

# Hand Hand

A PUBLICATION OF THE DISCOVERY CENTER AT MURFREE SPRING

February 2010

[www.discoverycenteronline.org](http://www.discoverycenteronline.org)

## Upcoming Events

### Meet Clifford the Big Red Dog!



February 13 - 2:30, 3:30  
February 14 - 1:30, 2:30 & 3:30

During special times on February 13 & 14, families will find Clifford the Big Red Dog at Discovery Center. Have your picture taken with this popular character from the children's picture books by Norman Bridwell.

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### Parents Night Out!

February 14 • 5:30 - 9:00 pm

Need a Valentine's Day date night? Bring your kids to Parents' Night Out to give them a chance to play at the museum while you enjoy an evening out! Snacks provided. Call 890-2300 to sign up.

Cost - \$15 per child, \$10 for each additional child. Pre-payment at time of registration required.

### Chinese New Year

February 19 • 5:00 - 7:30 pm  
Free Admission!

Join Discovery Center as we ring in the Year of the Tiger! Participate in the traditional Dragon Dance, create Asian crafts, and sample traditional Asian recipes in the kitchen. Remember to wear red for good luck!

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### 2010 Price Increase

Effective February 1, general admission will now be \$6 per person for everyone 2 & up. Effective March 1, Family Memberships will be \$75 and Discovery Memberships will be \$105.

## The Bone Zone is Coming!

February 15 - May 30



Hurry! Hurry! Step right up to the **Bone Zone Carnival of Healthy Choices** — learn how food and exercise affect bone health for life!



This carnival-themed exhibit teaches children how eating a healthy diet with plenty of calcium-rich foods and participating in weight-bearing exercises or playing sports will strengthen their bones and help them avoid osteoporosis in the future.



At the entrance, a life-sized skeleton barker entices visitors to learn more about bones. Once inside the nearly 1,000-square-foot exhibit, visitors are challenged to choose calcium-rich foods and weight-bearing exercise through interactive animations and games. A fortune-teller predicts the future of bones, based on food and exercise choices, while a bone crusher demonstrates the difference between healthy and unhealthy bones. A dance floor beckons young and old to participate in fun, bone-healthy exercise.

## Flight to Africa

Discovery Center is working hard to finish our newest exhibit, **FLIGHT TO AFRICA**. This exhibit will take visitors on a journey to the wilds of Africa. From African Elephants to Grevy's Zebra, learn all about the unique animals of the serengeti!

Sponsored by The Jennings and Rebecca Jones Foundation.



## Summer Camp 2010

Spend a week of your summer at Discovery Center! Camps are available for children in Kindergarten through 7th grade. Member registration is now open. Non-member registration begins March 1. Contact us at 890.2300 to register or register online: [www.discoverycenteronline.org](http://www.discoverycenteronline.org). See page 2 for complete camp session information!

## A Special Thank You!

At Discovery Center, we are grateful for gifts that come in all sizes and shapes. This month we'd like to take a minute to say thank you to some local companies whose expertise and contributions help keep our building up and running. Please help support us by supporting our sponsors!

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## Volunteer Spotlight

Discovery Center recognizes our February Volunteer of the Month, **LANE CORSON!**

Lane is an 8th grader at Central Middle School. He goes to church with Ms. Gretchen who asked his mom if he would be interested in volunteering. Lane says "my Mom thought he could use something to keep him busy over the summer, I'm glad she did because I love it and look forward to working again this summer." He says the best part of volunteering is working with the animals and meeting new people. He enjoys playing baseball for Murfreesboro Optimist Baseball League. He loves working with the animals at the Discovery Center and some day hopes to go to school to learn about being an animal trainer.



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Murfreesboro, TN 37130

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Hours:  
Monday-Saturday  
10am-5pm  
Sunday  
1pm-5pm



Admission:  
\$6 Children & Adults  
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
February 2010	1 Parents & Tots Groundhog Day 9:00 am Snack Attack Snowman on a Stick 3:30 pm	2 P&T see Monday Animal Antics: 3:30 pm Meet the bearded dragon	3 Snack Attack! Snowman on a Stick 3:30 pm	4 Creation Station Create Fun Furry Pom Poms 2:00 - 4:00 pm	5 FETCH Fun Fridays Go Fly a Kite 3:30 pm	6
7	8 Parents & Tots Be My Valentine 9:00 am Snack Attack Bake a Cheesy Heart 3:30 pm	9 P&T see Monday Animal Antics: 3:30 pm Meet the amphibians <i>Discovery Center closes at 4:30 today.</i>	10 Snack Attack! Bake a Cheesy Heart 3:30 pm	11 Creation Station Create Fun Furry Pom Poms 2:00 - 4:00 pm	12 FETCH Fun Fridays All Wound Up 3:30 pm	13 Meet Clifford! 2:30 3:30 
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## Summer Camp 2010 - Spend a week of your summer at Discovery Center!

