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Our Mission and Vision

Our mission is to support, strengthen, and inspire Latter-day Saint families in home-centered education. Our vision is to become a central, common resource for training and support for all Latter-day Saint homeschooling families throughout the world.

Who We Are and What We Do

We are an all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Our volunteers are active home educators themselves, striving to provide support, information, and resources that will assist other Latter-day Saint families in their home schools. We have been around in one form or another since 1994, holding annual conferences since 2004. With the vision of this support since June 2013, we launched the LDSHE Audio Library, which now has more than 1,000 presentations for adults and youth to stream or download 24/7, whenever they are in need of encouragement or specific help.

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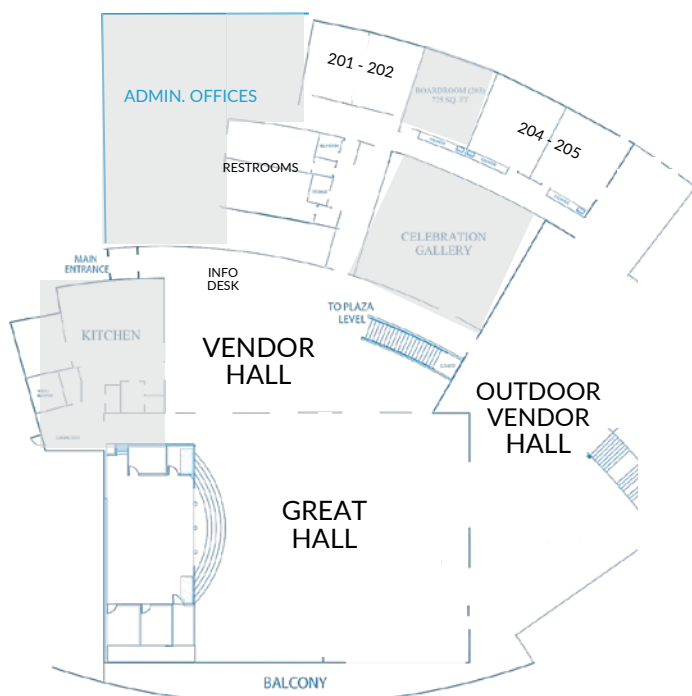
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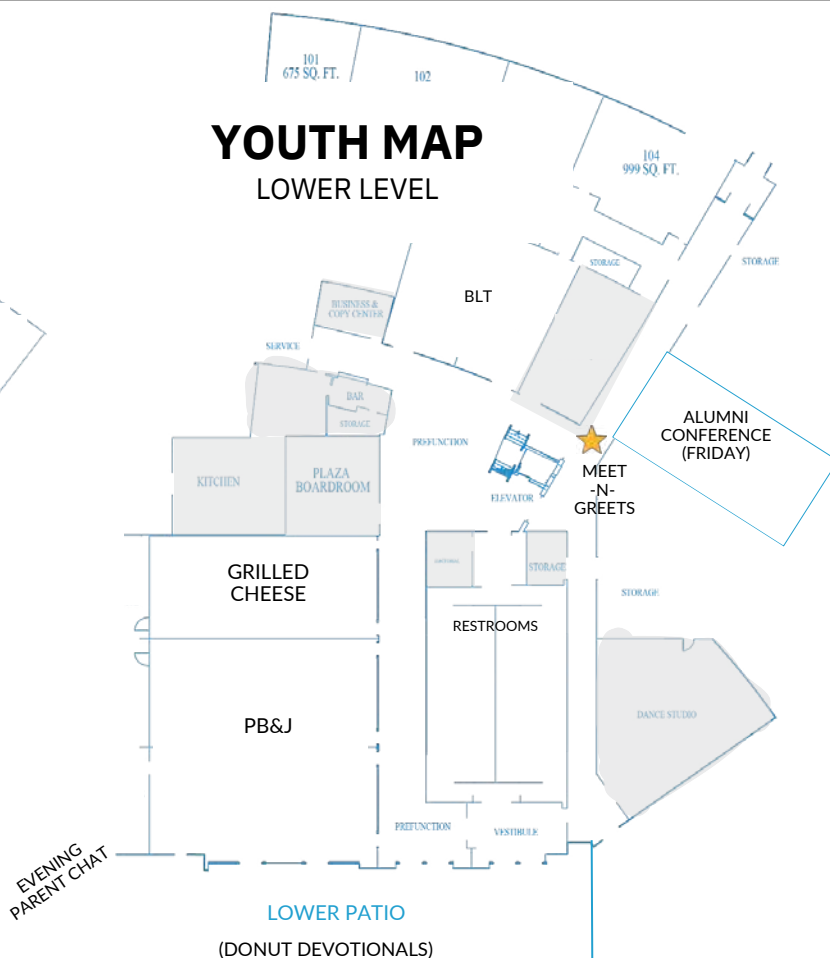
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UTAH CULTURAL CELEBRATION CENTER

