



2010 Summer Children's Programs

Summer Camps

This summer, the Oberlin Heritage Center will offer a variety of week long and one-day camps for boys and girls ages 8 to 17. The programs are designed to stimulate children's creativity and to whet their appetites for history, architecture, art, crafts, games, and the tastes and sounds of other cultures and other times. Camps are led by an experienced teacher assisted by college student interns and youth and community volunteers. The classes are held at the air-conditioned Oberlin Depot at 240 South Main Street, with some walking field trips to interesting places nearby. For all sessions, children should bring a bag lunch. Simple snacks are provided.

Session I: Junior Docent Camp, June 21 to 25 (for ages 13 to 17). This camp will introduce young people who are interested in community service and leadership to techniques of greeting visitors, giving tours, teaching historic games, and much more. Following completion of the week-long session, participants can assist with various tours, special events and programs as their schedules permit. If the student completes fifteen hours of service for the Heritage Center by the end of 2010, \$50 of the participation fee will be reimbursed. What a great way to develop new skills, build your resume, meet other students who love history, and complete community service hours! Teacher Liz Schultz is eager to share with young students the behind the scenes fun of being a museum docent. The hours for this camp are 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Note: this camp will be held in the Jewett House of the Oberlin Heritage Center, not at the Oberlin Depot.

History for the Day Camps: July 27 to 30

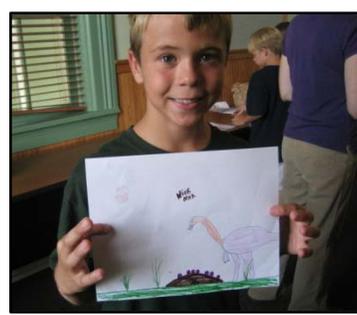
One-day camps on specific topics are designed to help meet badge requirements for Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts and will also appeal to children who are not in a scouting program. Each session is from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Session II: What Makes America Special? (Tuesday, July 27). This program for boys ages 8 to 10 is designed in accordance with Bear level Cub Scout badge requirements. Participants will tour Oberlin and visit historic homes, hear stories about famous and infamous residents, learn about Ohio's history and state symbols and share how they can become good citizens.

Session III: The Past is Exciting and Important (Wednesday, July 28). This program for boys ages 8 to 10 is designed in accordance with Bear level Cub Scout badge requirements. Scouts will have fun with history by visiting a historic site, digging through old newspapers, making a journal, and trying historic games.

Session IV: Local Lore (Thursday, July 29). This program for girls ages 8 to 11 is designed in accordance with Junior Girl Scout badge requirements. Activities will include exploring town with a guide, visiting a museum, and being a history detective to figure out how things have changed using historic maps and photographs.

Session V: Junior & Cadette Camp (Friday, July 30) This program for girls in grades 4 through 8 will tie together themes from the "It's Your World – Change It" Journey and the "Women Through Time" Interest Project to focus on women from Oberlin's past: how they lived, how they were treated, and what they felt. Activities will include a history tour, reading journals and letters from women in the past, and trying hands-on activities that were part of women's everyday life in the 1800s.



Hands on History Week-Long Summer Day Camps

These camps are designed for children ages 8 to 13. Each session is from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Friday there is a program at 4 p.m. for the children to share what they have learned with their families and friends.

Session VI: Local Inventors and Innovators Camp, August 2 – August 6. Boys and girls will put on their thinking caps while learning about people from Oberlin and Ohio who invented new technology and pioneered new ideas. Camp will include hands-on experiments, creative puzzle-solving, walking excursions around town, and performing a short play about Oberlin's famous inventor, Charles Martin Hall.

Session VII: Green Camp, August 9 – August 13. Students will learn to appreciate the environment around them through eco-friendly activities while trying to produce as little waste as possible. They will not only learn the “Three R’s” (reduce, reuse, recycle), but will put them into practice. Activities include the creation of recycled art projects and field trips to local places that have made a priority of putting the earth’s resources first. Kids are encouraged to bring lunches in reusable containers and reusable water bottles for drinks.

Session VIII: Architecture, August 16 – August 20. Campers will enjoy learning about architecture and the design profession by exploring local buildings and their unique details, trying architectural drawing and building activities, constructing mini-buildings, and meeting with an architect. Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts attending this camp will complete some requirements for Architecture badges and Interest Projects.

