

Thursday, June 14, 1990 O&E

I's not unheard of for children to complain "There's nothing to do." of summer and the end of the school year nean children have more time on their hands. Boredom and complaints can soon follow. It doesn't have to be that way, however. Plenty of summertime activities for kids are available, and many are either free of chirge or inexpensive. What follows is just a sampling.

• DETROIT ZOO
The Detroit Zoo, 8450 W. 10 Mile
at Woodward in Royal Oak, is open
seven days a week in the summer.
Higers are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, 10
a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays and holidays
through Sept.

There's plenty to see, including
many exhibits: the penguinarium,
attitudes the penguinarium,
attitudes bear done, tarmyard, elephant and chinoceros exhibit, marine
mammal exhibit and others.

A ministure railroad operates
through Labor Day, Gulded tours of
the zoo, via tractor trains, are available Wednesday through Sunday during
the summer.

Saturday, July 7, will be "Hot Do
Bay" at the zoo, with each visitor receiving a free hot dog. Beginning
July 9, children age 12 and under
will be admitted free each Monday
through Aug. 27 when accompanie
by an adult family member.

Saturday, July 14, featuring
a display of ministure power boats
in the Rackham Fountain; Saturday,
July 28, a firefighters raily, featuring a thrill show, clowns and team
competition at noon, free with zoo
admission; Saturday, July 28, "fee
Cram Day," with zoo visitors receiving free fee cerearu.

All zoo buildings and exhibits are
accessible to those in wheelchairs.

Admission price is \$5 for those age
12 and under who are supervised. (Group
relates are available. For reservallons, call 399-7001.

The zoo's information line, 3906900, includes recorded tapes on zoo
activities.

HANDS-ON MUSEUM
 The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, 219 E. Huron in Ann Arbor, is open 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday.
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Saturday, 1-5 pm. Sunday.
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the museum, and visitors will examine visual illusions and their effects.
Thele uses in advertising, as toys and
as mysteries will be explored. Demonstrations will be at 1 and 3 p.m.
Saturdays, 2 and 4 pm. Sundays, and
are free with the price of admission.
The museum will also offer Art
Fair activities, giving parents a
chance to browse at the fair while
their children have fun at the musetum. The program for children ages
5-12 will include supervised time in
each museum gallery, a movie and
snacks. Price is \$15 per child per
session. Enrollment is limited and
advance registration is required.
Sessions will be held: 130-430 p.m.
Wednesday, July 18; 130-430 p.m.
Friday July 20; and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Friday July 20; and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Friday July 20; and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Friday July 20; and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Friday July 20; and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Saturday. July 21. For registration
information, call 995-5439.

The museum will ofter a Summer

Science Camp June 18 through Aug. 17, with most sessions to be held at Mack School, 920 Miller, Ann Arbor. The program will include week-long morning and afternoon classes for children ages 5-13, an evening math workshop for familites, and classes three mornings per week for children ages 4-5. Advance registration is required, and will be done on a first-come, first-served basis according to when payment is received. The museum, located in a renovated historic liferbouse, has more than 160 participatory exhibits designed to help visitors learn about science, art, math and other subjects. Admission price is 33 for adults, 22 for children, students and subjects for children, students and analysport of the property of the prope

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more information, call 995-5439.

• LIVING SCIENCE
The Living Science Foundation offers a variety of programs to helpchildren learn about science while
baving fun. Summertime camps featurch hands-on activities.

Summertime offerings include:
Science Samplet Camps; Science and
Nature Camps; Air and Space
Camps; Marine Biology Camps; Jungle Camps; Discovery Camps; and an
Ecological Awareness Camp. Camps
are held at locations throughout the
metropolitun Detroit area, and activities are offered both for preschool and school-age children. Some
camps will be held at Living Science
Foundation headquarters, 40400
Grand River, Suite F, Novi.

