

Walter Elwood Museum

2010 Summer Enrichment Camp

Organic Garden & Crafts Club for Kids, every Thursday, July 8-August 12, 9:00 am to 10:30 am

☐ Join Suzanna Van S. Hunter in creating a kids garden at the Guy Park Manor. We will grow things we like to eat! We will plant, water, weed and care for our garden each week and make unique and creative crafts from nature and our outdoor surroundings! Nature inspired camp crafts will include clay projects, painting, printing, and lacing using objects such as pinecones, rocks, and even Popsicle sticks. Wear old clothes and bring your garden gloves. Prepare for rain, our garden will need it! If the weather is uncooperative, we will move inside. Class size is limited. For ages 6 and up. **\$60.00 per child for the entire six weeks of gardening and fun!**

Native American Indian Week, July 13th – 15th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

☐ Tuesday, July 13th

Clothing & Teepees (Andrew Reed): Children will learn about the clothing worn by Native American Indians of the Mohawk and Iroquois tribes who lived in our local area and then make and decorate “leather vests” using native techniques and designs. Students will enjoy erecting a life-size model Teepee outside on the grounds of the Manor and end the day by having a fashion show of their completed vests and enjoy listening to Native American folktales inside the teepee!

☐ Wednesday, July 14th

Dream Catchers, Totem poles & Canoes (Andrew Reed): Children will enjoy learning about Native American Spiritual beliefs and Art. Students will make their own dream catchers and totem poles representing their own individual personalities and character. Later we will study the art of Native American Indian canoe making and each child will design and construct a model canoe. Lastly, we will go outside and try our hand at a few Native American games such as Hoop and Javelin.

☐ Thursday, July 15th

Trade Beads (Suzanna Van S. Hunter): The first European explorers and colonists gave Native Americans glass and ceramic beads as gifts and used beads to trade with them. These beads were used by the Native Americans in their beadwork which remains an integral part of some Indian cultures today. Kids will view the trade beads in our collection and then make their own paper beads, clay beads and string a necklace to wear or give as a gift to someone special.

Nature Lovers Week, July 20th – 22th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

☐ Tuesday, July 20st

Spider Silk (Scotia-Glenville Children’s Traveling Museum): Children will learn about spiders, their silk and webs by using finger puppets, songs and storytelling. A special take home project concludes the program.

Nature Hike/Scavenger Hunt (Ann Peconie, WEM): Children will enjoy an outdoor scavenger hunt on the grounds of the Manor and find a variety of natural items specific to our area and geographical region. Come exploring!

☐ Wednesday, July 21nd

Rocks Rock! (SGCTM): Children learn about everyday uses of rocks and minerals, especially quartz, granite and marble. Children work in teams as geologists performing experiments to classify specimens. Participants will be able to get up close and personal with the variety of rock samples in our collection.

Earthquakes: Whole Lot of Shaking Going On! (Cornell Cooperative Extension): Using the book “Earthquake!” by Bob Haduch, youth will explore what it’s like to experience an earthquake and learn how to make where they live “earthquake safe”. Working in small groups, youth will test toothpick and marshmallow towers on gelatin and clay surfaces to help them discover that ground conditions and structure design can affect an earthquake’s impact.

☐ Thursday, July 22rd

Fantastic Colored Lizards (SGCTM): Learn about lizards and their habitats. See colorful wooden lizards handmade by Zapotec Indians and other real lizard specimens in our museum natural history collection. Each child will make their own brightly colored lizard to take home and keep.

Pressed Flowers & Plants (Suzanna Van S. Hunter): We will examine and study the variety of pressed flowers and plants in our collections and then the kids will do a series of projects with native plants that grow around the Manor. We will press flowers, make some paper rubbings, ink and print leaves, and use photographic paper to make sun prints.

Healthy Kids Week, July 27th – 29th 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

☐ Tuesday, July 27th

Eating Smart (SGCTM): Children learn what food does for the body and how to make healthy food choices and snacks using the USDA Food Pyramid and a variety of activities associated with it.

Recycling for a Healthy Planet & Home (Patrick Clear of ECOS): Students will learn about paper recycling and how it helps trees, what happens to our garbage after it leaves our homes, and how to set up a compost area with red worms so kids can easily see how food waste can be recycled by nature itself!

☐ **Wednesday, July 28th**

ICE CREAM!! (Suzanna Van S. Hunter): Have fun learning about color mixing and pastel colors while we paint and collage a really big Ice Cream Sundae picture for this evening's 30th Annual Ice Cream Social! Plus lots of other fun painting projects if time permits!

