



## 2010 SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR KIDS, Clark County

United Way's Information and Referral Service produces this list (323-1400). It includes many of the summer opportunities available for kids in our community. Please contact resources directly for further information. Many of the resources below have a fee. Ask about applications for scholarships or reduced rates if you are unable to afford the fee. If you are a non-profit agency offering a summer program and are not listed, please call the above number or email [mmartin@uwccmc.org](mailto:mmartin@uwccmc.org)

### **AMERICAN RED CROSS**, 399-3872 or [www.clarkcountyohio.redcross.org](http://www.clarkcountyohio.redcross.org)

Offerings for kids include: Babysitting (11+ years), CPR (12+), First Aid Basics (12+ years), and Pet First Aid (10+). All activities/classes are held at the American Red Cross offices (1830 N. Limestone St.).

### **AVETEC**, 322-5000 or [www.avetec.org](http://www.avetec.org)

Avetec is collaborating with local school districts to enhance and advance science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) curricula and encourage students to pursue postsecondary education in new and innovative ways:

ACES (Avetec's Career Exploration in Science) for children in grades 6-8, this camp runs one day per week from June-Aug at Avetec, 4170 Allium Court, Springfield. Fees, financial aid available.

Automation/Robotics Summer Institute for students entering grades 9-12 with interest in automation and robotics. Check the Avetec website listed above for information about other educational programs for children such as STARBASE and GEAR UP.

### **CAMP JOURNEY**, 323-3781 or [www.springfield-ymca.com](http://www.springfield-ymca.com)

Camp Journey is a day camp for children with special needs ages 6-15 years. The camp will be held at the Clark County DD campus this summer and Clark County DD will provide transportation to and from the facility. The children will have the opportunity to participate in both indoor and outdoor activities with trained staff. There will be a field trip each week. The camp operates from 9:00am-3:00pm June 14-August 13 (off June 28-July 2) and is limited to 15 children.

### **CLARK STATE COLLEGE FOR KIDS**, 328-6062 or [www.clarkstate.edu](http://www.clarkstate.edu) to receive a schedule.

Summer enrichment is offered for kids entering grades 4-7. Fees vary and most of the courses run for 3, 4 or 5 days. There are a wide variety of courses that are fun and educational. The number listed is for the Continuing Education Department, anyone in the office can provide information.

### **CLARK STATE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER-328-7951**

The 2010 Children's Hour will be held from 11:30-12:30 pm at the Clark State Performing Arts Center Davidson Grand Lobby. Children ages 4-10 years and their parents are welcome to come to this FREE program every Wednesday in June. The dates are as follows: June 2-Clark County Public Library, June 9-Infusion Campus, June 16-Springfield Symphony, June 23-Clark State Theatre Arts Program, June 30-Gary Geis Dance Company. Please call to register. A light snack will be provided at the end of each program.

### **SPRINGFIELD CITY SCHOOLS- SUMMER DAY CAMP (Child Care Program) 505-4240** Contact: Sheliah or Theresa 505-2818

June 7 through August 20, 6am-6pm, at Lagonda Elementary, 800 E. McCreight Ave. The camp is available for kids 5-11 who have just completed grades K through 6. Children will participate in a variety of activities based upon age and interest. Games, music, guest visitors and field trips are among the highlighted activities each week. The fees are as follows: \$115 per week per child full-time or \$30 per day per child plus an additional \$10 fee for part-time students who attend on field trip days. Financial assistance is available to qualifying families through the Clark County Dept. of Job & Family Services. To check on eligibility, contact: 327-1814

**Diabetes Camp Ko-Man-She**-for children with Type 1 diabetes ages 8-16 yrs. Residential camp will be held at YMCA's Wilson Outdoor Center, 2732 County Road 11, Bellefontaine. Cost for residential camp is \$400. The Clark-Champaign Diabetes Assn. is offering scholarships. Camp date is July 18-24, 2010. To apply for a scholarship, go to the Clark-Champaign Diabetes Assn. website at [www.ccdainc.org](http://www.ccdainc.org)

**DIABETES ASSOCIATION- CAMP Korelitz-Residential camp** for children with diabetes ages 8-15, August 1-7, 2010, at Camp Joy, in Clarksville, Ohio, between Dayton & Cincinnati. Campers are supervised by nurses, dietitians, and counselors thoroughly trained in diabetes. Campers enjoy meeting other children with diabetes and spending time outdoors while participating in arts and crafts, swimming, climbing walls and etc. A major goal of camp is to teach children to manage their diabetes in a manner that allows them to participate in a full range of activities. Fee: \$475 (financial aid application upon request). Call: (513) 759-9330 ext 6662 for more information. Website for information is: [www.diabetes.org/adacampkorelitz](http://www.diabetes.org/adacampkorelitz)

