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Join us for summertime fun at Naper Settlement

Naper Settlement debuts Prairie-Palooza™

Climb aboard our Conestoga wagon and take a trip to Naper Settlement's Prairie-Palooza™, a celebration of Midwestern fun with hands-on activities like Try-It Stations for butter making and candle dipping. See special presentations on animals and bees, play Games on the Green and grind a little corn on Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through July 25 at the museum village, 523 S. Webster St. Here's the line-up of activities in July:

Sunday, July 5: Enjoy an old-fashioned cupcake walk and "Squirmin' Herman the Worm," the University of Illinois Extension Master Gardeners' presentation about worm farming.

Tuesday, July 14: See the fine art of soapmaking during a demonstration by Dragonfly Soap Works.

Sunday, July 19: The Good Old Toys tractor club will display a variety of tractors and engines. Tom Kuhn will showcase his "Portable Agricultural Museum" and tractor club members will bring their 90-year-old-plus hit-and-miss engines. The club, which is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year, is composed of members who enjoy collecting and restoring the tractors that revolutionized farming in the 20th century.

Fridays, July 24 and 31: Hear stories about archeological dig adventures from the field paleontologists of Paleo Presenters.

These special presentations are included with admission, which is \$8 adults, \$7 seniors 62+ and \$5.50 youth 4-17. Children 3 and under are free. For a complete list of activities, call (630) 420-6010 or visit www.napersettlement.museum.

Sundays at the Settlement

Enjoy a free ice cream sundae during Settlement Sundays July 5, July 19 and 26 and Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 at Naper Settlement, 523 S. Webster St. On Settlement Sundays, admission to the historic museum village not only includes free sundaes with do-it-yourself toppings, but also a variety of hands-on, family-friendly activities and presentations during the Settlement's open hours of 1 to 4 p.m. Enjoy high-flying Frisbee dogs on July 26 and Aug. 16. Admission is \$8 adults, \$7 seniors 62+ and \$5.50 youth 4-17. Children 3 and under are free. For more information, call (630) 420-6010 or visit www.napersettlement.museum. Settlement Sundays are sponsored in part by the *Daily Herald*.

Naperville Summer Nights

Three great events are held on consecutive Saturday nights as part of the Naperville Summer Nights entertainment series at Naper Settlement, 523 S. Webster St. in Naperville. Pack a picnic, bring the lawn chairs and enjoy a favorite family movie, "Ghostbusters," July 18. Carolina Liar, whose music has been featured on MTV, will perform July 25 on the outdoor concert stage. Enjoy Shakespeare's comedy, "The Taming of the Shrew," Aug. 1. Gates open at 5 p.m., limited food and drink vendors will be on site, no outside beverages are allowed. Tickets are \$5 per person for the movie night; \$15 per person and \$20 per person at the door for the concert and play. A three-event ticket is available for \$30 per person. To purchase tickets on-line and for more information, visit www.napervillesummernights.com.

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The Dog Dayz of Summer return to Naper Settlement

From hot dogs to Frisbee dogs, Naper Settlement is heating up with the “Dog Dayz of Summer” celebration to be held from July 26 through Aug. 30 at Naper Settlement, 523 S. Webster St. Each week, on Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, enjoy themed activities for all ages, including entertainment, games, activities, stories and guest presentations.

Sunday, July 26 and Sunday, Aug. 16: The Frisbee dogs of the Windy City K-9 Disc Club will be entertaining visitors with their high-flying fun. Enjoy a free ice cream sundae, too.

Aug. 7, 14, 21 and 28: “Hot Diggity Dog” includes a guided tour of the new exhibit, “Digging Up the Past - Naperville Digs Archeology,” plus a special presentation and cookies and lemonade in the historic Pre-Emption House Tavern.

These special promotions are included with Naper Settlement general admission, which is \$8 adults, \$7 seniors, \$5.50 youth 4-17. For a complete list of activities, call (630) 420-6010 or visit www.napersettlement.museum.

Exhibit opening: Digging up the Past – Naperville Digs Archeology

Discover the exciting artifacts and stories about Naperville’s early history uncovered by archeologists in 2006 and 2007 at Joseph Naper’s original homestead in this exciting exhibit, which opens Aug. 7 at Naper Settlement, 523 S. Webster St., Naperville. For more information, visit www.napersettlement.museum or call (630) 420-6010.

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