

CO-OP CAPERS

The Newsletter of the Williamsburg Parent Cooperative Preschool

CO-OP CALENDAR

- 9/1 (M) Parent Orientation Meeting, 7:00 PM
- 9/8-10 (T-R) Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 9/11 (F) Open House for Parents, Children, and Teachers
9:00-10:15 AM 3-Day 3's, 1-Day AM 2's
10:30-11:45 AM 2-Day AM 3's, 4-Day 4's
1:00-2:15 PM 2-Day PM 2's, 2-Day PM 3's
2:30-3:45 PM Both 3-Day PM 4's
- 9/14 (M) First Day of School for 4 Day 4's, 3-Day 3's, both 3-Day PM 4's.
- 9/15 (T) First Day of School for 2-Day AM 3's, 2-Day PM 3's, 2 Day PM 2's.
- 9/18 (F) First Day of School for 1-Day AM 2's.
- 10/1 (R) October Tuition payment due
- 10/4 (Su) An Occasion For the Arts: Co-op partakes in Youth Exhibit

Deadlines for submissions to Co-op Capers are: 9/28, 10/29, 11/29, 1/29, 2/27, 3/29, and 5/7. Please contact Loralee Clark (258-3254) for further information. We welcome news of local opportunities for family activities. Submissions via e-mail are strongly encouraged: loralee13@verizon.net

The last full week of September is National Clean Hands Week—what a good habit to get into as the colder weather and worrisome viruses approach!



The first day of Autumn is September 22nd. Enjoy the cooling weather and falling leaves.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENTS AROUND TOWN

- Fri, 8/25-
Sun, 11/1 **Busch Gardens Howl-O-Scream:** features 15 new attractions including 18 frightening scare zones, haunted mazes and Halloween-themed shows – as well as new twists on returning favorites. Howl-O-Scream debuts Sept 25 and continues every Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Nov 1. Cost: Busch Gardens Admission Ticket
- Thu, 9/3-
Thu, 11/19 **Music at the Museums (3:00-4:30 PM)** DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Museum THURSDAYS. Enjoy live music while touring the Museum every Thursday beginning September 3 through November 19 (except November 12). Enjoy solo performances from members of Colonial Williamsburg's resident early music ensemble, Governors Musick, on a variety of original instruments. See website for more details or call 800-HISTORY. Cost: Colonial Williamsburg Admission Ticket
- Thu, 9/3 **Free Virginia Symphony Concert:** The Virginia Symphony will perform a free concert at William & Mary's Lake Matoaka Amphitheatre on Sept. 3 at **7:30 PM**. The event is one of four free concerts that the Symphony is giving as a prelude to their new season and is being co-sponsored by the City of Williamsburg and William & Mary. The evening will feature the music of VSO Associate Conductor Matthew Kraemer and the 79 musicians of the orchestra. The concert also includes a few surprises from the Symphony such as Aaron Copland's "Hoedown from Rodeo," Beethoven's "Pastorale," "Broadway Tonight" and "Salute to the Armed Forces." The night will also include the sounds of Ray Charles, The Beatles, Big Bands and Billy Joel. Guests are invited to bring their family and friends, picnic baskets, beach chairs and blankets. For information about all VSO concerts and tickets, visit www.virginiasympphony.org.
- Fri, 9/4 **Moonlight & Music (6:30-8:30 PM) at New Quarter Park.** Share acoustic music around the fire circle: take a turn leading a tune or join in with others. Instrumentalists at all levels and in all genres are welcome. Vocalists, toe-tappers, and music-loving listeners are also welcome. In case of inclement weather, the event will move to Picnic Shelter 1. For more information call 890-3513 or 220-3653 ! Cost: Free
- Sat, 9/5 **Virginia Symphony Concert (6:00-10:00 PM) at Yorktown Victory Monument.** A free outdoor concert beneath the stars at 7:30 pm. Enjoy a pre-concert performance by The Fifes and Drums of York Town. Sponsored by the Celebrate Yorktown Committee and York County Arts Commission. Call 890-3500 for more information. Cost: Free
- Tue, 9/8-
Fri, 10/9 **This Century Art Gallery Exhibit (11:00 AM-5:00 PM)** "Kaleidoscope of Color." In the Upstairs Gallery, come see the work of Member Artists, Mary Jo Beswick and Ali Rogan. Visit the website or call 229-4949 for more information. Gallery closed on Mondays. Cost: Free.

