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**Monthly newsletter of The Children's Museum of History,
Natural History, Science & Technology June 2002**

The Children's Museum Summer Programs include Weather Explorations & Children's Theatre Workshop!

The Children's Museum announces a new summer schedule. Parents, children and educators can anticipate a summer jam packed with fun & valuable museum sponsored activities.

The summer programs kick off July 1st with the introduction of two new programs into the existing lineup. The first, *Weather Explorations*, takes a bi-weekly look at various weather phenomena, such as the formation of rainbows, clouds,

storms, wind. Engaging in interactive activities and utilizing CM's rich technical & scientific resources enables children to learn hands on *how & why* the world around them works. *Explorations* take place 11 am Tues's & Thurs's during the month of July, welcoming children of all ages

The museum is equally excited about the second



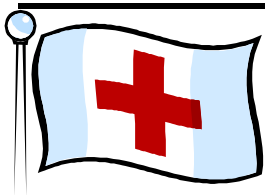
new program offered in July. *The Children's Theater Workshop* will produce Little Women in Orchard House. The museum is now recruiting children of all ages and interests. Tryouts for acting roles are Mon. eve July 1 & Tues. pm July 2. The museum will host rehearsals Mon evenings from 6-7 pm & Tues-Fri from 1:30-2:30. Children looking to work behind the scenes are asked to come out as well. Production is set for Sunday, August 4.

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CM Site of American Red Cross Blood Drive & Host of Genesis

Joe Hoying, American Red Cross - Donor Services, announces that The Children's Museum has been chosen as the site for the *Observer-Dispatch* blood drive to be held on Monday, June 17. Registration hours are from 8am to 1pm. Check the OD & in CM & on our website

for further details. CM recently hosted a meeting of the Genesis Young Professionals who have revived The Mohawk Valley 4th of July Parade. Parade's Grand Marshalls are Cathy Dwyer, of the Utica Police Dept. & Tony Maddia, Utica Firefighter of the Year. Teresa Lee, of WKTV news, will be Master of Cermonies.

The Genesis YP's, with the support of SBU & the City of Utica, are looking for more float entrants, bands, & young people to get involved, plus volunteers to help them organize the entrants.

For more info contact Larry Desiato at City Hall or Chairpersons Ray Durso & Betsey Snyder at genesis_ii@hotmail.com

The parade will begin at 6pm at Our Lady of Lourdes, going north on Genesee, turning onto the Parkway, ending at the tennis courts for the evening festivities. Local political figures will be marching in the parade. If you'd like to help w/the CM float, let President Marlene know.



Things You Can Count On & Things that are New!

Preschoolers delight in *Story-time* Tuesday's at 10:30am, *Music for Munchkins* Wed's at 10:30am, *Arts & Crafts* Thurs's 10:30am.

Children of all ages will enjoy *Groovy Baby Brach Gardening* Tues's & Thurs's at 1:30pm, and *Feeding our Animals* every Friday at 1:30pm, plus *Utica Monday Nite* from 5-8pm.

Here's a sampling of a typical busy Children's Museum week:

Monday: *Utica Monday Night* special events; 5:00-8:00 pm

Tuesday: *Storytime*; 10:30 am;

Groovy Brach Gardening; 1:30p
Wednesday: *Music for Munchkins*; 10:30 am

Thursday: *Arts & Crafts* 10:30 am; *Groovy Gardening*; 1:30p

Friday: *Story-time*; 10:30 am; *Feeding Our Animals*; 11:30 am

Saturday: *Creative Science* 1:00pm; *Train Tour*; 2:00 pm

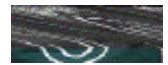
Sunday: *Historic Building, Park and Train Tour Program*; 1:30 pm

WEBSITE NEWS: View updates on people & events that help the Museum grow. "Happy children

grow up to be happy adults, who are more likely to stay & support the community they grew up in".

The Children's Museum is an asset to the Mohawk Valley, one all residents can be both proud of and utilize to its highest capacity. So come on down and join what will be an amazing summer.

GIFTS: Check out new offerings in our CM gift shop or buy online



CM Field Trips, B-day Parties & Parade

School groups, daycare centers, & scouts continue to find a visit or *field trip* to our Museum with 1 of our educational programs a great experience for children. Our catered theme *birthday parties & adult events*, in the enjoyable & historic Children's Museum surroundings, continue to be popular with groups & families. *Download Brochure:* describing our programs & birthday info on our website.