YOUTH MAP

LOWER LEVEL



2025 LDSHE West Adult Schedule

WEDNESDAY			
	Great Hall	201-202	204-205
7:30	Registration (Vendor Hall)		
8:30-9:00	Donut Devotional (Patio Steps)		
9:00-9:50	Will Rubio Embracing Your Authentic Self to Truly Connect with Others (Great Hall) with youth		
10:00-10:50	Tracy Ward Unlocking The Magic of Family Read-Alongs	Andrea Mabey Using YouTube to Explore Historical Events and Perspectives	Susie McGann Forget the Curriculum – Start with a Homeschool Philosophy
11:00-11:50	ToriAnn Perkey You, Your Kids, and AI: Safety & Skills for the New Digital Frontier	Andrea Thomas Well-Educated Heart: A Way of Living	Tina Bassett Even Queens Need a Mentor: The Value of Finding a Mentor in Every Season
11:50-1:15	Lunch and Visit our Vendors		
1:15-2:05	Adelaide Olguin Foreign Language Success for Any Age ("Talkbox" Vendor Workshop)	Sellika Reese The Reading Brain: Exploring How Our Brains Learn to Read ("At-Home Literacy" Vendor Workshop)	Kami Harris Anti-Fragile--A New Perspective on Growth and Empowerment for Raising Youth Who Can Do Hard Things ("Family Leadership Academy" Vendor Workshop)
2:15-3:05	Susie McGann Worldschooling 101: How to Take Your Homeschool on the Road	Melanie Cameron EPIC Adventures - Unleashing the Power of Your Child's Brain	Kenna Dyches Planning Your Educational Year
3:15-4:05	Joslyn Postma Understanding A Thomas Jefferson Education	Dana Wood The No Fear Transcripts Class	Debbi Rollo U.S. Constitution: Engaging and Easy Ways to Teach It
4:15-5:05	Tara Carling Pass It On! Proven Strategies for Nurturing and Restoring Neurowellness in Individuals and Families	Jazel Thomas A Charlotte Mason Method: Create a Family Culture of Respect, Wonder and Growth	Dana Wood, ToriAnn Perkey, Melanie Cameron, and Christena Reeder A Chat with Retired Homeschool Moms Roundtable
5:05-7:00	Dinner		
7:00-8:20	Youth Talent Show (Amphitheater) & Parent Mentor Chat (Lower Patio)		
8:20-8:45	Special Performance - Songversations: Connecting with Heaven Katie Higley (Amphitheater) Parent Mentor Chat (Patio Steps)		

THURSDAY			
	Great Hall	201-202	204-205
7:30	Registration (Vendor Hall)		
8:30-9:00	Unwrapped Inspiration (Great Hall)		
9:00-9:50	John Bytheway Come Unto Christ (Great Hall)		
10:00-10:50	Tia Smith Patterns of Revelation	Stewart Parry Toolbox for Relationship Success	Emily Woodland Dreams, Visions, and Mottos
11:00-11:50	Paige Anderson Helping Your Children Fulfill Their Purpose: Guiding Them to Greatness	Tiffany Parry The Untapped Power of Stillness	MD House Intense Stewardship: Models from the Book of Mormon
11:50-1:15	Lunch and Visit our Vendors		
1:15-2:05	Holly Peterson Once Upon A Story: Unlocking the Magic of Books for Homeschool Educators ("Holly's Reading Corner" Vendor Workshop)	M.D. House The Joys of Following a Call to Create (Vendor Workshop)	Damia Shimmmin The First 3 Steps to Helping Your Teen Further Their Education Debt-free (Without a Dime from You, Even if They Don't Want to Go to College) ("Harmony Living" Vendor Workshop)
2:15-3:05	James Perry When Life Gives You Lobsters, Make Bisque	Ali Eisenach and Rhonda Hair A Restoration of Education: Preparing Hearts and Minds for the Millennium	Joslyn Postma Think, Build! An Elementary Engineering Workshop
3:15-4:05	Christine Owens Make Your Own Commonplace Book Junk Journal HANDS ON WORKSHOP	Alison Johnsons and Joslyn Postma Building the Homeschool Mom's Ultimate Reading List	Jaylee Willis The Art of Playing Math
4:15-5:05	Ali Eisenach Divine Threads: Weaving Purpose & Mission into Your Daily Life	Jannah Martin & Jen Cloward Recharge!	Jenni Sheffield I'd Rather Laugh About It
5:10-5:25	Volunteer Meeting Grilled Cheese Room (downstairs)		
5:05-7:00	Dinner		
7:00-9:45	DISCO Family Dance (Chinese Gate Patio) & Parent Mentor Chat (Patio Steps)		

FRIDAY			
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7:30	Registration (Vendor Hall)		
8:30-9:00	Unwrapped Inspiration (Great Hall)		
9:00-9:50	Connor Boyack How to Help Our Children Survive Spiritual Battlefields (Great Hall)		
10:00-10:50	Glenn Kimber Relationships Are More Important Than Scholarship	Millie Hoggan Integrating Reflexes: Rewire Your Child's Brain!	Jason Mow The Battle-Proven Secrets to Inspiring Greatness and Raising a Warrior DADS TRACK
11:00-11:50	Merrilee Boyack Training Your Children to Be Independent	Bruce Hoggan Stepping into The Family Proclamation: A Real Man's Role DADS TRACK	Tina Bassett Creating Zion in Your Home
11:50-1:15	Lunch and Visit our Vendors		
1:15-2:05	Kiri Jorgensen Three Levels of Literature Study and Why Your Kids Need All of Them ("Chicken Scratch Books" Vendor Workshop)	Joey Mascio Villain to Mentor: Becoming the Person Your Teen Turns to Instead of Fights Against ("Sidekick to Hero" Vendor Workshop)	Camille Allred How to Help Your Struggling Student Succeed ("Leap Learning Literacy" Vendor Workshop)
2:15-3:05	Brandon Mull Motivating Reluctant Readers & Writers	Jazel Thomas Teach from Rest: Homeschooling Should Not Be a Hectic Race	Nephi Zufelt Dads, We Need You DADS TRACK
3:15-4:00		Tracy Ward Greek vs. Hebrew Views of Truth and Why It Matters	Boyd Tuttle Introduction to the UM (Universal Model): A New Millennial Science
4:05-4:15	Closing Announcements Great Hall		
4:15-5:15	Brandon Mull The Power of Coming Together to Accomplish Great and Heroic Things (Great Hall) with youth		
5:15-7:00	Dinner		
7:00	LDSHE Graduation (Great Hall)		

