball and jump rope stand, and a tire swing. I think we should have more parks because kids love to go outside and play.

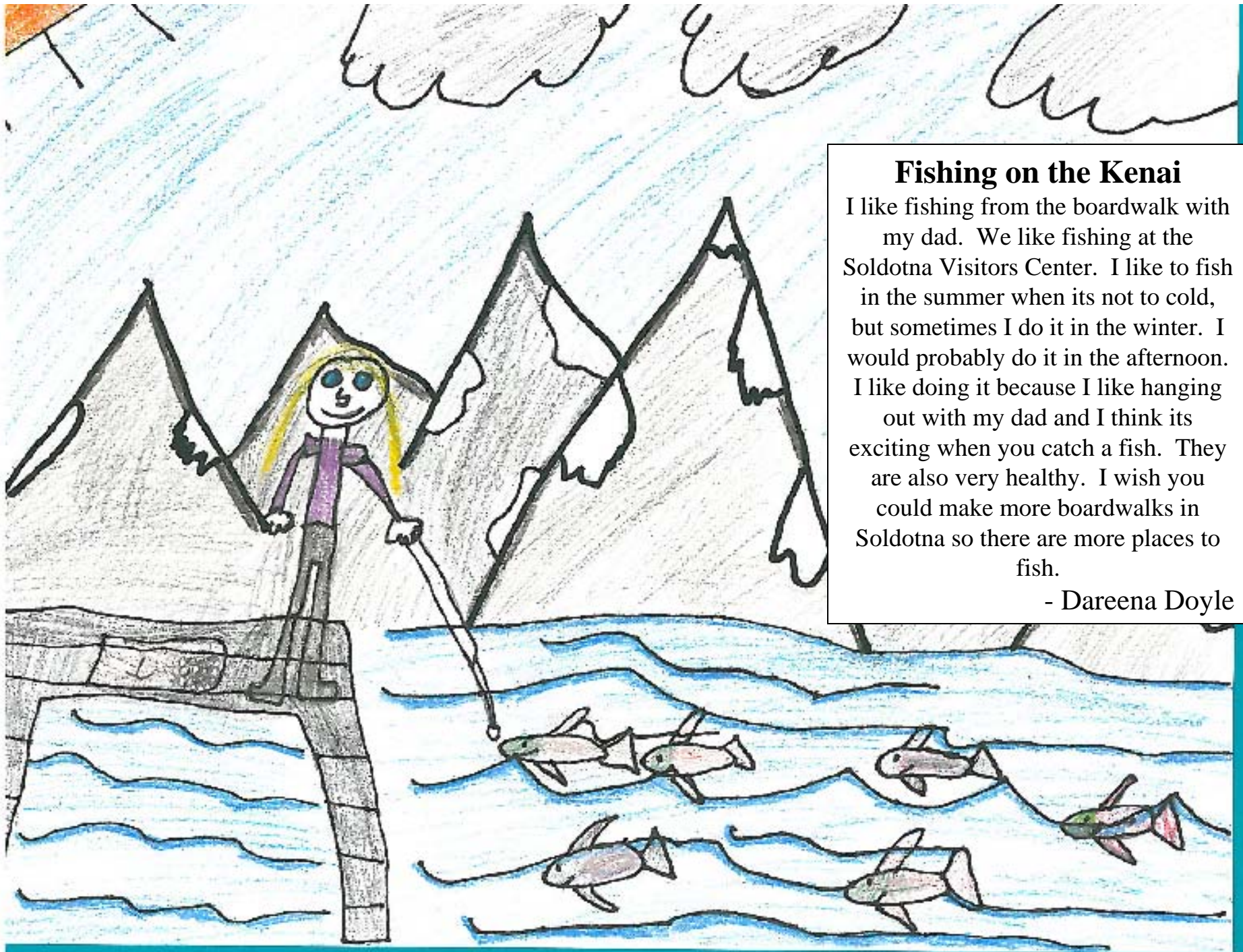
- Katie Richmond



Ice Rink

I like skating with my family. We go skating at the Soldotna Sports Center. I have taken figure skating classes. I learned how to skate forwards, backwards, figure eights, and crossovers. A lot of people come to the Soldotna Sports Center but sometimes it gets crowded. It would be nice if we had a nether ice rink maybe outside.

