

# Raupp Museum

## Museum Exhibits

### Main Exhibit

Experience the ways Buffalo Grove has changed as you walk through 150 years of history. Visitors can learn what grew in a Potawatomi garden, sit on the porch of an 1890s farmhouse, milk the museum's replica dairy cow, try a typewriter, and see a bicycle from 1958. Learn how Buffalo Grove got started, and also how it grew into the community it is today.

### Crossroads Exhibit

Explore Buffalo Grove in the early 1900s! Visitors can listen to Morse code at the train station, see what's for sale at the general store, try the tools at the service station, and learn what it was like to grow flowers at the greenhouse.

### Three Days With Colbee Benton

Explore Lake County in 1833 through the eyes of Colbee Benton. This New Hampshire native visited Illinois as a tourist during 1833, and kept a journal of his adventures. Join Colbee as he meets Potawatomi in Half Day, gets stuck in Fox Lake, tries shooting a bow and arrow, and tastes acorn pancakes.

## Museum Programs

### Try It Tuesdays

Every Tuesday afternoon during the summer, the museum will be offering free walk-in activities for children from 1 - 3:30 pm. There is no need to register. Just stop by to try something new, learn something fun, and get hands-on with history.

**Please note:** All children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Date	Activity
June 13	Making butter
June 20	Squawking chicken
June 27	Making candles
July 4	Independence Day - No Program
July 11	Carve a soap boat
July 18	Pinwheels
July 25	Kite making
August 1	Clothespin butterfly
August 8	Beaded Suncatcher
August 15	Weave a bookmark

### Nature Wednesdays

#### Nature Classroom at Mike Rylko Community Park - Buffalo Grove Road Entrance

Learn about the natural wonders in Buffalo Grove. Every Wednesday, the nature classroom in Mike Rylko Community Park will be open for visitors to explore. Visitors will be able to see animal skulls, feel animal furs, look at footprints, and learn about leaves. After you are done visiting the classroom, take your new knowledge out into the park to see what you can find.

### Raupp Museum

901 Dunham Lane  
Phone: 847.850.2135

### Raupp Museum Hours

Sunday 1 - 4 pm  
Monday - Thursday 11 am - 4:30 pm  
Closed Friday and Saturday

**Please note:** Museum educational programs can be scheduled during the museum's public hours, but they may also be scheduled at other times by contacting the Museum Coordinator at 847.850.2135.

### NEW Nature Backpack

Are you looking for more ways for your family to explore? Check out a nature backpack from the Raupp Museum! Each backpack is filled with the tools to get up close and personal with the outdoors - magnifying glasses, bug bottles, and plant and animal ID cards. The museum has also included storybooks and suggested activities to do with your family. Backpacks can be checked out for 1-week from the Raupp Museum, or the nature classroom at Mike Rylko Community Park.

## Planning A Meeting?

We can help. The Raupp Museum has speakers who can come to your religious group, business association, or adult club meeting. Better yet, schedule a meeting at the museum! Your group can conduct business, have a personalized presentation, and explore the exhibits. For more details, call the Raupp Museum at 847.850.2135, or email [museum@bgparks.org](mailto:museum@bgparks.org).

### History On Tap - WWI

Learn about Lake County in WWI! This program will feature the stories and letters of actual Lake County residents who served in the war. As this is part of the Museum's History On Tap series, participants will also be able to enjoy local craft beer and light appetizers, while listening to the program, and viewing the museum exhibits. (DF)

Age: 21 years and up

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
110701-01	Fri	July 28	7 - 9 pm	\$15/\$19

Instructor: Staff

Location: Raupp Museum

### History Adventures - Cooking

This fun mini-camp teaches kids to cook the way their great-grandma did! In one fun morning at the museum, they will make bread and butter from scratch, create jars of jam and pickles to take home, and even sew an apron to help them keep clean. (DF)

Age: 7 - 10 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
160701-01	Tue	Aug 8	9 am - 12 pm	\$25/\$31

Instructor: Staff

Location: Raupp Museum

### History Adventures - Hunting

This mini-camp lets kids explore the skills they would have needed to be a Potawatomi hunter. In one morning at the museum, they will make an arrow, cast a plaster footprint, and try throwing with an atlatl. Everyone will leave with an animal footprint ID guide. (DF)

Age: 8 - 10 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
160702-01	Wed	Aug 9	9 am - 12 pm	\$25/\$31

Instructor: Staff

Location: Raupp Museum

### History Adventures - Toolbox

This mini-camp teaches kids how to use all the tools in Grandpa's toolbox. Working with hand tools only, they will practice using a saw, hammer, screwdriver and clamp, as they build a birdhouse to take home. (DF)

Age: 8 - 10 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
160703-01	Thu	Aug 10	9:30 am - 12 pm	\$25/\$31

Instructor: Staff

Location: Raupp Museum



# The Hyman and Miriam Reiner Gallery

The Hyman and Miriam Reiner Gallery is located at the Buffalo Grove Fitness Center. In support of the Park District's commitment to cultural arts, Commissioner Reiner's family has made a significant financial contribution in honor of their parents, Hyman and Miriam. Their contribution will be used to maintain the art gallery. The public is welcome to view the gallery during the Fitness Center's operating hours. Various pieces of artwork are for sale.