2025 LDSHE West Youth Schedule

WEDNESDAY			
	PB&J	Grilled Cheese	BLT
8:30-8:50	Donut Devotional (with adults) (Patio Steps)		
9:00-9:50	Opening Celebration: Will Rubio Embracing Your Authentic Self to Truly Connect with Others (Great Hall) with adults		
10:00-11:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
11:05-11:50	Will Rubio Improv Your Life: How Thinking Like an Improviser Makes You Unstoppable!	Braden Cope The Power of Christlike Leadership	Susie McGann 10 Hacks to Have Success (and Fun) on Your Language Learning Journey
11:50-1:10	LUNCH (Festival Grounds) 11:50-12:20 Will Rubio Meet-n-Greet 12:30-1:05 Lunchtime Activities: (A) 9-square (B) Capture the Flag (C) Line Dancing		
1:15-2:00	Nik & Darla Day Peace in Christ	Jack R. Christianson The Blessing of Taking Personal Responsibility for Your Learning	Travis Hoopes Becoming Your Own President and CEO
2:00-3:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
3:05-3:35	Chantelle Holman Disco Line Dance	Will Rubio Improv Playtime	Sean Anderson Applied Science
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4:15-5:00	Jack R. Christianson Maintaining Your Spirituality in a Darkening World		
5:05-7:00	DINNER		
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THURSDAY			
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8:30-8:50	Donut Devotional (Patio Steps)		
9:00-9:50	Paige Anderson Footsteps to Greatness: Your Path to Purpose and Success	M.D. House Structuring Stories that Matter	Ali Eisenach Click, Create, Publish: A How-To Guide for Digital Success
10:00-11:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
11:05-11:50	John Bytheway The Main Thing		
11:50-1:10	LUNCH (Festival Grounds) 11:50-12:20 John Bytheway Meet-n-Greet 12:30-1:05 Lunchtime Activities: (A) Corn Hole (B) Human Foosball (C) Line Dancing		
1:15-2:00	Chantelle Holman Dance and Music Basics: Make Your Next Dance AmAZnG	Sam Martineau The Hardest Choice	Bryce Larson Verbal Judo: Becoming a Master of Communication
2:00-3:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
3:05-3:35	Bryce Larson Calm through Chaos: Jiu Jitsu for Everyday Life (on patio)	Kami Harris Fire It Up! Being the Master of Your Own Intrinsic Motivation	Stewart Parry Take the Fear out of First Aid
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FRIDAY			
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8:30-8:50	Donut Devotional (Patio Steps)		
9:00-9:50	Joey Mascio Self-Confidence: Being You is Better Than Being Someone Else	Nephi Zufelt Making Dreams Reality	Sam Bostwick The Power & Influence of Music: Your Choice
10:00-11:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
11:05-11:50	Connor Boyack They're Lying To You: Seeing Through Propaganda to Stand For Truth	Nephi Zufelt Intentional Living in the Age of Distraction	Tracy Ward Perspectives: Change Your Thoughts, Change Your Life
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1:15-2:00	Brandon Mull Writing Workshop: Principles of Character Development	Jason Mow How to be a Modern-day Stripling Warrior	Breann Duffin Dating 101: Creating Friendships and Planning Awesome Experiences
2:00-2:40	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
2:45-3:15	Jason Mow Self-defense (on patio)	Mary Stoddard The One Thing People Fear Worse Than Death	Oba Bonner How to Rock Social Situations and Find Friends
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3:50-4:05	Walk upstairs to Great Hall! Find a seat and fill out your survey!		
4:05-4:15	Closing Announcements (Great Hall) with adults		
4:15-5:15	Brandon Mull The Power of Coming Together to Accomplish Great and Heroic Things (Great Hall) with adults		
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SPEAKER | BIOGRAPHIES



PAIGE ANDERSON

Paige Anderson is a passionate advocate for faith, family, and personal growth. A mother of seven and wife to her soulmate, Rad, Paige has a deep love for education as the founder and former president of the board of trustees of Providence Hall. She has been homeschooling her children for the past fifteen years. Paige has dedicated her life to uplifting others, from her years of service in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to her work as a coach and motivational speaker. She inspires women to embrace their roles as leaders in their families, strengthening their homes with faith and love. Committed to sharing practical tools that bring peace, light, and order to family life, Paige's work is centered on her devotion to Christ.

