KELSEY CREEK FARM

PROMOTING LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
IN A FARM ENVIRONMENT





SEPT-DEC 2019



Kelsey Creek Farm provides the community an opportunity to cross the threshold of urban living into an agricultural experience, while maintaining the historic integrity of the farm, through interpretive displays and education. Our programs foster creativity and active play. The Farm's two historical barns sit prominently on the crest of a hill. There is no entrance fee; however, we welcome and appreciate your donations.

When visiting any of Bellevue's parks, all dogs and other pets must be kept on a leash. Out of consideration for our farm animals' health and wellbeing, please observe all posted signs prohibiting pets from the barnyard.









CHILD AND FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Toddlers and Pre-K

TAG-A-LONG TOUR

Rise and shine! Adult and child teams will get a sneak peek at Kelsey Creek Farm life as they help the farmers with their morning chores. You and your little farmer will meet animals both big and small, feed some of them, and learn how to clean their stalls as we get ready for a new day on the farm. After all that hard work, we'll reward ourselves with a farm-themed snack and story! Adult/child teams only. A team is one child and one adult.

Dates/Hours: 10:30-11:30am

Ages: 4-6 Sep. 6, Fri 1931801

Ages: 3-5 Oct. 14, Mon 1931802

Fees: \$30 (R) \$35 (N)

FUN ON THE FARM

Join Mrs. Kandi for a fun time as an adult/child team. Hug a bunny, pet a chicken, scratch the sheep! Each week we will have a different theme enhanced with sensory activities based on a farm topic or animal. We will cook, play, create, work and walk on the farm, as well as visit the animals.

Ages: 2-5

Dates/Hours: 10:30-Noon

3 Classes

Nov. 6-Nov. 20, Wed 1931041 Nov. 7-Nov. 21, Th 11931043 Dec. 4-Dec. 18, Wed 1931042 Dec. 5-Dec. 19, Th 1931044

Dec. 5-Dec. 19,

Fees: \$60 (R) \$72 (N)

4 Classes Includes A Pony Ride

Sep. 11-Oct. 2, Wed 1930831 Sep. 12-Oct. 3, Th 1930833

Oct. 9-Oct. 30, Wed 1930832 Oct. 10-Oct. 31, Th 1930834

Fees: \$90 (R) \$108 (N)



LITTLE FARMERS

Join Farmer Jayne in a special hands-on opportunity to experience farm life with your toddler. Children team up with a parent/adult to actively participate in animal care, barn chores, and baking. Curriculum is integrated with seasonal themes, arts and crafts, stories and games. One adult per child. Additional adult, \$10 per session, Drop-in extra adult, \$5. Siblings under two are welcome in front or back packs.

Dates/Hours: 10:30-11am

Ages: 2-3

2 Classes

Sep. 27-Oct. 11, Fri (no class on the 4th) 1932342

Fees: \$40 (R) \$48 (N)

3 Classes

Sep. 23-Oct. 7, Mon 1930892-1 Sep. 24-Oct. 8, Tue 1930892-2 Sep. 25-Oct. 9, Wed 1930892-3

Fees: \$60 (R) \$72 (N)

4 Classes Includes A Pony Ride

Nov. 22-Dec. 20 (no class on the 29th) Fri 1935002-1

Nov. 25-Dec. 16, Mon 1935002-2 Nov. 26-Dec. 17, Tue 1935002-3 Nov. 27-Dec. 18, Wed 1935002-4

Fees: \$90 (R) \$108 (N)

FARM EXPLORERS

Join Farmer Jayne for a hands-on farm adventure featuring animal care, barn chores, and baking. This drop-off program is designed for the independent 3 to 5-year-old. Curriculum is integrated with seasonal themes, arts, and crafts, stories and games. Children must be potty trained. Bring a lunch/drink. Snack will be provided.

Ages: 3-5

Dates/Hours: 10am-Noon 2 Classes

Sep. 26-Oct. 10, Th (no class on the 3rd) 1903241

Fees: \$46 (R) \$54 (N)

4 Classes Includes A Pony Ride

Nov. 21-Dec. 19, Th (no class on the 28th) 1932372

Fees: \$98 (R) \$116 (N)



STORY TIME AT KELSEY CREEK FARM

Come enjoy story time in a farm setting. Each story session will involve a different farm-related theme and include a visit with one of our resident farm animals. The stories will come alive for your children as they see the featured animal characters from the stories in real life. Pre-registration not required. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited. Doors close when the program begins.

