

Har-Ber Village 2016 Calendar of Events

• THE OKLAHOMA EXPERIENCE: IN OUR OWN WORDS

Har-Ber Village Museum will once again be the location of the free book discussion program, Let's Talk About It, Oklahoma!, made possible by a grant from the Oklahoma Humanities Council and its funders: the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Inasmuch Foundation and the Kirkpatrick Family Fund.

For each of the five sessions this spring, participants will be provided with the book scheduled for discussion and an essay that gives insight into the overarching themes that connect the books. The theme of this series is "The Oklahoma Experience: In Our Own Words." The Oklahoma experience is not only historical; it is also personal. This series consists of autobiographies written by "ordinary" Oklahomans about their everyday lives, families, and friends.

To reserve a space and schedule a time to pick up the first book, call 918-786-3488 or email director@har-bervillage.com. Program runs 6:30-8:00pm.

The schedule for this spring's program is as follows:

| Date | Book, Author | Scholar |
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| Thursday, March 3, 2016 | Leaves in the Wind by LaDonna K. Meinders | Jamie Weaver |
| Thursday, March 31, 2016 | Hurrah for My New Free Country by Leon C. Fouquet | Bill Corbett |
| Thursday, April 21, 2016 | The Cherokee Strip by Marquis James | Emily Dial-Driver |
| Thursday, May 19, 2016 | On Coon Mountain by Glen Ross | Emily Dial-Driver |
| Thursday, June 16, 2016 | Flight from Innocence by Judson Jerome | Brian Cowlshaw |

MARCH/APRIL

• **MEMBERS ONLY OPENING EVENT:** women's history month theme, **March 12, 1-4pm** Details to be finalized

• LITTLE PIONEER WORKSHOPS FOR PRESCHOOLERS AT HAR-BER VILLAGE MUSEUM

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The four sessions offered for preschoolers this spring will focus on "Going Buggy" and include a theme-related story, activity, take home craft and snack.

1. The March 17 workshop is **Caterpillars and Butterflies**. Preschoolers will learn about the process of metamorphosis through seeing, touching and tasting.
2. On March 31, everything will be about **Ants**. We will decide whether "to stomp or not to stomp" on these tiny creatures. Finger puppets and singing will allow us to be up and moving just like the ant colony.
3. On April 7, the focus is on **Bumble Bees**. This sometimes scary bug can be fun to learn and sing about with a moving picture book.
4. **Spiders** will be the theme on April 21. We'll recite the classic "Itsy Bitsy Spider" song with a twist. Preschoolers may go home saying "I Love Spiders" just like the title of the book we'll read.

• **Historic Craft and Pioneer Skills Workshops** (The first price listed is the non-member fee; the second, for Har-Ber Village members.) Additional workshops to be scheduled.

March 19, Soap Making, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$20, \$15

Discover how to make pure, natural soap from lard and lye, the same way the pioneers did. You will gain the knowledge and experience needed to produce your own additive-free soap at 1/3 the cost of commercial soap. Also learn how to use that soap to make laundry soap for additional savings. Workshop fee includes recipes and directions for soap, molds, hints on natural additions that will create specialty soaps for use and gift giving, and two bars of homemade soap. Class limit: 15. Instructor Tim Field.

March 26, Pysanky: Ukrainian Egg Dyeing, 1-4:30pm, \$20, \$15

Just in time for Easter—learn the basics of this unique craft as you design and dye with beeswax and raw eggs! Class limit: 12. Instructor Amelia Chamberlain.

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April 9, Cheese Making, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$40, \$35

Learn how to make several different types of soft cheese at home from easily obtainable ingredients. Our pioneer ancestors made use of the daily milk production by making butter and cheese, thereby preserving the milk for later use. Soft cheeses are easy to produce. Make fresh farmer's cheese, ricotta cheese, and mozzarella, and taste the results. Workshop fee will include directions for several other homemade cheeses, including cream cheese, as well as ingredients that can be added to flavor cheeses. Class limit: 10. Instructor Tim Field.