- Tue, 9/8 **More Than Just Teeth (6:00-8:00 PM) The Virginia Living Museum.** Shark! Is a jaw full of sharp teeth the first thing that comes to mind when you hear the word? We'll take a look at the amazing adaptations that have kept sharks at the top of the food chain for millions of years, debunk some shark myths, and explore the important roles that sharks play in the ocean ecosystem. Call 757-595-9135 for register. Cost: VLM Members, \$5; non-members \$7.
- Fri, 9/11 **Rhythms on the Riverwalk Concert Series (6:30-8:30 PM) Riverwalk Landing, Yorktown.** Join us for the 5th annual concert series featuring some of the areas finest in jazz, bid band, swing, and patriotic music. This weeks entertainment will be provided by The Kings of Swing. Lawn chairs and blankets welcome. For more info: 890-3500 Cost: Free.
- Sat, 9/12 **Childrens Day at Jamestown Settlement (9:00 AM)** A festive day of 17th-century games, music, juggling, stilt walking, magic, puppet shows, storytelling and hands-on crafts. Cost: Admission Ticket
- Fri, 9/18 and Sat, 9/19 **Rhythms on the Riverwalk Concert Series (6:30-8:30 PM) Riverwalk Landing.** Join us for the 5th annual concert series featuring some of the area's finest in jazz, big band, swing, and patriotic music. This weeks entertainment will be Glen Boswick & The Sounds of Swing. Lawn chairs and blankets welcome. For more info: 890-3500 Cost: Free.
- Sat, 9/19 **NASA Exploration Day at Busch Gardens(11 AM- 3 PM).** Talk with an astronaut and more ...Meet former Astronaut Susan Kilrain and learn what spaceflight is really like. Susan piloted two space shuttle missions and will show video from her flights at 11 a.m. in the Abbeystone Theatre. Explore the Earth, the moon and Mars with NASA researchers who are working on those missions. See the Universe through the "eyes" of the Hubble Space Telescope, and chat with "Galileo," the father of modern astronomy. Kids can train like an astronaut and experience what it's like to live and work in space. Do it all at NASA Exploration Day at Busch Gardens on in the Oktoberfest portion of the park. More contact info: (800) 343-7946. Admission: Included in park admission.





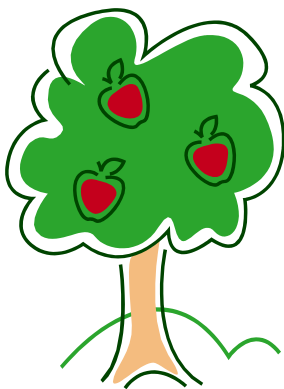
MAKE AN APPLE WREATH

Is one of your favorite things about this time of year fresh, crisp, delicious apples? They're perfect for baking, snacking, and even decorating. This wreath is so easy and smells so good—your kitchen will smell delicious. The underlined directions below are the steps your preschooler can help with. You'll need:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Craft wire• 5-6 apples• A sharp kitchen knife• A wide knitting needle or long | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• nail• Ground cinnamon• Ground cloves• Raffia or ribbons |
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- Before slicing each apple, you may wish to push a knitting needle or nail down the length of it along the core to make it easier to wire the wreath later.
- Slice the apples thinly across the core. The average thickness should be about 1/8 inch.
- Arrange the apples on a drying tray, or on cookie sheets. Sprinkle gently with the ground spices, and place in the oven on low heat for several hours, until dry.
- When the apples are dry, simply string them like beads onto the wire, form into a circlet, and wind the wire at the connection to make a hook.
- You can hide the hook and decorate the wreath by attaching a bow of raffia or ribbon to the top, where the connection is made.