**ECOCAMPS – Glen Helen Ecology Institute** (Yellow Springs), 1-800-538-4893 or (937) 767-7648  
Day Camps M-Th 9:00am - 3:30pm, Friday 9:00am-2:00pm

Animal Crackers (**ages 5-6**)

Creepy Crawlies (**ages 5-6**)

Frog Camp (**ages 7-8**)

Birds, Bugs, Bees (**ages 7-8**)

Woodsy Wonders (**ages 7-8**) All of the above camps are \$185  
Camp Sessions start week of June 14 and end the week of July 19.

Overnight Camps Mon 9:00am – Fri 2:00 pm Fee: \$280

EcoArt (**ages 8-10**)

Glen Safari (**ages 8-10**)

Aqua Explorers (**ages 9-11**)

Frontier Ohio (**ages 9-11**)

Rock Stars (**9-11**)

Raptor Camp (**ages 11-13**)

Night Camp (**ages 11-13**)

Night Camp (**ages 13-14**)

Wilderness Adventure (**ages 11-13**)

Survivor Camp (**ages 12-14**)

Fossil Hunters (**ages 8-10**)

Night Camp (**ages 14-15**)

There are fees for all of the camps. Website is [www.glenhelen.org](http://www.glenhelen.org)

**GIRLS SCOUTS OF Western OHIO** – 1-800-537-6241- For girls entering grades 1-grade 12  
All registered Girl Scouts and any girl who agrees to register as a Girl Scout may attend camp.  
Camperships, based on financial need, are available for any registered/active Girl Scout who needs

financial assistance. Call the above number to request a form or check website. Girl Scouts has a variety of camp opportunities in all four regions of the western Ohio area. There are four camps and a selection of day and overnight camps that offer experiences in: arts & culture, character building, health & fitness, leadership, life skills, science & technology and horseback riding. **For more information about all of their programs, check their website at [www.girlscoutsofwesternohio.org](http://www.girlscoutsofwesternohio.org) or call their toll-free number 1-800-537-6241**

**GLEN HELEN ECOLOGY INSTITUTE 937-769-1902**

Reptile feedings are typically the first or second Sat. of each month. All feedings are 11:00 at the Trailside Museum. Kids of all ages are welcome to attend and learn more about the lives and favorite foods of snakes and turtles. Check website [www.glenhelen.org](http://www.glenhelen.org) or call (937) 767- 7748 for more fun activities at the Trailside Museum.

**HERITAGE CENTER OF CLARK COUNTY, 324-0657 or [www.heritagecenter.us](http://www.heritagecenter.us)**

Tours are available Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00am to 5:00pm. There is no admission charge for residents of Clark County. Call above number for specially scheduled events.

**MIAMI VALLEY JAZZ SUMMER CAMP 2010** Open to middle and high school student musicians of any ability who play brass instruments, woodwinds, or rhythm section instruments (including 2010 graduates). The camp is located at Fairmont High School, June 14-18, 8:00am-4:00pm. Half-day sessions are available for students attending Summer School. Check the web-site or call 937-885-2422 for full and half-day tuition costs, date of placement auditions, applications, and scholarship info. Website: [www.daytonjazzorchestra.com](http://www.daytonjazzorchestra.com)

**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE-1100 Spaatz St., Dayton (937) 255-3286**

A variety of aerospace camps are being offered. June 14-18, Go For Launch for children who have completed grades 5-6; Aug 2-6, High Flying Adventure for children who have completed grades 2-3; June 21-25, Liftoff! For children who have completed grades 6-8. Call the number listed for fees.

**NATIONAL TRAIL PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT-328-7275**

A wide variety of full and half-day camps are available for young people ages 3-17 yrs. Most camps are limited in size, register as quickly as possible. Please call the above number for more information, or check their website: [www.ntprd.org](http://www.ntprd.org) and also look under Special Events for other fun activities.