April 16, Bread Making, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$40, \$35

Learn the basics of bread making—both yeast and quick breads. Homemade breads were a staple of our 19th Century ancestors. Breads made during this workshop will be baked in cast-iron Dutch ovens on the hearth, but all recipes can be prepared in the modern home oven as well. Homemade breads have a taste and texture unmatched by store-bought bread, and can be prepared with healthy ingredients. Breads covered in this workshop are Sally Lunn yeast bread, 30-minute-quick yeast rolls, buttermilk cornbread and mocha artisan bread. You'll also churn butter to put to use when workshop bread results are tasted. Class limit: 10. Instructor Tim Field.

April 16 Spring Fairy Garden Workshop, 10am- noon, \$35, \$30

A great mother-daughter project, our spring fairy garden includes a May pole and plants. Class limit: none. Instructor Lisa Houck.

• **SPECIAL EVENT DAYS AT HAR-BER VILLAGE** (All activities free with regular admission unless otherwise noted.)

April 29 & 30, Civil War Days

Treat your senses to the sights, sounds and smells of military and civilian life during America's bloodiest war years, with musket and cannon fire, period music and food cooking on the hearth. Each year brings new volunteers and living history reenactors to bring history to life.

MAY

• **SPECIAL EVENT DAYS AT HAR-BER VILLAGE** (\$3 per student admission; educators and chaperones 1/10 students free.)

May 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, Pioneer Sampler Days for Schools (as they are scheduled—call ahead to confirm program is held)

These educational program days have been added to Har-Ber Village's 2016 schedule specifically for school visits. Home-schools, single classrooms, whole grade levels or entire schools will be able to experience a variety of learning stations with pioneer life themes. Reservations **MUST** be made at least one week in advance of program date. Call 918-786-6446 for more information.

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May 21, Beginning Spinning: Wheel, Drop Spindle and Combing, 10am-4pm, \$75, \$65

Learn how to use a drop spindle, how to comb wool for spinning and make your own yarn on a spinning wheel. A limited number of wheels are available on a first come basis. Class limit: 5. Instructor Jeannie Wheatley.

May 21, Needle Tatting Workshop, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$35, \$30

Old-fashioned lace making made easier with a needle. Class limit: 5. Instructor Lisa Houck.

May 21, Swedish Weaving Workshop, 1:30-4:30pm, \$40, \$35

Make a beautiful gift in one day with this traditional needle weaving technique. Class limit: 5. Instructor Lisa Houck.

JUNE

- **UNIQUE SUMMER CAMPS JUST FOR AGES 9-13 AT HAR-BER VILLAGE MUSEUM**
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June 6-9, Nature Camp, 9:30am-noon, \$60, \$50

Have you been to visit and explore Har-Ber Village's new Natural History Activity Room? Explore the natural eco-systems that are on the museum grounds, spend time learning with the variety of hand-on displays in the Natural History Activity Room and discuss the ecology and conservation of our natural resources. Experiences will include guest speakers, plants, animals, literature and crafts as well as a daily snack. Projects created during the camp will be shared during the Ecology and Environment Day event on Saturday, June 11.

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June 11, Ecology and Environment Day

In today's throwaway society, it is important to slow down and consider the footprint we are leaving for the next generations. This special event day focuses on how our actions today impact the future. Ecology and conservation of our natural resources are the themes for the day. Several outside agencies will bring their expertise to the Village for this day of awareness. Scouts may earn a special patch by participating in this event.

- **Historic Craft and Pioneer Skills Workshops** (The first price listed is the non-member fee; the second, for Har-Ber Village members.) Additional workshops to be scheduled.

June 4 & 5, Beginning Weaving, 9am-4pm, \$165, \$150

This two-day class is for anyone wanting to learn to weave and includes warping and threading a loom and how to read patterns. Various techniques will be taught as you weave a table runner on a four-harness loom. Yarns are provided with the class. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own loom. A limited number of looms are available on a first come basis. Class limit: 4. Instructor Jeannie Wheatley.

