



Fingerprints

Monthly newsletter of The Children's Museum of History, Natural History, Science & Technology August 2003



August Events Rock at the Children's Museum!

August 1st, 2003, First Annual Induction Ceremonies: The Children's Museum is proud to be the new home of the International Bicycling Hall of Fame & the International Halls of Fame for Rowing, Kayaking, Canoeing, the brainchild of Utica native and enthusiast Ed Waszkiewicz. View exhibits on the museum's 3rd & 4th floors. **Join us at 11:00am on August 1st,** as we induct the first honorees into our Int'l Halls of Fame.

Join us **August 23rd** from 6:30-9:30pm for **Friday Nite in Baggs Square Park** an evening of wine, ale, art auction. Catered by O'Connor's Alexander Hamilton Inn with Music by Mirage Tickets: \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door, are available at Hannaford's & the Children's Museum. Made possible by Matt Brewery, Bremer's Wine, O'Connor's, Hannaford, Casa Imports, Swedish Hill Winery, Regent Broadcasting, WKTV.

August 23rd & 24th, 2003 is the first time the nationally known **Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament** will be in Utica, NY. Begun in 1974, with Scott McNeal & 18 friends playing competitively on his parents' driveway basketball include over 200,000 players in 75 US cities. The Charity benefiting is The Children's Museum. Call John Snyder at 315-732-8661 or register online at www.mackerutica.com/

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GO! Utica O-D Names Children's Museum 1 of 10

We were thrilled the **Utica Observer Dispatch** named the **Children's Museum 1 of the 10 CNY places** for Boilermaker tourists & families to visit! Summer brings youngsters, families, tourists, & daycare providers to the Children's Museum to enjoy the numerous programs & exhibits.

Summer programs include Trumpet Bonanza; SciFi MadLib; Weather Phen; Spanish Fun; Karaoke; DinoDigIt; Insects & Animals; Planet Parade; Rocket Building; Pinch Pots; CNY Trivia; Candle Chemistry; Explosive Water; Rub-A-Dub; Lego Challenge. **1st floor,** children under 5 years of age enjoy our life-size wooden train & Thomas music in PlaySpace while older children enjoy exploring our

Main Street area & Exploration Space. **2nd floor** children enjoy storytelling & live karaoke, along with Erie Canal & Dinorama exhibits. **3rd floor,** children enjoy Thomas the Train & Lego exhibits, animals, & rowboats/canoes/kayaks. **4th floor,** children & adults alike enjoy bicycles, our airplane, our intriguing NASA exhibits.

VOLUNTEER: Donate your services, volunteer your time, offer your talents, 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 we're gone! We're proud to be an important asset to our community.



Director's Report: Museum's New Air Conditioning & Surveillance System

The Children's Museum forward movement focuses this month on: installing air conditioning, a video surveillance system to keep our kids & exhibits safe, continued work on our 4th floor building renovations, & building an Erie Canal working exhibit for kids.



Our NYS Curriculum Enrichment Programs are offered to educators and children from Preschools & Daycare Centers to Elementary Schools & Scout

troops. Included in our lineup of programs are: Moccasins & Sneakers, Dinosaurs & Fossils, History in the Bag, Dance of the Honeybee, Music on the Move, Making Tracks, NYS Geology Intro, Going on Bug Hunt, Weather Exploration, Space Science Exploration, plus our NASA Earth Crew & Rocket Building Clubs.

Groups gain admission to the museum's four floors of interactive exhibits, and may opt for a program presented by one of our edu-

cators. Bag lunches can be eaten in our park, our kitchen, or on our 3rd floor. Snacks are available in our Museum Cafe.

Along with our ever-popular weekend Birthday Parties, we also offer meeting space and tours of our historic Main Street Square building, our trains, and of historic Baggs Square Park.

Call us at 315-724-6129 or fill out our easy online form to book your program, birthday, meeting, or special event.



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". Central New York's only Children's Museum – a safe, fun, learning environment – is a definite asset to the Mohawk Valley, one all residents can be both proud of and utilize to its highest capacity. One of the oldest Children's Museum's in the country, we're continuing the renovation of our 4th floor, bringing in new exhibits, making the Museum more energy efficient & comfortable for visitors.

What better place to bring * your students on a field trip? * your scouts to earn a badge? * your family for a great day out? * your children for a fun learning time? * your grandchildren to enjoy? * your group for a tour? * your association for a meeting?

No matter what the weather, the sun's always shining year round at the Children's Museum. Come see for yourself!

CM Board of Directors
Chair: Dave Pendergast; **Vice Chairs:** Dan Trevisani & John Stephenson; **Secretary:** Sarah Kilian; **Treasurer:** Scott Madonia; Jeff Daniels, Katie Drake, Anna Giacobbe, Sharon Hieber, Jennifer Herzog, Terri Palmiero, Patrick Quinn, Jen Rota, Joe Ruggerio, Margaret Splain, Gail Scalise.
Staff/Volunteers/Interns:
Marlene B. Brown, Earl Lewis, Don Zyga, Marcia Jackson-Rios, Paul Perry, Dorian Mohar, Katie Louer; Brian Kobos; Amelia Padillia.

Become A CM Hero as a Volunteer or Corporate Sponsor



We welcome volunteers to help with our many activities.

There's no greater reward than helping the children.

How can you help? You can assist with regularly scheduled programs, offer a program in your area of talent or interest, help keep the museum ship-shape, or donate toys, exhibits, art supplies, edu-

cational 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* 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 welcome your donations & support as we continue to grow!