THURSDAY

11:00
AM

Helping Your Children Fulfill Their Purpose: Guiding Them to Greatness



CAMILLE ALLRED

Leap Learning Literacy was founded by Camille Allred, an accredited Structured Literacy Dyslexia Specialist. Camille has taught children since graduating from college with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She has owned her own preschool (Building Block Preschool of Lindon). She has taught in public, charter, private, and Montessori schools, and currently she works as an online tele-therapist with preschoolers to adolescents using the gold standard structured literacy curriculum with Lexercise, Read Live Naturally, and the SPIRE platforms. She has also taught Kindermusik and Musikgarten to babies through children in 3rd grade. She has been doing this since she received training in these programs when they were introduced in her state in 1991. She is currently developing her own structured literacy curriculum for preschoolers/early elementary age, where she is using music as a teaching methodology. She is calling this new venture Musical Structured Literacy. It will be providing video taped lessons for children teaching them how to read, write, and spell, involving music to teach structured literacy concepts.

FRIDAY

1:15
PM

How to Help Your Struggling Student Succeed ("Leap Learning Literacy" Vendor Workshop)

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TINA BASSETT

Tina is a military wife and mama to three kiddos. She grew up in the Midwest, feels like a Southern belle, and now lives in Utah. She is an accomplished pianist and loves accompanying, especially on the high school and college levels, which feeds her heart for teenagers and young adults. The Bassetts have public schooled, private schooled, part homeschool/part public schooled, and now have loved having all three of their kids home since 2019. Tina looks forward to serving a senior mission with her husband, Cambrin; but in the meantime, she loves to hunker down with a cup of tea, a fuzzy blanket, and a great historical fiction book.

WEDNESDAY

11:00 AM

Even Queens Need a Mentor: The Value of Finding a Mentor in Every Season

FRIDAY

11:00 AM

Creating Zion in Your Home



CONNOR BOYACK

Connor Boyack is a bestselling author of several dozen books, founder of a think tank that has changed over 100 laws, frequent public speaker, and out-law beekeeper.

Connor is best known as author of the acclaimed Tuttle Twins book series which has sold over six million copies. The Tuttle Twins books teach kids (and their parents!) the ideas of a free society. He is also executive producer of the Tuttle Twins animated cartoon series.

A self-made entrepreneur, Connor is founder and president of Libertas Network, an association of family-facing initiatives that change hearts, minds, and laws to create a freer future. With his team he has changed over 100 laws, helped tens of thousands of kids become entrepreneurs, educated millions, and empowered families all over the world to learn about and defend the ideas of a free society.

Connor lives near Salt Lake City, Utah, with his wife and two homeschooled children.

FRIDAY

9:00 AM

How to Help Our Children Survive Spiritual Battlefields

**“Education is the passport to the future,
for tomorrow belongs to those who
prepare for it today.”** Malcolm X

**“Education is not the filling of a pail,
but the lighting of a fire..”**

William Butler Yeats



MERILEE BOYACK

Merrilee Boyack loves life and loves every season of life—especially this one! Mom to four sons and grandma to four. She is an estate-planning attorney preparing trust, wills, and powers of attorney in Utah. Merrilee is also a professional lecturer and speaks all over the country, featured for many years at BYU Education Week and Time Out for Women, and a published author.

Her current passion is her work as a pro-life advocate. She created the Abortion-Free Utah Coalition to eradicate elective abortion in Utah. She also serves as Development Director for Pro-Life Utah. She helped found Latter-day Saints for Life, a global organization of members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints who support pro-life, and serves as their Director of Development.

She is the author of several books and talks, including *The Parenting Breakthrough*, *Strangling Your Husband Is Not an Option*, *In Trying Times*, and *52 Weeks of Fun Family Service*.

Merrilee and her husband, Steve, reside in Lehi, Utah.

FRIDAY

11:00
AM

Training Your Children to be Independent



JOHN BYTHEWAY

John Bytheway was born and raised in Salt Lake City, and he served his mission in the Philippines. He earned a Master's Degree in Religious Education from BYU, and he currently teaches courses on the Book of Mormon and the New Testament at the BYU Salt Lake Center. He is the author of a few dozen books and audio programs that are, according to him, effective non-prescription sleep-aids. John and his wife Kimberly have six children and a completely full SUV that doubles in value when it's full of gasoline. John currently serves as a member of the Young Men's Advisory Council (formerly known as the General Board). His oldest daughter Ashley served her mission in Lyon, France, and his oldest son Andrew served in Iceland. His daughter Natalie served in Tahiti and is teaching French at the MTC. His son Matthew recently returned from serving in the Charleston West Virginia mission. His son Timothy began his mission in Uruguay in June of 2024.

THURSDAY

9:00
AM

Come Unto Christ

**“Education is the best friend.
An educated person is respected everywhere.
Education beats the beauty and the youth.” Unknown**



MELANIE CAMERON

Melanie has been educating her children in an EPIC way since her oldest were little, although only her two youngest were homeschooled. Both of them lived EPIC Adventures from elementary school through high school and graduated using EPIC Adventures as their way of learning. Melanie now teaches, trains, and mentors others who want to teach their children using EPIC Adventures. She is the mother of seven children: Josh has his PhD in Nuclear Biology, Travis is a Producer for BYUTV and freelances for various companies, including the Olympics, Nicole is an accountant working on her CPA, Bonnie is a teacher, Ben works in IT, Morgan is working on her special education degree, and Caleb is serving a mission in Cambodia. Thanks to Josh, Travis, Nicole, Bonnie, and Morgan, Melanie is the proud grandmother of eleven.

