

History Detectives

Summer 2017 Itinerary

June 19-June 23, 2017 9am-12pm
Lakewood Forest Preserve



Monday

What dinosaurs roamed Lake County?

65 million years ago dinosaurs roamed through Lake County. But what did those dinosaurs actually look like? Campers will work with the fossil record and scientific evidence to reconstruct their own version of the dinosaur dryptosaurus.

Tuesday

What is an archaeologist? What questions do archaeologists want answered?

Native American artifacts have been found at Lakewood! But which period of history did they come from? Campers will explore this question as they participate in a mock archaeological dig and interpret the artifacts they uncover.

Wednesday

Who deserves the credit for the invention of the telephone?

Today, the detectives will investigate the controversy over who deserves credit for the invention of the telephone, Alexander Graham Bell or Lake County resident Elisha Gray. By looking at the patent applications and performing experiments on sound, campers will come up with their decision.

Thursday

Did the Underground Railroad pass through Lake County?

Campers will analyze this question as they learn about the abolitionist movement in Lake County. They weigh evidence such as secret codes, documents such as maps and church statements, and celestial navigation.

Friday

How accurate is historical fiction?

After reading passages from historical fiction books, campers will determine how accurate the stories are by looking at primary and secondary sources. They will look at both real and fictional people, places, and events to compare and contrast fact and fiction.

**Campers will be outdoors each day, so be sure that they have on sunscreen and that they have a water bottle. Please send a snack with your child as there will be a time for snack each morning.*

*** Please note that some activities may be substituted or modified.*

****Cancellations or changes due to weather will be emailed to the address listed on the camp health form. If you have questions or concerns please call Sarah Salto at 847-514-6749.*