June 18, Herb Teas, Vinegars & Drying Herbs, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$15, \$10

Tour the tea and herb gardens to learn about the herbs our 19th century ancestors used for cooking and teas. Learn how to harvest, dry and prepare herbs for teas and culinary uses such as flavored vinegars, and sample several teas made with the herbs. Class limit: 15. Instructor Tim Field.

June 25, Beginning Knitting Workshop, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$35, \$30

Learn the basic knit stitch and technique to make this unusual decorative loopy scarf. Class limit: 5. Instructor Lisa Houck.

JULY

- **SPECIAL EVENT DAYS AT HAR-BER VILLAGE** (All activities free with regular admission unless otherwise noted.)

July 4, Independence Day Celebration

This two-hour (10am to noon) family friendly event has become a holiday tradition for the children of Grove and the Grand Lake area. Play old-fashioned lawn games, enjoy hand-cranked firecracker ice cream, decorate your bikes and wagons for the Kids' Parade and meet a patriotic personality. Experience the old-fashioned Fourth of July fun!

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July 16, Pickling, 9:30am-1:00pm, \$40, \$35

Pickling was a common method our ancestors used to preserve the garden's bounty for later use. Vegetables such as cucumbers, onions, beets, and okra were pickled to provide variety on the table. Become acquainted with several simple processes used to make pickles, including refrigerator and fermented types. Class limit: 10. Instructor Tim Field.

July 23, Summer Fairy Garden Workshop, 10am-noon, \$35, \$30.

A great mother-daughter project, our summer garden includes a camp site and plants. Class limit: none.

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July 18-21, Pioneer Camp, 9:30am-noon, \$60, \$50

Have you ever wondered how the Pioneers lived long ago? This camp will allow you to experience many of the daily experiences of that time period bringing history to life. Print on a printing press, weave on a loom, learn how a blacksmith creates metal objects, dip candles and play with old-fashioned toys. Explore the items in “Grandmother’s Trunk” and learn how they were used, and cook on the hearth in Har-Ber Village’s Living History Cabin.

AUGUST

• **UNIQUE SUMMER CAMPS JUST FOR AGES 9-13 AT HAR-BER VILLAGE MUSEUM**
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August 1-4, Art Camp, 9:30am-noon, \$60, \$50

A camp just for the budding artist—come “express yourself” as we check out art! Experience folk crafts from days gone by with a modern spin. Learn about the concepts of line, texture, color and design. Explore weaving, printing, sculpting and photography. A wide variety of media including recycled objects and natural materials from the museum grounds will be used as you build several different projects. Create edible art as part of a daily snack. Each participant will be part of the “Art Opening” during the Art on the Lake Day event on Saturday, August 6.

• **SPECIAL EVENT DAYS AT HAR-BER VILLAGE** (All activities free with regular admission unless otherwise noted.)

August 6, Art on the Lake Day

Celebrate the arts! Explore a wide variety of two- and three-dimensional art through demonstrations and hands-on interactive stations. You’ll see fiber arts, graphic arts, sculpting and ceramics, painting, photography and more.

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August 13, Needle Tatting Workshop, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$35, \$30

Old-fashioned lace making made easier with a needle. Class limit: 5. Instructor Lisa Houck.

August 13, Swedish Weaving Workshop, 1:30-4:30pm, \$40, \$35

Make a beautiful gift in one day with this traditional needle weaving technique. Class limit: 5. Instructor Lisa Houck.

August 20, Ice Creams, Sherbets & Ices, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$40, \$35

During the warmer months of the year, our 19th century ancestors often cooled off with a frozen treat. Learn the history and science behind hand-cranked ice creams, sherbets and ices. Prepare the mixes and hand-crank the freezers to create all three treats from period recipes, then sample the results when finished. Class limit: 15. Instructor Tim Field.

SEPTEMBER

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The four sessions offered (two in September, two in October) for preschoolers this fall will focus on nature and include a theme-related story, activity, take home craft and snack.