WEDNESDAY

2:15 PM

EPIC Adventures - Unleashing the Power of Your Child's Brain

WEDNESDAY

4:15 PM

A Chat with Retired Homeschool Moms Roundtable



ALI EISENACH

Ali Cannon Eisenach is the owner and founder of Millennial Standard Press, dedicated to restoring the vision of her great-great-great-grandfather, George Q. Cannon, who used the power of the press to educate and inspire children. She is passionate about writing, storytelling, and designing meaningful content that reflects faith, history, and truth.

Beyond publishing, Ali has been homeschooling for more than fifteen years, embracing a heart-centered approach to education that fosters creativity and a love of learning. She also has a deep love for cooking, healthy food, and gardening.

Through The Millennial Instructor, she continues this legacy, reintroducing past volumes and publishing an ongoing 8-month subscription series that immerses children in faith, history, literature, science, and the arts. With new projects always on the horizon, Ali remains committed to teaching children, honoring God, and using the written word to uplift and inspire.

THURSDAY

2:15 PM

A Restoration of Education: Preparing Hearts and Minds for the Millennium

THURSDAY

4:15 PM

Divine Threads: Weaving Purpose and Mission into Your Daily Life



TARA CARLING

When one of her children developed a mental illness as a young adult, Tara Carling looked for anything and everything that might help. Through her search, Tara discovered some principles and processes that are effective in rewiring the brain and building neuro-wellness. What she learned proved transformational for herself and her family. Tara is now a Certified Neurowellness Facilitator through the F.L.Y. program. She enjoys sharing what she has learned with others. She especially loves witnessing the restoration of hope and transformational empowerment that comes to others through her teachings as they gain understanding of how to most effectively use the God-given gift that is their own brain and then go on to achieve higher levels of fulfillment in life. Tara and her husband are the happy and proud homeschool parents of eight children. The Carlings' adult children are busy pursuing their educations in college and professional schools or serving missions. The three youngest are learning and thriving at home with Mom and Dad.

WEDNESDAY

4:15
PM

Pass It On! Proven Strategies for Nurturing and Restoring Neurowellness in Individuals and Families



JEN CLOWARD & JENNAH MARTIN

Jennah Martin and Jen Cloward are each mothers of six children. They met homeschooling their children and were fast friends. They share a love of natural healing solutions and love to learn all they can and teach what they learn to others, because it works! They've used this knowledge for over twenty years, since their families were young. Their combined years of education and working with their families comes together at DIYHolisticSolutions.com, where you can find classes and books sharing their knowledge with those seeking natural solutions to everyday ailments.

THURSDAY

4:15
PM

Recharge!

“There is no end to education. It is not that you read a book, pass an examination, and finish with education. The whole of life, from the moment you are born to the moment you die, is a process of learning.”

Jiddu Krishnamurti



KENNA DYCHES

Kenna Dyches, is a faith-filled truth seeker, a happy wife, and homeschooling mother who loves helping others in their own personal journeys to progress, learn, and become! Besides her first focus on her own six children, over her sixteen years of homeschooling she has created many learning projects, organized mom groups, and taught classes to all ages. Kenna believes in youth and loves her interaction with the growing generation as there is so much greatness there! She is the founder of the Compassionate Entrepreneur Club where youth and family gather to learn skills and make a difference, one charitable event at a time. Kenna truly believes that the onward and upward journey of reaching for genius is filled with joy and she loves the process of growing together with her students and friends.

WEDNESDAY

2:15 PM

Planning Your Educational Year



RHONDA HAIR

Rhonda Hair is a homeschooling, homemaking, family-defending mom of eight. She grew up on a farm in a high mountain valley, where her parents taught her to “make do,” work hard, love learning, and help others. She enjoys cooking, reading, singing, growing food and flowers, learning, teaching, and, much to her surprise, writing. Back in college, she studied elementary education, mostly as an excuse to keep learning about everything. She writes and edits for The Millennial Instructor, is part of the Empowered Family coalition in Utah, and occasionally updates her blog at TheProvidentHomemaker.com.

THURSDAY

2:15 PM

A Restoration of Education: Preparing Hearts and Minds for the Millennium

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“Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.”

John Dewey



KAMI HARRIS

Kami is a dynamic educator and coach with twenty years of homeschool experience, a teaching certification, and life coach certifications. Her journey began with a deep desire to rekindle her children’s love for learning, and it has blossomed into a mission to inspire others. In 2010, Kami co-founded iFamily Leadership Academy, serving as President and mentoring hundreds of youth. She now trains mentors with the Leadership Education Mentoring Institute (LEMI).

Kami specializes in blending timeless educational principles with powerful mindset tools to help overwhelmed and exhausted moms create joyful, intentional homeschools. Drawing from her own triumphs and challenges, Kami teaches Christ-centered strategies to help families thrive. She empowers parents to master their thoughts, emotions, and systems, fostering deeper connections with their children. Kami is passionate about helping families turn frustrations into fulfillment and finding lasting joy in their homeschooling journey.

