



Fingerprints

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Summer Wrapup & Fall Events at CM



The Children's Museum
311 Main Street
Utica, NY 13501

THIS MONTH'S EVENTS: Our August 3rd, Children's Museum 4th Annual International Halls of Fame: Bicycling, Rowing, Canoeing & Kayaking Induction Ceremony includes Inductees - Bicycling: Steve Sonne; Canoeing: Susan Beck & Tanna Fries; Kayaking: Chris Koll & Nigel Foster. More info & pictures on our website.

PAST EVENTS: Our 4th Annual Folk Art Festival, held July 20th & 21st, for children & adults, sponsored by NYSCA (New York State Council on the Arts), provided an opportunity to learn about the rich diversity of area traditions.

SPRINGSUMMER EVENTS: Thanks to grants from the

Community Foundation and the OC Youth Bureau, we were able to offer field trips to Utica City elementary students, & a SciTech Camp to the Thea Bowman House & Catholic Charities! What fun learning science while building robots!

UPCOMING EVENTS:
Sat, Oct 27th: Bring the kids to our Halloween Boo Bash, 10a-2p

Sat, Nov 24, 2007 - 10am to 4pm, The Children's Museum Holiday on Main Street features holiday music, arts & crafts, face painting, balloon making & Santa!

Sat., Nov. 17th,

2007 - The Children's Museum will celebrate its 44th Anniversary Holiday Gala (Black tie optional) (*from 6:30 to 10:30pm*) Catered food & full bar, live music, fun auction. Donation only \$85 per person / \$150 per couple (*pre-paid*). Tickets on our secure shopping cart at www.museum4kids.net

Every year, during the month of September, the museum is only open part-time. This enables us to do renovations.

Circle: Join our Circle of Champions - Fund the Vision, "help write the next chapter of the Children's Museum's on-going success story."

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www.museum4kids.net

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VOLUNTEER: Donate your services & exhibits, offer your talents, volunteer your time, bring your kids, family, your group to the only Children's Museum in Central NY. Help make a difference in your community by becoming part of a wonderful legacy that will live on long after you're gone!

Contributions to The Children's Museum are tax deductible.



~ Honor the Past & Pave the Future ~ Be Part of Commemorative Brick Project!



Join Children's Museum Commemorative Brick Sidewalk Charter! Purchase your personalized engraved brick for the paved sidewalk in front of the museum to support our community treasure.

Only \$75., each brick holds 14 characters per line, up to 3 lines.

Download form on our website & join Dan Trevisani, Nicholas Calogero Jr, Dr. Nancy Shaheen, Joan Shkane, Mukesh Shah, Northern Safety, Dr. Philip Reitz, Dr. Anthony/Carol Mandour, Dr. Leo Sullivan, Garro Drugstore, Don/Linda Dresher, Bader Reynolds, Les/Mackie Kernan, M & R Heating, Dr. Demetrios Skamas,

Joanne Torchia, Jr League, Marlene Brown, Rotary eClub NY1, Steve Genett, Joanne PalumboMozloom, Frank Grue-newald, John Stephenson, Sandi Burrows-Schmidt, Megan Scolaro, Utica First, Chuck Fougner, Jack Lucid, Al DeSalvatore, Barb Shuck, Mark Harf, Ed Paparella, Alice O'Shea, Sharon Rivera.

Director's Report: NYS Sen. Griffo Grants * July Folk Art Festival * Field Trip Visits thanks to Community Foundation * Gala '07 Date!



It's Children's Museum supporters & heroes like NYS Senator Joe Griffo who keep helping us make a positive difference for our community! His securing of grant money for us for the building's lighting is one more step for us in renovating this great building, recently *declared a NYS & Federal historic building!*

Thanks to the Community Foundation for a grant which enabled us to provide field trips to our Children's Museum for Utica City School District Elementary students.

Mark your calendars for our Anniversary Gala Sat. Nov. 17th, '07 so as to not conflict with holiday parties. *Ask how you can attend our Private Pre-Gala Party!*

Our Circle of Champions is asking our community to take advantage of the opportunity to partner with us/help Fund the Vision, for families & children we serve.

We're proud of our 1,000's of exhibits, in 60 pavilions, creating an educationally enjoyable experience for all who visit.

We're delighted when local visitors & tourists alike praise our museum & what it offers.

NYS Curriculum Enrichment Programs are offered to Pre-K, Daycare, Schools & Scouts.

Groups book field trips, families enjoy outings & birthday parties, tourists enjoy exhibits.

Groups gain admission to CM's 4 floors of interactive exhibits. Bag lunches can be eaten in our kitchen. Come on in for a great family day! www.museum4kids.net/



Want to Help us w/a CM History Book?

We frequently hear from/about people who have been involved over the 43 years of our Children's Museum existence, and often get asked why we don't have a book on our history. So we're going to begin one & need your help! Please call or email Director Marlene Brown with any information you may have about the formation/growth of the museum, exhibits, and/or people involved.



There's Always a Rainbow at CM!

Happy children grow up to be happy adults, who are more likely to stay & support the community they grew up in. CNY's only Children's Museum, one of the oldest in the country - a safe, fun, learning environment - is a definite asset to the Mohawk Valley, one all of us can be proud of & utilize to its highest capacity. We continue renovations and new exhibits. What better place to bring * youngsters on a field trip * scouts to earn badge * family for great day out * children for fun time?