1. On September 8, the focus will be **Trees**. Preschoolers will explore the many varieties of trees at the Village as they interact with samples collected on the grounds of the museum. Exploration will be accompanied by a story and craft activity.
2. On September 22, will be everything **Owls**. The classic Pat Hutchins book “Good-Night, Owl!” will be the beginning for making a pine cone owl.

- **SPECIAL EVENT DAYS AT HAR-BER VILLAGE** (All activities free with regular admission unless otherwise noted.)

September 17, Groves Grand Talent at Har-Ber Village

The 4th annual event to find out “who’s got talent” will take place in the Event Tent at Har-Ber Village Museum. Two categories, adult and youth (ages 10-17) will be judged during a preliminary and final round. Winners will receive a first prize of \$500, second prize of \$250 and third prize of \$100. Email grovetalent@gmail.com to get an application. A \$15 entry fee applies. For additional information call 402-340-2560.

- **SPECIAL EVENT DAYS AT HAR-BER VILLAGE** (All activities free with regular admission unless otherwise noted.)

September 30, October 1, Pioneer Days

Did you know that people actually survived life without cell phones, microwaves and the internet? Pioneer Days takes us back to a simpler, hands-on way of life. Activities and demonstrations include blacksmithing, spinning and weaving, hearth cooking, gardening and more. Scouts may earn a special patch by participating in this event.

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3. On October 6 we will focus on **Seeds**. Scientific thinking is so important for preschoolers and they will be engaged in several experiences to sort, observe and even taste seeds.
4. **Leaves** will be the theme on October 20. Fall leaves can be a real nuisance to those having to rake, but when used to create art, they make a colorful display!

- **Historic Craft and Pioneer Skills Workshops** (The first price listed is the non-member fee; the second, for Har-Ber Village members.) Additional workshops to be scheduled.

September 17, Hearth Cooking with Apples, 9:00am-1:00pm, \$40, \$35

Fall provided our ancestors with bountiful harvests of apples, which were incorporated into many dishes for the table. Learn to prepare a meal from 19th century recipes utilizing apples cooked in cast-iron on the hearth of Har-Ber Village’s Living History Cabin. Sample the results. Workshop fee includes all the recipes which can be prepared in a modern oven at home. Class limit: 10. Instructor Tim Field.

September 17, Beginning Knitting Workshop, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$35, \$30

Learn the basic knit stitch and technique to make this unusual decorative loopy scarf. Class limit: 5. Instructor Lisa Houck.

September 24, Soap Making, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$20, \$15

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OCTOBER

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October 8, Chuck Wagon Dinner Under the Stars at Har-Ber Village

Har-Ber Village Museum hosts its third annual Chuck Wagon Dinner and Dance Under the Stars fundraising event on October 8, 2016. The evening starts at 6:00 pm with a “whet your whistle” social hour. Social hour will take place along Main Street.

Dinner will be served by Timbered-In Catering (pulled pork, smoked chicken quarters, three-meat baked beans, cheesy potatoes, cole slaw, corn bread, cobbler and ice cream, wine, beer and root beer) starting at 7:15 pm. Following dinner, dance to the sounds of Duling Brothers.

Be sure to dress Western style! Tickets are \$70 per person or purchase a table of 10 for \$1,000. A saloon girl hostess will be provided to those who purchase tables.

If you would like for us to save you a place around the campfire, you can purchase your tickets online at hervillage.com, call 918-786-6446, or visit the Country Store at Har-Ber Village. Seating is limited. Tickets are on sale until September 23.

October 22, Old-Fashioned Fall Carnival (Note: This event takes the place of Historical Haunted Halloween)

Experience the old-fashioned carnival fun of yesteryear. This event is geared to children, ages 8 and under; however there will be fun for adults as well. Bean-bag Toss, Clothes Pin Drop, Ring Toss, Pumpkin Chunkin, Face Painting, Fishing Booth and a Cupcake Walk are all part of the fun! Wear your costume to be a part of the Halloween Parade.

