

Upcoming Field Trips!!!

(sign up is on the SHARE website calendar)

SEPTEMBER 20, 2017 – Missouri History Museum at Forest Park

SEPTEMBER 27, 2017 - Civil War Museum at Jefferson Barracks

OCTOBER 13, 2017 - Eckert's Millstadt Fun Farm to pick apples AND a pumpkin

OCTOBER 18, 2017 - Purina Farms in Gray Summit, MO

NOVEMBER 8, 2017 - Holocaust Museum (no one under 10 is permitted in this museum)

A huge **THANK-YOU!** goes to **Mary Murphy** for setting up these field trips. Mary homeschooled all her children through high school and now has the time and desire to give back to the homeschool community.



WHEN: Wednesday, September 20, 2017

TIME: 10 am – noon

WHAT: We will receive a tour of the exhibit entitled “Panoramas in the City”, then proceed to a classroom for additional teaching. The exhibit will display some lovely, interesting panoramic photos with a history of the City of St. Louis.

Please try to arrive promptly at the exhibit on that day so we can begin at 10 a.m.

Note: There are other activities that you can do on your own after the program has ended.

Refer to the [museum website](#) for a complete listing.

WHERE: 5700 Lindell Blvd, Saint Louis, MO 63112 in Forest Park

WHO: We have room for 40 people (If there is a large response, another tour can be arranged at a later date.)

COST: FREE!

HOW: Please LOG IN at the [SHARE website](#) and then go to the Calendar to sign up.

QUESTIONS: Please email Mary Murphy at djmurphy5@sbcglobal.net



CIVIL WAR MUSEUM

WHEN: Wednesday, September 27, 2017

TIME: 10 a.m.

WHAT: Group tour of the museum and hopefully, the curator, Mark Trout, will have time to talk with us more after the tour and answer any questions we may have.

Please go to the website, www.mcwm.org for rules regarding our visit and more information for study of the Civil War. Mary will try to have more information available on that day as well. There is an outstanding gift shop to visit so that you may take some items home to enjoy or for further study.

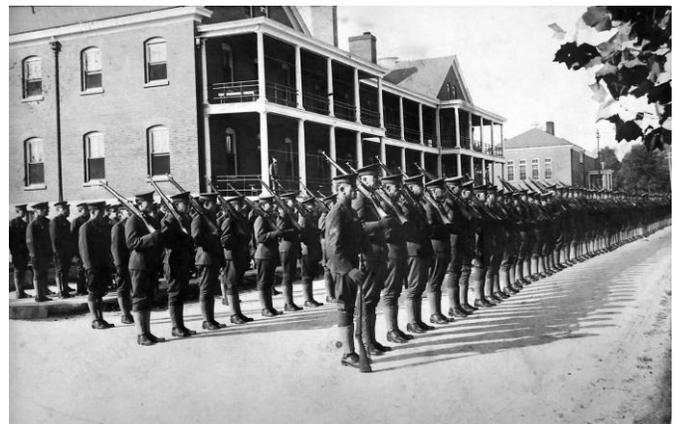
Please arrive at least 15 minutes before our scheduled time as other groups are scheduled that day and they need to begin on time as much as possible.

WHERE: Jefferson Barracks Park, 222 Worth Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63125

COST: \$5.00 per individual (5 and older must pay)

HOW: Please go to the [SHARE website](#) and LOG IN. Find the calendar to sign up. You may use Paypal or you can mail check or cash to: Cathy Mullins, 3675 Montana St., St. Louis, MO 63116 (or give it to her at Homelink!) Payment WILL NOT be accepted at the door.

QUESTIONS: Please email Mary Murphy at djmurphy5@sbcglobal.net





Note from Cathy: This is always a fun trip. I've chosen the time of 12 noon because by then, hopefully, all the school tours leave a little after noon and we will have more eating space for us when we get back from the wagon ride! However, feel free to bring a blanket for additional picnic seating. You can also come and go to your car to get lunches and items.