<i>Trail Tots Activity Camp</i>	ages 3-5 (must be toilet trained)
<i>Baseball Camp</i>	ages 7-14 (held at Carleton Davidson Stadium)
<i>Camp Kidstuff</i>	ages 6-12 (3, one-week long sessions at various sites)
<i>Nature Camp</i>	ages 8-12
<i>Volleyball Camp</i>	ages 10-14
<i>Basketball Camp</i>	ages 9-14
<i>Cheerleading Camp</i>	ages 5-12
<i>Soccer Camp</i>	ages 8-15
<i>Golf Camp</i>	ages 10-17
<i>Tennis Camp</i>	ages 5-15
<i>Summer Playgrounds</i>	ages 6-14 (Offers <b>FREE</b> supervised recreational activities) 10:00-4:00 Virgil Mabra Park & Sherman Ave Park Pre-registration required-40 child limit

**Splash Zone Family Aquatic Center, 300 Eagle City Road, opens May 29**

**Camp KidStuff** for children ages 6-12 yrs is a week long camp with a wide variety of activities

Scheduled to provide campers with hours of excitement and learning. Children need to bring lunch and a water bottle. Cost \$55 June 21-25 at Snyder Park Shelter House (tennis court) July 12-16 at South Charleston Park and July 19-23 in New Carlisle at Smith Park.

**NEW CARLISLE BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATING 200 YEARS OF HISTORY**-June 5-6 at Smith Park there will be a Frontier Ohio Living History Encampment. For more information about this and other fun activities related to the Bicentennial see [www.ncbicentennial.com](http://www.ncbicentennial.com)

**NEW CARLISLE POOL OPENS MAY 29 at 11:00 am**-Pool passes are on sale now at the New Carlisle City Building, 331 S Church St. Call 845-9492 for information before May 29.

**NEW CARLISLE-TECUMSEH SCHOOL DISTRICT SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM-**

This free program is available for all kids 18 years of age and younger and those over 18 who are determined to be mentally or physically disabled by a state or local educational agency. Meals will be provided at the following locations:

Lake Avenue Christian Church	1101 W Lake Ave, New Carlisle	11:30-12:30
Park Layne Elementary School	12355 Dille Rd, off St. Rt. 235	12:00-12:30

The program runs from June 16-July 30 (closed for the day that will honor July 4).

**OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION OFFICE 4-H**, 521-3860 or <http://clark.osu.edu/4h/>

Junior Camp (ages 8 & in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to age 12) June 13-17 and Senior Camp (age 13-15) June 29-July 2. 4-H Camp Clifton is in Clifton, Ohio 2256 Clifton Rd, just off St. Rt. 72. Call for information about fees. Fees include all meals, lodging, camper supplemental insurance, camp t-shirt and many of the camp activities. Camp activities: swimming, hiking, creeking, high ropes, archery, cooking, fishing, team games, sports, canoeing, campfires and so much more!

THERE IS LIMITED SPACE FOR ALL CAMPS!! Call for registration forms or check website.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE DEAF** (937) 641-8186 (VP) or (937) 222-9481

KODA Camp is a week long camp for "Kids of Deaf Adults", designed to build leadership, problem-solving, and communication skills through fun interactive activities for ages 8-14; and kids ages 15-17 can register to be junior staff members for the camp. The camp also provides alcohol prevention education and a chance for kids to meet other kids with deaf parents/guardians and build lasting friendships. The camp is from July 25-July 30, 2010. For registration and information contact Patrick White at [preventedu@csddatyon.org](mailto:preventedu@csddatyon.org) [www.dcrcoho.com](http://www.dcrcoho.com)

**SAFETY CITY**

This is a 5-day course in Traffic Safety for children (ages 5-6) living in the City of Springfield who will be attending kindergarten or first grade in September. There are 2 classes each day, from 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. & from 1:00 p.m.-3:30 pm. Each child attends one class daily, choosing either the morning or afternoon classes. The class is offered free. Please call: 328-6991 and ask for the D.A.R.E. officers for further information. FREE

**SAFETY VILLAGE**

Safety village is a basic safety education program for Clark County children entering Kindergarten. There will be 6 sessions during the month of June. Registration forms are available at the school that your child will be attending in the Fall or call 521-2100 and ask for the D.A.R.E. officer or you can register at [www.clarkcountyohio.gov/sheriff](http://www.clarkcountyohio.gov/sheriff) FREE

**SALVATION ARMY**, 322-3434

*Summer Day Camp* for children with physical disabilities (ages 7-12). It will be held June 14- July 22.

A variety of activities will include: arts, crafts, swimming, bowling and various field trips. Pre-registration is required. The fee is \$50. Call Lucretia Crawford at 322-3434 to register.

**SPECIAL NEEDS DAY CAMP (937) 427-1919**

Camp Silver Lake hosted by Therapy Connections is a special needs day camp for children and teens who are actively able to participate in structured programs. Special needs may include ADD/ADHD, Sensory Integration Dysfunction, Autism, Down Syndrome, speech and language impairment or developmental delays. The first session starts June 14 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Silver Lake is near New Carlisle. Call the above number for price and more information.