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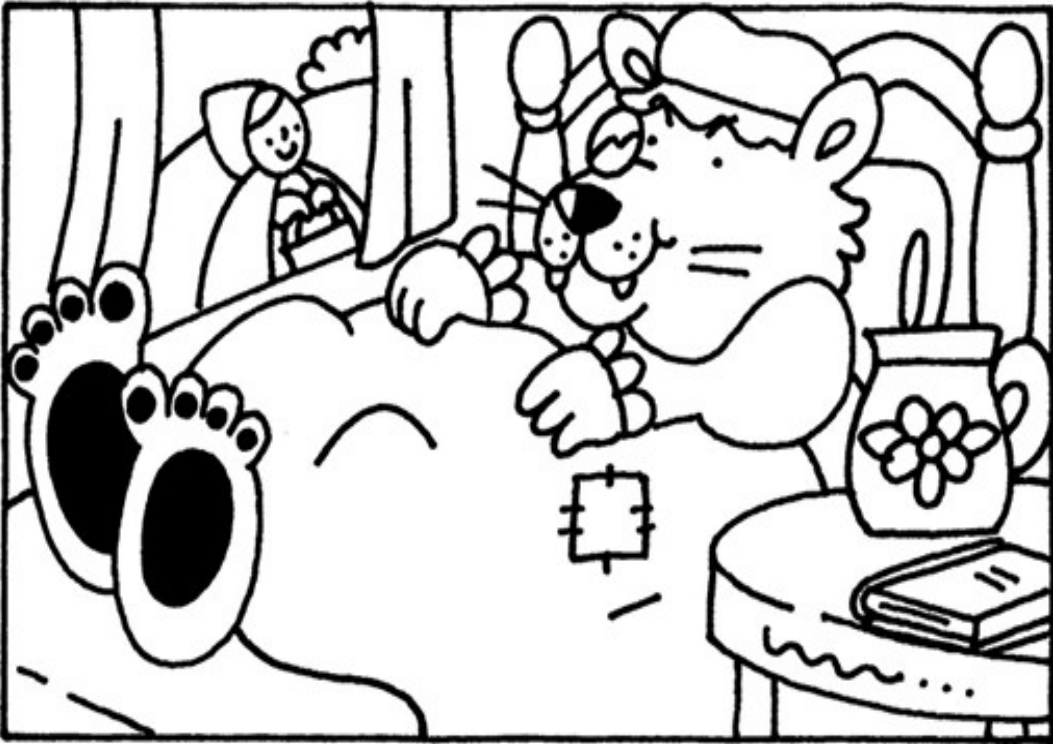
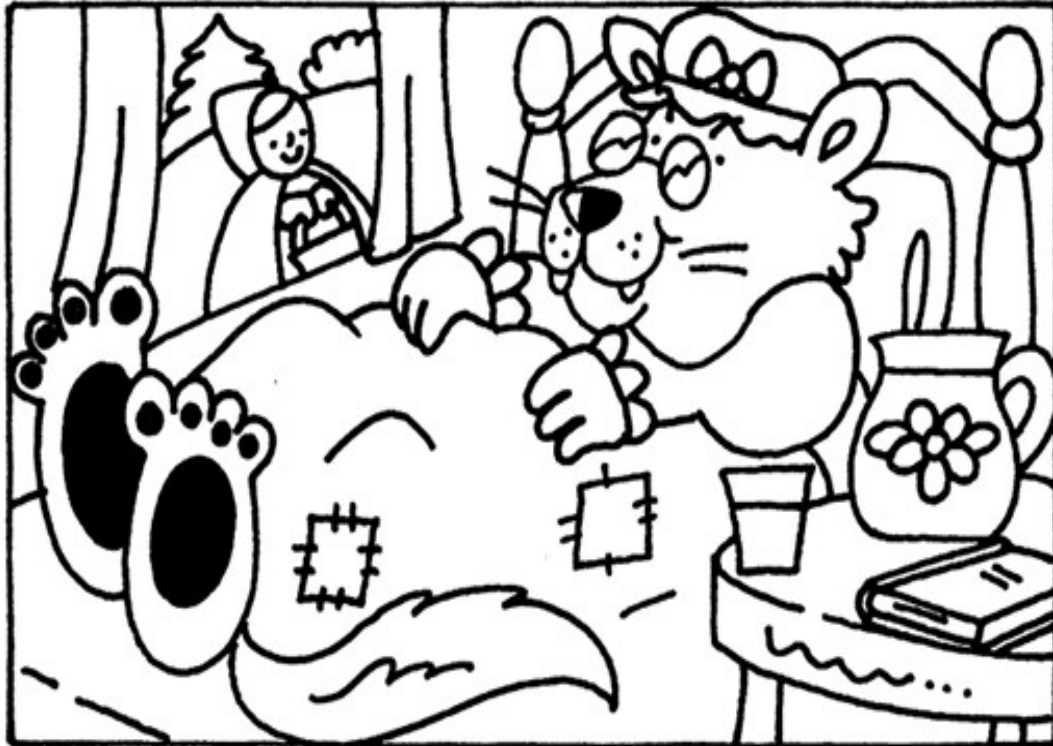


Your Preschooler can Make an Apple Tree

You'll need paint, paper, and apples cut in half. Paint a brown trunk and then dip the halved apples in different colors (green, red, yellow).

Blot them onto paper to create tree.

Feel free to add glitter, glue on real leaves, or any other embellishment your apple tree may need (a bird or a bee...).



The wolf has dressed like Grandma to fool Little Red Riding Hood. Circle 6 things in the top picture that are not in the bottom one.