## Featured Artists

May	G. Gomez
June/July	Sheldon Richmond

# Museum Educational Programs

The Raupp Museum is proud to offer several exciting educational programs for school groups, home school associations, and community groups. Programs are available Monday through Friday during school hours, and meet the Common Core state standards. Please call Debbie Fandrei at 847.850.2135, or send an email to [museum@bgparks.org](mailto:museum@bgparks.org) to schedule a program.

## Cows Are Cool

**Grade:** Preschool - 3

This fun program introduces children to the life of a dairy farmer in turn of the century Buffalo Grove. Participants get a hands-on experience by milking the museum's working replica dairy cow, churning butter and playing old-fashioned games.

## Potawatomi Pathways

**Grade:** Preschool - 5

This program on Native American history allows students to touch reproduction Potawatomi artifacts, listen to a Native American folktale and play a hands-on game with animal footprints. Older students can try a different game that allows them to simulate a Native American trading post.

## Tiny Traders

**Grade:** 1 - 2

Students experience what life was like for farmers shopping in the 1880s. After milking the Museum's cow and gathering eggs, the children sell their milk for money at the creamery. Next, they use their money to go shopping in the Museum's General Store. This is the perfect program to teach younger students the difference between needs and wants, and the connection between work and money.

## Buffalo Grove Then & Now

**Grade:** 1 - 5

This program showcases the changes that have occurred in Buffalo Grove during the past 100 years. First, students look at a series of artifacts that span a century to see how one object changes over time. Then, a slide show contrasts pictures of past Buffalo Grove buildings with the buildings that currently stand in those locations. Finally, an artifact guessing game encourages children to have fun with history.

## Insects

**Grade:** 2 - 3

Students will learn about different insects that live in Buffalo Grove parks. They will then spend time in the park looking for insect habitats, collecting examples, and charting their finds. **Please note:** This program is conducted outside, so it is only available in September, October, April and May, weather permitting.

## Measurement

**Grade:** 2 - 3

When is an estimate good enough? How far is far? Students discover the importance of measurement, while using the Raupp Museum or Mike Rylko Community Park as a living lab for hands-on experiments. This program builds practice in measuring, recording and estimating into an overall story, which allows students to discover why these skills matter in their everyday life.

## Packing For Pioneer Life

**Grade:** 3 - 4

The life of Buffalo Grove's earliest settlers is highlighted in this hands on program. Students start by brainstorming a pioneer's needs in settling Buffalo Grove. Next, the museum educator opens a pioneer trunk filled with reproduction artifacts and students discuss the uses of each item, and which pioneer need the item would fulfill. Finally, students use their new knowledge in a hands-on packing activity. **Please note:** This program can be modified for special needs students.

## Adaptation

**Grade:** 3 - 4

How do animals and plants survive and thrive? They adapt. This program will teach students about the different ways that plants and animals adapt to their environments and to the changing seasons. Students will then explore the park to look for examples of adaptations and share their discoveries. **Please note:** This program is conducted outside, so it is only available in September, October, April and May, weather permitting.

## Ecosystems

**Grade:** 3 - 5

When plants, animals, nature and humans interact, they form an ecosystem. Students will learn the elements of the Buffalo Creek ecosystem, and discover how different elements of the ecosystem affect each other. Next, they will go out into the park to test the different ways that humans have had an effect on the ecosystem. **Please note:** This program is conducted outside, so it is only available in September, October, April and May, weather permitting.

## Archaeology

**Grade:** 4 - 8

This exciting program introduces students to the history, science and practice of archaeology! After viewing a presentation about archaeology principles and techniques, students put their knowledge to work by participating in a mock dig and analyzing the artifacts that they uncover. **Please note:** This program is conducted outside, so it is only available in September, October, April and May, weather permitting.

## WWII

**Grade:** 5 - 8

From aircraft carriers on Lake Michigan to food rationing at home, WWII had an effect on everyone. Students will learn what life was like locally during this time period, and the role kids played in the war effort.

## The Civil War

**Grade:** 6 - 8

Students will learn the stories of local residents affected by the Civil War, and explore how the national issues involved in this conflict affected people on a local level.