### LILLIPUT CAMPS

Campers must be entering kindergarten or 1st grade. Snack is provided and a minimum of 8 campers is needed in each camp.

Cost: \$75/members, \$100/non-members

### BRIGHT & BEAUTIFUL LILLIPUT ART CAMP

Session I: June 7-11, 9:00 am-12:00 pm  
Session II: July 5-9, 9:00am-12:00 pm

Create art as you listen to stories, discover the science of art, & explore other cultures and other hands-on activities.

### SPIKES & SCALES & DINOSAUR TALES CAMP

Session I: July 12-16 9:00am-12:00pm

Explore the world through the eyes of the T-Rex and other dinosaurs through stories, cooking, and hands-on activities that will excite your preschooler. Create, cook, investigate and explore the nooks and corners of the museum.

### BITTY BUGS AND BUTTERFLIES

Session I: June 14-18, 9:00am-12:00pm  
Session II: July 26-30, 9:00am-12:00pm

Investigate the creeping, crawling world of insects. Create buggy art, enjoy buggy snacks and explore bug habitats. Go on a "bug safari" in the wetlands!

### GROWING UP WILD

Session I: July 19-July 23, 9:00am-12:00pm  
Building on a young child's sense of wonder

about nature, days will be filled with lots of outdoor time as well as crafts, music, movement, and exploration. Come join the fun as we go wild over nature!

### ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS

Session I: June 21-25, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Hear stories about the DC animals; explore where they live, what they do, and much more. Create animal art and try animal snacks each day. Enjoy the exhibits around the museum, and explore animals in their natural habitat during wetland walks.

### DISCOVERY CAMPS

Campers must be entering 1st through 3rd grades. Snack is provided and a minimum of 8 campers is needed in each camp.

Cost: \$75/members, \$100/non-members

### CREATION VACATION ART CAMP

Session I: June 28-July 2, 1:00-4:00pm

Budding artists will learn about art from around the world that has been inspired by dreams. Use dreams to inspire a masterpiece! From Australian Dreamtime to Henri Rousseau's fanciful paintings of animals and forests it'll be an adventure into the world of fun and fantasy.

### CROCODILE HUNTER CAMP

Session I: June 7-11, 1:00-4:00pm  
Session II: July 5-9, 1:00-4:00pm

While there's no crocodile in our wetlands, experience life as a "reptile hunter" (herpetologist) — set hoop traps for our turtle study, and investigate the life of wetland reptiles. Meet Burt the bearded dragon, Cobalt the blue tongued skink, and get to know our other scaly friends!

### OOEY GOOEY SCIENCE CAMP

Session I: June 21-25, 1:00pm-4:00pm  
Session II: July 19-23, 1:00pm-4:00pm

Let your imagination soar as you explore chemistry, physics, biology, and ecology through hands-on science activities.

### YOUNG PERFORMERS CAMP

Session I: July 12-16, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

The Spotlight's on you! Go behind the scenes and learn the ins and outs of musical theatre. Children will design costumes and scenery and of course sing, dance, and act. Campers will rehearse throughout the week for their premier performance the last day of camp. Let the show begin!

### ADVENTURE CAMPS

Campers must be entering 3rd through 7th grades. Snack is provided and a minimum of 8 campers is needed in each camp.

Cost: \$75/members, \$100/non-members unless otherwise stated.

### CREATIVE CHEFS CAMP

Session I: June 28-July 2, 1:00-4:00 pm  
Session II: July 26-30, 1:00pm-4:00pm

Cook up creative cuisine in Cissie's Kitchen. Explore measurements, cutting techniques using a sharp knife, cooking with spices, and much more. Program will end with a delicious reception for parents on Friday.  
Cost: \$85/members, \$110/non-members

### FIRE IT UP CLAY CAMP

Session I: June 14-18, 9:00am-12:00 pm  
Session II: June 14-18 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

Aspiring young artists will get their hands dirty as they work with clay. Sculpt and glaze clay pieces and learn how to create pottery using a potter's wheel. Campers will need to return one week later to glaze their fired pottery. Cost includes use of tools, materials, and instruction from a professional potter.  
Cost: \$125/members, \$150/non-members

### AUTHORS AND ILLUSTRATORS 2ND - 4TH GRADE

Session I: July 5-9, 1:00-4:00 pm

Do you have stories in your head just waiting to be written? Do you like to draw cool stuff? The Write Stuff is just what you need! "Meet" lots of authors and illustrators with different styles. Learn from them and create our own unique illustrated books. Plus, enjoy snacks, games, and activities related to the authors!