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Spring Scout Programs Offer Adventures at Naper Settlement

Naperville, IL — Naperville Settlement is excited to announce new and returning Scout Programs for Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts this spring. The museum is offering engaging ways for Scouts to work toward badges or patches throughout the year and have them connect with history and science through a variety of programs, including a Victorian Tea and Geocaching. The Scout programs will take place at Naper Settlement located at 523 S. Webster St., Naperville, IL. Advanced registration is required for Scout programs. To register, call (630) 420-6010 or email your request to grouptours@naperville.il.us.

Valentine's Day Tea

Daisies, Brownies and Juniors can enjoy a charming Victorian Tea Party where they can enjoy drinks and sweet treats. Crafts will include making three special Valentine's Day cards for family or friends, plus a tour of the Martin Mitchell Mansion. This program will take place February 11 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and February 12 from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Valentine's Day Tea requires one adult for every four Scouts. Admission is \$18 per Scout and \$12 per adult.

CADS: Investigate Agents

Cadettes in grades 6 to 8 will identify different types of fingerprints using your own and comparing it to a friend's prints. Learn about chromatography and extracting DNA from a piece of fruit. Find out how to identify a "tell," a subtle but detectable change in a person's behavior or demeanor that means they may be hiding something. CADS: Investigate Agents will take place February 25 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Admission is \$20 per Scout and one adult is required per six Scouts. Cadettes will earn a Special Agent Badge.

Home Scientist

Girl Scouts in grades 2 to 5 are welcome to become a kitchen chemist and learn to make homemade ice cream at Naper Settlement. Survey the principle of density and learn how static electricity makes your hair stand on end. Mix and measure to make some slime. Explore chemical reactions and make film canisters into pop rockets. The Home Scientist Program will take place March 5 from 1 to 4 p.m. Brownies will earn the Home Scientist Brownie Badge.

Victorian Spa Overnight

Have luxurious fun while Brownies and Juniors try different methods that ladies used in the 1800s to bring out their natural beauty. Visit the Martin Mitchell Mansion and make lotions and potions to pamper themselves. Enjoy a nighttime snack and continental breakfast. Bring overnight gear. The Victorian Spa Overnight will take place on Fridays March 3, March 17, April 21 and May 12 and will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and end at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. Admission is \$45 per Scout and \$18 per adult and one adult is required per every four Scouts. The Naper Settlement patch is included in the price.

Spring Fever Maple Sugaring

Boys and girls can welcome warmer weather at Naper Settlement's annual tribute to the changing season! Learn the time-honored method of collecting sap the old-fashioned way and see a maple tree tapping demonstration. Become a history detective and complete one of our scavenger hunts, enjoy hands-on activities and learn about pioneers and Native Americans. Scouts will receive a Naper Settlement patch to take home. The Spring Fever Maple Sugaring will take place March 12 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$13 per Scout and \$10 per adult. Registration deadline is March 6. Naperville residents do not receive free admission to this program.

Geocaching and Letterboxing

Brownies, Juniors and Cub Scouts, in grades 2-5, will explore Naper Settlement's 12-acre site while using a GPS device to find hidden caches. Scouts will learn about coordinates so they can geocache on their own. They can become a sleuth by solving riddles to find letterboxes, and make their own stamp to practice their skills. The Geocaching and Letterboxing program will take place April 8 or April 30 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. or 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Playing with History

Dress up and make some accessories as Juniors, in grades 4 to 5, become a Victorian lady for the day. Tour two different home where you might have lived and participate in hands-on activities. Then it's off to school for a lesson with the schoolmarm and old-fashioned recess games. Playing with History will take place on April 23 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Admission to the program is \$27 per Scout and \$10 per adult and one adult is required per every four Scouts. Juniors will earn the Playing the Past Badge.

Cub Scout Belt Loop Bonanza

Tiger, Wolf and Bear scouts can visit Naper Settlement for this Belt Loop Bonanza. Pick up your Belt Loop in-a-bag at check in, visit the stations, tour the buildings, play games and earn your belt loop. Tiger Scouts ages 6 to 7 will create a tall tale with their den based on pioneer projects, learn about the story of Johnny Appleseed and play games. Wolf Scouts ages 7 to 8 will develop mapping skills by finding their town on an Illinois map, creating a map with symbols that will help someone find a location and learn how to identify a compass rose. Bear Scouts ages 8 to 9 will learn about the history of marbles and the game of marbles, then play a game of marbles learning and using slang words associated with the game. The Cub Scout Belt Loop Bonanza will take place on April 29 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$13 per Scout and \$10 per adult. Naperville residents do not receive free admission to this program.

Girl Scouts May Day

Daisies, Brownies and Juniors are able to pick up their badge-in-a-bag at Naper Settlement. They will visit different stations, tour the buildings, play games and earn their Petal or Badge. Daisies earn the Clover Petal, Brownies earn the Letterbox Badge and Juniors earn the Flowers Badge. Girl Scouts May Day will take place Sunday, May 7 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$13 per Scout and \$10 per adult.

Victorian Tea

Brownies and Juniors are invited to Naper Settlement for a charming Victoria Tea Party. Enjoy drinks and sweet treats, learn proper tea manners, tour the Martin Mitchell Mansion and make a special craft. Great for a mother and daughter outing. The Victoria Tea Program will be one and a half hours long. Admission is \$18 per Scout and \$12 per adult and one adult is required for every four Scouts. Naper Settlement will offer the Making Friends Badge for Brownies and Social Butterfly Badge for Juniors.

Daisies All Dolled-Up Tea

Daisies are invited to bring their favorite doll to an old-fashioned tea party where they can both brush up on good manners. Enjoy delicious tea party treats and make a special gift to bring home. The program is

one hour long. Call to schedule. Admission is \$16 per Scout and \$10 per adult and one adult is required for every four Scouts. Daisies will earn the Mari Petal Badge.

Planet Protectors

Make our world a better place – one Daisy at a time. Daisies can help beautify the world by planting their very own rose buds. Learn about the importance of reducing and recycling through hands-on activities. The Planet Protectors Program is one hour long. Admission is \$15 per Scout and one adults is required per every four Scouts. Daisies will earn the Rose Petal Badge.

About Naper Settlement

Naper Settlement is a nationally accredited, award-winning outdoor museum set on 12 magnificent acres in the heart of Naperville, where history comes to play and community comes to connect. For more information, visit www.napersettlement.org or call (630) 420-6010.

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