June Programs: Check the flyer & web for programs scheduled in June, including *Utica Monday Nite* & come join the fun! Also check out the great *summer programs* planned for July & August at the Children's Museum, and join us in creating & riding on our *CM float* in the *4th of July parade!* Contact President Marlene if interested.



CM Board of Directors

Officers:

Marlene B. Brown, President
David Pendergast, Vice-Pres
Sarah Kilian, Secretary
Robert Deschano, Treasurer

Members:

Stacy Butcher, Jim Nerschook,
Ellen Rayhill, Ralph Froio, Sharon
Hieber, Lynn Shaw, Ed Molloy,
Matt Renninger, Joe Ruggerio,
John Stephenson, Dan Trevisani

Staff & Volunteers:

Marlene Brown, Earl Lewis, Don
Zyga, Jim Castilla, Erin Vergien,
Joanne Campbell

Become A CM Hero: Volunteers & Corporate Members



We welcome volunteers to help with our many activities. There's no greater reward than helping the children. What can you volunteer for? Helping out with regularly scheduled programs. Or offering a program in your own area of talent or interest. Or helping keep the museum in ship-shape condition, using your area of expertise, do-

nating exhibits, art supplies, other educational 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. The *kids that come to the Children's Museum* are the ones that grow up and shape our community.

Our levels of corporate sponsors include a \$250 T-Rex, a \$500 Velociraptor, a \$1,000 Brontosaurus, a \$2,000 Triceratops, a \$5,000 Diplodocus, & a \$10,000 Oviraptor. We value, and we welcome your donations & your support as we continue to expand and grow!



June '02 Calendar

This service is made possible with funds from the New York State Council on the Arts, a state agency. Thank you also to the NYS Office of Children and Family Services for funds provided through the Herkimer County Youth Bureau to support the Museum's Youth Education Enrichment Programs.



Sunday

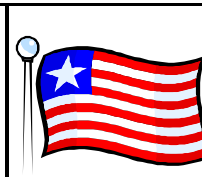
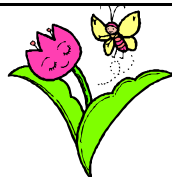
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Check our website for additional information on CM specials. Join the many local families & groups who book *birthday parties, educational field trips, & meeting events* at the Children's Museum! Check our website, call us 315-724-6129, visit us in person. Here's some of what you'll find: *1st floor* - Playspace, Exploration, Saturn, Musical exhibit, Trains; *2nd floor* - Longhouse, Diorama, Fossils, Dinosaurs; *3rd floor* - Living Science, Arts & Crafts, Weather Station.

Our *4th floor* renovation is continuing for "Transportation Yesterday, Today, & Tomorrow" exhibits, and we're hoping to open it July 5th — keep watching us grow!

Contact Info:

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Museum Hours:

Tuesday-Saturday 10:00am to 4:30pm;
Sunday 12:00pm to 4:30pm
(unless otherwise noted on Calendar)

Admission:

\$3.50 per person, Members plus
children 12 months & under Free.
Special group rates available.



Check our website for up to
date info and pictures and
special programs offered
throughout the month!

Important Info in June 2002 Issue

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New/Renew Members

Family Memberships:

Donna & Daniel Dellanno
Jennifer & Michael Yingling
Melinda & Chris Boufford
Steven & MaryAnne Winters
Daniel Swider
Tom & Sally Creaser
Robert Minor
Lisa & Gregory Bolton, Jr.
Donna & Tim Kohlbrenner
Jill Siegenthaler
Laureen & Dennis Violante
Denise & Doug Savoy

Members con't

Family + Memberships:

Rachel & Trevor Caron

May Birthdays

Kenny Butler, 5 yrs old
Carmen Perez, 4 yrs old
Carol Simpson, 7 yrs old
Brianna Fuccillo, 4 yrs old
Stephen Penge, 2 yrs old
Calvin Froelick, 9 yrs old
Andre Westcott, 5 yrs old
Johnny Siniscarco, 5 yrs old
Brittany Bohling, 7 yrs old

May Birthday's con't.

Isabelle Schultz, 5 yrs old
Rebecca Laporte, 8 yrs old
Rachel Piersma, 6 yrs old
Maria Scalzo, 4 yrs old

CM's Future

As we embrace the rich
history of the past and
face the challenges of the present,
we continue to seek opportunities
for the future as we stay focused
on the children we so
enthusiastically serve.
Come join us on our
wonderful journey.