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© CRANBROOK
The Cranbrook Institute of Science
is at 500 Lone Pine, Bloomfield
fills. It is open 10 am. to 5 pm.
Monday through Thursday, 10 am.
10 pm. Fielday and Saturday, 15 am.
Sunday.
Saturday June 16, will be opening
day for "The Summer of Oz" exhibit
at Cranbrook. The exhibit's designed
to help people of all ages experience
the magic of a favorite fairy tale
white exploring the world of science.
On July 14-15, there will be an "Oz
Odyssey Weckend". Science discovcyc experiments from 1-5 pm. each
day will be related to Oz themes. On
Aug. 11-12, "The Wir Weckend" will
Include a dramatic stage skil, "The
Wiz in Me." There will also be "The

Kids can find plenty to do

Wiz Wonderwalk" along the nature trails, and "The Wiz/Oz Music Mix," performances of original songs from "The Wiz" and "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz." Activities will take place 11:30 a.m. to 5 pm. Aug. 11:20 Weekend" will focus on the variety of characters in the story, and will include a contemporary version of Tin Man, a Tin Man Robot who will converse with visitors.

The Oz exhibit will continue through Sept. 2 at Creatbrook, It will include laser shows, hands-on place seperiments, activities for preschoolers in Muncikin Land, an interactive light exhibit, and other fun activities.

Museum admission price is \$4 for Museum admission price is \$4 for Museum admission price is \$4 for

activities.

Miscom admission price is 34 for adults, 33 for sentor citizens, students and children ages 3-17. Admission is free of charge for children under 3. Group rates are available weekdays by prior arrangement.

The museum, accessible to those in wheelchairs, will be open daily except for July 4. For more information, call 645-3230.

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and bands-on activities at the Top of
the Park (plaza level of the Fletcher
Street parking deck). Those will be
followed by an indoor, ticketed matinee performance at 2 pm. in the
Power Center, on the University of
Michigan campus.
Ann Arbor's own Chenille Sisters
will kick off the indoor matinee series with "1-2-3 for Kids" Sunday,

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June 24. The program's based on the group's recent cassette release. Before the Chenille Sisters perform, the outdoor audience will enjoy an array of musical performances and demonstrations, including folk musicians Julie Austin and Myron Grant, and kid-sized classical music by the Cassint Ensemble Trio.

Sunday, July 1, will feature Wild Swan Theatre's adaptation of "Alice in Wonderland," presented in the Power Center. The production, staged by professional performers, will feature sign language interpreting and audio-description for hearing, and visual sign language interpreting and audio-description for hearing, and visual sign language interpreting and audio-description for hearing, and visual sign language interpreting and audio-description for hearing, and visual sign and magic show, will take place.

Sunday, July 8, the Pilobolus Dance Theatre will take to the Power Center stage. Gym America will delight the outdoor audience with tumbling routines performed by young gymnasts, and Footloose Fancies will present a tap dancing program. Blue Dragon Dance Theatre is scheduled to present dance numbers.

Hands-on activities will be available outdoors each Sunday. To request a filer on the "Three Cheers for Kids" series, call 747-2278. For matlinee ticket information, call 763-TKTS.

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• JGC DAY CAMP
Day camps for kids of all ages will be available in two summer sessions at the Jewish Community Center, 6500 W. Maple at Drake, West Bloomfield. Sessions are scheduled for June 25 through July 19 and July 23 through Aug. 18. Transportation is available.

A camp for preschoolers and kindergarteners will be offered in three or five half-day sessions. Sessions will be planned around weekly themes, and will include sports, arts and crafts activities, and field trip. A full-day camp will be offered for children in kindergarten through fifth grade in three or five days. Sports, nature study, arts and crafts, nature study, arts and crafts from a day of the control of the c

"Camper's Choice" participants in fourth through ninth grades will choose their own activities from a

list including sports, computers, fine arts and other activities. Safari (fifth and sixth grades) and Teon Caravan (seventh through 10th grades) campers will visit places of interest in metropolitan Detroit, including a Detroit Tigers outling and Joho Island trip, Teens will take a three-day trip to Kings Island near Cincinnati, Ohio.