Our Anniversary Corporate Campaign is underway to bring new sponsors on board as *CM Heroes*. Show your thanks by taking advantage of their products & services.

Aug. '03 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 Oneida & Herkimer County Youth Bureaus to support the Museum's Youth Education Enrichment Programs.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 ? 11:00a Puppet Storytime	2 ? TrainTour 12-2; Lego & Karaoke Fun
3 ? Museum closed, trains outside open	4 ? 11:00a Feeding our Animals	5 ? ? 11:00a Arts & Crafts Fun for Kids	6 ? 11:00a Music for Munchkins	7 ? ? 11:00a Feeding our Animals	8 ? Same schedule as the 1st	9 ? Same schedule as the 2nd
10 ? Same Schedule as the 3rd	11 ? Same schedule as the 4th	12 ? Same schedule as the 5th	13 ? Same schedule as the 6th	14 ? Same schedule as the 7th	15 ? Same schedule as the 1st	16 ? Same schedule as the 2nd
17 ? Same Schedule as the 3rd	18 ? Same schedule as the 4th	19 ? Same schedule as the 5th	20 ? Same schedule as the 6th	21 ? Same schedule as the 7th	22 ? Same schedule as the 1st	23 ? Same schedule as the 2nd
24 ? Same Schedule as the 3rd	25 ? Same schedule as the 4th	26 ? Same schedule as the 5th	27 ? Same schedule as the 6th	28 ? Same schedule as the 7th	29 ? Same schedule as the 1st	30 ? Closed for the holiday weekend
31 ? Same schedule as the 3rd	* Additional programs will also be presented daily	* Some of the add'l programs have a small materials fee				



Join the many families & groups who book *birthday parties, educational field trips & meetings* 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* - Play Space, Exploration Space, Saturn, MusicFun, Tea Room, Dentist Office, Grocery Store, Trains; *2nd floor* - Longhouse, Diorama, Fossils, Dinosaurs; *3rd floor* - Living Science, Animals, Legos, Computers, Arts & Crafts, Weather Room, Halls of Fame.

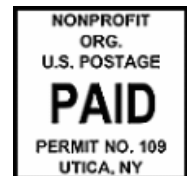
Our *4th floor*, entitled "Transportation Yesterday, Today, & Tomorrow" features exciting new exhibits, including: our Airplane, Fire & Police Dept., NASA & Dept. of Energy Office of Science exhibits. This floor is open 11:30am-12:30pm & again from 1:30pm-2:30pm Monday-Saturday.

Mark your calendars for special upcoming programs & activities. August 1st will be the grand opening / induction ceremonies of our International Halls of Fame: Bicycling, Rowing, Kayaking, Canoeing; August 22nd we'll be celebrating Friday Night in Baggs Square (formerly Wine & Art); August 23rd & 24th Genesis II presents Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball in the streets of Utica (with the museum as their charity of choice).

Volunteer your services to help with special events! Check our website for updated info!

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August Museum Summer Hours:

Monday-Friday 10:00am to 3:30pm;
Saturday 10:30am to 3:30pm (Closed Sun)

Admission:

\$4.00 per person, Members + children 12 months & under Free (*except for special events*). Special group rates available.



Check our website for up to date info, pictures, programs, hours, special events!

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



- * Director Sean O'Keefe, NASA * Dr. Ray Orbach, DOE's Office of Science
- * Congressman Sherry Boehlert * NYS Senator Ray Meier * Ralph Eannace
- * Assemblywoman RoAnn Destito * Interim County Executive Joe Griffo * Malva Max
- * Princeton Plasma Lab * Fermi Lab * Utica Fire Marshall Dan Trevisani * Paulette Desimone
- * Fleet Bank * Affordable High Powered Computers * Adelpia * Ted Kibick * Big Apple Music
- * Utica Fire & Police Dept's * Chuck Fougner, Oneida Indian Nation * Sheriff Dan Middaugh
- * Frank Gruenewald * Sen. Donovan Memorial Fund * Community Foundation * Carbone Auto
- * Oxford Medical Imaging * RigAll's Patty & Rusty Williams * Mitch & SnowGrass * Con Med
- * Pacemaker Millar * Gauthier Fabricating * Mauro's Glass * Madonia Electric * Ed Waskiewicz
- * Zangrilli Engineering * Jay-K Lumber * Daniel's* Bernie Coffey/I.B.E.W.#43 * DJ Pat Putrello
- * Drs. Anthony Furino & John Hamlin * New Hartford Hannaford's * SBU * Mayor Tim Julian
- * Earle Reed, ECR. * Tom & Evergreen * The Beeches * Wilcor Int'l * Rick Falvo, Brandeles Corp.
- * Piano Lab * SCI Plywood * Fountainhead Group * Dr. Joel Amidon * CNY LegoUsers * GE Elfun's
- * Lincoln-Davies * Indium Corp * Roger Sinnott * Burns Agency * Amendolare Magic Productions
- * Fred Collis & Sons * Bronson Construction * Jos Flihan Co * Metzler Printing * Smiley the Clown
- * Scalzo, Zogby, Wittig * H.R. Beebe * Joe Fraccola/U.S.P.S. * Dave Boardman * Hartford Ins
- * MVCC's Carpentry Class & Escoffier * OC Work Release * MV Business Journal * Valley View
- * NY Power Authority * Herkimer Telegram * WKTV * WUTR * Regent Bdcstg * The Utica O.D.
- * College & School volunteers * Earl Lewis * The Staff & our Interns * The Board of Directors