



Cave Spring Interpretive Programs

Visitors from long ago.

You will receive a visit from a historical character. These presentations are given in first person.



Location: Cave Spring
Fee: \$3.50 per student
Maximum: 50 students
Minimum: 10 students
Time: 1 hour
Available: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday
All year

Classroom presentation:
Fee: \$4.50 per student
Maximum: 500
Minimum: 50



To The Great Western Ocean and Back. The year is 1810. You are headed up the Missouri River to hunt, trap and trade with the Indian peoples you meet. You are lucky that a man who has made this trip is available to speak with you. George Drouillard was a member of the recently returned Corps of Discovery that traveled west under Captains Lewis and Clark. George will share with you his experiences and warn you of what to expect.

Beaver Pelts and Gee-Gaws. The fur trade was a major part of world economy during the late 16th through the early 19th centuries. For the young United States the western fur fields were a source of amazing wealth. A western trapper, “mountain man,” talks about trapping, trading and life among the Indians.

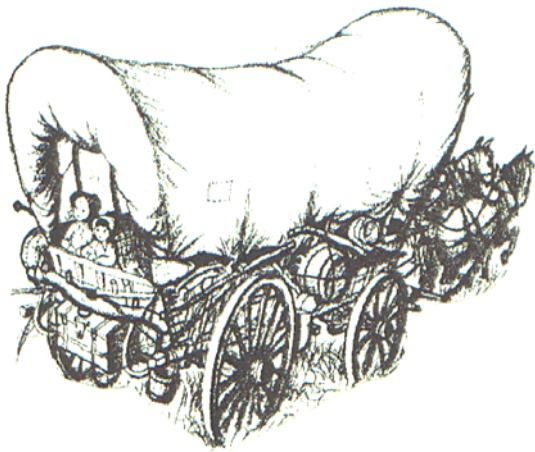
Oregon Bound! There is a lot of unrest in the east over the questions of slavery and secession. The economy is in trouble and times are hard. You’ve read all of the “guides” and the reports in the newspapers. It is time to head west for a better life. Oregon is the land of milk and honey! A wagon pilot prepares you for your journey to the “*promised land.*”

Dime a tie ... hard cash. The forests of southern Missouri were stripped turning Lumber Barons into millionaires. Local men thought they were “in deep clover” hacking railroad ties at ten cents a piece. A tie hack tells of his work and life in the Ozarks just before the leap into the 20th century.

Call 816-358-2283 to schedule a program, or register online at www.cavespring.org

Visit the interpretive center with its history and nature exhibits. Learn why Cave Spring was an important part of the westward movement. Take a nature hike to learn which plants and trees were important to Pioneers and how they used them. See the cave and spring just like the Pioneers did in the mid-1800's. Then it's back to the center for a hands-on activity that emphasizes the Pioneer values of economy and ingenuity.

O, Pioneers!

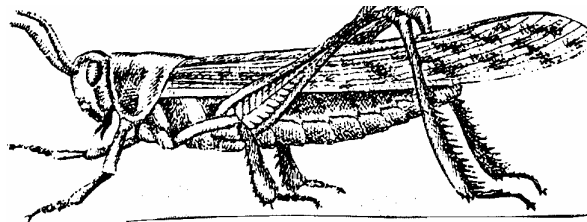


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Wednesday - Friday
Grade level: K— 3

Bugging Out

Location: Cave Spring
Fee: \$3.50 per student
Maximum: 50 students
Minimum: 10 students
Time: 2 hours
Available: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday
Grade level: K— 2

There are more insects than any other group of animals in the world, with over 900,000 species identified! Students learn about the basic structure of bugs and the magic of metamorphosis. On the nature hike students look high and low for six-legged critters. Back at the nature center they create their own butterfly that emphasizes basic bug structure.



Osage Outlook

Location: Cave Spring
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Minimum: 10 students
Time: 2 hours
Available: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday
Grade level: 3 & 4



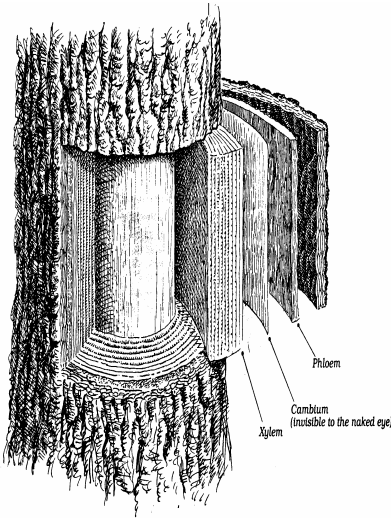
“Long ago, back when the animals could talk and people could understand them . . .” So begins the Osage story of “How the Spider Symbol Came to the People.” Students learn about the Osage viewpoint of humans as an integral part of nature. After the story, it's into the woods for a nature hike, to look at the plants and trees the Osage used. Then walk back to the nature center for a hands-on activity that emphasizes the use of symbols in everyday life.