WEDNESDAY

1:15
PM

Anti-Fragile--A New Perspective on Growth and Empowerment for Raising Youth Who Can Do Hard Things (“iFamily Leadership Academy” Vendor Workshop)



KATIE HIGLEY

Katie Higley is a happy homeschooling mom of four, married to her best friend, Jeremy, for fourteen years. With a degree in commercial music from BYU, she’s a coach, producer, and composer who has created 25 training musicals used worldwide. A TEDx speaker, former American Idol contestant, and owner of The HeART Collective @iVibeAliveStudio in Payson, Utah, Katie also created the Uke’nHymns app to help young hearts grow in their gifts of music. She believes in guiding children to discover their talents and live by the words of Leo Buscaglia: “For your talent is God’s gift to you, what you do with it is your gift back to God.”

All of Katie’s offerings can be found at paysonHeARTcollective.com.

WEDNESDAY

8:20
PM

Songversations: Connecting With Heaven



BRUCE HOGGAN

A “serial failure,” investigative entrepreneur, and wannabe philanthropist, Bruce Hoggan is a successful man and a piece of work to God. As a husband of one and father of eight, he owns and operates three 5-star businesses in Parachute, Colorado, encompassing dentistry, combat sports that use weapons (paintball, airsoft, etc), and a clothing brand embracing and promoting mortal responsibility and eternal potential. Oh yeah, he also dropped out of BYU and entered professional school early because God prepared him to.

FRIDAY

11:00
AM

Stepping into The Family Proclamation: A Real Man's Role



MILLIE HOGGAN

Millie Hoggan's love for her Savior, Jesus Christ, has led her to do some very adventurous things: moving to Germany for three years, starting the homeschool journey twelve years ago, and adopting three siblings from Haiti (2017-2023). Her foundation on Christ has anchored her during these adventures and their intended and unintended consequences. Millie is learning about the brain and its primitive reflexes because that is what the Lord told her to do after healing from her own traumatic brain injury in 2020. She is being taught that it is often the small and simple things that make the biggest difference and bring the best adventures. Millie enjoys living in beautiful Battlement Mesa, Colorado, with her serial entrepreneur dentist husband and their eight rambunctious kids.

FRIDAY

10:00
AM

Integrating Reflexes: Rewire Your Child's Brain!

“The illiterate of the future will not be the person who cannot read. It will be the person who does not know how to learn.”

Unknown

“IS THERE ANYTHING SWEETER, MORE PURE, MORE HUMBLE THAN A CHILD IN PRAYER?” JEFFREY R. HOLLAND



MD HOUSE

In late 2020, M.D. House semi-retired from a successful career in Corporate Finance and Business Leadership that allowed him to experience all facets of designing, producing, marketing, and selling products to customers across the world. He enjoyed that career, and still consults part-time, but being able to pursue his passion for creative writing has been a tremendous blessing.

During that first career, he published one science fiction novel, called Patriot Star. Since embarking on his new journey with much more time and focus for writing, he's published a sequel (Kindred Star), along with seven religious historical fiction novels (which were a surprise) and his first fantasy novel, Crossroads of Awakening Memory, Book 1 of the epic fantasy series called The End Times Convergence.

His docket is filled with new projects, including Book 3 in the Patriot Star series, more Barabbas spin-offs, and additional volumes in The End Times Convergence (plus some side projects, of course).

You can learn more about M.D. House, including interviews with people like Eric Metaxas, Tricia Goyer, Carmen LaBerge, Roger Marsh, Chautona Havig, Jaime Vaughn, and Dr. Paul Reeves, at mdhouselive.com.

THURSDAY

11:00
AM

Intense Stewardship: Models from the Book of Mormon

THURSDAY

1:15
PM

The Joys of Following a Call to Create (Vendor Workshop)



ALISON JOHNSEN

Alison started her homeschooling journey a dozen years ago, and though it began with a begrudging answer to the call from heaven, she has grown to love the life and community that homeschooling offers. Alison learned the value of volunteerism from her mother and contributes her time and talents in a number of outlets, with her church, homeschool co-op, and Girl Scouts being chief among them. Alison loves reading, playing games with family and friends, and watching for deer out her passenger window.

THURSDAY

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PM

Building the Homeschool Mom's Ultimate Reading List



KIRI JORGENSEN

Kiri Jorgensen is the Publisher and Senior Editor at Chicken Scratch Books. Her involvement in the world of children's literature spans three decades and includes teaching, writing, editing, and leadership. Her passion is all books middle grade, and teaching kids how to embrace those books, too. Kiri loves bragging about her four amazing kids, and lives with her husband and a plethora of animals in rural Montana, where she cooks her meals on a wood-burning cookstove and is grateful every day for being right where she is.

FRIDAY

1:15 PM

Three Levels of Literature Study and Why Your Kids Need All of Them ("Chicken Scratch Books" Vendor Workshop)



GLENN KIMBER

Dr. Kimber received two Doctorate degrees, one in Constitutional Studies from Coral Ridge Baptist University, based in Florida. He received a second Doctorate in education from George Wythe College. The Kimbers established a series of private schools in the 1990s called the Benjamin Franklin Academies to incorporate back into the classroom a strong moral and patriotic curriculum. In 2001 the name was changed to Kimber Academy, designed for students ages K – 12. They have authored over 100 textbooks and educational guides which emphasize the U.S. Constitution, America's Founding Fathers, and moral and religious values in all five core subjects. In addition to being founder of the Kimber Academies, Dr. Kimber is currently president of the Thomas Jefferson Center for Constitutional Restoration, and in that capacity conducts seminars throughout the United States called "The Healing of America." This seminar series teaches participants 1) the founding of America, 2) the establishment of the U.S. Constitution, 3) America's drift from the Constitution, and 4) how the greatness of America can be restored.