Ages: 3-6

Dates/Hours: 10:30-11 am

Sep. 9, Mon 1931271 Sep. 23, Mon 1931272 Oct. 7, Mon 1931273 Oct. 21, Mon 1931274 Nov. 4, Mon 1931275 Nov. 18, Mon 1931276

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Fees: FREE

PRIVATE HORSEBACK RIDING LESSONS

Kelsey Creek Farm's private riding lessons allow your child to work one-onone with our riding instructor to deepen your child's understanding of horsemanship and develop foundational riding skills. Each one-hour lesson includes brushing and saddling your pony, groundwork, and riding time. Skills taught include mounting, steering, backing, proper balance, and posting at the trot.

Ages: 4-6

Dates/Hours: Sep 15-29

Sun 1-2pm 1931121 Sun 2-3pm 1931122 Sun 3-4pm 1931123

Fees: \$165 (R) \$190 (N)



Elementary

KELSEY CREEK FARM SCHOOL

Come to Kelsey Creek Farm to learn about farm animals, fiber arts, and local agricultural history. Children will learn about chickens and eggs, how cows digest grass, and how to do barn chores. We will take the goats on a walk, make treats for the pigs, and play outside. Each class will include hands-on activities, time with our farm animals, and a craft to take home.

Ages: 8-11

Dates/Hours: 1:30-4pm

Oct. 2-Oct. 30, Wed 1931341

Fees: \$125 (R) \$150 (N)

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR

Learn about the history of Kelsey Creek Farm during this one-hour walking tour of the park. In the 1920s and 1930s, this land was a working dairy farm that housed thirty cows and provided Bellevue residents with milk, cream, and butter. We'll put the story in the context of Bellevue's early development. We will tour inside both barns, visit some of the farm animals, and compare historic pictures of Twin Valley Dairy to the park as it is now. The program is designed for adults and teenagers.

Ages: 12 and up Dates/Hours: 1-2pm

Sep. 14, Sat 1903126

Fees: FREE

FALL FARM FUN: SHEEP, CHICKENS, AND BUNNIES, OH MY!

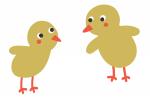
Meet a sheep, feed a chicken, and pet a bunny! Enjoy a fall morning on the farm in the company of our animals. Activities include animal petting, crafts, and snack time with a story. Come dressed for the weather. Adult/child teams only.

Ages: 3-6

Dates/Hours: 10-11:30am

Sep. 21, Sat 1903128

Fees: \$25 (R) \$30 (N)



PAINTING WITH CHICKENS

Create a painting in partnership with our chicken artists! Children will work with a chicken to create a fun, colorful piece of artwork combining your child's creativity with the footprints of one of our resident chickens. Children also get to pet the chicken artists and feed them some yummy treats. All activities will be inside, but dress warm because the barn is not heated. The nontoxic children's finger paint is washable, but wear clothes that you don't mind getting dirty.

Ages: 5-9

Dates/Hours: 11 am-Noon

Sep. 28, Sat 1931291

Fees: \$25 (R) \$30 (N)

FALL FARM FUN: PIGS AND PUMPKINS

Pigs love pumpkins and we think you will too! Children get to make pumpkin treats, go on a scavenger hunt, do a craft, and learn all about pigs. Each child will pick out a pumpkin to take home. Come dressed for the weather. Adult/child teams only.

Ages: 3-6

Dates/Hours: 10-11:30am

Oct. 12 ,Sat 1903137

Fees: \$25 (R) \$30 (N)

ADVENTURES IN PIONEER FARMING

Enjoy a fall morning immersed in farm life. Spend time with our animals and learn about pioneer farming in our historic log cabin that was built in 1888. Activities will include learning how to grind wheat into flour, feeding lunch to the farm animals, and working with real wool from our sheep. Children will have fun experiencing what life was like a hundred years ago.

Ages: 8-11

Dates/Hours: 10 am-Noon

Oct. 19, Sat 1903138

Fees: \$33 (R) \$40 (N)



GRATEFUL FOR GOATS AND HAPPY FOR HORSES

There's a lot to be thankful for at Kelsey Creek Farm! Children will ride a pony, take our goats on a walk, and give treats to the animals for a job well done. Then we'll come inside the barn for a craft and a story. Come dressed for the weather. Adult/child teams only.

Ages: 3-6

Dates/Hours: 10-11:30am

Nov. 2, Sat. 1903139

Fees: \$35 (R) \$42 (N)

FRASER CABIN HERITAGE PROGRAM

Presented by the Eastside Heritage Center in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services, the Fraser Cabin, built in 1888, comes to life with hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life. For more information, contact the Eastside Heritage Center at 425-450-1049, or visit www.eastsideheritagecenter.org.

