

# NAPER SETTLEMENT



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## **Naper Settlement April and May 2019 Events and Programs**

**NAPERVILLE, IL** — Naper Settlement is pleased to present the following events and programs during April and May 2019. Now in its summer season, general museum admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors (62+) and \$8 for youth (4-12). Naperville residents with proof of residency, children under 4, and members are free. For more information about a specific event, please visit our website at [www.NaperSettlement.org](http://www.NaperSettlement.org).

### **Wednesday Walking Club**

Wednesdays, April 3–October 30 • 8–9 AM

*Free drop-in program for all ages*

Get fit the old-fashioned way! When it comes to outdoor activity, there is no better way than an active stroll around our beautiful 13-acre museum campus. Check in at the Pre-Emption House Visitor Center, then log your minutes (not miles). No registration is required. Earn reward tickets to Naper Settlement programs and events!

### **Weed Ladies Spring & Summer Sale**

Thursday-Saturday, April 4-6 • 10 AM-4 PM

Sunday, April 7 • 1 – 4 PM

*Free admission to the sale.*

*Held in the Daniels House at Naper Settlement*

The spring and summer sale features beautiful silk and dried floral arrangements perfect for the upcoming seasons!

### **Naperville Plays!**

Sunday, April 7 • 1–4 PM

\$12/Adult, \$10/Senior (62+), \$8/Youth (4–12)

*Naperville residents with proof of residency, children under 4, Naper Settlement and DuPage Children's Museum members are free.*

Join us at Naper Settlement for this fun and educational program themed around “On the Farm.” Families will quadruple their fun with hands-on craft activities along with storytelling provided in partnership by the DuPage Children’s Museum, Naper Settlement, Knoch Knolls Nature Center and the Naperville Public Library.

### **History Speaks Lecture Series: Chicago’s Sweet Candy History**

Sunday, April 7 • 4–5 PM

*Non-Members: \$10/adult, \$9/youth (4-12) and students*

*Members: \$8/adult, \$7/ youth (4-12)*

For most its history, Chicago produced approximately one-third of the nation's candy. Presenter Leslie Goddard shares the history of these tasty treats and explores what made Chicago such an ideal location for candy makers. Find out why immigrants played a critical role in confectionery history, discover how Baby Ruth and Milk Duds got their names, and take a fun “candy quiz.” This lecture will be held in Century Memorial Chapel.

### **Blacksmithing 101**

Saturdays, May 4 & 11 • 8-11 AM

\$150/adult includes both sessions and materials

Learn the art of blacksmithing with an introduction to safety, tools, and the forge in this two-session class. Participants will learn hammer techniques while making an item to take home. For adults 18 and up. Reservations are required.

### **Victorian Memory and Mourning, *plus Cemetery Symbols***

Saturday, May 4 • 1-3 PM

*\$15/person, \$13/Settlement-6 members and above*

Get ready for Memorial Day with a look back at how Americans have traditionally viewed death, mourning, and memorialization. Experience hands-on Victorian mourning artifacts and memorials from a private collection. Discover what mysterious gravestone symbols really mean, then practice your knowledge in a guided walking tour of Naperville Cemetery. Recommended for ages 13 and up. Reservations are required.

### **Summer Training Session for History Connectors**

Saturday, May 4 • 9 AM-12 PM

Teens in grades 8 to 12 and adults can volunteer as History Connectors and work with our visitors at special hands-on activity stations, summer camp, special programs and more. The volunteer commitment for this summer opportunity is four shifts per month during June, July, and August. No costumes are required. For more information, contact Guest & Volunteer Services at 630.420.6104 or email [nsvolunteer@naperville.il.us](mailto:nsvolunteer@naperville.il.us) today to join in a fun, rewarding, and interactive adventure! Training will be held in the Meeting House.

### **Girl Scouts May Day**

Sunday, May 5 • 1-4 PM

\$13 Scout/youth, \$10/adult

Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors are able to pick up their badge-in-a-bag at check-in at Naper Settlement, visit stations, tour buildings, play games and earn their Petal or Badge. Daisies complete requirements for *Clover Petal*; Brownies complete requirements for *Letterbox Badge*; Juniors complete requirements for *Flowers Badge*.

*Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago can register for this program through the Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana Council website <http://gcnwiprograms.org/program/3565>. Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois can register through Naper Settlement at [grouptours@naperville.il.us](mailto:grouptours@naperville.il.us) or by calling 630.420.6010.*

### **History Speaks Lecture Series: Navigating to the Moon and Back**

Sunday, May 5 • 4–5 PM

*Non-Members: \$10/adult, \$9/youth (4-12) and students*

*Members: \$8/adult, \$7/ youth (4-12)*

The Apollo missions to the Moon were a landmark of human exploration and an important turning point in the history of navigation. The Apollo 8 mission also proved to be the only time space travelers experimented extensively with traditional navigation techniques using sextants. In this talk, Dr. Andrew K. Johnston with the Adler Planetarium explains how astronauts and space pioneers met the challenge of navigating to the Moon. See how space travelers found their way using techniques long used by mariners, connecting this amazing voyage to centuries of journeys of exploration across the oceans. This lecture will be held in Century Memorial Chapel.

### **Civil War Days**

Saturday & Sunday, May 18 & 19 • 10 AM–4 PM

*\$15/adult, \$10/youth (4–12), Members and children under 4 are free*

Naper Settlement is transformed into a Civil War encampment where visitors can meet famous figures of the past and experience firsthand a turbulent time in our nation's history. Hundreds of reenactors participate, culminating in a battle complete with raging cannons and marching infantry. This family-friendly event features food, fun, music, and shopping on "Sutler's Row" for traditional Civil War-era reproduction products. The battle begins at 2:30 PM each day. Advanced tickets are available online or at the Pre-Emption House Visitor Center.

### **About Naper Settlement**

Naper Settlement is a nationally accredited, award-winning outdoor museum set on 13 magnificent acres in the heart of Naperville. Located 30 miles from Chicago, the museum is home to thirty historical structures dating back as early as the 1830s. Featuring exhibits, special events, educational programming and more, Naper Settlement is where history comes alive and the community comes to connect. For more information, visit [www.napersettlement.org](http://www.napersettlement.org) or call (630) 420-6010.