

2017 Summer Program Descriptions

The Norma Johnson Center, located 3 miles west of Dover on SR 39, will be starting the Children's Summer Program series on June 6th. On **Tuesdays**, Interacting with Nature courses will meet at the Picnic Shelter on Conservation Drive off of Old SR 39. On **Thursdays**, Crafting at the NJC will meet on the side porch of the Yellow Pole Barn on SR 39 (3 miles west of the I-77 exit 83). Programming will be from 10 to 12 each day. Registration is required by calling the Norma Johnson Center office at 330.339.7976. Registrations must be made the Friday before each program date. Cost for the programs will be \$3.00 per child with a maximum fee of \$9.00 per family. All children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult or a medical release form will need to be signed. A breakdown of other programs can be found on the web at normajohnsoncenter.com under events.

Interacting with Nature: Tuesdays, 10am-12

June 6 – Survivor: Build-a-Shelter Join us in the wilderness of the NJC, where the kids will decide how and where to build a forest fortress.

June 13 - Pond Dipping: A Frog's Life Come to the wetland and visit the creatures who call it home! Use nets to catch and learn about insects and amphibians and their lives outside and in the water.

June 20 – Pokemon GO Safari Grab your Pokedex and head out to NJC to see what wildlife awaits, Pokemon or otherwise.

June 27 – CSI: Norma Johnson Center There's a mystery to solve, and you're the detective. Learn how to use animal traces to identify animals and their diets. Snack included.

(July 4 – no program)

July 11 – Selfie Scavenger Hunt Solve riddles while hiking around NJC with smartphone handy (selfie-stick optional). The team that solves all the riddles, with selfie evidence, is the winner!

July 18 – Creektopia We'll journey to the borders of the NJC to explore a stream habitat. We'll bring the nets, you bring your curiosity (and boots)!

July 25 – Nature's Transformers Have you ever fed a butterfly? Visit our special exhibit for your chance to walk among nature's most beautiful and delicate pollinators.

August 1 – Augmented Reality Watershed Using special effects technology, shape our watershed sandbox into the world you want, and then see how water (or lava!) flows and collects based on the shape of the land.

Crafting at the NJC: Thursdays, 10am-12: Theme Recycle and Reuse it Crafts

June 8 – Create Your Own "Fairy Garden" Using recycled cigar boxes, each child will be able to create their own fairy garden. We will provide a few items for this garden but it is highly suggested to bring a few items to add your special touch.

June 15 – Marbling Art with Acrylics Using watered down acrylic paints, participants will create a pattern in a tray of water. Then, by placing art paper in the water, they'll pull the paint design onto the paper for a truly spectacular design.

June 22 – Tie Dye The best craft day ever, so says the staff. Participants can bring up to 3 items to tie dye in various colors at the Center. Items must be high in cotton content and can be shirts, socks, sheets, and even pillow cases. Some items will be available for sale the day of the event.

June 29 – Tissue Paper Art Design Did you know that some types of tissue paper will bleed the color when wet? Come explore the art creations that can be made using this technique.

July 13 – Concrete Stones We will be breaking out the cake pans and creating our own garden stone with wet concrete. We will have many items that you can place into your stone to make it your own but we also invite you to bring along some of your items to make your creation truly unique.

July 20- Butterfly Crafts This activity will be located at the picnic shelter on Conservation Drive during our butterfly exhibit. Using yarn and popsicle sticks, make a butterfly that your child can place on their night stand or hang in their window. Come and enjoy the butterflies and make and take a butterfly craft while you are there.

July 28 – Sandpaper T-shirt Design With sandpaper and crayons, create a design and then transfer it to a shirt (please bring) that can be worn throughout the rest of the summer.

August 3 – Fall Crafts Several types of fall crafts from last season's stock at a local store will be available to paint and make your own.

