2024 Free/Low-Cost Summer Activities



Grayson County

Sherman Public Library

A whole month filled full of fun for the whole family! Check out their Facebook page for more information on each event!



Boys & Girls Club of Sherman

- One Child \$380.00
- Two Children \$680.00
- Three Children \$900.00
- *7:30AM-5:15PM
- *June 3rd-August 2nd
- *We are closed July 4th and July 5th
- *Lunch & snacks will be provided.

*Our parent meetings are how we make sure that everyone is on the same page and has a chance to tour the club and ask questions before the first day. These meetings are important to the success of our kids, so they know that their parents know all the rules and expectations before they ever walk in the door. These meetings will also give you a chance to sign up for summer field trips and clubs. There is limited space available in a few special classes/clubs that will be offered, and they are filled on a first come first served basis. During these meetings you can also set up your child's summer snack/activities account.

Sherman ISD Summer Camps



Registration is now open for free or low-cost summer camps hosted by Sherman ISD!

Dates and times vary by camp. Find the right camp for your child based on their age and interests! Find more details and register at www.shermanisd.net/summer.

<u>Summer Enrichment Camps</u> - June 3-13 & June 17-27 These low-cost camps are for incoming 1st-6th grade students.

<u>Little Bearcats Sports Camps</u> - June 10-27

These free camps are for incoming 2nd-6th grade students.

Fine Arts Camp - July 22-25

This free camp is for incoming 3rd-5th grade students.

Career & Technical Education Camp - July 22-25

This free camp is for incoming 6th-8th grade students.

Summer fun Extravaganza!



Fossils! Hike to the Past at Eisenhower State Park

<u>June 8 at 10am-11am</u> Eisenhower State Park – Texas Parks and Wildlife 50 Road 20 Denison, TX 75020

Will you become a fossil? Join us on this fun hike and find out!

Learn about the fossils that can be found at the park and take a short walk. Together we'll examine the clues and imagine what Eisenhower was like millions of years ago.

You can bring any fossils you've already found, and we'll work together to identify them! But remember all fossils must remain in the park.

Bring: Sturdy shoes, water, sunscreen

Meet: Deer Haven Trailhead #9

What to expect: A ranger-led hike and game to learn about fossilization. The trail is moderately challenging (some minor elevational changes with highly uneven surfaces).

The hike is 1 mile roundtrip with moderate elevation changes and rocky, uneven surfaces.

Good for all ages

Adults (age 13 and up) - \$5.00

Kids (12 and under) – FREE

Breakfast and a Movie - FEAT. INSIDE OUT 2

June 15th at 10am

Schulman's Movie Bowl Grille - Sherman 110 E FM 1417, Sherman, TX, United States, Texas 75090

Come eat breakfast right in the theater while you watch Inside Out 2!

Menu:

Classic Breakfast (scrambled eggs, bacon, toast) \$8.25

Children's Cakes (pancakes: buttermilk or chocolate chip) \$5.25

Fan Favorite (scrambled eggs, bacon, pancakes: buttermilk or chocolate chip) \$10.25

Bring me the Bacon (side of sliced bacon) \$3.50

38th Annual Howe Founders Day Festival

June 15th 4pm-8pm Howe Area Chamber of Commerce 116 E Haning St, Howe, TX 75459

It's the City of Howe's Annual Founders Day Festival! Fun for the entire family! Food, drinks, kid train, hot dog contest, dunk tank, and vendors!!

80s hair band Costume party

June 21st at 8pm 1880 Ice House 207 w Chestnut, Denison, TX

An 80s hair band costume party?! YES PLEASE!

Come dressed up as your favorite 80s hair band (Extra points if you wear leather pants)! Music by Off the Record Band, they play a wide variety of music that is sure to make this night ROCKIN'!

Movies in the Park

June 22nd at 9pm Sherman Parks & Recreation 502 N Walnut St, Sherman, TX 75090

Join us for a magical evening under the stars at our "Movies in the Park" event, featuring a special screening of the enchanting, animated film, "Elemental"! Bring your family, friends, and a cozy blanket to enjoy a night of cinema in the great outdoors.

About the Movie:

"Elemental" is a heartwarming and visually stunning animated adventure that takes viewers on a journey through a vibrant world where the elements—fire, water, air, and earth—come to life. Follow the story of Ember, a spirited fire girl, and Wade, a go-with-the-flow water boy, as they navigate their differences and discover the power of friendship.

