

Flathead Valley Summer Resources Guide

2017

Children's Activities

Imagine If Summer Experience, 2017 is a free program that encourages youth to enjoy books and adventures all summer long.

Dates: See web for event dates and flyers describing activities **Ages:** Birth through 12th grade

Price: Free (Registration is required, starting June 6, by coming into library (It will only take a minute!))

Location: 247 1st Avenue East, Kalispell, MT, 758-5822.

Prizes: Complete activities for prizes including books and gift certificates. **Contact:** 758-5822

Web: <http://imagineiflibraries.org/for-you/kids/>

Kalispell Parks and Recreation Day Camp is a community day camp held at Woodland Park that offers a variety of activities for kids throughout the summer including swimming at Woodland Water Park. Breakfast and lunch are provided by the Kalispell School Food Program free of charge.

Dates: Weekly June 12- Aug 18, 2016 **Ages:** 5-13 **Price:** \$30 per day (scholarships available)

Location: Woodland Park Center (field trips on Wednesdays)

Contact: Parks and Rec Office: 306 1st Ave East, Kalispell 758-7975

http://www.kalispell.com/parks_and_recreation/YouthCampAfterschool.php

Farming for the Future Academy: The mission of Farming for the Future Academy is to unlock each student's potential to achieve success in their education endeavors, regardless of ability and diversity, in an agricultural learning environment.

Ages: All ages welcomed, but every student needs to be accompanied by an adult.

Price: Free **Location:** 80 13th St E Columbia Falls, MT 59912

June 13-17, 2016 Barn Raising **June 27-July 1** Hair care with a Flare

July 11-15 Why Bother with Fodder **July 25-29** Blue Wool Shoes

Contact: 406-253-4369 <http://www.farmingforthefutureacademyinc.org/>

Glacier Day Camp: Join kids from across the Flathead Valley for the camp experience all packed into the day! Story central, waterfront, games, crafts and songs are only the beginning of the special Glacier Camp experience you will receive throughout the week.

Location: Campers will be picked up at First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell (540 South Main) by bus at 8:30am and dropped off at 4:30pm. Lunch will be included at Camp. All campers must be signed in and out by parents or guardians for each day of camp (if prearranged, campers can be dropped off at Camp). **Contact:** Glacier Camp- 844-2114 <http://www.glaciercamp.org/day-camps/>

Glacier Camp Descriptions:

Summer Adventurers Day Camp (Ages 6-10) Day Camp is always a popular choice, so popular in fact that we have been sold-out the last four summers! This is a great way to see if our camp is the right for your child. Day camp/Vacation Bible School (VBS) takes place at Glacier Camp on Flathead Lake just south of Lakeside, MT. Campers will participate in activities including horseback riding, swimming, outdoor education, crafts, and much more! They will have incredible opportunities to build relationships with staff and campers and will get in depth, biblical study with our qualified staff. You don't want to miss it!

SUMMER ADVENTURE 1: July 10-14 Cost \$150.00

SUMMER ADVENTURE 2: July 23-28 Cost \$150.00

Primary (Ages 8-11) Experience hiking, swimming, canoeing, archery, games, the Aqua Jump, stargazing, worshipping at the fire circle, and friendship building, all while learning from passionate counselors. All of Primary Camp is held on the beautiful Glacier Camp property along Flathead Lake's west shoreline.

PRIMARY CAMP 1: June 25-30 Cost \$295.00

PRIMARY CAMP 2: July 16-21 Cost: \$295.00

Jr. High (Ages 11-14) Activities and curriculum designed specifically for 11-14 year-olds! The majority of Junior High Camp will take place on site at Glacier Camp with a field trip or two to raft, hike, or climb with experienced guides and counselors ready to encounter Jesus in any situation.

