



Ushers Ferry

HISTORIC VILLAGE

5925 Seminole Valley Trail NE 319.286.5763

**OPEN FOR
TOURS JUNE - AUGUST**

Monday - Friday:
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Admission:
\$4 Adult, \$2 Youth
Under 5 Years Free

USHERS FERRY SELF-GUIDED TOURS

(All Ages)

Come tour Ushers Ferry! The buildings are open Monday through Friday, June through August with self-guided smart phone tours and brochures. Please call 319-286-5763 in advance if your group is larger than 12.

M-F 6/3-8/30* 9am-3pm
\$4 Adult, \$2 Youth, under 5 years free
Ushers Ferry *Closed July 4

NEW HAPPY HOUR FRIDAYS

(All Ages)

The Ushers Ferry Saloon is open for business! Come to Ushers Ferry every Friday, June through August, from Noon to 1 p.m. for sarsaparilla and other old-time soda pop and non-alcoholic cold drinks for \$3 per bottle. Admission to the village is free during Happy Hour.

F 6/7-8/30 12-1pm
FREE Admission, \$3 Sodas
Ushers Ferry

NEW FREEDOM FESTIVAL: FAMILY TOUR DAY

(All Ages)

Enjoy a rare opportunity to spend Sunday afternoon with your family at Ushers Ferry! Take a self-guided tour of the village and visit with our volunteers while they demonstrate wood stove cooking, sewing, spinning, and other historic skills. Play old-fashioned games and enjoy popcorn and sodas at the Ushers Ferry saloon.

Su 6/30 1-4pm
\$5 Adult, \$2 Youth, under 5 years free*
*\$1 off admission with Freedom Fest button Ushers Ferry



NEW HISTORY FOR LUNCH

(All Ages)

Pack a sack lunch and spend your lunch hour at Ushers Ferry the last Friday of the month, June through August, from Noon to 1 p.m., and hear some local history while you eat. Ushers Ferry Program Coordinator and historian, Ann Cejka, will present a brief talk on local history topics related to Ushers Ferry, Cedar Rapids, and Linn County. The Ushers Ferry Saloon will be open if you would like to purchase a cold drink (\$3 sodas) to accompany your lunch.

#314749-04	F	4/26	12-1pm
#114749-01	F	6/28	12-1pm
#114749-02	F	7/26	12-1pm
#114749-03	F	8/30	12-1pm
\$5 (R \$4)/person			Ushers Ferry

FAMILY HAYRACK NIGHT

(3+ yrs. with Family)

Enjoy a last summer night out before the kids go back to school. Take a hayrack ride through Seminole Valley, eat s'mores around the bonfire, and even take a guided tour of the village with one of the "residents." Bring dinner if you want, or snack on popcorn and sarsaparilla at the Ushers Ferry saloon.

W 8/14 5:30-8:30pm
\$30/family (up to 4) Ushers Ferry

Goat Yoga at Old MacDonald's Farm

GOAT YOGA

(13+ yrs.)

Let go, have fun, and interact with these smart and social farm animals in this unusual and fun yoga class. Fun and laughter are the foundation of this mind, body and goat class! **Be sure to wear appropriate clothing and bring your own mat or towel.**



#113111-01 Sa 6/22 9-10am
 #113111-02 W 7/24 5:30-6:30pm
 \$15 (R \$14) Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

ADULT/CHILD GOAT YOGA

(6+ yrs. with Adult)

How can you make exercise more fun? Do it with your kids and ours! **Wear loose and comfortable clothing that can get dirty and bring your own mat or towel.** You may register more than one child.

#113110-01 Adult \$15 (R \$14)
 #113110-02 Child \$8 (R \$7)
 W 6/5 5:30-6:30pm
 Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

#113110-03 Adult \$15 (R \$14)
 #113110-04 Child \$8 (R \$7)
 Sa 6/8 9-10am
 Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

#113110-05 Adult \$15 (R \$14)
 #113110-06 Child \$8 (R \$7)
 W 6/19 5:30-6:30pm
 Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

#113110-07 Adult \$15 (R \$14)
 #113110-08 Child \$8 (R \$7)
 W 7/3 5:30-6:30pm
 Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

#113110-09 Adult \$15 (R \$14)
 #113110-10 Child \$8 (R \$7)
 Sa 7/20 9-10am
 Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