FRIDAY

10:00 AM

Relationships Are More Important Than Scholarship



ANDREA MABEY

Andrea Mabey is a dedicated homeschooler of eight. She has graduated five teens with homeschool transcripts. She enjoys giving support and encouragement to homeschoolers. After successfully planning how to educate kids on different levels, she is thrilled to share inspiring ideas on ways to teach history. She believes that anyone can homeschool successfully. Together with others in the homeschool community, Andrea has found purpose in contributing to the growth of amazing people.

WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM

Using YouTube to Explore Historical Events and Perspectives



JOEY MASCIO

Joey Mascio is on a mission to help teens develop the habits of high achievers, boosting their confidence, emotional resilience, social skills, and motivation along the way. A former Disneyland performer and current professional improv comedian, Joey spent six years as a middle school teacher and counselor, where he volunteered to run the discipline office (yes, on purpose). There, he started coaching teens on mindset, success skills, and leadership, which ultimately led him to leave teaching in 2021 to pursue his coaching business full-time.

He is the creator of Sidekick to Hero, a gamified confidence & resilience training app that helps tweens and teens develop powerful life habits through short, funny video lessons, real-world challenges, and interactive features designed to make self-improvement actually fun. He is also the host of the Secrets for an Awesome Life podcast, where he blends humor and psychology to help teens take control of their own stories.

Joey and his amazing wife live in Utah, where they raise their four incredible kids who keep him sharp, humble, and laughing. When he's not coaching or speaking, he loves spending time outdoors with his family, writing, BBQing, and getting lost in epic movies and stories.

FRIDAY

1:15 PM

Villain to Mentor: Becoming the Person Your Teen Turns to Instead of Fights Against ("Sidekick to Hero" Vendor Workshop)



SUSIE MCGANN

Susie McGann is a homeschooling mom of five boys and has been worldschooling with her family for the past three and a half years. She has a master's degree in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) and has taught English in Spain, China, Uruguay, El Salvador, Mexico, Colombia, Texas, and Utah. Before worldschooling, she worked as an adjunct professor at the Marriott School of Business and the Student Development Department at BYU.

Susie is passionate about helping LDS families and individuals create meaningful life experiences. She is the author of *You on Purpose*, a book that empowers LDS youth and young adults to take charge of their future and create a life they're truly excited about.

WEDNESDAY

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Forget the Curriculum—Start with a Homeschool Philosophy

WEDNESDAY

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Worldschooling 101: How to Take Your Homeschool on the Road

VOLUNTEER WITH US NEXT YEAR! | SCAN ME





JASON MOW

Between the military, two civilian police agencies, and working as a military contractor in Afghanistan for the federal government, Jason has more than 25 years of law enforcement and military experience. He was a paratrooper, patrol officer, field training officer, academy instructor, and detective for gang, narcotics, and street crimes. He spent several years on two different SWAT teams. Jason was twice awarded the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor for conspicuous bravery in the line of duty and was medically retired from the Phoenix Police Dept in 2017 after being critically wounded in the line of duty. His wounds left him unable to walk. Shortly after being wounded, Jason experienced a series of unspeakable tragedies that left him homeless, unemployable, divorced, crippled, and financially ruined all at the same time. Through God's grace, and his own Warrior Ethos, Jason rebuilt his life, learned to walk again, found unconditional love, healed, and now travels the country helps others to heal from their own physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual wounds.

Jason has a degree in education from Northern Arizona University and is a member of the Governing Board of Directors for a charter school program in the Phoenix area. Jason is the owner of "Ethos Productions," a company that specializes in faith-promoting experiences through multi media. He is the author of the acclaimed historical fiction series "The War Chapters" as well as his Amazon best-selling autobiography "Weighted and Measured" and is the creator of the "Warrior Ethos," a motivational creed used to inspire others to find the warrior spirit within themselves. Jason is a professional spokesperson, award winning motivational speaker, life coach, consultant, humanitarian, husband, father, grandfather, and volunteer for his church and community.

FRIDAY

10:00
AM

Battle-Proven Secrets to Inspiring Greatness and Raising a Warrior



BRANDON MULL

Brandon Mull is the #1 New York Times best-selling author of the Fablehaven, Beyonders, and Five Kingdoms series. A kinetic thinker, Brandon enjoys bouncy balls, squeezable stress toys, and popping bubble wrap. He lives in Utah in a happy little valley near the mouth of a canyon with his four children and a dog named Buffy the Vampire Slayer. Brandon loves meeting his readers and hearing about their experiences with his books.

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Motivating Reluctant Readers & Writers

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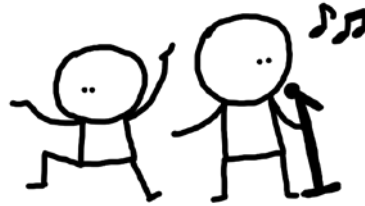
The Power of Coming Together to Accomplish Great and Heroic Things

Wednesday's Family Activity

7pm - Youth Talent Show & Parent Mentor Chat

(Amphitheatre)

(Lower Patio)



ADELAIDE OLGUIN

Adelaide Olguin will help you create a homeschool experience that makes your heart beat with excitement, has your kids going on and on about what they're learning, and silences the doubters, including that little voice in your head, whispering that you aren't enough to homeschool your kids.