- **Historic Craft and Pioneer Skills Workshops** (The first price listed is the non-member fee; the second, for Har-Ber Village members.) Additional workshops to be scheduled.

October 8, Advanced Weaving: Swedish Rag Rugs, 9am-4pm, \$155, \$140

Learn how to make Swedish Rag Rugs in this one-day class. These are not your typical plain rag rugs, but rugs with designs and patterns. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own loom. A limited number of looms are available on a first come basis. Looms will need to be prewarped for this class. If you will be using your own loom, warping instructions will be provided at time of enrollment. Class limit: 4. Instructor Jeannie Wheatley.

October 15, Sausage Making, 9:00am-1:00pm, \$40, \$35

Never made sausage? Discover how easy and inexpensive it is to make delicious sausage at home. Learn how to prepare several kinds of sausage, including Italian, Polish and country breakfast sausage, and how to adjust seasonings to your own tastes. Grind the meat, mix seasonings, stuff sausage casings, and cook and taste the results at the end of the workshop. Class limit: 15. Instructor Tim Field.

October 15, Fall/Halloween Fairy Garden Workshop, 10am-noon, \$35, \$30.

A great mother-daughter project, our Halloween garden includes a spooky cemetery and plants. Class limit: none. Instructor Lisa Houck.

October 22, Hearth Cooking Holiday Treats, 9:00am-1:00pm, \$40, \$35

Late fall and early winter holiday celebrations of the 19th Century were accented by special foods and treats prepared in the cast-iron vessels on the hearth. The air was filled with the scents of cinnamon, cloves, pumpkin and molasses, as cakes, pies and puddings were created for these celebrations. Learn how to create some of those historic holiday treats, from mixing ingredients to baking in the Dutch ovens to tasting the results at the end. Workshop fee includes the recipes for all of the treats, and can be prepared at home in a modern oven. Class limit: 10. Instructor Tim Field.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

• **Historic Craft and Pioneer Skills Workshops** (The first price listed is the non-member fee; the second, for Har-Ber Village members.) Additional workshops to be scheduled.

November 12, Natural Christmas Decorations, 9:30am-1:00pm, \$40, \$35

Our pioneer ancestors looked to their surroundings when it came time to decorate for the holidays. Trips to the forest yielded cedar, holly, pine and magnolia, which were used to create wreaths, swags and garlands. Pine cones, nuts, dried berries and seed pods were added as decorative elements. Discover how to use these natural materials to create gorgeous natural decorations for the holidays, at much less expense than purchased plastic decorations. Workshop fee includes directions for both indoor and outdoor decorations. Class limit: 20. Instructor Tim Field.

• **SPECIAL EVENT DAYS AT HAR-BER VILLAGE** (All activities free with regular admission unless otherwise noted.)

November 4 & 5, Cherokee Heritage Day

Har-Ber Village Museum celebrates the Cherokee culture and heritage through activities, demonstrations, music and more. Play the ancient game of marbles dating back to 800 A.D. Listen to Cherokee gospel songs and flute-playing fill the air with beautiful music. Sample Indian tacos. See demonstrations of Cherokee basket weaving, finger weaving, pottery and pucker-toe moccasins. Browse vendor tables for unique gifts.

November 25, 26, December 3, 4, 10 & 11, Christmas on Main Street (17 & 18—rain/snow dates), 2-8pm

Har-Ber Village Museum becomes a winter wonderland each year when area businesses and organizations "deck the halls" of buildings along the Village's Main Street. Vote for your favorite display while touring the Village. During the holiday event, music and refreshments add to the festive air, and the Country Store and Crafters at Har-Ber Village Shop will be open to offer a wide array of seasonal gifts. Visitors can decorate ornaments to place on the Har-Ber Village Christmas tree. Stop by the Chuckwagon Cafe to sample holiday goodies. Each day will offer a different holiday activity from a visit and picture with Santa to a reading of the Night Before Christmas and other stories to creating a gingerbread Polar Express to making unique ornaments.