#113110-11 Adult \$15 (R \$14)
 #113110-12 Child \$8 (R \$7)
 W 8/7 5:30-6:30pm
 Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

#113110-13 Adult \$15 (R \$14)
 #113110-14 Child \$8 (R \$7)
 Sa 8/10 9-10am
 Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

#113110-15 Adult \$15 (R \$14)
 #113110-16 Child \$8 (R \$7)
 W 8/21 5:30-6:30pm
 Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

#113110-17 Adult \$15 (R \$14)
 #113110-18 Child \$8 (R \$7)
 W 8/28 5:30-6:30pm
 Old MacDonald's Farm Barn

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HISTORIC VILLAGE

TOURS

CURATOR'S TOUR OF USHERS FERRY

(All Ages)

Do you have a group of family or friends who want to dive deeper into our local history? Take a special fully-guided tour of Ushers Ferry with the curator and learn the real history behind the village homes and businesses - from the early pioneers who settled Linn County to the later waves of immigrants who left their unique mark on Cedar Rapids. This is a great opportunity to understand Iowa's local history and culture from the working class point of view. Tours are available May through October by appointment. Call 319-286-5699 for pricing and to reserve your tour.



NEW HISTORY TO YOU: SENIOR TRAVELING TRUNK PROGRAM

(18+ yrs.)

Too cold to venture outdoors? Let Ushers Ferry bring history to you! This traveling trunk and lecture program is for senior living and memory care facilities. The hour-long program features a short talk with an Ushers Ferry interpreter and a trunk full of durable objects from days gone by that are sure to spark memories, stories, and fun! Play an old-fashioned game, touch and feel clothes and tools from the past, and more. The program is available November through May by appointment. Call 319-286-5699 for pricing and to schedule.

SENIOR "STEP-ON" TOUR

(18+ yrs.)

Looking for a place to take your senior group or assisted living residents with mobility issues? Ushers Ferry Historic Village now offers "step-on" guided tours by appointment. Stop by the Visitor Center to meet your "step-on" guide and tour the village from the comfort of your own bus. Following your tour, your group has the option to explore one of the fully-accessible buildings and to share a Q & A with the guide. Tours are available May through October by appointment. Call 319-286-5699 to reserve your tour.

\$4/person Ushers Ferry

Summer Adventure

Camps

JUNIOR ZOMBIE SURVIVAL (6-8 yrs.)

Prepare for Zombie Survival next year with this fun, three-day introductory camp! Learn how to pack a "bug out" bag, prepare for evacuation, and -- most importantly -- how to avoid zombies!

#114105-03 M-W 6/17-6/19 1-2:30pm
\$54 (R \$47) Ushers Ferry

NERF ARMY CAMP FOR KIDS (9-13 yrs.)

There's more to being a soldier than what you see in movies and video games. We will study classical military arts and tactics from the ancient to the present day. Join us as we apply these lessons in various NERF settings.

#114118-01 M-F 6/10-6/14 6-8pm
\$93 (R \$85) Ushers Ferry

FANTASY FOAM BATTLE CAMP (8-15 yrs.)

A call to arms! Help defend our realm! Using LARP (Live Action Role Play) rules of Dagohir Battle Games, this full-contact sport will train you for combat with different weapons. First year and new participants start with a basic sword. Returning players are eligible for additional weapons based on their skill and experience. Get fitted with a weapon to personalize and take home. Focus on safety, honor, training, and learning new games as you prepare for your ultimate quest. **Register by 6/1.**

#114106-01 M-F 6/10-6/14 9am-12pm
\$161 (R \$151) Ushers Ferry

FANNIE FARMER COOKING SCHOOL: TEATIME

(9-14 yrs.)

This fun, three-day camp for young foodies will cover the basics of cooking the old-fashioned way! Learn how to set up your kitchen, plan a menu, prepare your dishes, and set a table. On the last day, put away your apron and sit down to an elegant afternoon tea with a guest of your choice.

Register by 6/17.

#114738-01 M-W 6/24-6/26 1-4pm
\$107 (R \$99) includes 1 tea guest
#114738-02 Additional tea guest \$16
Ushers Ferry

ZOMBIE SURVIVAL (8-12 yrs.)

Hone your survival skills and use time tested know-how to prepare for 21st century disaster in this camp for adventurous kids! Zombies have been sighted in the abandoned grounds around the old lodge in Jones Park. Have they escaped Ushers Ferry or is this a new threat? Build situational awareness, secure food, water, and shelter, and find your way in the wilderness. Test your new survival skills on the last day with a water gun war -- Humans vs. Zombies!

