

# ARDENWOOD HISTORIC FARM NATURALIST PROGRAMS AUGUST 2024



All programs meet at the Farmyard unless otherwise noted.

## TODDLER TIME ♿

10:30-11:45am, Wednesday, August 7, 21



Bring the tots out for an exciting morning at the farm. Hear a story, do some chores, and meet some farm friends. Little ones will enjoy a variety of activities at their own pace. We'll meet rain or shine!

## ARDENWOOD FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

8:30-10pm, Saturday, August 17



Thinking of a great way to spend the evening outdoors with your loved ones? Then join us for a FREE showing of the hit movie Wish!! Rated PG with a run time of 92 minutes. Movie begins shortly after sunset (8:20pm).

Arrive early to secure a good seat on the lawn. Bring a flashlight, warm clothes, and a blanket or chairs for sitting. No pets. Rain cancels.

## UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENT

### HARVEST FESTIVAL ♿

10am-4pm, Saturday & Sunday, October 12-13



Enjoy old-time country fun as you help bring in this year's crop of corn for Ardenwood programs and animals. Search the field for ears of flint corn or popcorn. Outside the field, enjoy seasonal activities, cider pressing, old-time music, and historic crafts. Ride a narrow-gauge train and learn what late-nineteenth century life was like on a tour of the beautifully restored farmhouse. Please bring a bag if you hope to take home some of your harvested corn.

**Fee:** \$12/adult, \$10/senior (62+), \$8/child (4-17 yrs.), and free/under 4 years.

### Park Hours:

Tuesday-Sunday, 10am-4pm

Closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day

Open Memorial Day, July 4th, and Labor Day

### Entry Fees:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday

\$4/adults (18+ years)

\$3/seniors (62+ years)

\$2/children (4-17 years)

Under 4 years-free

Thursday, Friday & Sunday

\$6/adults (18+ years)

\$5/seniors (62+ years)

\$4/children (4-17 years)

Under 4 years-free

### Contact Us

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### Program Key



Wheelchair accessible



Online registration

[ebparks.com](http://ebparks.com)

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Healthy Parks Healthy

People programs offer

low impact exercise.



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#### ONGOING PROGRAM

##### **ANIMAL FEEDING** 🍴

3pm, Thursday through Sunday

Check for eggs and feed the livestock. Learn all the animals' favorite foods as we help tuck them in for the evening. Meet at the Granary.

##### **RIDE THE RAILS - TRAIN RIDES** 🚂

Various times, Thursday, Friday & Sunday

Railroads once connected many of the farms with towns in the East Bay. Today they still run around the farm. Journey past rows of crops and through eucalyptus groves as you travel back in time. Check the daily schedule and meet the train at Arden Station or Deer Park.

##### **PATTERSON HOUSE TOURS** 🏠

Various times, Every Thursday, Friday & Sunday

Tour the beautifully restored Patterson House Museum. Discover the history of this 19-room Queen Anne Victorian farmhouse listed on the National Register of Historic Places which operates as a museum of local history and turn-of-the-last century life. Tours are led by docents dressed in 19th century clothing. Check for availability at the Train Station upon your arrival.

Info: [rkiehn@fremont.gov](mailto:rkiehn@fremont.gov) or (510) 791-4196.



#### INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS

##### **FARM CHORES FOR KIDS** 🍴

10:30-11am, Saturday, August 3, 10, 24

Running a farm is hard work. But it's fun too! Lend a hand cracking corn and feeding the animals. You'll check the chickens and help with other morning chores.

##### **CORN MOSAICS** 🍴

11:30am-12:30pm, Saturday, August 3, 24;

1:30-2:30pm, Sunday, August 11

Learn how to turn our farm-grown flint corn into a fun craft for the whole family! Use the rainbow of colored kernels to make your own mosaic.

##### **OLD-FASHIONED GAMES**

1:30-2:30pm, Saturday, August 3, 24

Life on a farm wasn't all work and no play. Delve into delightful past times from days gone by, such as skittles, tops and jacks.

##### **FARMYARD STORY TIME** 🍴

10:30-11am, Sunday, August 4, 18

Perhaps you'll meet Woolbur, the Billy Goats Gruff or other farm friends! Join the story circle for some barnyard tales before visiting the main characters.

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#### **OLD FASHIONED BUTTER MAKIN'**

11:30am-12:30pm, Sunday, August 4

Before modern grocery stores, people needed to make their own staples at home. Discover an easy way to make butter from cream then sample your tasty concoction on crackers!

#### **FARMYARD GAMES**

1:30-2:30pm, Sunday, August 4, 25

Life on a farm wasn't all work and no play. Join us for some old-fashioned fun! Try your hand at classic American pastimes including stilts, sack races, and the potato-spoon race.

#### **WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM!♻️**

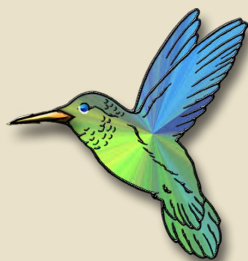
11:30am-12:30pm, Saturday, August 10;  
Sunday, August 18

Put together some ice, salt, cream, sugar, and a little muscle power to learn how we make delicious old-fashioned ice cream.

