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Hike into the Ranger Zone!

Kids explore outdoors and discover history through Junior Park Rangers summer day camp at Valley Forge National Historical Park

KING OF PRUSSIA, Pa.— In a world of TV, instant messaging, and video games, it can be easy for kids to stay indoors during summer break. The Junior Park Rangers summer camp at Valley Forge National Historical Park has kids explore the lush wildlife of the park, discover history, and create lifelong memories.

Starting on June 28, kids, 8-12, can hike through forests and meadows, interact with characters from the American Revolution, wade through a stream, and examine fossils from the Great Ice Age. At the end of the weeklong program, campers earn a Junior Ranger badge and certificate to show their family and friends.

Summer camp programs have long been an excellent way for kids to be introduced to new passions, develop lasting friendships, and revel in the warm weather of summer. The Junior Park Rangers summer program provides all of these benefits and also educates campers about Revolutionary War soldiers and the plants and animals that call Valley Forge their home.

The program is offered through the Upper Merion Parks and Recreation Department in cooperation with the National Park Service in multiple weeklong sessions from June 28 to August 6. Each day's activities last from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. A weeklong session costs \$189. The outdoor-based camp is held rain or shine and participants need to bring appropriate outdoor clothing and shoes, lunch, water, snacks, and sun/insect protection.

For more information or to register please visit www.uppermerionparkandrec.org. Registration is open to residents of all townships with no additional fee.

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About Valley Forge National Historical Park

Valley Forge National Historical Park educates present and future generations of Americans about one of the most defining events in our nation's history by preserving the natural and cultural resources that commemorate the encampment of the Continental Army at Valley Forge in 1777-78. To learn more visit www.nps.gov/vafo.

The Valley Forge Convention and Visitors Bureau, Ltd. is a nonprofit, membership-based sales and marketing organization that aggressively promotes the Valley Forge area and Montgomery County as a convention site and leisure visitor destination by encouraging patronage of its 500-plus member hotels, restaurants, attractions and services. The Bureau's Web site, at www.valleyforge.org, serves visitors, meeting planners, tour operators and residents.

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