

WTHEA Workshops Friday July 14th 2006

1:00pm Friday- Doors Open

2:00pm - 3:00pm

The Adventure of American History: By Ray Notgrass (Notgrass Co)

History is exciting because history is about people. Ray shares fascinating stories from American history and discusses ways you can make history come alive for your children. Ray is the author of "Exploring America," a three-credit high school curriculum for American history, American literature, and Bible.

I'm the Mom; I Don't Have to Know Calculus! The Self-Teaching Method of Education Part 2: Especially for parents of students 7 - 12 grade:

By Joanne Calderwood (Encore Ink / The Self-Teaching Method of Education)

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A Park Rangers Guide to An Outdoor Classroom: By Alisha Weber (Natchez Trace Trace State Park)

This Workshop shows parents how to use nature and the world around us to teach children in fun and creative ways. This is a great way to work "unschooling" into a curriculum minded program

Developing Bright Minds: By Sylvia White (Bright Minds)

Critical thinking is designed into our reading, writing, math, and science lessons so that students carefully analyze what they are learning. Deeper analysis produces deeper understanding. Over time, students who practice critical thinking learn to apply it throughout their education and life.

For over 25 years our products have helped students of all abilities improve in all areas of learning. Our highly effective lessons sharpen the mind and develop problem-solving skills to meet life's challenges. Products from Bright Minds (A Division of the Critical Thinking Company) have been the recognized leader in teaching critical thinking. We do not teach through drill and memorization or teach to the tests! We do guarantee better grades and higher test scores! Critical thinking skills help students use in-dept analysis of evidence to make decisions and communicate clearly and accurately. Critical thinking produces children who succeed in education and in life.

Kids Workshops

Fun on the Farm: By Jordan Valley Farm

Enjoy learning about horses and other animals, crops and other farm adventures with Tim and Natalie Jordan from Jordan Valley Farm in Huntingdon. This will be a great way for children ages 3 thru 10 to learn about farm life by way of songs, stories and hands on activities. Children will also have their name put in a drawing for a free Jordan Valley Farm t-shirt.

Hands On Science: By Greg Stablein

Children are invited to learn about the amazing world of God's creation and to make science unforgettable with experiments and experience

3:30pm – 4:30pm

Teaching Math Effectively in the Home School: By Jim Angle (Math-U-See)

I wish I would have been taught this way”, is the comment we receive about Math-U-See most often. Why? Parents using Math-U-See are understanding math concepts which they only memorized and promptly forgot in their youth. Memorization does not equate to learning. Frustrated parents and students come to our program and see concretely each concept before they are asked to perform abstract problems built on the same principles. This low-cost, popular, video-based curriculum works! Video segments are short but informative. (15 min- 25 min per week) (Now available in DVD!) Manipulatives are used to teach the new concepts. Tests in the high school level are written in the format of the ACT. Help by phone and/or email is available. The workshop will give an overview of K-12 math concepts with an emphasis on grades K-9. The information you will gain from this workshop will help you teach math with any curriculum you choose to use for your child. Come “SEE” and relearn math for the benefit of your children. Free demonstration video and a manipulative sample are available

Home school through high school? Yes, you can! : By Caroljeanne Phillips

Are you wondering if you can handle the high school years? This seminar will cover not only the basics as far as requirements but also organizational tips and strategies for college entrance as well as alternatives for finishing early and earning college credit. You don't have to do it all alone—really!

Phonics Overview for Parent Teachers : By Greg Stablein

Gain confidence by knowing the road ahead. This seminar will review the basics of phonics: the long and short of vowels, the beginning and end of consonants, and the how and why of blends, digraphs, and diphthongs. It will also suggest effective ways to build vocabulary, reading comprehension, and spelling skills.

The On-Going Fight to Keep Homeschooling Legal: By Eugene & Stephanie Whitt WTHERA

Have you ever thought of becoming a member of WTHERA and really didn't know what they do? Or even how it was founded? Join us in this informative workshop on the history of Tennessee Home Education Association and the role that they play in keeping homeschooling legal in the state of Tennessee. They will be discussing the importance of coming together to keep homeschooling legal in Tennessee. We will also have a question/answer time.

Teens Workshop

Putting Your Best Foot Forward: How we dress, talk and act do matter!

By Sharon Theobald

Sharon Theobald highlights key points in the areas of proper attire, proper speech and proper conduct. This workshop offers a relaxed atmosphere for developing basic skills instrumental in presenting a good image and developing self-confidence. Sharon Theobald is a Professional Speaker, Trainer and Writer with over 20 years of business experience. Through her company, The Theobald Group, Sharon is able to pursue her calling to be a positive influence on today's culture.

