

# Join Us!

## Cockey's

216 East Main Street

Westminster, Maryland 21157

The Historical Society of Carroll County is taking great precautions during the Covid-19 pandemic. All visitors in the building and outside class participants, are required to wear a mask, stay 6 feet apart when possible, and use sanitizer. Caregivers must sign a Covid-19 liability waiver and turn it in to Miss Wendy.

Founded in 1939, the Historical Society of Carroll County, Maryland, Inc. (HSCC) is a private 501(c)3 nonprofit educational organization. HSCC connects the past to the present and makes the County's vibrant history tangible, relevant, and meaningful for today's diverse communities and for generations to come. As the County's primary storyteller, HSCC utilizes its collections and other resources to place that history within the larger context of the American experience.

Classes are created and taught by HSCC volunteer Wendy Raith. She has taught pre-kindergarten and kindergarten in Baltimore City schools, substituted in Carroll County Public Schools, and volunteered in elementary, middle, and high schools.



## GENERAL INFORMATION

For children 4 to 9 years

Children will discover what it was like to live in Carroll County in the 1800's. They will travel back in time and experience living on farms and in towns through creative activities, songs, stories and crafts. This program focuses on a different topic each class and includes a craft or activity that reinforces the theme.

Classes are held on various Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. either inside or outside. Inside classes are held at the Koontz-Yingling Learning Center at Cockey's, 216 East Main Street in Westminster, MD. Outside classes will be held next to the parking lot in the back.

Caregivers accompanying a child must be 18 years or older and are required to remain near the class location. Please let us know of any food or medical restrictions.

For each class, there is a \$6.00 charge which includes materials.

**Pre- registration is required; registration closes the Monday before the class.**

### "Time Traveler's Suitcase"

Register and pay in advance for all 7 classes at the discount price of \$35 (\$5 per class) and your child will receive a special "Time Traveler's Suitcase" which includes a surprise gift for your child at each class attended. No refunds, but class substitutions may be allowed.



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# Past Times for Children 2021



## March 20 Country Fairs

Country fairs sprang up all around the country in the 1800s. Competitions such as “who has the biggest vegetable, who made the nicest dessert or catch the greased pig, and get to take it home!” were standard events. Join us and have your child enjoy the fun of a country fair! Your child will experience this through dramatic play, games, crafts, and races.

## April 17 Mary Shellman, A Westminster Icon

There were many people who helped mold Carroll County, but none as active as Mary Shellman in Westminster. She grew up on the Historical Society campus-one building was her home. Your child will learn about her experience as the county’s first telephone operator, creator of the Westminster’s Memorial Day parade, and other accomplishments through creative play, games, and activities. A craft of a telephone switchboard will be made to take home and continue their 1800s adventure.



## May 15 Native Americans

There were not many Native Americans left in Carroll County by the 1800s. Children will learn about these American Indians through the book, *The Shadbush Blooms*. They will become Susquehannocks through creative play, books, games, and taste. A craft will be taken home.

## July 17 Toys of the Past

This class will introduce your child to various toys that were used in the 1800s. They will be able to play with several of them and create their own to take home.



## August 21 Mills

There were many mills in this area. The most popular would have been grist mills that ground wheat into flour. Children will experience the mill and how it works from the book *The Little Red Hen* and experience being a miller.

## October 16 Doctors and Medicine

Doctors made house visits when one got sick. Children will learn how treatments differ from now and how doctors’ children became their assistants. Dramatic play, books, songs, and activities included as well as going home with a filled doctor’s bag.

## November 20 Peddlers/ Salesman

The arrival of the peddler (a.k.a. traveling salesman) was an exciting event for the farmer during the 1800s. Instead of having to travel to a general store that was miles away, the peddler brought wares to sell, news and gossip from nearby towns, and merchandise that was new to the farmer’s family. Children will learn about these peddlers through stories, imaginative play, and games. They will decorate one of the items the peddler sold.

### Images from the Historical Society of Carroll County Collection

**Front:** Michael Cruz pretends to be a doctor’s son in the Doctors and Medicine Class

#### **Inside:**

Mary Shellman, 1895

Virginia Clayton and her toys, c.1930