

CLCN CHRONICLES

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| October | 4 | Home Depot free make-n-take |
| | 16 | Speech class begins |
| | 27 | County Line Orchard fieldtrip |
| November | 3 | Visualization Lab Fieldtrip |
| | 4 | Deadline to register for spring co-op |
| | 14 | Shedd Aquarium fieldtrip |
| | 18 | Required teacher training for spring co-op |

FIELD TRIPS

Shedd Aquarium - Chicago

November 14 - Free general admission and the following classes:

Fish Files - 2nd - 6th grade \$5 each student, minimum of 20 students

Lakeshore Biology - 6th - 12th grade \$6 each student, minimum of 20 students

Comparative Anatomy - 8th - 12th grade \$6 each student, minimum of 20 students

Visualization Lab - Valparaiso University

Nov. 3 - See a life-sized human DNA strand in 3-D format, among other amazing things using high-tech equipment. All ages welcome, with parent supervision. Free

ART, ART, ART Co-op

November 4th is the deadline to sign up for co-op!

What is every child's favorite part of co-op? Art and gym - so that is what we are dedicating this co-op to. This year the students will be able to experience art mediums that perhaps are too expensive or too messy to have at home. We will also be getting a little art history in our explanation of the art technique we will be experimenting with each week. Come and enjoy a lot of learning and fun and bring your art smock. Junior high and senior high students will also be looking at the worldview of famous artist and how we can understand their art by understanding their worldview. These students will also have hands - on - learning of world cultures. Classes are available for nursery ages through 12th grade. Art Co-op will meet on Thursdays from January 22, 2009 - March 12, 2009; from 9:15 am - 12 noon at Liberty Bible Church in Chesterton. Registration fee of \$25 per family is due November 4th. Required Teacher Training Workshop on Tuesday, November 18, 2008, at Liberty Bible Church, room 140C. (No childcare will be provided.)

FUN FRIDAY HELP NEEDED

Fun Friday is a twice-a-month event at Liberty Bible Church. Volunteers are needed to help organize games and monitor children if Fun Friday is to continue this year.

FREE CHICAGO MUSEUM DAYS

Shedd Aquarium

Oct. 6-9, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28

Nov. 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25

Museum of Science and Industry

Oct. 31

Nov. 27

Dec. 24, 31

Field Museum

Oct. 13, 26-31

Nov. 10

Dec. 8

Lincoln Park Zoo

Free everyday

LENDING LIBRARY

CLCN has partnered with Liberty Bible Church for the Homeschool Lending Library. So go to the Liberty Bible Church Library and "check it out". Books in the homeschool section (as well as all the other books) are available to borrow for two weeks at a time. You just need to give them your name, address, and phone number for their records. CLCN also lends out a **Geo Safari** and a **microscope**.

Donations for the lending library are now being accepted. If you have some homeschool books that you do not need any more, consider donating them to the library.

HOMESCHOOLING RESOURCES

The Indiana Association of Home Educators (IAHE) sends out the *Informer*, a bimonthly magazine to provide information, inspiration, and support to homeschooling families. It is free upon request (317-859-1202 or iahe@inhomeeducators.org or write IAHE at 8106 Madison Ave, Indianapolis, Indiana 46227.

Some other helpful websites include: www.ifhsonline.org Indiana Foundation for Home Schooling, and www.hslda.org Home School Legal Defense Association.

DID YOU KNOW . . . ?

--Home Depot hosts a FREE kid's workshop the first Saturday of every month where kids can make (or take home to make) a fun wooden kit? Kits have included a race car, butterfly house, plastic bag storage box, and a roller coaster car. Each month is a different kit. A work area is set up in the back of the store where kids and their parents can complete their project. Each child receives a Home Depot work apron the first time and can use it to keep the pins they will receive after completing each new project. The workshop runs from 9 to noon on the first Saturday of each month.

--Hoosier Energy Rural Electric Cooperative has a free lending library with materials for math, science, history, etc. in a searchable database? You can order and check out ten items for 30 days. They even mail the items to you for free and send a prepaid envelope with your order to return it all! They send the order within a day or two, so it generally gets to you the same week you order. To take part in the Freshwater Fred Lending Library, visit www.hepn.com/library/content/splash.asp.

--You can find/give away free items through the Freecycle network? This web-based group is located by zip code all around the country and provides a place to recycle items and ask for something you need. A free Yahoo account is necessary to join, but is simple and quick to set up. Go to freecycle.org for more information. This is a great way to share God's blessings in our lives!

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