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Dinosaurs: By Tyler Cartwright (Soldiers Of the Cross)

This was last year's most popular children's workshop. It has been revised and expanded and includes an interesting power point presentation. Did you know dinosaurs lived with Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden? Tyler Cartwright talks about different dinosaurs and when they really lived. Holding children's attention with a variety of illusions, Tyler Cartwright will teach scriptural object lessons. Children will learn how to do the same illusions showing how easy it is to be fooled, and warning that Satan is a master at tricking boys and girls into not doing what God wants them to do. Learn about different kinds of dinosaurs in a humorous, yet informative way.

Outdoor Classroom: (Natchez Trace Trace State Park)

This workshop will include "showing" children a part of nature (ex / an animal or other part of nature) Then they will learn about the item and end with a craft or learning activity on that same subject.

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Putting First Things First: By Charlene Notgrass (Notgrass Co.)

When Charlene Notgrass and her husband Ray began homeschooling, they thought they were just "homeschooling." They found out that they were learning how to live as a family. True education is more than a scope and sequence for grades K-12. It involves training children to be mature, responsible, and faithful adults. Instead of being conformed to the pattern of the world, we should seek to understand and apply God's principles.

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Parenting Teens: The Great Bungee Jump: By Linda Stablein (Gateway)

It's supposed to be safe, but what about the outcome? Linda Stablein will endeavor to give you some ideas that have helped her since her push over the edge into this frightening, often discouraging, mind-rattling, unnerving descent into the unknown. But it is a jump worth taking when you feel the safety of God's harness and experience the joys of learning to trust Him and your teens. The outcome is in His hands!

Isaiah 54:13 All your sons will be taught by the LORD, and great will be your children's peace.

Holy Cow! These Science Experiments Are FANTASTIC!

: By Cheryl Sommerfelds (Holy Cow Science)

Come learn how to use these hands-on science experiment kits with your children. (Grades 1-12)

Teens Workshop

Refuting the Lie (Jr High - adults): By Tanner Cartwright (Soldiers Of the Cross)
Studies indicate 80% of Christian students abandon their faith during college. Training our children to refute the lie of evolution should not be underestimated. This workshop is designed to equip young adults (and their parents) with the ammunition to quench the "fiery darts" the devil may throw your way.

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Confident Homeschooling: By Ray Notgrass (Notgrass Co)

Many voices in the world -- and sometimes in our families and churches -- tear down our confidence about homeschooling our children. Ray uses the encouragement of God's Word to help homeschooling fathers and mothers stop letting others make them afraid. Learn to let go of the world's standards for your children. Find new confidence as you train your children according to God's standards.

FOUNDATIONS OF HOME EDUCATION: by David Parkerson (HomeLife Academy)

~A multimedia presentation with introduction to HomeLife Academy

The big picture is important: *Why are we doing this?* So are the details: *How do we do this?* Foundations are essential for success. Foundation #1 is God! Come be inspired and equipped. Plug into the big picture. Learn how God sparked the grass roots home schooling movement in America, and how He is using home education to unite families and raise Kingdom children! Understand homeschool laws, teaching, record keeping, resources, networking, support groups, and more. Finally, hear how HomeLife Academy is doing its part to help
“Bring Education Back Home.”

Learning Through Play Workshop: By Christie Jarvis (Discovery Toys)

Discovery Toys Learning Through Play Workshop will give you creative ideas to help YOU help your child get back into a structured school schedule, fun ways to reinforce their school curriculum, as well as great ways to have 'down time' with your children. Children learn through play!

Homeschooling The Heart –Using Life’s Experience To Educate & Learn

: By Vicki West & Family (Homestead Blessings)

Giving your Children a heart overflowing with a love for learning that will last a lifetime.
Allowing the natural God given curiosity for life to flourish

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Worldview: Everybody has one! : By Sharon Theobald

Have you ever wondered what drives people to think the way they do? What drives YOU to think the way you do? The answer is: worldview. This workshop will define the term “worldview” as well as provide a glimpse into several key worldviews. Sharon Theobald delivers an informative and enjoyable overview of a topic that is at the forefront of today’s culture. Sharon Theobald is a Professional Speaker, Trainer and Writer with over 20 years of business experience. Through her company, The Theobald Group, Sharon is able to pursue her calling to be a positive influence on today’s culture.

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Stampin’ Kids! : By Jan Ferguson (Stampin’ Up!)

Kids Ages 7& up