

Raupp Museum

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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.

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.

Creating Buffalo Creek Farm

Through August 31

Is farm life better than city life? Discover the fascinating story of Buffalo Creek Farm, which was originally created as a place for widowed mothers with families to escape Chicago for life in the country. How did people handle the switch from city streets to country roads? Find out!

Nature Classroom Now Open

Friday, June 1 - August 27 from 11 am - 3:30 pm

The Raupp Museum's Nature Classroom is now open for the season. Located in Mike Rylko Community Park next to the skate park, the Nature Classroom features information, exhibits and programs about the plants and animals found in Buffalo Grove parks.

Virtual Museum At Your Virtual Meeting

Are you having a virtual meeting? Have a virtual guest speaker too. Museum Curator Debbie Fandrei can present virtually to your community or club meeting. Contact museum@bgparks.org to schedule a date and time.

Presentation Topics

Ballots, Babes and Beer
Buffalo Grove Then and Now
Murder On The Meadow
Save Your Receipts
Saving Your History - On a Budget
What's in Style? 1890

Museum Programs

Blue Box Videos - Collections Tours On Demand

Love to tour the museum's collections, but haven't got the time? No problem! The museum is now releasing collections tour videos on the Buffalo Grove Park District YouTube Channel. Each video features all of the artifacts inside one of the museum's collection storage boxes; and, a new video is released each month. To see the videos, visit our channel at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=UUXBdDsIQTMqSRQBdHrkxRFA>.

Try It Tuesdays

Tuesday • 1 - 3:30 pm

Every Tuesday afternoon during the summer, the Raupp Museum will feature free walk-in activities for children. Registration is not required. Just visit the museum to learn something new, try something fun, and get hands-on with history. **Please note:** All children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Date	Activity
June 15	Make Butter
June 22	Make Pinwheels
June 29	Make Candles
July 6	Make a Kite
July 13	Carve a Soap Boat
July 20	Make a Clothespin Butterfly
July 27	Make Felt Flowers
August 3	Make a Photo Album
August 10	Make a Shrinky Dink® Keychain
August 17	Weave a Bookmark

Footprint Fridays

Friday, June 4, 18, July 2, 16, 30 and August 6 10 - 11 am

Nature Classroom at Mike Rylko Community Park

Join the museum staff at the Nature Classroom for this fun free activity. Each Friday, we will learn all about one of the animals that live in a Buffalo Grove park. Visitors will see an animal skull, feel animal fur, learn what the animal eats, listen to an animal story, and even make a plaster cast of the animal's footprint to take home. Each Friday will feature a different animal: deer, beaver, squirrel, fox, rabbit and weasel will all be included. For more information, contact Debbie Fandrei at 847.850.2135 or dfandrei@bgparks.org.

Behind-The-Scenes Collections Tours NEW

Tuesday, June 22, July 20 and August 3

1 pm, 1:30 pm, 2 pm, 2:30 pm and 3 pm

Join museum registrar Marina Mayne for tours of the museum's collections storage. Learn about how the museum cares for different types of objects, and get a chance to see things that aren't often on exhibit. Tours are limited to 8 people, and will be on a first come, first-serve basis. **Please note:** All children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. For more information, contact Debbie Fandrei at 847.850.2135 or dfandrei@bgparks.org.

Museum Programs

Grandma Camp In A Bag 1950s

This camp-in-a-bag lets campers Flashback to the 1950s! Introduce your grandchild to some of the fun from when Buffalo Grove was just starting out. Campers will get a video link talking about what life was like in Buffalo Grove in 1958, with activities from the past to then try out. Projects and activities include playing marbles, making a striped Jello® mold, creating Shrinky Dink® jewelry, and making a memory book using vinyl records. We supply all of the materials and directions; you just come for the fun. Camp bags will be available to be picked up at the Raupp Museum June 7 - June 18. For more information, contact us at 847.850.2135 or museum@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 12 years

Code	R/NR Fee
150980-01	\$20/\$25

CSI 1930 Camp In A Bag

We supply the story; you solve the crime! This camp-in-a-bag lets campers become history detectives on their own schedule. You will get a video link describing a historic attempted kidnapping in Buffalo Grove, and then work on solving the crime through additional detective activities from the past and present. We will take fingerprints, make a plaster cast of a footprint, extract DNA from a strawberry, and try invisible ink. We supply all of the materials and directions, except for the strawberry. Can you figure out who tried to kidnap Farmer Popp? Camp bags will be available to be picked up at the Raupp Museum June 7 - June 18. For more information, contact us at 847.850.2135 or museum@bgparks.org.

Age: 8 - 12 years

Code	R/NR Fee
160760-01	\$20/\$25

Make A Historic Hat

Journey back in time to the early 1900s, and become a hat designer! In this program, children get to explore the museum's historic hat collection, and learn about what was fashionable for men, women and children in the early 1900s. Using the old hats and historic photographs of Buffalo Grove as inspiration, students will design their own hat to take home. For more information, contact us at 847.850.2135 or museum@bgparks.org.