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In cooperation with Akiva Day School, a special day camp will be effered for children of Orthodox familites. Extended day care is available for most campers. For information on all Jewish Community Center camps, call 661-1000 Ext. 254.

SUMMER WORKSHOPS

Special workshops are offered during June, July and August at the Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward, Detroit. Workshops for organized groups of 15 or more may be scheduled by calling Walter Weaver, 833-1263.

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In the "Colonial Kitchen" workshop, participants will churn butter, grind spices, make sachet pillows and examine kitchen utensits from colonial times. In another workshop, participants will make lee cream. The "0id-Fashioned Pormander" workshop gives children a chance to use citrus fruits and spices to make pomanders.

The museum's current exhibit.

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The museum's current exhibit,
"From Bunny Suits to Business Suits:
Detroit Goes to Work," features a
variety of work costumes worn in
the past 100 years. The museum is
open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday
through Sunday, and admission is
free of charge. For more information, call 833-1805.

Children's Day is sponsored each year by the University Cultural Association, and will be celebrated Wednesday, June 27, in Detroit's Cultural Center area. The entertainment will be headquartered in the Detroit Historical Museum parking lot, on Kirby.

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Characters from "The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" will appear at the museum. Entertailment will be hosted by the Clark Pamily Clowns, and will feature Pruvanika, exceptional and the Company of the Co

The day's activities will begin with a 9-30 a.m. pagade from the Scarab Club. "Be a Hero... Bring a Hero... See a Hero" will be the Hero... See a Hero" will be the theme for the day's activities. That theme will be expressed in a free coloring book depleting Detroit heroes, available from the museum. Refreshments will be available. Children's Day activities are scheduled to end at 3-30 p.m.

The Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, will also particle the International Freedom Potton of the Children's Day of t

tending should use the John it trac-date entrance.) Admission is free of charge.

The animated feature-length film tells the story of King Babar, Queen Celeste, their children and friends. The movie is based on the classic "Babar" books by Laurent de Brun-hoff, and is a project of Toronto's Nelvana Productions.

The film is being presented by the DIA, Detroit Renaissance Founda-tion and the Consulate General of Canada. For more Information, call 1595-5400 or 833-2323.

The DIA is open 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, and is closed for major holidays.

• HENRY FORD MUSEUM

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Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village are at Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road in Dearborn,
just west of Southfield (M-39) and
south of Michigan Avenue. Hours are
9 a.m. to 5 pm. daily.
"Americans on Vacatlon" is the
subject of a new exhibit at the museum. The 400-plus historic objects
featured trace the evolution of phastes of a vacation: planning, getting
here, being there and remembering.
Scrapbooks, home movies created
by vacationers, a 19th century stageocach and other items are tentury stasecond and the state of the

streets to the sound of tunes of the time.

The mechanization of the late 19th and early 20th century will be remembered during the Saturday and Sunday, June 30-July 1, "Pageant of Power," Visitors will see engines performing a variety of tasks that once required tedious labor.

The Fourth of July will be celebrated at the village with music and games. Aspects of Ille in America 200 years ago will be the Inspiration for the Saturday and Sunday, July 7-8, "Colonial Life Festival." Fife and drum music, encampment activities, crafts demonstrations and people dreased in colonial fashions will be featured.

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A "Fire Engine Muster" will be beld Saturday and Sunday, July 21-22. Antique fireflighting equipment enthusiasts will gather for a week-end of competition and fun. "African-American Weekend" will be observed Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 18-19, with muste, dance, crafts and storytelling.