Ages: All ages

Dates/Hours: 11am-3pm

Sep. 21, Sat 1908506

11am-4pm

Oct. 5, Sat 1908507

Fees: FREE

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TEEN AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS

AFTER SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

Assist Kelsey Creek Farm staff with farm chores and learn responsible animal care. You need to have a tolerance for being outside and working in a farm environment, including exposure to animals, hay, vegetation, and dust. Participants must be capable of understanding and following directions. Volunteers need to be able to attend the first two weeks of the program and no less than a total of 5 sessions. Maximum of 1 day per week sign up per participant. All volunteers will be required to complete a Criminal Background check and provide their Social Security number.

Ages: 12-18

Dates/Hours: 3-4:30pm

Oct. 1-Nov. 19, Tu 1931311 Oct. 2-Nov. 20, Wed 1931312

Oct. 3-Nov. 21, Th 1931313

Fees: \$10 (R) \$12 (N)



ADULT VOLUNTEERS

This is an opportunity to learn about livestock care and farm maintenance, as volunteers assist Kelsey Creek Farm staff with daily operations, animal chores, and learn responsible animal care. Volunteers will be working outside, exposed to animals, hay, vegetation, and dust. They will work independently and be physically active. All volunteers will be required to complete a Criminal Background check and provide their Social Security number.

Ages: 18 and up

Dates/Hours: 9:30-11:30am

Sep. 17-Nov. 5, Tu 1931221 Sep. 18-Nov. 6, Wed 1931222

Fees: 10 (R) \$12 (NR)

SPECIAL EVENT VOLUNTEERS

and provide their Social Security number

Earn community service hours. Assist with children's activities and other event tasks. Volunteers need to be able to follow directions, be comfortable in crowds and be on their feet in all types of weather. Participants must register and be enrolled in high school at date of event. Questions; kelseycreekfarm@ bellevuewa.gov, or 425-452-7688. No day-of-event registrations will be accepted. All volunteers will be required to complete a Criminal Background check

Ages: 14-18

Dates/Hours: 10am-5pm

Oct. 5, Sat 1903175

Hours/Dates: 3-6pm

Dec. 7, Sat 1903716

Fees: FREE



SPECIAL EVENTS

KELSEY CREEK FARM FAIR

Bring your family to the Farm and enjoy our Fall Festival. Event features include live entertainment, heritage demonstrations, pick-a-pumpkin already gathered from the vine but in a farm pasture, farm animals, and much more. No entrance fee; cost varies by activity. No pets please. Free shuttle service from Wilburton Park & Ride and Bannerwood Sports Park. For more information call 425-452-7688 or e-mail kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov. Please note: no pets allowed on shuttle bus or in the barnyard areas.

Ages: All ages.

Dates/Hours: 11am-4pm Oct. 5, Sat

Fees: No entrance fees. Costs vary for food & activities.

HOLIDAY BARN LIGHTING

Join us for a special holiday barn lighting celebration at Kelsey Creek Farm. Bring the whole family to meet a resident farm animal, enjoy hot cocoa, complete a holiday themed craft, and visit with Santa. Top off the evening of holiday cheer with the barn lighting and traditional holiday carols. Bring a flashlight to help make your way back to the parking lot as it will be dark at the end of the event. Join us in making this holiday season memorable as we light up the farm and enjoy this wonderful season of giving. Pre-registration required. No entrance fee.



TOURS AND BIRTHDAYS

HOLIDAY FARM TOUR

Come visit our resident farm animals! Meet our ponies, pigs, sheep, goats, chickens, and rabbits, all while discovering what it takes to be a farmer. You will get to pet many of our animals and even feed some of them! Children must be accompanied by an adult. Each attendee must register. Pre-register to guarantee your spot. Day-of registrations will be accepted as space allows.

Ages: 2 and up

Hours/Dates: Sep. 2, Mon

10-10:45am 1931091 11-11:45am 1931092

Nov. 11, Mon

10-10:45am 1931401

11-11:45am 1931402



FARM TOURS FOR SCHOOLS AND GROUPS

Experience the Farm with a tour designed specifically for groups. Tour themes vary by season. Tours are available weekdays and are approximately one hour in length.

Ages: Most tours appropriate for children ages 2+.

Fees: \$90 (15 or fewer people, children & adults.

Additional attendees: \$6 per child & \$2.50 per adult. Staff are free.)

Cancellations: Cancellations must be made in writing (email is acceptable). Cancellations will result in a \$45 administration fee. No refunds will be made due to weather conditions. If the event is canceled by the Parks Department a full refund will be given.

Revisions: Revisions to event time and/or date change must be received a minimum of 5 days in advance and requires staff approval before it can be done. The cost for any rescheduling is \$15.00.

KIDS ON THE FARM GROUP TOUR

Available January-April

Explore our farm with hands-on fun as you meet our goats, sheep, rabbits, chickens and ponies. Learn interesting animal facts then move inside to experience the old-fashioned skill of wool carding. Children create fuzzy sheep to take home.