- ➤ What to Bring:
 - Blankets or low-back chairs for comfortable seating Picnic baskets with your favorite snacks and drinks! Your enthusiasm for a fun-filled evening!
- > Additional Information:
 - Admission is free!
 - Pets are welcome, but please keep them on a leash.
- Come early, find a good spot, and settle in for a memorable night with "Elemental" and your community. We can't wait to see you there!

Enjoy the Magic of Movies in the Park!

<u>Sherman Police Summer Youth Camp</u>*This summer, the Sherman Police Department will be holding a week-long educational program designed to allow our area youth to become more familiar with the many functions of the Sherman Police Department. The program will be taught by Sherman Officers and will include many to

- ➤ Rookie Week (first time campers) July 8th-12th 10am-2pm
- ➤ Veteran Week (returning campers) <u>July 22nd-26th 10am-2pm</u>
 - *Students aged 13-17 who live in Grayson County.
 - *Classes will be capped at 25 participants.

Visit the following link to get signed up!

https://www.shermanpolice.com/syc

DIY Bath bomb Making!

<u>June 29th at 11am- 2pm</u> Buff City Soap 136 North Main Drive Van Alstyne, TX 75495

Come join us for a fun and hands-on workshop where you can learn how to make your own bath bombs for just \$20!

Welcome to the \$20 DIY Bath Bomb Making event!

Come join us at Buff City Soap on North Main Drive in Van Alstyne, TX, USA.

Get ready to unleash your creativity and make your own personalized bath bombs! Our friendly instructors will guide you through the process, and you'll leave with a set of unique bath bombs to enjoy at home.

This event is \$20/participant and come & go. It should take about 20-30 minutes so please arrive at least 30 minutes before the event is scheduled to end.

Don't miss out on this fun and hands-on experience - sign up now to secure your spot!

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/20-diy-bath-bomb-making-tickets-873996596347?aff=efbevent&fbclid=lwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTAAAR05Zsie1RHDN4CuSl5l P82j-igX4lWJ8 LzmupqNbj8vXEC78gwbJM6lRU aem AYuflGKnJRdt73Z-qh0Ew9ezl7kKxUHRj4gO25z72sdPSXbw59fzVgt6SodNFKAY2rvuMe7Ap7t3DmCKDUgbFcg

Barnes & Noble Summer Reading Program

<u>July 1, 2024 to August 31, 2024</u> Barnes & Noble

The program is open to kids who are in grades 1 through 6. Kids who fall into that age range just must follow three easy steps to reap their reward. The first is that kids must read a total of eight books. Participation is a fun and easy way for kids to earn free books. They simply read a designated number of books – library books, books borrowed from friends or books bought at Barnes & Noble – write about their favorite part in our Reading Journal and bring a completed Reading Journal to a Barnes & Noble bookstore. Children then choose their free book from the books listed on the Reading Journal and collect their free book from a store near them during July and August.

- https://dispatch.barnesandnoble.com/content/dam/ccr/pdf/2024/05010831kidsSummerReadingJournalEnglishBn.com.pdf (English)
- https://dispatch.barnesandnoble.com/content/dam/ccr/bnstores/kids/misc/2024/Kids/ussummerReadingJournalSpanish.pdf (Spanish)

Popsicles in the park

July 9th 5pm-6pm

Van Alsytne Parks & Recreation

215 E Van Alstyne Parkway, Van Alstyne, TX, 75495

Join Van Alstyne Parks and Recreation every Tuesday in July beginning July 9th for FREE popsicles in the park courtesy of Union Home Mortgage! Don't forget July is National Parks and Recreation Month! Bring your friends and family!

Drama Kids

July 15th-19th at 4pm (AGE: 6-11) July 22nd-26th at 4pm (AGE: 4-5)

The Senior Center

531 W. Chestnut St. Denison, TX, 75090

Drama Kids has been gracious and for any of our families, they will keep the price of the 1/2-day, weeklong camp at \$135. I will not charge the \$25/per family registration fees!



Cooke County

Downtown Gainesville Night Market

June 22 at 5pm-8:30pm Gainesville Texas farmers market 215 W Elm Street, Gainesville TX 76240

Join us for our FIRST Night Market in Gainesville, TX!