JUNIOR HIGH 1: June 18-23 Cost \$295.00

JUNIOR HIGH 2: July 16-21 Cost: \$295.00

Sarge's Basketball Basic Training: **Dates:** July 5th – 7th **Ages:** Boys and Girls grades 2 – 9 **Price:** \$140 **Time:** 9am – 4pm **Location:** Glacier High School **Description:** Shooting Mechanics, Isolation Dribble Moves, Screening Game, Footwork and Agility, 1 vs. 1 – 3 vs. 3 – 5 vs. 5 games, Shooting Contests, NBA Scoring Series, Stick Man Scoring, Creative Finishing Moves, Creating Space to SCORE, MONEY BASKET **Contact:** Jim Schaible 406-253-5799 Hoops28@gmail.com

All Saints' Summer Day Camp: **Dates:** July 31st through August 4th and August 7th through August 11th **Ages:** Rising 1st – 6th graders (7th & 8th graders may participate as helpers) **Price:** Free **Time:** 8am – 5pm **Location:** Each day, we'll begin and end at All Saints Episcopal Church located at 2048 Conn Road Columbia Falls, MT 59912. (Just off of Hwy 40 between Whitefish and Columbia Falls.) **Contact:** Cynthia Benkelman, Director of Christian Formation at All Saint's Episcopal Church (406) 261-9636

This year, our day camp theme is "Many Waters," and campers can expect to get wet! During day camp, we explore and experience God's good gifts through stories, music, outdoor play, arts and crafts, worship, and by serving others. At day camp, campers may participate in the following activities: hiking, field games, songs, drumming, arts and crafts, skits and in other games that cultivate creative expression. Your camper will join in one day of service during the week together. This year, we'll be collecting canned goods for our local food bank.

Flathead Valley Community College "Kids College": **Dates:** June 19 – 23rd and June 26 – 30th **Price:** Depends on the class **Time:** Depends on the class **Location:** Flathead Valley Community College **Classes Being Offered:** Art Extravaganza; G'Day Australia; Japanese Language and Culture; Lego Robotics; Knights, Damsels and Castles, Oh My!; Magical World of Computer Coding; Creative Recycling: From Trash to Treasures; Exploring All Things German; Beginning Tennis; Discover Equador; The Author Adventure; All About Australia; Art: It's All about Animals; Paint Like a Famous Artist I; Fiber Arts!; European Adventure; Wild About Elk; and Paint Like a Famous Artist II **Registration and Information Available at:** www.fvcc.edu/continuing-education or contact Connee at (406) 756-3832

Potter's Field/CASA/Child Bridge Horse Camp: **Date:** Camp 1 July 5th – July 7th; Camp 2 July 19th – July 21st; Camp 3 August 2nd – 4th **Price:** \$150 – CASA scholarships are available **Location:** Potter's Field – Whitefish, MT **Camp Info:** Potter's Field has teamed with CASA and Child Bridge to provide this Horse Camp to children whom are currently navigating the foster care system due to abuse/neglect that has occurred in their life. Children will interact with horses, while also participating in a number of fun/educational activities that will build positive skills that enable them to cope with the challenges that come from living in foster care. **Contact:** Register at <http://www.pottersfield.org/equine-camps-and-dates/> or call Sydnie w/ Potter's Field at 406-862-9673

Flathead High School Basketball Camp: Flathead High School has basketball camps for kids K – 12th grade. The following link has camp information:
<http://www.sd5.k12.mt.us/olc/page.aspx?id=3920&s=2>

Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp: FLBC provides summer camps for children entering 3rd grade up to 12th graders. The following link has camp information and registration information for the various camps:
<http://flbc.net/summer-camp-programs/>

The Summit Summer Day Camp - Fitness is Fun

Children ages 6 to 12 will have the opportunity to learn sports skills, play games, play tennis, swim, rock climb and much more. Children will also go on field trips as part of the camp program. Our trained S.P.A.R.K. staff will provide the perfect mix of fun, games and health and fitness education for your child.

REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER CAMP 2017 BEGINS:

Members: Monday, May 1, 2017

Non-Members: Monday, May 15, 2017

Price: *Please note that payment in full is due at the time of registration.*

Pre-Registered Summit Member: \$27.00/child per day

\$110.00/child per full week

Pre-Registered Non-Member: \$37.00/child per day

\$150.00/child per full week

Drop-In Summit Member: \$35.00/child per day

Drop-In Non-Member: \$45.00/child per day

Dates: Monday, June 12 - Friday, August 25

Times: 7:30am - 5:30pm

Ages: 6-12

More Info: Call 751-4136 or <https://www.krh.org/summit/kids/age-6-12>

Flathead Gymnastics Academy Summer Camps: At Flathead Gymnastics Academy, we love our summer camps! Summer camps are a great way to keep your kids active in the summertime in a fun program where they will be immersed in the wonderful sport of gymnastics! We offer camps for both beginner and intermediate level gymnasts ranging from ages 6 years old and up. Don't delay! Sign up for summer gymnastics fun today! **When:** Camps run from June 19th through August 17th. The camps are four day long camps. **Ages:** 6+ **Where:** Flathead Gymnastics Academy, Kalispell, MT **Cost:** \$115, or \$105 if you sign up two weeks prior to camp **More information can be found at:**
<http://www.flatheadgymnastics.com/uploads/FGASummerSchedule2017.pdf>

Teen Camps and Opportunities

CARE Kids Camp helps kids build friendships and interpersonal skills, prepare for high school, and have fun and gain tools for creating a healthy lifestyle. |

Dates: June 13-16 **Ages:** Going into 7th, 8th, or 9th grade by fall 2017. **Location:** Big Sky Bible Camp

Price: \$200 per student prior to June 2nd, and goes up to \$225 after June 2nd (A limited number of scholarships are available, that are awarded on a first-come, first-served, as needed basis, even after June 2.) Register online at flatheadcare.org

Contact: Kari Gabriel: 406-751-3971/gabrielk@sd5.k12.mt.us <http://www.sd5.k12.mt.us/Page/308>

For four days 80 middle school students and their 20 high school counselors are immersed in a world filled with games, water fights, and never ending laughter. Camp is a non-stop experience that give youth an opportunity to be who they want to be. In a completely bully-free zone, campers make lasting relationships that help them to transition to high school and make healthy choices. Kids Camp is held at the beautiful Big Sky Bible Camp.

Activities Include:

Epic Water Fight
Dodgeball
Swimming
Camp Fires
Dance
Large Group Games
Life Skills Workshops
Team Bonding

The Center for Restorative Youth Justice (CRYJ) is now offering additional services to youth & families, highlighting skill building and community connections for youth. Activities include service learning, adult and peer mentorship, personal reflection, relationship building, and connection to other community resources.

Who can benefit from working with CRYJ?

- All youth between the ages 12-18
- Youth looking to connect with positive people
- Youth who could benefit from building self-esteem and learning new skills
- Youth who are in need of stronger connections to home and community
- Youth who could use some support when it comes to school - whether they are having a hard time succeeding at school due to poor attendance, behavior, or academics.

When: Youth meet with CRYJ staff and community volunteers 4 times a week: Tuesday-Thursday & Saturday, 2016 10-1:30

Where: 29 3rd Street East in the KM Building

For more information & to get connected, contact:

Kate Kanter-Berry: kate@restorativeyouthjustice.org 406-257-7400 <http://restorativeyouthjustice.org/>

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Glacier High School Sports/Music Camps: These camps are for kids entering Glacier High School or teenagers currently attending GHS. The following link has a number of sports/music camps that are occurring over the summer:

<http://www.sd5.k12.mt.us/userfiles/48/my%20files/glacier%20camp%202016%20draft.pdf?id=5356>

Other Helpful Connections

Pay It Forward Child & Family Services- Therapeutic afterschool and summer programs with wrap around supports. **Address:** 110 4th St W. Ste. 4 Kalispell, Montana **Number:** 885-2285
Program: to empower children and families through the provision of supportive, educational, therapeutic, wrap around services to those who are struggling with special needs and who otherwise are not able to access community programs due to the needs of their child. Please contact Program Director, Lori Briggs, for more information,

Boys and Girls Club of Kalispell and Shady Lane Roller Rink:

Address: 155 Shady Ln, Kalispell, Montana **Number:** 752-5440
Give them a call to check in about summer programs and open skating times

Nurturing Center: Address: 146 Third Avenue West **Number:** 756-1414

Child Care: The nurturing center offers child care resources, referrals and financial assistance
GEM Program: Mentoring program that matches adult women with 8th & 9th grade girls to foster resiliency. For more information contact Lisa Lake at 756-1414 or lisa@nurturingcenter.org.

