

WTHEA Workshops Saturday July 15th 2006

9:00am Saturday- Doors Open

9:30am -10:30am

The On-Going Fight to Keep Homeschooling Legal: By Eugene & Stephanie Whitt (WTHEA)
Have you ever thought of becoming a member of WTHEA 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. This workshop will also include a testimony by Claiborne Thornton (President of THEA) about his personal involvement in the fight to keep homeschooling legal. We will also have a question/answer time.

The Blessing of Home: By Ray Notgrass (Notgrass Co)

Ray addresses the Bible's teaching about the home and describes one family's journey to obey it. Be inspired to see your home in a new light with a vision based on God's Word instead of the world's expectations. Learn to experience a home-based life that includes guiding your children after they "graduate" from homeschooling; taking care of elderly parents and needy children; and church participation that encourages rather than hinders building a strong family.

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)

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

Laid Back Classical Approach: By Caroljeanne Phillips (ReaAnne Education Center)

Is quality education high on your list? Are elements of classical education appealing to you? Does the straight-jacket interpretation feel like a ball and chain? This workshop will give you ideas and suggestions for providing your child with a high quality, rigorous education minus the barbed wire. Included will be an overview of foundational principles for curriculum selection and design. The presenter, Caroljeanne Phillips, has home schooled her daughters K-12, spent 2 ½ years in Christian School Administration and is the Director of RaeAnne Education Center. She holds a B.A. in English and Elementary Education and a M.Ed in Administration.

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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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.

11:00am - 12:00pm

Childrens Freedom For Sale: By Claiborne Thornton (President of THEA)

DANGERS: Subtle and seductive, seek to destroy your homeschool freedom- Vouchers, virtual schools, and misused athletics. This workshop will deal with these issues and inform home educators about what is coming and how we need to be aware. Claiborne and his wife, Lana have been homeschooling for 25+ years and been in leadership encouraging families to homeschool.

Claiborne is a environmental engineer, President of THEA, blessed with three wonderful children, and a Godly wife.

I'm the Mom; I Don't Have to Know Calculus! The Self-Teaching Method of Education:

Part 1: Especially for parents of students K - 6 grades

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

Joanne Calderwood has eight children, and she and her husband both work full time AND run a home business. Her oldest son, Nick, scored a 35 out of 36 on the ACT exam after his freshman year and his SAT score is 1520/1600 with a PSAT score of 238/240. He is currently 16, and he is being offered full scholarships to the college of his choice. He has been personally invited to visit every Ivy League school in the nation, not to mention all manner of other Universities. And

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Homeschooling Freedom with the Self-Teaching Method of Education! You will receive a free booklet that contains humorous helps & invaluable insights into how to enjoy Homeschool Freedom in your homeschool! *Caution: Your Homeschool May Never be the Same!*

Record Keeping for Every Homeschooling Style: By Charlene Notgrass (Notgrass Co.)

Whether you prefer traditional textbooks, lean toward unschooling, or find yourself somewhere in-between, Charlene Notgrass outlines a system of record keeping that can make you feel like a homeschooling Super Mom. It helps you focus not just on academic subjects, but also on spiritual development, family relationships, and life skills.

High School: By Faith Ragsdale (H.E.I.R.S.)

Faith Ragsdale, (veteran home educating mother of four, a high school counselor with church-related school, a consultant to church-related schools and parents, and founder of H.E.I.R.S.), will be sharing the joys and hardships of teaching high school. This workshop will include guidance, encouragement, hints, and issues to consider in teaching high school. Some information may be viewed at free website: www.heirsofthekingdom.com

Teens Workshop

Putting Your Best Foot Forward: How we dress, talk and act does 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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Outdoor Classroom: (Natchez 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.

Hands-on Science for Kids : By Greg Stablein (Gateway)

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

12:30pm - 1:30pm

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."

Unit Studies Can Save Your Life! : By Kim Kargbo (Soli Deo Gloria Resources)

This workshop will present an overview of teaching with unit studies. Not only will it discuss the "how-to" aspects, but it will also address the concept of unit studies in general, and specifically of using Soli Deo Gloria Unit Studies. We will address the fears that moms often have of using unit studies and see how they can revolutionize your school. Find out how bringing a biblical world view into all aspects of your teaching will stimulate your children to think and give them a "big world" with a "big God." SDGR units make mom's work easy with built-in lesson plans and worksheets with answer keys and provide many enjoyable activities for student with all learning styles.

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!

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.

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Q&A Panel: Once at Home—Now in College.

Students that were schooled at home for at least the high school years and have completed one or more years of college will talk about their transition experiences and answer questions you or your student may have. Come find out how they are managing, the things they wish they'd known, and both the negatives to avoid as well as the positives to seek.

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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.

2:00pm -3:00pm

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

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

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.

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Exploring World History By Ray Notgrass (Notgrass Co)

Why do we need to know about ancient history and other cultures? How does the Bible relate to our understanding of world history? How can learning history make us better people? Ray answers these questions and highlights some of the important people, events, and ideas that have

shaped our world. Find out how to make studying world history much more than simply fulfilling a school requirement.

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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.

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

Kids Ages 7& up