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Admission price for the museum or village is \$10.50 each for adults, \$5.25 for children ages 5-12, \$9.30 for senior citizens, free for children younger than 5. Combination tickets for two cansecutive days of unlimited admission to the village and measure are available, as are group rates and annual passes. For more information, call 271-1620.

HERE'S NO shortage of lo-cal summer activities for kids of all ages and inter-

ests.

Here's just a sampling of the kinds
of sights and sounds in the works for
Summer '90:

SUMMER READING

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Thursday, June 14: Registrations are being taken through July for summer Reading Club Spectacular and Summer Read-to-Me-Club in both the Farmington branch and Farmington Hills branch libraries. The clubs offer special programs once a week for six weeks for each of three age categories beginning the week of June 18 in both libraries. They wind up with an end-of-the-season party the first week in August.

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YMCA sells summer memberships
for special rates to adults, families
and area high school graduates, who
are offered a variety of filmses classei, skill development classes and
wellness activities. Inquiries taken
by the Y, 553-4020.

MAGIC CONCERT
Tuesday, June 17: "Magic," outdoor concert at 7:30 pm. in Maryahank Park, Hiller Road, north of
Commerce Road, West Elloomfleid
Township, Parking fee of 22 asked
for each ear entering the park.

HILLS CAMPS
Monday, June 18: Camp Wee Wonna for 3-5 year olds takes place on
Orchard Ridge Campus, Oakland
Community College. Camp Alt-UWonna for 6-8 year olds, Camp ComOn-A-Wonna for 9-12-year-olds, and
Nature's Way for 6-8-year-olds and
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Nills Department of Special Services, Fees range from \$50-65 per
person. Registrations taken by calling the department, 473-9570.

LEARNING PATHWAYS

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• LEARNING PATHWAYS

Monday, June 18: Full day and half day programs offered to 2½ to 7 year olds in Pathways to Learning, within the Mercy Center complex, 28600 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Inquiries taken by the school, 473-1860. DAY CAMP

June 18: Summer Day

And closer to home....

Camp for 3-12-year-olds in Mercy Center, 28600 11 Mile, through Gate 4 east of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. Camp offers swimming, gym activities, outdoor activities, nature hikes, arts, crafts and special guests. Camp is open from 8-30 a.m. to 3-30 m. Monday through Friday. Additional bours can be arranged. Tuition is \$115 per two-week session, or \$105 for each additional child in the families, the content of the content

CREATIVE CAMP



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Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 28-28 and July 10-12: Creative Camp for 4-7 year olds openfrom 9 am. to noon offers experiential sessions in dance, drama, music
and art in The Community Center of
Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile.
Tuttion is \$55 for two week session.

Registrations taken by the center,

● YANKEE DOODLE

Tuesday, July 1: Yankee Doodle
Medley, outdoor concert begins at
7:30 p.m. in Marshbank Park, Hiller
Road, north of Commerce Road,
West Bloomfeld, Parking fee is \$2
for every car that enters the park.

HERE WE COME
 Thursday, July 5; "Kindergarten-Here We Come," open to all children entering kindergarten in the fall, emphasizes development activities designed to strengtien all readiness skills requisite and the fall, emphasizes development activities skills requisited to the fall, emphasizes development activities and the fall of the fall of

YOUNG SCIENTISTS
 Monday, July 9: Young Scientists

summer camps begin every Monday through July 30 for 6-12 year olds. Sessions run from 8 m.n. to 3.50 m.n. to

stone, 473-1808.

ACADEMIC SCHOOL
Monday, July 9: Academic Summer School programs are failored to
the student's skill level, interests and
learning syle in New Mortalog
School, 14501 Haggerty, Plymouth
Township. Class runs Monday
through Thursday until Aug. 2. Inquiries taken by the school, 420-3331.

SWIM CLASSES

Friday, July 13: Four-week sessions of awimming classes begin for parents and tots; for preschoolers and youth in Mercy Center, 28800 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. For registration information, call the center's recreation department, 473-1815.

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