Get ready for a night of live music by Neely Rose, vibrant vendors, and delicious food trucks! Bring your friends and family for an amazing evening under the stars! Mark your calendars and bring your friends and family for a night to remember!

Red, White, & ZOO A Patriotic Celebration

July 5th at 6pm-9pm Gainesville Texas farmers market 215 W Elm Street, Gainesville TX 76240

Free Concert for all. The event starts with Reading of Declaration of Independence. Kids costume contest. Splash Zone. Touch A Truck. Yard Games. Live Music by Jerry Hart and Flatland for openers. Featuring Thomas Michael Riley & Joe Forlini covering some of your favorite patriotic tunes. Cool beverages (no outside containers). VIP Lounge tickets (\$50) include wine tasting by Deschains, food by Goodies on Commerce & Ott's Pizza Oven.

Fannin County

Art Camp

Jun 17th- June 21st 9am to 3pm Creative Arts Center 200 W 5th St, Bonham, Tx, 75418

Join us for Art Camp!

Kids ages 4-11

Enjoy painting, drawing, crafts, games & more! All supplies and snacks included. Full Day Campers must bring their own lunch daily.

Three options:

Full Day – 9 am to 3 pm

Half Day – Mornings Only – 9 am to noon

Half Day – Afternoons Only – noon to 3 pm

Cost for Full Day:

\$200 for members

\$250 for non-members

Cost for Half Days:

\$100 for members

\$125 for non-members

Registration deadline is noon on June 13.

To register https://creativeartscenterbonham.org/.../art-camp-june.../

SCHOLARSHIPS – a limited number of scholarships are available, thanks to the generosity of our donors. Please note we strongly prefer to grant scholarships that will pay 50% or less of the camp fee. Also, scholarships are generally limited to two per family. To request a scholarship application, please contact the center by phone at (903) 640-2196 or email Admin@CreativeArtsCenterBonham.org.

Wildlife On The Move - Bringing Science to Life

June 18th at 10am to 11am Bonham Public Library & Bonham parks & Recreation Department 1100 W 5th St Bonham, TX 75418

<u>The Unhuggables - LIVE Animal Show for Bonham Public Library Summer Reading Program at 10AM on 6/18/2024 (FREE PUBLIC EVENT)</u>

Camp Time Travel: Jump into the 1950's at the Sam Rayburn House

June 26th- June 28th at 9:30am- 12:30pm Sam Rayburn House State Historic Site 890 W State Highway 56, Bonham, TX, Texas 75418

We are hosting a three-day, mornings only summer camp from June 26-June 28 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. each day! Children will create their own art, learn about technology, and participate in activities to "fix" the Rayburn family farm. This camp is aimed at children 8-12 years of age. Costs for the camp are \$25 each day or \$60 all three days. Registration is required, and the deadline to register is June 12, 2024

Bonham Quilt Hop

<u>July 26th- July 27th at 4pm</u> <u>Visit Bonham</u> 327 N. Main Bonham, Texas 75418

SAVE THE DATE and join us for the 2024 Bonham Quilt Hop. This is a two-day event that will start on Friday, July 26th and continue Saturday, July 27th. Explore Bonham and visit multiple locations with over 300 quilts on display. We will have many quilt vendors for your quilting needs & craft vendors. Enjoy evening events as well. This event started in 2010 and we are so excited to watch it grow and expand each year. We will have Vendor Applications & Quilt Display Forms coming soon. We are reserving early vendor spots now, so please contact us if you would like to be a vendor.

- * Free Admission
- * For more information Contact:

The Bonham Visitor Center 327 N Main St
Bonham Texas 75418
Call 903-583-9830
Email info@visitbonham.com

Drama Kids

August 5th- August 8th 11am (AGE: 4-5) August 5th- August 9th 4pm (AGE: 6-11) The creative arts center 200 W. 5th St, Bonham, TX, 75090

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MORE-Online Camps/Resources

https://www.activityhero.com/in/sherman-tx

https://www.cityofbonham.org/215/Summer-2024

https://www.yelp.com/search?find_desc=Summer+Camps&find_loc=Gainesville%2C+TX

https://www.ymcadallas.org/camps/collin-county-adventure-camp

Whitesboro PARD Center offers FREE Camps (sign up early) :

https://www.whitesboro.org/pard/page/childrens-summer-camp-program-2024#:~:text=The%20PARD%20sponsors%20FREE%20summer,with%20activities%2C%20crafts%20and%20snacks.