Oberlin Heritage Center Offers Two New Spring Break Mini-Camps for Kids

Kids often look forward to school’s Spring Break, only to find themselves at loose ends with “nothing to do” and missing their friends. This year, try something different: Come to the Oberlin Heritage Center’s Spring Break Mini-Camps for Kids (ages 8-13) and take a journey into the past that’s fun, creative and a great way to hang out with friends old and new. Choose one or both of these new two-day mini-camps:

**Undercover History: Spies, Detectives, and Police** (March 24 & 25) – Together we will explore the history of people who watch, listen, conclude, and act to keep their country…or their secrets safe. Document your fingerprints and solve a mystery. Develop an alter ego and sneak around in disguise. Watch carefully to identify the liar in the group. Figure out a way to send a secret message.

**Ancient Egypt** (March 26 & 27) – Learn about the people, gods and land of the pharaohs. How did they build their mighty monuments? What wonders did they want with them in their tombs? Together we will gaze upon treasures from Egypt, craft an object for the afterlife, write a message in hieroglyphics, and sample Egyptian cuisine.

Camps run from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Oberlin Depot (240 South Main Street, Oberlin) and are led by Oberlin Heritage Center staff members Elizabeth Schultz and Jen Graham, assisted by adult and teen community volunteers. Schultz is the Museum Education and Tour Coordinator for the Oberlin Heritage Center. She graduated with degrees in archaeology and anthropology from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and Binghamton University (NY). She earned a M.A. in museum studies with a focus in museum education from the Cooperstown Graduate Program (NY). This is her sixth year leading children’s camps for the Oberlin Heritage Center. Graham is an AmeriCorps member working in Northeast Ohio as a Local History Corps volunteer through the Ohio Historical Society. She is an honors graduate from Oberlin College (class of 2012) with a degree in early U.S. History.

Camp fees are $45 per two-day camp per child ($40 for children and grandchildren of Oberlin Heritage Center members). Register by March 1 and there is a $3 per camp “early bird” discount. Partial scholarships are available to those who qualify for schools’ free lunch programs. Make a reservation online at [www.oberlinheritagecenter.org](http://www.oberlinheritagecenter.org) or contact the Oberlin Heritage Center office (73½ South Professor Street, Oberlin, 440/774-1700) to request a registration form. For more information, contact Liz Schultz at tourinfo@oberlinheritage.org.

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