Your group's self-guided tour begins with a visit to the center to view the exhibits. Then it's outdoor fun along the hiking trails as you lead the group on a nature and history scavenger hunt that ends at the cave. Cave Spring provides a detailed teacher's manual, trail directions, and scavenger hunt booklets for each student.

Self Guided Tours

Location: Cave Spring
Fee: \$1.50 per student
Maximum: 150 students
Minimum: 10 students
Time: 1 to 1½ hours
Available: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

“Tree”mendous Fun

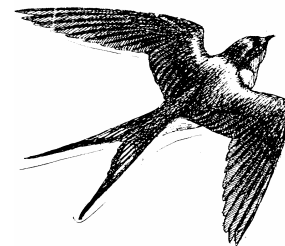


Location: Cave Spring
Fee: \$3.50 per student
Maximum: 50 students
Minimum: 10 students
Time: 2 hours
Grade level: 4
Available: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday

Can't tell a honey locust from a hackberry? Or a dogwood from a redbud? Learn the ins and outs of tree parts and the role they play in the life of a tree. Out on the trails we'll cover the basics of tree identification and learn to identify some common Missouri trees. Students then engage in art and writing exercises to become more familiar with trees and what they mean.

Let us design a program for you!

If you have a special area of study or interest ... please let us know! We have the resources to provide you with a program designed to meet your individual needs. The effects of habitat loss, animal adaptations, effects of water contamination and water cycles are just a few of the topics we can address.



We are Project Learning Tree, Project Wild and Project Wet certified

Call 816-358-CAVE to schedule a program.

What is Cave Spring?

Cave Spring is a 36 acre historic site and nature park located in Southeast Kansas City. The area includes a nature center with changing exhibits, picnic area, hiking trails, wildlife pond habitat, butterfly garden, and small cave.

Our Mission -

To preserve and interpret the historical significance of Cave Spring Historic Site, its role in the local area, and the natural resources that contribute to the site's significance.

(816) 358-CAVE

www.cavespring.org

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Planning a Field Trip:

Call 816-358-2283 to schedule a program. Dates fill up fast, so call early.

Recommended student to adult ratio is 5:1.

Required ratio is 10:1. No additional charge for adults.

The picnic shelter is available before or after your program at no charge. Be sure to reserve it when scheduling a program.

The center, picnic shelter, and part of one trail are wheelchair accessible. Programs can be tailored for students with special needs.

Payment is due within 10 days of scheduling a program.

Due to the nature of our scheduling we do not offer refunds for cancellations. In the event of inclement weather you may choose to reschedule, have an indoor program, or receive a credit to be used at any time in the future.

CAVE SPRING PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Please fill out this form and mail it with your payment or register & pay online.

Please Print

Today's Date: _____

Contact Person: _____ Email: _____

Daytime # (w/area code): _____ Fax # (w/area code): _____

Evening # (w/area code): _____

School or Group Name: _____

Address: (street) _____

(city): _____ (state): _____ (zip): _____

NAME OF PROGRAM: _____

DATE OF PROGRAM:
First Choice: _____

TIME OF PROGRAM:
First Choice: _____

Second Choice: _____

Second Choice: _____

2 HOUR PROGRAM:

Amount Enclosed: \$3.50 x _____ number of children = \$ _____
MINIMUM CHARGE IS \$35(no charge for chaperones)

1 HOUR SELF GUIDED TOUR

Amount Enclosed: \$1.50 x _____ number of children = \$ _____
MINIMUM CHARGE IS \$15 (no charge for chaperones)

SECOND PROGRAM (if desired): _____

2 HOUR PROGRAM:

Amount Enclosed: \$3.50 x _____ number of children = \$ _____
MINIMUM CHARGE IS \$35(no charge for chaperones)

The picnic shelter is available **30 minutes before or 30 minutes after** your scheduled program at no charge. Would you like to reserve the picnic shelter? Yes___ No___ Time _____
(If you are doing two programs it is advisable to split them with lunch.)

Make check or money order payable to Cave Spring Association

Send fees & registration form to: Cave Spring
8701 E. Gregory Boulevard
Kansas City, MO 64133

**If you have questions or need further information please call 816/358-2283.
Please let us know if anyone in your group has a special need.**