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JUNE 21-23: 100 GRADE SCHOOL STUDENTS AT UD FOR SUMMER LAUREATE

One hundred gifted and talented students in grades three to eight in 25 schools from all over the Miami Valley this week are exploring subjects that range from rocketry to entrepreneurship at the Summer Laureate program held each year at the University of Dayton. Daily sessions are held from 8:40 a.m. to 1:50 p.m.

Sessions are held each day in the same location while groups of students rotate attendance so that they attend each one. Scheduled each day this week are:

8:40 to 9:45 a.m. Mystery Festival, a who-done-it crime lab, in Kennedy Union 311
Readers Theater, with theater skits, in Kennedy Union 312

10 to 11 a.m. Out to Launch, rocketry building, in Kennedy Union 331
Bridges Over Ohio, K-Nex bridge building, in Kennedy Union 222
Fiscal Fitness, money management for teens, in Kennedy Union 312

12:35 to 1:50 p.m. Mission Possible, mousetrap racecar building, in Kennedy Union 331
Take Command, Civil War strategy simulation, in Kennedy Union 331

On Friday, June 23, weather permitting, the children will launch the rockets they’ve assembled at about 9 a.m. on Founders Field. From 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., Chemistry Action, a scientific session on air pressure, will be led by Howard Knachel, UD chemistry professor, in Chudd Auditorium in Wohlleben Hall.

The Summer Laureate program is sponsored by its founder and director, Lelia Boyd. To schedule interviews with her this week, call Pam Huber at (937) 229-3256.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23: KIDS, VOLUNTEERS SPEND 13 HOURS AT THE BOONSHOFT

From night hikes to trips to the bat room, a host of activities will entertain about 100 children in grades two through seven who will spend 13 hours at an overnight outing at the Boonshoft Museum of Discovery, 2600 DeWeese Parkway. The children will arrive at 6 p.m. Friday, June 23, and depart at 7 a.m. Saturday, June 24.

The overnight outing is sponsored by SWEAT, the University of Dayton-based Serve with Energy and Talent, the only full-time AmeriCorps program in Dayton. Volunteers from SWEAT, now in its sixth year, serve neighborhood development and education initiatives in Old North Dayton, Dayton View and Edgemont. This is the fifth annual overnight youth program.

Activities will include games at 6 p.m., a laser show at 7 p.m., tours at 7:45 p.m., scavenger hunts at 8:15 p.m., arts and crafts at 9 p.m. and night hikes at 10:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Bedtimes for the different ages groups range from 11:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. and the wake-up call will sound at 5:30 a.m.

For admission to the museum for coverage of the activities June 23-24, check in at the museum’s front desk and ask to page Bryan Wallace. For more information, call Wallace at (937) 275-7431.