☐ **Thursday, July 29th**

Germs, Germs, Germs! (Cornell Cooperative Extension): Using the book, "Germs, Germs, Germs!", by Bobbi Katz, youth will explore ways to protect themselves and their food from germs. Kids will learn proper hand-washing techniques, play a food safety board game and participate in a "Stop Those Germs" relay race. A hand-washing activity will also be included to show kids how good or bad they really are at washing their hands before meals and such

Making Our Planet Healthy! (Suzanna Van S. Hunter): Kids will enjoy making musical instruments and art from recycled materials and everyday discarded household items. Please bring a few things you throw away every week like paper towel tubes and/or cereal boxes. You will be amazed what can be made with these items!

Art at the Manor Week, August 3rd - 5th 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

☐ **Tuesday, August 3rd**

Origami Art (Suzanna Van S. Hunter): Origami is the ancient Japanese art of paper folding. Students will learn the basics of folding a variety of paper types. We will fold many items and create a nice little starburst book of folded paper to take home. We will also use the technique of marbleizing paper to make the most beautiful papers to take home and treasure!

☐ **Wednesday, August 4th**

Fish Block Printing (Suzanna Van S. Hunter): Gyotaku is Japanese for "Fish Print". It originated over a hundred years ago as a way for fishermen to record the size and species of the fish they had caught. We will use rubber fish replicas and if you bring a t-shirt, you can print your fish on your shirt as well as on a variety of papers!

☐ **Thursday, August 5th**

Paper making Fun! (Suzanna Van S. Hunter): We will make paper from scratch! And learn how paper was made before the machine age. Everyone will get to experiment with a variety of paper pulp and take home their own homemade papers. Students will add color and embellishments to their paper as will to make them their own. Instructions will go home on how to make more paper with recycled materials they have at home too!

Last Chance of Summer Science Spectacular with George Steele, August 24-26th 9:00 am to 12:00pm

☐ **Tuesday, August 24th**

Creepy Crawley on Land & Water (George Steele): Let's explore the world of invertebrates, the small creepy crawlies that make the world go round. We will look to see who lives in the leaves, the forest leaf litter, the soil, and the water.

☐ **Wednesday, August 25th**

The Feathered Ones: Life of Birds (George Steele): Let's take a look at the world of birds. We'll use binoculars to search for birds in the forest, lawn and waterways at the museum. Complete an owl pellet dissection to keep. Then we will build a bird house and bird feeders. Lastly, students will learn about the return of our national bird, the Bald Eagle. (Additional fee of \$18.00 for supplies)

☐ **Thursday, August 26th**

The Furry Ones: Life of Mammals (George Steele): Learn how to identify a mammal skull. Check out mammal bones and how they are alike and different from ours. Make an animal track t-shirt while learning different animals tracks. Take a walk around outside and look for the signs of mammals in our area.(bring a t-shirt to design)

Students can be dropped off as early as 8:30 a.m. each day and picked up as late as 12:30 p.m.

All students need to bring a snack and drink from home each day. Summer days can be warm, so please be sure to send enough beverages for your child; spill-proof sports bottles are encouraged. Snack time will take place between 10:15 and 10:30 each camp morning. Refrigeration is not available and the Walter Elwood Museum **can not** provide food to students.

Weekly Rate: \$65 non-members, \$50 members & Daily Rate: \$25 nonmembers, \$20 members

We offer a 10% discount for each additional sibling registered for the same camp day.

Please make checks payable to the Walter Elwood Museum. Return this form with payment to the Walter Elwood Museum, 366 West Main Street, Rt. 5, Amsterdam, NY 12010. This form may also be returned by fax to 518-843-6098 or email to museum@nycap.rr.com if using a credit card for payment.

CHILD'S NAME(S) _____

PARENT'S NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

CHILD'S AGE(S) _____ DAYTIME/CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____ HOME PHONE _____

COURSE CHOICES (please indicate on form) **TOTAL PAID** _____

_____ **Please check here if your family is already a current Museum member.**

_____ **Family memberships are \$30.00 and can be purchased at the time of registration. Please check here to purchase a family membership to the Walter Elwood Museum. Remember – memberships are valid for one year and enable you to receive discounts on Fall 2010 camps, too!**

Credit Card Payments: MasterCard Visa American Express Discover

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