#### **STILT WALKERS**

1:30-2:30pm, Saturday, August 10

Want to be taller? Improve your balance? Give stilts a try. It's fun! Guess why farmers used these fun tools in the past.



#### **WAKE UP THE FARM!♻️**

10:30-11am, Sunday, August 11

Rise and shine little farmers! Say "Good morning!" to the sheep and goats and lend a hand as we prepare a morning snack for the farm animals.

#### **CATTLE CORNER**

11:30am-12:30pm, Sunday, August 11

Curious about cows? Join us as we talk about these bovine beauties, play games, and check in with our farmer on why cows are such important animals to have on the farm.

#### **BIRDS OF THE FARM**

8-9:30am, Saturday, August 17, 31

The farm provides valuable habitat for many species of birds. Let's explore the gardens, forests, and fields looking for these delightful wild creatures. No admission fee.

#### **MEET THE CHICKENS!♻️**

10:30-11am, Saturday, August 17, 31; Sunday, August 25

Check out our coop full of chickens! Discover why they like to roam around the farmyard and scratch and peck at the ground while you feed them a little snack.

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## THE LITTLE RED HEN

12:30-1:30pm, Saturday, August 17, 31

Who will help mill some wheat into flour? You will, after we read this classic tale and meet the main character in the flesh, er, feathers.

## LEARN THE ROPES 🪄

2-2:30pm, Saturday, August 17, 31

Learn how a few twists and turns on our antique machine makes rope making a cinch.

## CLOTHESPIN DOLLS 🪄

1:30pm-2:30pm, Sunday, August 18

Create and dress up your own darling doll. We'll make them out of clothespins just the way they did more than 100 years ago.

## BUILD A BEEHOUSE

11:30am-12:30pm, Sunday, August 25

Honeybees aren't the only bees that need a place to call home! Learn about why California's solitary bees are important to you and build a beehouse to place in your own backyard.



## HISTORIC DAYS 🪄

10am-4pm, Thursday, Friday & Sunday

Ride a narrow-gauge train, tour the beautifully restored Patterson House Museum, and join park staff in historic costume for programs and activities throughout the day. Farmyard programs start at 10:30am and end with an animal feeding at 3pm.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### HAUNTED RAILROAD 🪄

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7pm-9:30pm, Friday-Saturday, October 18-19, 25-26; 7pm-9pm, Sunday, October 20 & 27

Join us for a frightfully fun nighttime train ride through Ardenwood's haunted forest. The ride is spooky, not scary, and is designed especially for children under 12 and the young at heart. Tickets for this event sell out fast! Tickets go on sale at 8 am on September 15 at [www.Eventbrite.com](http://www.Eventbrite.com) (search for "Haunted Train"). Tickets are \$16 each for everyone ages 3 & up. More info is available at [www.spcrr.org](http://www.spcrr.org) and on Facebook at [/spcrrMuseum](https://www.facebook.com/spcrrMuseum).

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## AUGUST 2024 – WEEKENDS

<b>AUGUST 3 , SATURDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 4, SUNDAY</b>
10:30-11am – Farm Chores for Kids 11:30am-12:30pm – Corn Mosaics 2-2:30pm – Old-Fashioned Games 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Farmyard Story Time 11:30am-12:30pm – Old Fashioned Butter Makin’ 1:30-2:30pm – Farmyard Games 3pm – Animal Feeding
<b>AUGUST 10, SATURDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 11, SUNDAY</b>
10:30-11am – Farm Chores for Kids 11:30am-12:30pm – We All Scream for Ice Cream 1:30-2:30pm – Stilt Walkers 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Wake Up the Farm 11:30am-12:30pm – Cattle Corner 1:30-2:30pm – Corn Mosaics 3pm – Animal Feeding
<b>AUGUST 17, SATURDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 18, SUNDAY</b>
8-9:30am – Birds of the Farm 10:30-11am – Meet the Chickens 12:30-1:30pm – The Little Red Hen 2-2:30pm – Learn the Ropes 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Farmyard Story Time 11:30am-12:30pm – We All Scream for Ice Cream 1:30-2:30pm – Clothespin Dolls 3pm – Animal Feeding
<b>AUGUST 24, SATURDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 25, SUNDAY</b>
10:30-11am – Farm Chores for Kids 11:30am-12:30pm – Corn Mosaics 2-2:30pm – Old-Fashioned Games 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Meet the Chickens 11:30am-12:30pm – Build a Beehouse 1:30-2:30pm – Farmyard Games 3pm – Animal Feeding
<b>AUGUST 31, SATURDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 1, SUNDAY</b>
8-9:30am – Birds of the Farm 10:30-11am – Meet the Chickens 12:30-1:30pm – The Little Red Hen 2-2:30pm – Learn the Ropes 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Wake Up the Farm 11am-noon – Wonderful Wool 1:30-2:30pm – Harvest Traditions 3pm – Animal Feeding