

Loonling Learning Spring 2023 class offerings

Berrien Springs Parent Partnership

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Please note class start and end dates

Beginning woodworking, New projects, designed for younger students

Woodturning, Lathe work, Turned and carved items.

Furniture Making, Great for students over 12 and artistically inclined. 4 students with instructor approval. Class held at the home shop.

Exploring South Manitou, Summer family hiking and wilderness trip.

Beginning Woodworking with Tom

St. Joseph Sr. Center

Ages 6 and up, Parent present.

Class time: Monday 9:00 - 11:00 Begin January 16.

Minimum 6, Max 9 per section. Class may be repeated

Location: St Joseph, Lincoln Senior Center, 3271 Lincoln Ave, St. Joseph, MI

Ages: 6 - 12 with a parent present. Designed as a parent and me class. Grandparents or assigned guardians are OK. One parent can represent multiple students.

Class size: Minimum 6 students maximum 9 students per section

This is a project based class designed for younger students. We will make small toys, furniture, wildlife related and kitchen items while learning basic craft skills. Projects will be adjusted to the experience and needs of the group. Open to any skill level. Class may be repeated. Parent participation is required. Class will be held in the new St. Joseph Lincoln Senior Center Woodshop The shop is set aside for HomeSchool use by Tom on Monday and Tuesdays for Winter of 2023. All materials are provided. Safety and expectations will be reviewed at the first class.

Woodturning with Tom

St Joseph Sr Center shop

Ages 11 and up or parent present.

Class time Monday 11:15 - 1:15 Begins January 16, 8 week class.

Minimum 5, maximum 8 students.

This class is focused on the art of woodturning, Lathe work. It is a kinetic, enjoyable and creative process. Projects will include turned wooden pens and handled items, small bowls or platters, spatulas, rolling pins, tool handles, mallets, furniture parts and more. This is our most flexible class. Students have a great deal of project choice. Expect to start with simple items and progress to more complex ones. A very good foundation for art oriented students.

Exploring South Manitou Island area

Family Education in the outdoors

South Manitou Island, Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore

One credit class this year

Trip Dates: July 13-16

Pre trip meeting dates Thursday January 26, 6:00 PM Other dates and location TBD

If this date does not work let us know and we make arrangements to connect before February 1st.

Trip Highlights:

Three nights camping on South Manitou Island. A wilderness area of the Sleeping Bear National Lakeshore.

Boat trip across the Manitou Passage

Climb a historic lighthouse

Explore deep cedar groves, graveyards.

Visit historic island farms and one room schoolhouse.

Learn about geology, water quality, great lakes history, sailing ships, wilderness ecology, careers in the outdoors, forestry, agriculture, navigation, wilderness travel and more.

The details.

Leaders: Colleen and Tom Hurst

- Ages 7 and up (must be a good walker)
- Parent required to participate, full family is encouraged.
- Non partnership students \$425.00

- Partnership students \$100.00 fee to offset food, and ferry.
- Parents cost \$300.00.
- Minimum 20 student participants, Maximum 38 Including parents
- All food and cooking gear provided. Some camping equipment available for loan.
- Each participant needs good hiking shoes, a tent, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, personal clothing, raincoat, hats etc.
- Three nights camping on South Manitou island.
- All vessels are US Coast Guard approved and fully insured for this type of program.

Your leaders: Tom and Colleen have many years experience leading outdoor trips for youth and adults. Recent programs include local nature classes, Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, Isle Royale adventures, the Adirondacks and New River Gorge Recreation Area. A program of Loonling Learning.

Itinerary:

- July 13: Meet at Ferry Dock in Leland Michigan by 12:30 PM Ferry departs at 1:50 PM for South Manitou Island.
- Travel to South Manitou, set up camp, Dinner, Evening programs on the beach.
- July 14, 15 : Island activities are weather flexible. Hikes, lighthouses, shipwrecks, cemeteries, farms, school, beaches, cedar groves.
- July 16: Breakfast in camp, Strike camp and pack for return voyage. Explore Manitou village, Depart for Leland at 11:30 AM.

South Manitou Island <http://www.nps.gov/slbe/planyourvisit/southmanitouisland.htm>