**SPRINGFIELD CITY SCHOOLS SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM 505-2870**

This free program is available for all kids 18 years of age and younger and those over 18 who are determined to be mentally or physically disabled by a state or local educational agency. Meals will be provided at the following locations (closed on July 4). All school sites serve from 11:30-12:30.

- Fulton 631 S. Yellow Springs St. June 21-July 30
- Lincoln 1500 Tibbetts June 21-July 30
- Kenton 731 E. Home Rd July 12-July 30
- Mann 521 Mount Joy July 12-July 30
- Snyder Park 1600 Maiden Lane July 12-July 30
- Metropolitan Housing 526 N. Murray St. 11:30-12:00 June 21-July 30
- Metropolitan Housing 1900 Huron Ave. 11:30-12:00 June 21-July 30
- Family Needs Center 36 E. Grand Ave 12:00-12:30 June 21-July 30

**SPRINGFIELD FAMILY YMCA, 323-3781** .....Sign-ups for all camps are going on now!

Day Camp (5-13 years) Drop off time is 7:00-9:00am, pick-up time 4:00-6:00pm. The fee is \$90 – 110 per week. A \$50 deposit is required per week to reserve a space. This fee is deducted from that week's fee. DJFS childcare income eligible families are accepted. Parents can call 327-1814 to speak to the DJFS childcare unit. Contact Jim Sawin at 323-3781 for registration details. Summer Day Campers will participate in field trips, swimming, sports, devotions, games, crafts and etc.

Cheer America Cheerleading is for boys and girls ages 4-15. Cheerleading promotes coordination, confidence and physical fitness. Call the above number for more information.

The YMCA has swim lessons, youth photography, kid Zumba, soccer, golf and much more.

The Springfield Family YMCA is located at 300 S. Limestone St in Springfield and you can call, stop by or check their website at [www.springfield-ymca.com](http://www.springfield-ymca.com) for more program information.

**SPRINGFIELD MUSEUM OF ART, 324-3729 or [www.artsinterface.org](http://www.artsinterface.org)**

Summer art classes June 14-August 7 at the Springfield Museum of Art. For more information on dates and times, visit the website listed. The class catalogue will be online by mid-May.

**SPRINGFIELD PEACE CENTER 327-3977** Contact: Nanci Keller

Peace Camp 2010 will be held at Snowhill Elementary, 531 W. Harding Rd. M-F, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon (June 14-18 ) for ages 4 years – 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The camp is free. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Donations gratefully accepted. Applications are available at all library locations, schools, and on the website: [www4.wittenberg.edu/administration/peacecenter](http://www4.wittenberg.edu/administration/peacecenter)

.....Parent/Caregiver Classes will be available during Peace School so that they can meet other parents and learn conflict management skills as well. A trained parent educator will lead these classes.

Mediation for Teens is for 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students from city and county schools including home schooling. It will be held June 9 &10, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Wittenberg's Shouplin Center, room 105. Students

trained during this two-day workshop will apply their skills as mediators and teen aides in the classrooms during Peace Camp. These students will then take the mediation training back to their schools. Call 327-3977 for an application or pick one up at any Clark County Library, local schools or the website mentioned above. Sponsored by: Springfield Peace Center, Clark County Common Pleas Court Mediation Services, and Springfield Mediation Services.

### **SUMMER STAGE/KIDSTAGE – SUMMER THEATER DAY CAMP 323-7755**

This day camp (sponsored by the Ohio Lyric Theater of Springfield and Clark State Community College Performing Arts Center) is for kids entering grades 3-7 who love performing. Registration is limited and there is a fee involved. Sessions will be held each day on: acting, singing, music and movement, stage design and other theater-related skills, culminating in a performance for family and friends. For more information, dates and registration form, call the above number or check the website: [www.ohiolytic.org](http://www.ohiolytic.org).

### **TECUMSEH COUNCIL-BOY SCOUT COUNCIL 325-6449 [www.tecumsehCouncilbsa.org](http://www.tecumsehCouncilbsa.org)**

Camp Birch is for boys in grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. Programs offered include: Canoeing, rowing, fishing, swimming, shooting ranges, camping, cooking, handicrafts and a merit badge program. Camp Birch has an Olympic size swimming pool, a 10-acre lake and many other facilities. This outdoor facility is used to teach character, citizenship, personal fitness and environmental awareness.