Children's Museum Board

Officers: Daniel Trevisani, Joseph Ruggiero, Jack Cassidy, Arthur Rapp Jr. **Directors:** Joanne Palumbo-Mozloom, Christine Cougan-Schram, Diane Polce, Cisco Piersma, John Stephenson

Museum Executive Director:

Marlene B. Brown

Museum Staff: Christie Hubbard, Mandy Hajjar, Krystal Gonzalez, Jason Williams. **Volunteer:** Exhibits Manager, Earl Lewis

Check our website for event specifics and upcoming dates.

CM Heroes Serve our Children: Corp Sponsors; Donors; Volunteers; Wish List



We welcome volunteers. There's no greater reward than helping the children.

How can you help? You can assist with scheduled activities, offer a program in your area of talent or interest, help keep the museum shipshape, or help by donating to

Our wish list: toys in good shape, exhibit items, art supplies, educa-

tional items of value. These will give you a renewed sense of pride as *we continue to serve the children, our future.*

A *Corporate Membership* is a positive way to impact the community. Our *levels of corporate sponsors* are: a \$500 Velociraptor, a \$1,000 Brontosaurus, a \$2,000 Triceratops, a \$5,000 Diplodocus, a \$10,000 Ovirap-

tor, and a \$25,000 T-Rex. We value your donations & support.

Our 44th Anniversary Campaign is underway to gain new & renewed sponsors as *CM Heroes (check back page)*. Please show your thanks by investing in their products and services.

Check out our Sponsors & Donors page on our website & join them!



Aug./Sept. 2007 Calendar

Check online calendar for updates

Made possible with funds from the NYS Council on the Arts and the many sponsors who support the Children's Museum's Youth Education Enrichment Programs & Exhibits.



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 7-28 Lego/Trains / Space Sci |
| 7-29 <i>Closed</i> | 7-30 Activities: Crafty Creations | 7-31 Activities: Cute Critters | 8-1 <i>Closed</i> | 8-2 Activity: Musical Mayhem | 8-3 Activities: Puppet Theatre | 8-4 Legos, Trains, Space Science |
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Join educators, families & groups who book *educational field trips* to the Children's Museum! Check our website, call us at 315-724-6129, visit us in person. Here's some of what you'll find: *1st floor* - Play Space, Exploration Space, Saturn, Tea Room, Dentist Office, Grocery Store, Micro Room, Trains; *2nd floor* - Musical Stage, Iroquois Longhouse, History Diorama, Trading Post, Fossil Dig, Dinosaurs; *3rd floor* - Science Room, Animals/Insects, Legos, Computers, Arts/Crafts, Weather & Radio Rooms, Truck Dig; Halls Fame; *4th floor* - Airplanes, Fire/Police, NASA/Office of Science, Hot Wheels Hall.

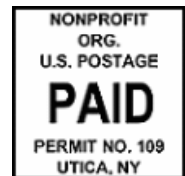
MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Fri. Aug. 3rd, Int'l Halls of Fame: BRCK Induction Ceremony * Oct. 27 Boo Bash * Nov. Gala 17th /HOMS 24th * View info & pictures on our website at: www.museum4kids.net

Contact Info:

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Natural History, Science & Technology,
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Normal Museum Hours: Open Monday,
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:45am-3:45pm;
Saturday 10:00am to 4:00pm; Closed Wed.
& Sun. & some holidays. *Check our online
calendar for September closing dates.*

Admission: \$9.00 for adults & children;
Members + under 1 yr Free (*reduced member
fee for some events*). Group rates available.



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tered by NYS Board of Regents.
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* Purchase from our Gift Shop

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CM's Heroes & Heroines: *they continue to make a difference.*

* NYS Senator Joe Griffo * NASA * Office Science * Community Foundation * Oneida Co. Youth Bureau
* Pratt & Whitney HMI Metal Powders * Prevalare Life Science * Ray Meier * * Sherwood Boehlert
* Indium Corp. * Con Med * Jack Cassidy * Joe Ruggerio * Dan Trevisani * M.V. Astronomy Society
* Princeton Lab * Utica Fire/Police Dept's * Mark Scheideman * Joan T. Shkane Esq. * The Blue Flag
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* M.V. Business Women * Alice P.O'Shea * Les/Mackie Kernan * Walmart * Proctor High * National Grid
* GE Elfun's * Quadsimia * advantechcny.com * Northern Safety * Earle Reed * Utica Nat'l * Bonide
* Madonia Electric * The Junior League * Col. & Mrs. Kurt Hoch * NYSERDA * Dr. Donald Rosinski
* Zangrilli Engineering * Drs. Anthony Furino/John Hamlin * Ed Waskiewicz * Oneida Nation Foundation
* H.J. Brandeles * Wilcor/Your Store * Hannaford's * Garro Drugstore * Wendy Leach * JayK Lumber
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* Charles Higgins * Dr. Joel Amidon * NBT Bank * Utica First * F.X. Matt * Smiley the Clown * APAC
* Allen Gilberti * Mark Andrello * Time Warner * Herk. Co. Comm. College * C.O.P.P.S. Medical
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