8-11 years

#114105-01 M-F 7/8-7/12 9am-12pm
\$142 (R \$132) includes shirt Jones Lodge

9-12 years

#114105-02 M-F 7/8-7/12 2-5pm
\$142 (R \$132) includes shirt Jones Lodge



ACTIVE CHOICE
Choose A High
Activity Program

NEW COUNTRY SUMMER SCHOOL (8-12 yrs.)

Make learning fun again! Beat summer brain drain and get back to basics in a camp that recreates lessons from the one-room country school. Use chalk, slates, and pen and ink to practice handwriting and penmanship. Read and recite poems from the McGuffey Readers. Play old recess games and more. Enjoy cookies and lemonade on the last day after competing in a spelling bee, reciting pieces you memorized, and showing off all you learned!

#114140-01 M/W/F 7/15-7/19 9am-12pm
\$86 (R \$78) Ushers Ferry

PADDLE PIRATES (9-13 yrs.)

Prepare for an adventure! Learn the basics, build your crew, and practice with your kayaks. Then, test your skills with team games and a pirate obstacle course.

#114111-01 Th 7/18 9am-12pm
\$51 (R \$44) Ushers Ferry

PADDLE ADVENTURE (9-14 yrs.)

Be the captain of your own boat! Start with learning paddling basics and safety, including what to do if you capsize. Play some fun paddling games, then spend the last day on the Wapsi in a canoe! Bring a sack lunch and some money for ice cream on Wednesday. (Thursday and Friday of this week will be reserved as rain dates for the float trip.)

#114130-01 M-W 7/22-7/24
M/Tu: 9am-12pm W: 9am-4:30pm
\$147 (R \$137) Ushers Ferry



***NEW* SHEEP TO SHAWL**
(10-14 yrs.)

Are you a crafty animal lover? Learn about the animal that grows it's own sweater every year and one for you, too! Meet the sheep at Old MacDonald's Farm on the first day, then spend the rest of the week at Ushers Ferry processing the fleece -- picking, washing, carding, and spinning it into yarn. Learn to crochet a simple project to take home along with some of the wool yarn you make.

#114141-01 M-F 7/29-8/2 9am-12pm
\$160 (R \$150) Ushers Ferry

NERF ARMORY WORKSHOP
(11-17 yrs.)

Want to upgrade your NERF gun, but don't know where to start? Try our NERF-oriented maker space! We will supply you with a blaster and some intro mods to install, then try your modified blaster on our chronograph range to see the improvement. Discuss other NERF mods you would like to try with our staff and volunteers, who are passionate about all things NERF, for tips and other resources.

#114131-01 Th 7/25 4-8pm
\$44 (R \$37) Ushers Ferry

***NEW* KIDS' ADVENTURE TRIP:
UNDERGROUND IOWA**
(9-13 yrs.)

Explore Iowa's Maquoketa Caves! Pack a sack lunch, bring a flashlight, and wear old clothes and hiking shoes for this rugged, underground adventure! Be sure to bring along some pocket money for ice cream on the way home!

#114204-01 Th 7/25 9am-5pm
\$88 (R \$80) Ushers Ferry

ARCHERY ADVENTURE CAMP
(10-14 yrs.)

Learn the basics of archery including a brief history of the bow and arrow, and safety protocols for the equipment and range. Enjoy the benefits of acquiring a unique life-skill and expand your personal development with NASP certified instructors. **Register by 7/26.**

#114114-01 M/W/F 8/5-8/9 3-5pm
#114114-02 M/W/F 8/5-8/9 6-8pm
\$84 (R \$76) Ushers Ferry

SUMMER PIONEERS
(6-12 yrs.)

Have some good, old-fashioned summer fun before you head back to school! After you finish your summer chores, make and enjoy a refreshing snack, and play some games before heading into the woods for one more summer adventure!

6-8 years
#114119-01 M 8/12 9-10:30am
\$16 (R \$15) Ushers Ferry

9-12 years
#114119-02 M 8/12 9am-12pm
\$33 (R \$26) Ushers Ferry

SUMMER NERF TACTICAL
(9-13 yrs.)