SPRINGTIME IN THE BARNYARD GROUP TOUR

Available May only

Welcome springtime with a tour of our animals, which may include chicks, goat kids, piglets and a calf. Learn about their special care then finish up with planting pumpkin seeds in the garden.

FALL AT THE FARM GROUP TOUR

Available October only

Experience harvest season in a traditional way. Visit a pony and pig. Work on barn "chores" with child-sized pails and rakes. Tour the garden and pumpkin patch. Children finish up by choosing a pumpkin from our harvest-themed indoor pumpkin patch! Extra fee for pumpkins.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Kelsey Creek Farm offers a variety of party packages to make your child's day special. All party packages are two hours long. Each party begins with a group activity led by a member of our farm team and is followed with a one-hour room rental for cake and presents. The locations of the room vary with the type of party, but all locations are indoors and include: 3 preschool-height tables (6-foot-long by 2.5-foot-wide) with children's chairs, a refrigerator/freezer, kitchen

sink and trash cans. A restroom with hand-washing soap and paper towels is also available. Maximum capacity for all parties is 30 people and has been set to respect facility codes, the safety and wellbeing of the animals, and to ensure quest enjoyment.

* For more information, call 425-452-7688, or email KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov.

BUNNY BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Celebrate your child's birthday by visiting the farm and meeting our friendly bunny. Enjoy a farm walk, a bunny craft, and special time with the birthday bunny. Party packages include bunny activities/farm walk and one-hour room rental in our farm house. Total party size limited to 30 people with a maximum of 15 children (no exceptions).

Ages: 3-11

Fees: \$200 (R) \$220 (N)-up to 10 children

Additional children \$10 each (5 max additional children)



CHICKEN BIRTHDAY PARTY

Celebrate your child's birthday by visiting the farm and meeting our friendly chicken. Enjoy a farm walk, a chicken craft, and special time with the birthday chicken. Party packages include chicken activities/farm walk and one-hour room rental in our farm house.

Ages: 3 to 11 years old

Fees: \$200/resident / \$220 non-resident up to 10 children. Additional children \$10 each (5 max additional children)

COOKIE DECORATING BIRTHDAY PARTY

Visit the farm to celebrate your child's birthday. Each child will decorate six Farm Cookies and enjoy a Farm Walk. Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate food allergies or sensitivities. Party packages include cookie decorating and farm walk followed by a one-hour room rental in our farm house. Total party size limited to 30 people with a maximum of 15 children (no exceptions).

Ages: 5-11

Fees: \$200 (R) \$220 (N) Up to 10 children

Additional children \$15 each (5 max additional children)

FARM BIRTHDAY PARTY

Celebrate your child's birthday with a visit to our historic farm. Make memories learning about sheep, rabbits, pigs, chickens and ponies. Tour inside our 1930's era dairy barn to learn local lore, too. Party packages are two hours long and include a tour followed by a one-hour room rental for food and presents. Maximum group size is 30 people with a maximum of 15 children (no exceptions).







The farm's history began in 1921, when the Duey Family rented 190 acres and began delivering cream and butter stamped with the name Twin Valley Dairy. In August of 1933 the original barn burned. Mr. Duey, a skilled carpenter, along with some hired hands rebuilt the barn in two weeks. Today, this barn is the smaller of the two barns and is called the Animal Barn. Mr. Duey also built the Red Barn, originally used as a milk house.

The second dairy barn was built in 1943–44 by Mr. Michaels, the new owner, (this is the north barn now known as the Education Barn) and the dairy herd was increased in size. After the end of WWII, he sold the farmstead to Ray and Nettie Fisher. The Fishers phased out the dairy operation and began raising Hereford beef cattle. They built the current farm house in 1954 and moved to live on the property. In 1968 neighbors to the farm began a movement to petition the Bellevue

City Council to purchase the property and secure it as a public park. The neighbors' petition succeeded and the City negotiated with the Fisher family to purchase the 80 acres, including the farm house, barns and out buildings. The Fishers sold their farm property to the City at a price much reduced from what they knew that they could get from developers. They did so because they believed in preserving the beauty and legacy of the agricultural buildings and the land.

In 1972 the oldest barn was modified to house an assortment of farm animals for public viewing. The other, larger barn, commonly referred to as the Education Barn, was remodeled inside and used to accommodate a variety of community programs, including children's day camps, art classes, and farm-themed classes, to name just a few.



For alternate formats, interpreters, or reasonable accommodation requests please phone at least 48 hours in advance 425-452-4253 (voice) or email asolomonson@bellevuewa.gov. For complaints regarding accommodations, contact City of Bellevue ADA/Title VI Administrator at 425-452-6168 (voice). If you are deaf or hard of hearing dial 711. All meetings are wheelchair accessible.