Meet our great teachers! *Liz 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). Liz then earned a M.A. in museum studies with a focus in museum education from the Cooperstown Graduate Program (New York). Liz enjoys inspiring curiosity, creativity, and an appreciation for diverse cultures, past and present. *Maria Surovy* is a middle school social studies teacher at The Ratner School in Pepper Pike. She has taught Oberlin Heritage Center summer camps for several years. Mrs. Surovy is a graduate of the University of Dayton with a degree in secondary education in history and political science and has a M.S. degree in Historic Preservation from Ball State (Indiana). She taught for one year in Saipan in the Northern Marianas Islands and has traveled extensively throughout Asia and Europe. She attended a 2005 Gilder Lehrman Institute at Cambridge University on the Cold War. Assisting Liz and Maria will be *Mary Moroney*, who grew up in Oberlin and has helped at several camps in the past as a Leadership Lorain County summer intern. She is a recent graduate of Ohio University's College of Education.

Please contact Museum Education and Tour Coordinator Liz Schultz for additional information or to inquire about early drop off or late pick up for an extra hourly fee. She can be reached at 440-774-1700 or by e-mail at tourinfo@oberlinheritage.org.

(Please register online or send in the last page of this flyer.)

Children and Family Summer Programs

This summer the Oberlin Heritage Center is offering a wide variety of programs for children to enjoy. Registration is available online and on the last page of this flyer.

May 8 (Saturday – 11:00 a.m.) Only in Oberlin, **The Big Parade** celebrates downtown Oberlin, creativity, and the arts and welcomes anyone and everyone to join in the fun! Watch for Oberlin Heritage Center volunteers marching in the parade and promoting summer programs (and let us know if you'd like to join in the fun)! No registration necessary.

May 29 (Saturday, 3 – 4 p.m.) The **I Spy Oberlin: History and Architecture Scavenger Hunt** is designed for children ages 5-11 with an adult companion. Families will be guided through historic Oberlin while keeping their eyes peeled for historic markers, decorative details, and Oberlin oddities. Fun and engaging for all! Reservations required; fee \$5 per child. Location: The "hunt" begins at the Monroe House and traverses outside in fair weather; we will "spy" inside our historic buildings if it's raining.

June 12 (Saturday, 3 – 4:30 p.m.) **Hands On History at the Schoolhouse: Dairy Day**. Families with children ages 7 and older will enjoy old-fashioned fun in the Little Red Schoolhouse as history and stories combine with an opportunity to churn up some sweet creamy butter or frosty ice cream. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations required by June 5; fee \$8 per child. 25 maximum/5 minimum.

June 26 (Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) Observe or take part in Oberlin's fifth-anniversary **Chalk Walk** celebration which continues the tradition of festive, colorful sidewalk painting that began in 16th century Italy. All skill levels are welcome – work right alongside master professional artists and local artists as they create works of sidewalk art all over downtown Oberlin. High quality pastels are provided to all participants. Free and open to the public, no registration necessary. For more information, visit <http://www.oberlinchalkwalk.com/>.

June 26 (Saturday, 3 – 4 p.m.) The **I Spy Oberlin: History and Architecture Scavenger Hunt** is designed for children ages 5-11 with an adult companion. Families will be guided through historic Oberlin while keeping their eyes peeled for historic markers, decorative details, and Oberlin oddities. Fun and engaging for all! Reservations required; fee \$5 per child. Location: The "hunt" begins at the Monroe House and traverses outside in fair weather; we will "spy" inside our historic buildings if it's raining.



Children's Summer Programs Continued...

July 17 (Saturday, 3-4 p.m.) **Stories at the Schoolhouse.** A fun social and learning opportunity for preschoolers (and interested others) to gather at the Little Red Schoolhouse and enjoy a mix of stories and games. Co-sponsored by the Oberlin Public Library. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Free. (Registration appreciated.)

July 24 (Saturday, 3 – 4 p.m.) **I Spy Oberlin: History and Architecture Scavenger Hunt** is designed for children ages 5-11 with an adult companion. Families will be guided through historic Oberlin while keeping their eyes peeled for historic markers, decorative details, and Oberlin oddities. Fun and engaging for all! Reservations required; fee \$5 per child. Location: The “hunt” begins at the Monroe House and traverses outside in fair weather; we will "spy" inside our historic buildings if it's raining.