The reason I choose this location every year is because there is so much to do for a wide range of ages. However, I highly recommend that you bring friends with you. It is an opportunity to make new homeschooling friends, but sometimes we all get separated out in the orchards and it's often difficult to find someone because the farm is large. I've often meant to speak with a new family, but could never find them once we got back from the orchards. So to make it more fun for your children, I'd bring friends and make a point of staying together. Just a thought.....

NEW POLICIES THIS YEAR... PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

WHEN: Friday, October 13, 2017

TIME: Be there by 12:00 noon...that's when our wagon leaves.

Allow at least 3 hours for this tour, but we can stay the entire day.

WHERE: Eckert's Fun Farm, 2719 Eckert Orchard Lane, Millstadt, IL 62260
(800)745-0513

WHAT: Apple Picking & Pumpkin Picking – New this year! Eckert's is offering a **combination tour**—all school tour guests will get to ride the tractor/wagon to the orchard and patch to pick both an apple and pumpkin. In addition, to picking, school guests will enjoy the Eckert's Variety Show on the Grand Stage to learn how our crops grow! Trip includes:

Jumping Pillow



Petting Farm

Billy Bob's Pig Races (Jesse's favorite!)



Mine Shaft Slide

Uncle Aubrey's Fun House

Fort Eckert Play Area

Cup of Apple Cider

(Corn Maze NOT included)

COST: \$9.00 per person for students AND adults. Unfortunately, this has also changed. For an adult to get in free, they have to be able to show some sort of ID that says they are employed by a public or private school. You can argue that homeschooling is private, but I didn't. But you will get the apples and the pumpkin!☺

*Additional shopping and food options are available for both children and adults for additional fees.

HOW: We have room for 60 on our wagons.

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QUESTIONS: Contact Cathy at Ekjcmullins@gmail.com

A SPECIAL “THANK YOU” GOES OUT TO KELLY KEILHOLZ FOR HOSTING THIS EVENT FOR ME. JESSE LOVED THIS FUN FARM SO MUCH, THAT I JUST CAN’T MAKE MYSELF GO BACK THERE YET. I KNOW MANY OF YOU UNDERSTAND. THIS AND POWELL HALL WERE HIS TWO MOST FAVORITE PLACES TO GO.





WHEN: Wednesday, October 18, 2017

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

WHERE: 200 Checkerboard Dr, Gray Summit, MO 63039

WHAT: This is a self-guided tour of the farm. We will try to stay together as a group, but sometimes we get separated. Please try to arrive on time so that we can check in together as a group. At the desk that morning you can inquire about the schedule of events available or just check the website and make your plans accordingly. Some activities will be the dog show, cow milking, and wagon rides. Food or drinks may not be brought onto the premises; however, there are many places to have lunch or picnic very nearby. It might be nice to bring a friend along or make arrangements to meet them there.

COST: Free! We have room for 50 people at this event.

HOW: Please go to the [SHARE website](#) and LOG IN. You may sign up on the calendar for October 18, 2017.

QUESTIONS: Contact Mary Murphy at djmurphy5@sbcglobal.net

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*Registration on March 18, 2017 and ending on November 12, 2017. Nonprofit Purina Pet Care Company will donate \$25 for each Pet ID card turned in at the Better With Pets Field Trip at Purina Farms, to Petfinder Foundation with a maximum \$2,000 donation up to a maximum of \$5,000. For more information about the Petfinder Foundation please visit www.petfinder.com/donate.

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WHEN: Wednesday, November 8, 2017

TIME: 1:00 – 2:30 pm

WHAT: Our guided tour of the Holocaust Museum will begin promptly at 1:00 pm and end about 2:30 pm. It is strongly suggested that you prepare your family (especially your children) in advance of the delicate, but extremely serious, subject matter of a program of this scope and nature. There are many reasons that this museum exists and should be discussed ahead of time. You know best how your children will handle some of the atrocities that they will see. Some may have to be 16 or older. The museum will not admit anyone that is under 10 years of age.

Here is a video about what you can expect at the museum: <https://www.ifedstl.org/direct-services/hmlc/about/> By the way, this video was shot and created by Josh Mullins and he told me that parts of the museum are very intense and he did not think that it would be good for little kids to see it.

WHERE: #12 Millstone Campus Drive 63146

COST: FREE!

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