Here's your last chance for summer fun! Learn basic NERF safety rules and strategy, then break into teams to play 'Capture the Flag' and other games to defend your fortress. Bring your own NERF gear, ammo, and eye protection.

#114120-01 F 8/16 9am-12pm
\$23 (R \$19) Ushers Ferry

PADDLE EXPLORERS
(18+ yrs.)

Have you ever wanted to try canoeing or kayaking, but didn't know where to start? Are you wondering what opportunities there are for paddling in the local area? Join us for a basic introduction to flat-water paddling as we explore one of the City's hidden gems with great access to the water. Canoes or kayaks, and all necessary equipment are provided.

#114125-01 Tu 7/2 6-7pm
\$25 (R \$21) Prairie Park

#114125-02 Tu 8/6 6-7pm
\$25 (R \$21) Mohawk



Rollin'
**into your
neighborhood
this summer!**

The Rollin' Recmobiles will take to the streets again this summer, bringing recreational activities to your neighborhood park. Each van, loaded to the top with recreation equipment, games, and crafts brings staff to lead activities at various City parks each week. The vans also have WIFI hot spots that you can use during park visits. For more information, contact Max Kearns at m.kearns@cedar-rapids.org.

► Find the schedule at CityofCR.com/CRRecmobile



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Riverside Skatepark

A new, lighted skatepark is located in Riverside Park. Concrete obstacles in the park include a quarterpipe, radius wedge, Euro gap, kicker, radius launch, stairs, flat grind rail, raked grind rails, cantilevered manual pad, grind-out ledge, raked panned grind ledge, double raked panned grind ledge, panned grindout ledges, and slappy curb. Skatepark hours are 6 a.m. - 10 p.m. daily.

Splash Pads

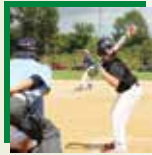
Splash pads are ready to keep kids cool May 25 through September 2, 2024. They are located at Cedar Valley, Cleveland, Daniels, Greene Square, Hayes, Hidder, Jacolyn, Noelridge, Redmond, Time Check and Twin Pines Parks.

Trails

Cedar Rapids Parks & Recreation maintains a variety of hard surface and crushed limestone recreational trails. If you make a complete tour of all the City trails and bikeways, you will travel over 100 miles.

▶ Visit LinnCountyTrails.org for maps.

Facility Rentals



BALL DIAMONDS

Diamonds may be reserved for two-hour time segments at \$25 per time segment for unlined fields and \$40 per time segment for lined fields. Exclusive use of the reserved area is insured with the fee.

▶ Call 319-450-2873 to reserve diamonds for practice or reserve them in person at **Northwest Recreation Center (Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.)** or **City Services Center (Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)**



ELLIS CLUBHOUSE & EVENT CENTER

The fully-accessible, 2100 square foot center overlooking Ellis Golf Course is available to rent for your next gathering.

▶ Contact Angela Harper to learn more: a.harper@cedar-rapids.org.



JONES PARK LODGE

The lodge is fully ADA-accessible and can accommodate 95 people indoors with seating for 90 people, and has a serving area with large counters, microwave, sink, and refrigerator.

▶ For more information, call 319-289-5699.



PARK PAVILIONS

Rent one of 25 pavilions in the City parks up to one year in advance of the intended use date (between May 4 and September 29, 2024). Sizes range from 7 to 40 tables. Rates vary based on size and location. Pavilions are rented for a single time period of 10 a.m. through 8 p.m.

▶ See pavilions and their features at: CRREC.org. Call 319-286-5566, Monday through Friday, between 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. for more information.



POOLS

Rent Bever, Ellis, or Jones Pool. Rates start at \$386. Cherry Hill Aquatic Center is available for rental to large groups for two hour time blocks by special arrangement only.

▶ For more information, see page 50.



POOL SHELTERS

Cherry Hill and Noelridge pool shelters are available for rental. Reservations and payment must be made at least one week in advance. Fee: \$28/Open Swim M-F or \$40/Open Swim Sa-Su

▶ For reservations, call 319-286-5566.



USHERS FERRY HISTORIC VILLAGE AND LODGE

The Ushers Ferry Lodge as well as the gazebo, houses, and grounds at the village are available for rental.

▶ For more information, call 319-286-5699 or go to UFHV.com.



WEDDING RENTALS

Ellis Shakespeare Garden Noelridge Flower Gardens
Ushers Ferry Historic Village Ushers Ferry Lodge

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