Age: 8 - 12 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
120722-01	Mon	June 7	11 am - 12 pm	\$15/\$18
120722-02	Tue	July 13	3 - 4 pm	\$15/\$18

Instructor: Staff

Location: Raupp Museum

Building BG Mini Camp

History + Engineering! From Potawatomi wigwams, through pioneer log cabins and 1958 ranch houses, learn about the buildings that built Buffalo Grove, and why they worked. Campers will have fun using different tools and materials, as they work together to build a full size wigwam, a miniature log cabin, and a cardboard Levitt house. For more information, contact us at 847.850.2135 or museum@bgparks.org.

Age: 8 - 10 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
160761-01	Wed	June 9	9 am - 12 pm	\$25/\$31

Instructor: Staff

Location: Raupp Museum

Candlesticks & Coffee

Join the museum staff for a guided nature walk in Mike Rylko Community Park, followed by a craft done outside, under the pavilion roof of our Nature Classroom. Everyone will make cement candleholders, decorated with natural materials that we gather on the walk. Bring your own coffee! For more information, contact us at 847.850.2135 or museum@bgparks.org.

Age: 10 years and up

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
110711-01	Fri	June 25	10 am - 12 pm	\$10/\$13

Instructor: Staff

Location: Raupp Museum

The Hyman and Miriam Reiner Galleries



The Hyman and Miriam Reiner Galleries are located at the Fitness Center and the Community Arts 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 galleries. The public is welcome to view the galleries during operating hours at the Fitness Center and Community Arts Center. Various pieces of artwork are for sale.

Museum Educational Programs - Covid Safe Version

The Raupp Museum is committed to providing great history education to Buffalo Grove students, while keeping everyone safe and healthy. With that in mind, the museum will be offering the following options for educational programs for the 20-21 school year:

Video On Demand

All museum programs are now available as pre-recorded videos. These are accessible on the Raupp Museum's Online Archive at <https://rauppmuseum.omeka.net/exhibits/show/resources-for-educators>.

Video + Small Group Activities

The Raupp Museum will be offering the hands-on portion of field trips as small group activities, by reservation. Students can do the digital learning at home, then visit the museum to do the pioneer wagon packing activity, the shopping in the General Store activity, as well as other group projects. Group size will be limited to 8.

Small Group Field Trips

Parents can now schedule traditional field trips onsite at the museum for small groups of 5 - 8 students. Parents will be required to stay at the museum the entire time; however, they will not have to stay in the same room as their student. The field trips offered may change to correspond with the curriculum being taught in classrooms each month.

Please call Debbie Fandrei at 847.850.2135, or send an email to museum@bgparks.org to schedule a program.

Potawatomi Pathways

Grade: Preschool - 5

This program emphasizes the connection between history and the environment. Students view reproduction Potawatomi artifacts, while learning about Native American houses, food and clothing. Additional options include a memory game, folktale or trading post activity.

A Student's Life

Grade: 1 - 2

This presentation uses images and artifacts to show students what life was like 100 years ago. They explore one day in the life of a child - home, school, shopping, and having fun.

Tiny Traders

Grade: 1 - 2

Shop like the farmers did 125 years ago! First, students earn money from the dairy cow, gather eggs, and make a shopping list. Next, they shop in the General Store, using their money and eggs to buy and barter for the things on their shopping list. This program teaches the difference between needs and wants, and the link between work and money.

Buffalo Grove Then & Now

Grade: 1 - 5

Learn how Buffalo Grove has changed during the past 100 years. First, students look at a series of artifacts to see how one object changes over time. Then, a slide show contrasts pictures of past Buffalo Grove buildings with buildings that currently stand in those locations.

Measurement

Grade: 2 - 3

History+Math! How did farmers organize the space in their barn to make the most money? This program combines history and math, as students practice area and perimeter, and choose sides in the battle of cows vs. chickens.

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 the changing seasons.

Packing For Pioneer Life

Grade: 3 - 5

Experience westward expansion into Illinois in the 1830s. Students start by brainstorming what pioneers needed to settle Buffalo Grove. Next, the museum educator opens a pioneer trunk filled with reproduction artifacts, demonstrating the use of each item, and the need it filled. Finally, students make their own choices in a hands-on wagon packing activity.

Invention Versus Innovation

Grade: 3 - 5

Students learn about the power of invention by looking at 2 classic history-making examples from the museum's collection - cameras and telephones. They will then learn about innovation, as they explore how both of these inventions changed over time, and eventually merged into today's smartphones.

What Makes A Good Exhibit?

Grade: 3 - 5

Tired of looking at rainbow font? This program introduces students to the design behind good exhibits and signs. Using hands-on examples, they will discover that the way information is arranged visually is key to helping the reader understand their message.

Early Chicago

Grade: 3 - 5

Learn about the early history of Chicago - how it developed, why it grew, and the different ways in which Chicago and the suburbs are connected.

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.

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: 5 - 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.

 Takes place outdoors

Our programs meet the new Illinois social science standards.