

# KIDS TIME TRAVEL AT THE DR. POUND PIONEER FARMSTEAD



## VENTURE BACK TO THE YEAR ~ 1860~

KIDS AGES 5-12 ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US AT THE POUND FARMSTEAD, EACH WEDNESDAY IN JULY, FOR HANDS ON ACTIVITIES DATING BACK NEARLY 150 YEARS!

JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> – STITCHING

JULY 8<sup>TH</sup> – BUTTER CHURNING/CORN GRINDING

JULY 15<sup>TH</sup> – BASKET WEAVING OR CORN HUSK DOLLS  
(TO BE DETERMINED)

JULY 22<sup>ND</sup> – A ONE ACT PLAY

JULY 29<sup>TH</sup> – SHOW AND TELL

EVERY WEEK INCLUDES AN HOUR OF PIONEER GAMES !  
WE'LL PLAY WASHER TOSS, JUMP ROPE,  
SACK RACES, AND HOOP ROLLING

THERE IS A COST OF \$5 PER CHILD. PROGRAMS BEGIN AT 9:00 A.M. AND END AT 11:00 A.M. A RESPONSIBLE ADULT MUST STAY. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED SINCE CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED. CONTACT: 858-2251

THE DR. POUND PIONEER FARMSTEAD IS LOCATED AT:  
THE NE CORNER OF FOUNDER'S PARK  
ON RR 12, 1/3 MILE N. OF HWY. 290.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR TOPIC DESCRIPTIONS AND UPDATES!

[WWW.DRPOUNDPIONEERFARMSTEAD.COM](http://WWW.DRPOUNDPIONEERFARMSTEAD.COM)

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## **Return to the Dr. Pound Farmstead for Pioneer Fun Days**

Once again, the Dr. Pound Pioneer Farmstead Historical Museum will offer old time summer enjoyment. Children ages 5 to 12 are invited to come to the Dr. Pound Farmstead Wednesday mornings in July to participate in pioneer activities and games in the shade of the giant oak trees.

“This will be our fourth year hosting the Pioneer Fun Days. They have been a big hit with the kids and their parents.” says Lauren Neugebauer, coordinator. “Kids get a real feel for what it was like to be a new settler in Central Texas. They learn skills that are still important today, in addition to some that are now obsolete. They make crafts that exhibit the simplicity of life in those times, and get a glimpse of the daily hard work that was needed just to survive.”

All programs will be held 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. rain or shine: July 1–Stitching, July 8–Butter Churning/Corn Grinding, July 15–Basket Weaving or Corn Husk Dolls (TBD) , July 22–A One Act Play, July 29–Show and Tell. Kids can try their hand at games such as washer toss, hoop rolling, sack races, and jumping rope.

There is a \$5 charge per child. Reservations are required as class sizes are limited. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. **For reservations call 512-858-2251.**

The Dr. Pound Pioneer Farmstead is accessed through Founder’s Park, beyond the pool, on RR 12, one third mile north of Highway 290. [www.drpoundpioneerfarmstead.com](http://www.drpoundpioneerfarmstead.com).

### **Program Descriptions**

**Stitching** - Kids will learn to thread a craft needle with embroidery floss and tie a knot. They will draw a simple design, perhaps their initial, on a piece of muslin and straight stitch over the design with the color of their choice. The practicality of learning to sew at an early age will be discussed.

**Butter Churning/Corn Grinding** – Kids will get to take a turn at the churn, making milk into butter. They will learn about dry corn and see how the sheller removes the kernels from the cob. Then they will try to grind kernels using a mortar and pestle to make meal, and finally use and appreciate the ease and efficiency of the 'corn grinder'. Each child will measure, and take home, dry ingredients; plus a recipe card for their cornbread muffin and a bit of fresh butter (maybe with honey) to top it off.

### **Basket Weaving OR Corn Husk Dolls (TBD)**

**A One Act Play** – Children will get to choose the role they'd like to play. There will be jobs for the shyer types, such as curtain puller, sound effects, or ticket taker. Each player will craft a simple prop or costume piece. Learning lines is minimal and most can be ad

libbed. The cool barn will serve as a backdrop, and parents will be the audience for this very short play.

**Show and Tell** – This program will include a Museum Tour. Children will be given a picture page of interestingly odd items, then escorted through the house and outbuildings where they will look for (but not touch!) the pictured items. Once found, the 'thing' will be described and its purpose revealed. We will meet on the porch for kids show and tell (or Mom can 'Tell'). Each child is *encouraged* to bring an item from home that has some history or special meaning to them. For example; a blanket knit for them by Grandma, a doll or stuffed animal passed down to them from a parent, a photograph of a favorite cousin that lives far away, an object found on your property of unknown origin, etc.