August 7 (Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) **Family Fun Fair/Vintage Days.** Enjoy a community tradition featuring free family activities all over downtown with hands-on fun and mini-tours at the Oberlin Heritage Center. No registration necessary.

August 14 (Saturday from 3-4:30 p.m.) **Hands on History at the Schoolhouse: A Dutch Oven Cooking Demonstration** is designed for families with children ages 7 and older who will learn how to cook in a Dutch oven, prepare a recipe, visit historic kitchens, and sample a Dutch oven dish. Dutch ovens are cast iron pots that have been used in cooking for hundreds of years. We will be heating ours in a fire pit dug into the ground. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Register by August 7; fee \$8 per child. 25 maximum/5 minimum.

August 21 (Saturday, 3-4 p.m.) **Stories at the Schoolhouse.** A fun social and learning opportunity for preschoolers (and interested others) to gather at the Little Red Schoolhouse and enjoy a mix of stories and games. Co-sponsored by the Oberlin Public Library. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Free. (Registration appreciated.)

August 28 (Saturday at 3:00 p.m.) **I Spy Oberlin: History and Architecture Scavenger Hunt** is designed for children ages 5-11 with an adult companion. Families will be guided through historic Oberlin while keeping their eyes peeled for historic markers, decorative details, and Oberlin oddities. Fun and engaging for all! Reservations required; fee \$5 per child. Location: The “hunt” begins at the Monroe House and traverses outside in fair weather; we will "spy" inside our historic buildings if it's raining.

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Registration Form for 2010 Oberlin Heritage Center Summer Programs:

(Please complete a registration form for each child)

Name of Child: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Parent or guardian: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Parent's e-mail: _____

Parent's cell-phone: _____

Medical issues or allergies we should be aware of: _____

In Case of Emergency, please contact:

1) Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

2) Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

Please Register My Child for the Following Session(s):

Summer Camps (see below about Early Bird Discount!)

	Cost	_____
___ Session I: Junior Docents, June 21-25.	\$75/\$65 members	_____
___ Session II: What Makes America Special? July 27	\$20/\$18 members	_____
___ Session III: The Past is Exciting & Important, July 28	\$20/\$18 members	_____
___ Session IV: Local Lore, July 29	\$20/\$18 members	_____
___ Session V: Junior & Cadette Camp, July 30	\$20/\$18 members	_____
___ Session VI: Local Inventors & Innovators, August 2-6	\$95/\$85 members	_____
___ Session VII: Green Camp, August 9-13	\$95/\$85 members	_____
___ Session VIII: Architecture, August 16-20	\$95/\$85 members	_____

I Spy Oberlin: History and Architecture Scavenger Hunt

___ May 29 3:00-4:00 p.m.	\$5/child	_____
___ June 26 3:00-4:00 p.m.	\$5/child	_____
___ July 24 3:00-4:00 p.m.	\$5/child	_____
___ August 28 3:00-4:00 p.m.	\$5/child	_____

Hands on History at the Schoolhouse

___ June 12 Dairy Day 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	\$8/child	_____
___ August 14 Dutch Oven Cooking 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	\$8/child	_____

Stories at the Schoolhouse

___ July 17 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	FREE	<u>0</u>
___ August 21 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	FREE	<u>0</u>

Minus Early Bird Discount for registering for camps prior to June 11
(\$5/week-long camp, \$2/day camp)

Subtotal: _____

Minus: _____

Total: _____

(More on the reverse)

Notes about Registration

Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Classes may be cancelled if a minimum enrollment is not met by one week prior to the start date. No refunds will be made within one week prior to the session the registrant is scheduled to attend. Partial scholarships may be available to those who qualify for schools' free lunch programs. Reservations must be accompanied by payment. Grandchildren of Oberlin Heritage Center members may receive the member discount as well.

Please enclose check payable to Oberlin Heritage Center and mail to P.O. Box 0455, Oberlin, OH, 44074. Reservations can also be made online at www.oberlinheritage.org.

Would you like to be placed on a waiting list if the session you requested is full?

Yes, put me on a waiting list and hold my check No, please return my check

Do you grant your permission for us to photograph your child for use in our publications?

Yes No

Do you grant permission for your child to go on accompanied walking field trips?

Yes No

Please contact me about volunteering for this or other programs.

How did you hear about this program? _____

Your name (print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Questions?

Please call the Museum Education and Tour Coordinator, Liz Schultz, at 440-774-1700 or send an e-mail to tourinfo@oberlinheritage.org.