Big Brothers Big Sisters: Mentorship programs for youth ages 6-14

Address: 137 Main St, Kalispell, MT **Number:** 752-0092 <http://www.bbbsfc.org/>

Kalispell Community Center: The former Gateway West Mall is now home to 11 nonprofits: United Way, Flathead Food Bank, Best Beginnings Council, Boy and Girl Scouts, Appointed Special Advocates for Kids, Literacy Center of Northwest Montana, and Violence Free Crisis Line

Address: 1203 US-2, Kalispell, MT 59901 **Number:** United Way (752-7266)

Flathead Youth Crisis Diversion: The Flathead Youth Crisis Project can quickly help link youth and families to crisis mental health services in the Flathead. To access the Flathead Youth Crisis Project **call:** 752-6262 and check out their website for lots of helpful information on how to help youth and connect them to services. **Website:** flatheadyouthcrisis.org

Grief Camps

Good Grief Camp: At Good Grief Camp, grief professionals and trained volunteers help children find comfort with others who have experienced similar situations. Children have an opportunity to address their feelings and memorialize their loved ones. They are provided with coping tools and resources including memories and friendships that can last a lifetime. **Date:** June 15th – June 18th **Ages:** 6 to 12
Location: Middle Thompson Lake **Contact:** Jo Ann Graves-Gill, LCPC (406) 755-6760
goodgriefcamp.com

Tamarak Grief Camp Set amidst Montana’s pines and mountain lakes, A Camp to Remember Youth Camp is a fun, supportive, and healing summer camp for kids age 8 to 14 who are grieving the death of a loved one. A Camp to Remember Youth Camp offers kids unique opportunities for grief work and commemorative activities. Under the guidance of professionals with expertise in bereavement and outdoor activities, grieving and remembering are balanced with a healthy dose of traditional camp fun and “secret pals.” **Dates:** August 14-17, 2017 **Ages:** 8-14 **Location:** Flathead Lake

Price: Partial and full scholarships are available **Contact:** For more information please contact Tamarack Grief Resource Center at (406) 541-8472 or mollyp@tamarackgrc.org
<http://www.tamarackgriefresourcecenter.org/grief-resources/a-camp-to-remember/>

A Camp to Remember- Flathead Youth Camp, August 14th-17th. ACTR-FYC is an opportunity for youth ages 8-14 grieving the death of a family member to connect with others in a fun and supportive environment. Time to play, create, and explore is mixed with chances to honor and remember. A Camp to Remember is staffed with an amazing volunteer CARE team and the Director and Coordinator have a cumulative experience of over 100 camps.

Flathead Valley Summer Food Programs 2017

Breakfast and Lunch (Monday-Friday)

Woodland Park

- o Breakfast 8:30 – 9:30 am
- o Lunch 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Elrod Elementary

- o 412 3rd Ave W, Kalispell
- o Breakfast 8:30 – 9:30 am
- o Lunch 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

Salvation Army

- o 10 Bountiful Drive
- o Breakfast 7:30-8:45
- o Lunch 12-1 pm

Dinner - www.communitykitchen-feedingtheflathead.com (updated schedule every month)

Central Christian Church - Served at 6pm

- o 248 2nd Ave E, Kalispell, MT 59901 (755-5265)
- o Feeding the Flathead is at Central Christian Church on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays

Bethlehem Lutheran Church -Served at 6pm

- o 603 S Main St, Kalispell (752-6140)
- o Feeding the Flathead is at Bethlehem Lutheran Church the first 3 Mondays of the month

Christ Church Episcopal

- o 603 S Main St, Kalispell (257-6182)
- o Feeding the Flathead is at Christ Church Episcopal the last 6 days of the month 6pm - 7pm