- Elizabeth Kaminski



Fishing on the Kenai

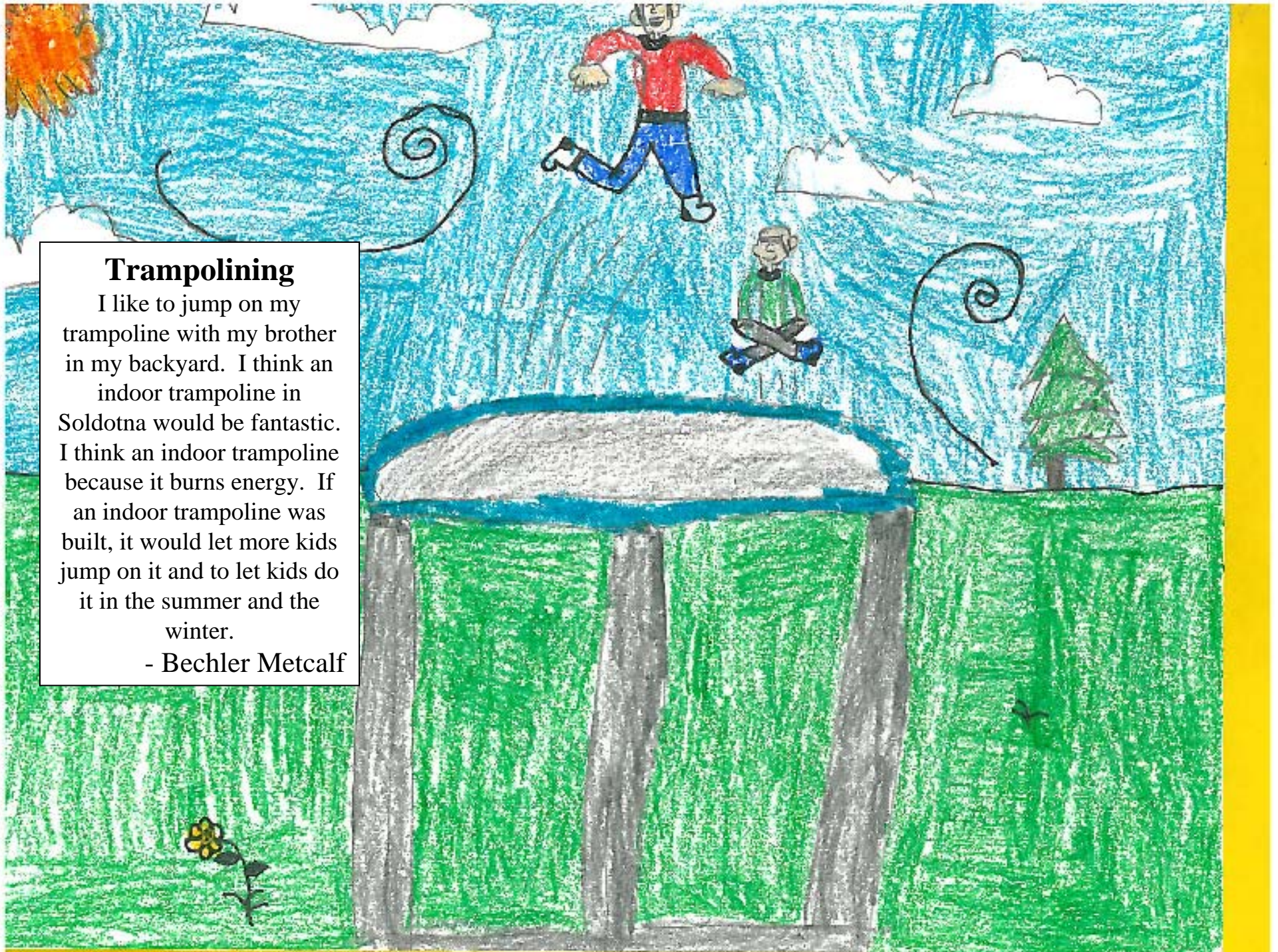
I like fishing from the boardwalk with my dad. We like fishing at the Soldotna Visitors Center. I like to fish in the summer when its not to cold, but sometimes I do it in the winter. I would probably do it in the afternoon. I like doing it because I like hanging out with my dad and I think its exciting when you catch a fish. They are also very healthy. I wish you could make more boardwalks in Soldotna so there are more places to fish.

