

Medicine in the Kingdom

For children age 8 to 12.



Indian doctress Molly Orcutt used the natural world to cure the ills and injuries of her band and some early settlers. Nobody knows what Molly looked like, but this is a sketch by Bea Nelson of Derby showing how she may have looked.

From the Scott Wheeler collection.

Campers choose 4 workshops to concentrate on during the week.

Please rank workshops in order of their preference on registration.

Registrations accepted in order received.
First come, first served.
Children should be 8-years-old by Aug. 1.

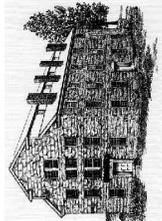
Monday thru Friday JULY 24 - JULY 28
8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Friday until 5 p.m.

Family and Friends Invited
Friday, July 28 at 5 p.m.

Potluck Picnic

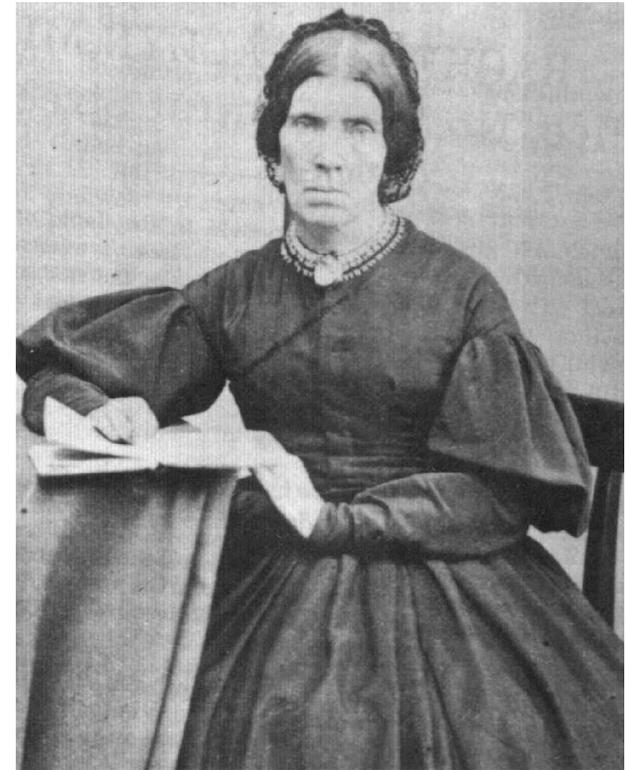
Craft Exhibits & Performance

Time Travelers' Day Camp
Old Stone House Museum
109 Old Stone House Road
Brownington, VT 05860



Time Travelers Day Camp July 24 - July 28 *Medicine in the Kingdom*

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Dr. Rachel Allyn of Charleston was a pioneering woman in the world of medicine.

Photo courtesy of the
Charleston Historical Society
and Scott Wheeler Collection

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Have you ever wondered...



How did our ancestors take care of themselves and their animals before veterinarians, doctors and hospitals? Who cared for the sick and injured? What local plants and herbs were utilized by the Native Americans and the new settlers? Who were some of the medical pioneers who practiced or came from Orleans County?

“Medicine In The Kingdom” is the 2017 theme

for Time Travelers Camp. Campers will explore healthcare in the NEK from 1823 to the opening of North Country Hospital and its impact on farm and village life. We will be learning how the early settlers managed illness and wellness and the people who delivered medical care in the past.

Blacksmithing – The forge and anvil supplied tools for farm and home for centuries. In 1875 blacksmiths had the skills to make horseshoes and nails but by that time horseshoes and nails were made in factories by machines. Blacksmiths would shape the factory made shoes to fit the horses’ hooves and nail them on the hooves. The local smith mostly repaired old tools. Learn forge safety, tools, terms and make a piece to take home. Age limit is 10 years old and up or with permission of instructor. Prior experience with hand tools is recommended.

Basket Weaving – Native brown ash trees properly pounded and prepared produce a flexible and strong material for weaving. Ash baskets are prized by collectors for their beauty so this is an unusual opportunity for children to learn skills from a traditional weaver and make their own gathering basket.

Medicinal Herbs and Remedies – Learn about useful native plants and herbs and have fun making a variety of projects, crafts and gifts using native plants.

Care of Farm Animals – Learn about the care and feeding of traditional farm animals such as horses, cows, sheep, chickens and pigs as well as cats and dogs. What did the farmer do when the animals were sick or injured? Live animals will be in residence all week .

Early American Decoration - Many pieces from the 19th century on display in the Old Stone House Museum were painted and stenciled with special techniques to create textures and designs. Campers will learn how to make their own vinegar paint and use household objects like feathers, paper, corks, and combs to make interesting designs on a storage container for tea, herbs, or medicine to take home.

Traditional Cooking – Now in the age of processed foods it is important to know what you are eating! Campers will learn how to use local, raw materials to cook delicious and nutritious foods on an open hearth, outdoor clay oven, wood cook stove and camp fire. Traditional “bean hole beans” will also be made for the Friday Potluck Picnic.

Registration Form 2017
education@oldstonehousemuseum.org

Name _____ M/F

Birth date ___/___/___ Grade 9/17___

Home address _____

Local address _____

School location _____

(Indicate preferred mailing address.)

Parent/Guardian _____

Contact Number _____

Email _____

WORKSHOPS : JULY 24 - JULY 28

Number choices in order of child’s preference.

Blacksmith ___ Animal Care ___

Basket Weaving ___ Early American Decoration ___

Natural Remedies ___ Hearth & Home ___

Camp Fees _____

One week of camp cost \$150

Same family siblings (still) \$125

Fee includes all materials, activities, and two healthful snacks each day.

Orleans, Essex County families who believe they need and may qualify for tuition assistance, may inquire after May 15.

___ Check enclosed for total due

___ \$50 deposit enclosed for each child remainder due by July 25

___ \$50 deposit enclosed, tuition assistance requested

Return registration to: Time Travelers Camp,
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