Cub Scout Camps (boys) – Grades 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>

Day Camp

July 19-23

Boy Scout Camp (boys) – Grades 6-12

Week #1: June 20-26 Week #2: June-27-July 3 Week #3: July 4-July 10

Webelos Resident Camp (boys)-entering Grades 4 or 5 July 11-14

CALL OR VISIT WEBSITE FOR FEES FOR ALL CAMPS

### **WITTENBERG SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY EDUCATION, 327-7050 [www4.wittenberg.edu](http://www4.wittenberg.edu)**

**Athletic Camps, Call: 327-6454 <http://www4.wittenberg.edu/news/athletics/summercamps/>**

Wittenberg hosts a wide range of summer sports camps in 2010. There will be camps for boy's basketball, girl's basketball, football, boy's and girl's soccer and volleyball. For more information call the above number or visit the website.

### **WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY (937) 775-3135 or [www.wright.edu/academics/precollege](http://www.wright.edu/academics/precollege)**

Offers educational & experiential residential camps and institutes for gifted/talented students entering K-12 grades. School recommendations are involved. Call for a flier or check website. Space is limited for all camps/institutes. Residential camps/institutes for grades 6-12.

### **Camp Odyssey Grades 7-9 and Camp Discovery Grades K-6**

There are sessions offered between June 14 and August 13. There is a wide variety of classes and just some of the choices include: money management, computers, create a cookbook, fitness, clowning, outer space, scrapbooks, learn French or Spanish, comic creations, A Pirate's life, under the sea, foreign lands, science, math, chemistry, environmental science, web page design, acting, painting, learn to solve a mystery and skills for life.

### **OTHERS TO CALL...**

- *Neighborhood churches* for information about Vacation Bible Schools or Church Camp options. These are fun and free activities that are close to home.
- *Clark County Public libraries* – summer reading programs, other fun programs, etc. Contact the library nearest you for details. [www.ccpl.lib.oh.us](http://www.ccpl.lib.oh.us)

Main Library	328-6905	S. Charleston	462-8047	Enon 864-2502
Southern Village	322-2226	Park Shopping Ctr.	322-2498	
New Carlisle Public Library	845-3601 or <a href="http://www.new-carlisle.lib.oh.us">www.new-carlisle.lib.oh.us</a>			

- *Summer Arts Festival* – 324-2712, Springfield Arts Council, Veteran’s Park, June 17 – July 17. Admission is free and schedules can be obtained at [www.springfieldartscouncil.org](http://www.springfieldartscouncil.org) or check at the libraries.
- *Chamber of Commerce* – 325-7621 or [www.greaterspringfield.com](http://www.greaterspringfield.com) The Chamber lists many different activities and events that are happening in the area.
- *Volunteer Center* – 323-1400 (Special brochure about volunteer opportunities for teens)
- *National Trail Park District* – 328-7275 [www.ntprd.org](http://www.ntprd.org) (Call or check website for information about special events)
- *Clark County Fair Board* – 323-3090 [www.clarkcountyfair.org](http://www.clarkcountyfair.org) (Call for information about the 2010 Clark County Fair) July 23-30, 2010
- *Clarence J. Brown Reservoir* – 325-2411 Call Ranger (Junior rangers at Reservoir, swimming, boating and mailing list for special events)
- The Ohio Caverns – (937) 465-4017 [www.ohiocaverns.com](http://www.ohiocaverns.com)
- The Fair at New Boston – Labor Day weekend (Saturday and Sunday) at George Rogers Clark Park. Recreation of a 1790-1810 trade fair featuring period demonstrations, food, and displays. The hours are: 10:00am-6:00pm, there is an admission fee. [www.fairatnewboston.org](http://www.fairatnewboston.org) or 882-9216 for more information.
- John Bryan State Park – Call 1-937-767-1274 or [www.johnbryan.org](http://www.johnbryan.org) for more information.
- 1-866-659-6446 or [www.DiscoverOhio.com](http://www.DiscoverOhio.com) .....Travel information for Ohio
- Summer Camp Directory <http://events.springfieldnewssun.com/search> summercamp
- Springfield News-Sun Community Calendar-[www.springfieldnewssun.com/entertainment](http://www.springfieldnewssun.com/entertainment)
- June 26, 2010 at 1:00 pm The Hartman Rock Garden at 1905 Russell Ave will re-open. This historic rock garden was completed in 1944 and includes 250,000 individual stones that combine a mixture of history, religion and depression-era pop culture. It is currently being restored by the Kohler Foundation.

