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Educator News from the Caterpillar Visitors Center

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OCEARCH at the Caterpillar Visitors Center

Tuesday, April 29, 2014

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

Call 309-675-9494 to reserve your spot now.



We are excited to offer a fascinating field trip opportunity to students and educators. Thanks to Caterpillar's partnership with and sponsorship of OCEARCH, Chris Fischer, Founder and Expedition Leader, will return to the Caterpillar Visitors Center on Tuesday, April 29, 2014.

OCEARCH is a non-profit organization conducting unprecedented research on the great white shark and other large apex predators. The OCEARCH team has compiled groundbreaking data on the biology and health of sharks, as well as basic research on shark life history and migration. Their work is helping to identify a sustainable path forward for sharks and other large sea creatures that play a crucial role in maintaining and sustaining the balance in the delicate oceanic ecosystem.

For additional information on OCEARCH, educator resources, the Global Shark Tracker, videos and much more please visit their website:
<http://www.ocearch.org>

Please join us for an exciting opportunity to learn from the OCEARCH team. There are a limited number of time slots available so please make your reservation soon.

DATE: Tuesday, April 29, 2014

PRICE: Students K - 7 or under age 12 are FREE
(Chaperones are \$3 each when students are FREE)

Students 8 - 12 or over age 12 are \$3 each (1 FREE chaperone per 10 students. Additional chaperones are \$3 each.)

AVAILABLE TIME SLOTS:

- * 9:30 - 10:30 am (available)
- * 11:00 - 12:00 pm (full)
- * 1:00 - 2:00 pm (full)

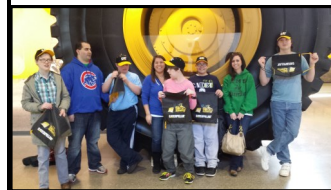
NOTE: Time slots are filled on a first come first serve basis.

Following your visit with OCEARCH groups will watch a 10-minute movie in the 797F Mining Truck Theater, walk through the galleries, climb into the cab of five different pieces of Cat equipment on the product floor, see the Cat race car and operate our excavator and track-type tractor simulators.

To make reservations please email Mary Blum, Education and Community Outreach Coordinator, Caterpillar Visitors Center:
Blum_Mary_A@cat.com or call 309-675-9494.



Field Trip Spotlight



Eureka High School
Life Skills Class
February 2014

Visit our [Educator Resources](#) page to...

- Request a field trip
- Access FREE student activities aligned to Illinois Common Core State Standards
- Print a FREE one day Educator Pass to preview the Caterpillar Visitors Center and prepare for a field trip

Hours of Operation

Monday—Saturday

10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

*Last entry is at 3:30 p.m.

NEW EXHIBIT FOR A LIMITED TIME!

**Caterpillar Diesels / Peoria Cats
Basketball Team Exhibit
March 8 - June 30**

The Caterpillar Diesels / Peoria Cats Basketball Exhibit opened March 8 at the Caterpillar Visitors Center.

Before the NBA came to prominence, there was the Caterpillar Diesels/Peoria Cats – one of the most dominant teams in the National Industrial Basketball League (NIBL). Peoria was on top of the basketball world in the 1950s and these men, who built yellow iron by day, were some of the world's greatest basketball players by night.

The Peoria area rallied around the team during its games at the Field House on the Bradley University campus, while the nation rallied around the team during its gold medal victory in the 1952 Olympic Games in Helsinki, Finland. Five Caterpillar players were on the team, which was led by Caterpillar's head coach. Over the course of a decade, the Caterpillar Diesels/Peoria Cats won five Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) titles and were undefeated internationally. Some of the team's major international wins include the 1954 World Championship in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil and the 1958 AAU Tour of Russia. Two Caterpillar players also represented the United States during the 1960 Olympic Games in Rome, Italy. That team also won the gold medal.

The Caterpillar Visitors Center invites you to take an exclusive look at the rich history of basketball at Caterpillar. A 1952 Olympic gold medal is on display, along with game-worn jerseys, trophies, players' personal memorabilia, photographs, game footage and a short film on the team. During the exhibit, commemorative postcards will be available while supplies last.

Former Caterpillar basketball players unveiled the new exhibit at the Caterpillar Visitors Center on Saturday, March 8. The exhibit will be open until June 30.



1949 – Fans from Peoria hit the road to attend a Caterpillar Diesels v. Phillips "66" Oilers game in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Upcoming Events

- March 8 - June 30** Caterpillar Visitors Center - Caterpillar Diesels/Peoria Cats basketball team exhibit
1952 Amateur Athletic Union champions and 1952 Olympic Gold Medal Team
- April 23 - 26, 2014** FIRST Robotics Championship, St. Louis, Missouri
For more information go to <http://www.usfirst.org/roboticsprograms/frc>
- April 29, 2014** Save the Date - OCEARCH at the Caterpillar Visitors Center

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