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Raise your hand if you're tired of winter. We are too! Not to worry, spring is almost here. We have some exciting events and programs coming up.

Mark your calendars for our "Wool Days," April 16-19. Activities include sheep shearing twice daily using historic hand shears, and wool processing demonstrations on our English Farm. And don't forget we'll have lambs by then!



Our Spring Homeschool Day is May 2. We invite families and organizations to participate in our all-day event reserved for homeschool children. Hands-on activities are offered on all Museum exhibits including gardening, woodworking, spinning, cooking, and lessons by our Schoolmaster. Purchase tickets online beforehand and take advantage of discounted prices.

Teachers, the Museum is now offering a program specific to the Empire of Mali. Using our West African Farm as a backdrop, a specific Mali program has been developed that includes activities such as an interactive geography lesson, bartering



in an open-air market, emphasizing the importance of the gold and salt trades, and storytelling as would have been done by a griot.

Summer is not that far away either! The Frontier Culture Museum will again be hosting both of its summer camps, "In the Good Old Summertime," ages 5-8, and the "Enhanced Summer Camp," ages 9-12. They will be available the weeks of June 9-13, June 16-20, June 23-27, July 7-11, July 14-18, and July 21-25. In the Good Old Summertime, campers have a range of experiences



including fishing with cane poles, cooking the old-fashioned-way at our outdoor exhibits, and "puddling" at our West African Farm. The goal of our Enhanced Summer Camp is to provide campers with a better understanding of, and appreciation for, life in the past. Campers perform traditional, daily life activities in period clothing as a major part of this



experience. Both camps are conducted simultaneously, but the facilities, schedule, and staff for the camps are separate and discrete. For camp rates, further details, or to secure a place for your camper or campers, visit our website at: www.frontiermuseum.org or please call the Museum at (540) 332-7850.

The next newsletter will be sent in the Summer.

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