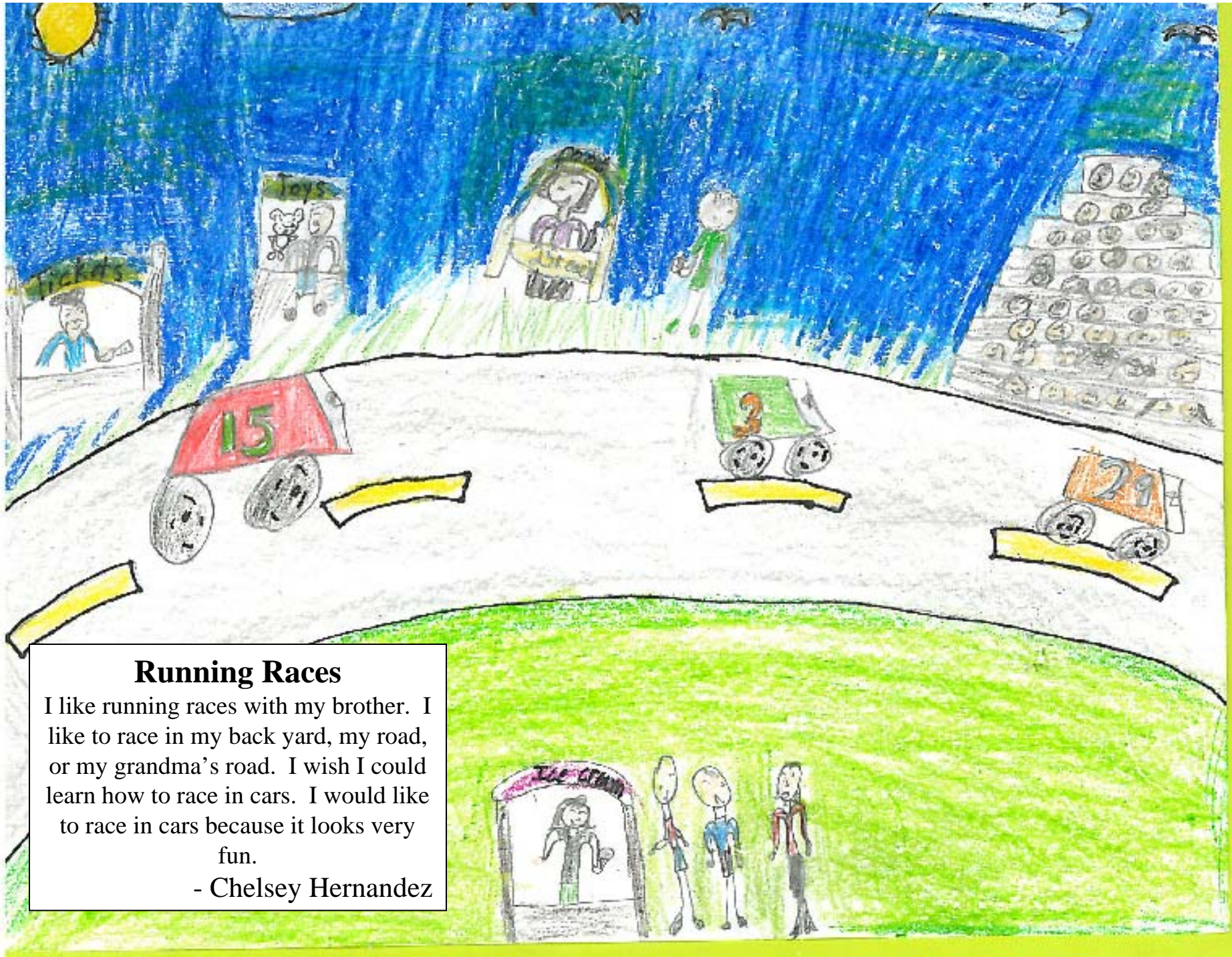
- Dareena Doyle

Trampolining

I like to jump on my trampoline with my brother in my backyard. I think an indoor trampoline in Soldotna would be fantastic. I think an indoor trampoline because it burns energy. If an indoor trampoline was built, it would let more kids jump on it and to let kids do it in the summer and the winter.

- Bechler Metcalf





Running Races

I like running races with my brother. I like to race in my back yard, my road, or my grandma's road. I wish I could learn how to race in cars. I would like to race in cars because it looks very fun.

- Chelsey Hernandez



Paint Ball

I like to play paint ball. I play with my friends and my brother. Paint ball is a game. You get fake guns and get little plastic balls with paint in them. We play paint ball in back yards. We have fun. After school I play paint ball. I play paint ball because it is fun. I like hideing. Hideing is fun.

- Noah Duetsch