She wants your homeschool to be better than any other option out there. Language immersion program. Check. Traveling the world while you homeschool. Check. Focusing on what will actually help your child to be a successful adult. Double check.

She is the creator of TalkBox.Mom, which has families talking in a foreign language the same day they start, and the host of the podcast the Foreign Language and Travel Homeschool. But the most important part of her day is homeschooling her boys.

WEDNESDAY

1:15 PM

Foreign Language Success for Any Age ("Talkbox" Vendor Workshop)



CHRISTINE OWENS

Christine Owens has homeschooled in five different states over the past sixteen years. She currently has three children at home and one on a mission. She loves to travel with her children and believes in embracing a child's interests in order to make learning truly memorable. She is the author of *Relaxed Homeschooling*, the *A Year of Poetry Tea Time* book series, and the new *Poetry in Seasons* series. She is also the founder of the International Homeschooling Poetry Contest that just finished its sixth competition. She is passionate about poetry and the great value it can add to every child's education—mainly through growth in vocabulary, critical thinking skills, creativity, and the ability to have open discussions. She also feels that poetry tea time can heal and bring families closer together. She currently lives in Washington State, has been married 27 years, and has traveled to twenty-one countries.

THURSDAY

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Make Your Own Commonplace Book Junk Journal

“An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.”

Benjamin Franklin



STEWART PARRY

Stewart was raised in central Utah in a family of ten kids. He had to learn at a young age how to navigate different opinions and relationships. He served a mission for the Church and was exposed to many different cultures and ethnic backgrounds in the diverse cultural melting pot of our nation's capital. He has always had a love of learning and teaching, which drew him toward education as a career. He taught public school for fifteen years in both Utah and Wyoming, experiencing all kinds of grades and ages from elementary to high school, with most of these years being spent with high-risk kids that most people had given up on. He has been a member of the National Guard for 23 years. Eighteen of those years were spent as a medic, and then he transitioned to become a chaplain. Two years ago, he left teaching and became a full-time chaplain for an important missile defense brigade in Colorado, taking care of the soldiers that watch out for and protect our nation on all sides. Stewart is married to a beautiful woman named Tiffany, and together they have six awesome kids and one adorable granddaughter. As a chaplain, Stewart and Tiffany have had the opportunity to be trained in several different curricula and teach on retreats for military couples and families to help build and maintain healthy relationships.

THURSDAY

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AM

Toolbox for Relationship Success



TIFFANY PARRY

Tiffany is a military wife, a homeschool mom, a grandma, a life-long learner and a devoted disciple of Christ. She was born and raised in central Utah and received her BA degree from Utah State University in family and human development. She has been married to the love of her life for 28 years and has six amazing kids and an adorable granddaughter. She has been homeschooling for eleven years now and feels like that is where all the real learning in her life began. Her husband is a full-time chaplain in the National Guard, and through that avenue she has had the opportunity to be trained and certified in several self-help curricula including: Covey's 7 Habits & Speed of Trust and Bradberry & Greaves' Emotional Intelligence. Together they teach at retreats for military couples and families to strengthen relationships and keep families strong. She loves traveling with her family, organizing anything, and being outside in nature. She has a passion for learning, teaching, and self-improvement.

THURSDAY

11:00
AM

The Untapped Power of Stillness



TORIANN PERKEY

ToriAnn Perkey is a mother, mentor, and teacher. She began homeschooling in 2004 when her oldest was three and now sometimes wonders where all the time went as all four of her children have now graduated and are attending college. Through the years, she led each of her children—along with hundreds of additional students—to discover, celebrate, and prepare for the unique role that each came to earth to play. Since 2008, ToriAnn has empowered families to feel confident and successful as they liberate their kids' education through her interactive workshops and online programs. She currently serves as the Director of English for the Independent Education Program, where she teaches English and Writing to homeschooled students ages twelve to eighteen. ToriAnn lives in Orem, Utah, with her husband Josh and their one remaining homeschooled teen. You can find more content on her YouTube channel Homeschool to Homeschool.

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You, Your Kids, and AI: Safety & Skills for the New Digital Frontier

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A Chat with Retired Homeschool Moms Roundtable



JAMES PERRY

James is a decent human being who tries his best. He was pretty funny on Studio C and now tries to be funny enough with JK Studios, which most recently released its first feature film, *Go West*. He's also a husband to Brenna and a father to June and Conor, and they tolerate him pretty well as he tries to figure out how to be a good one. He likes to learn and grow in other areas as well, such as songwriting, movie writing, other writing, cooking, eating, computer programming, philosophy and religion, gardening, and woodworking. He hopes what he has to share can be inspiring, or at least enjoyable. And he loves you, even if he doesn't know you very well.

THURSDAY

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When Life Gives You Lobsters, Make Bisque



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HOLLY PETERSON

Tiffany is a military wife, a homeschool mom, a grandma, a life-long learner and a devoted disciple of Christ. She was born and raised in central Utah and received her BA degree from Utah State University in family and human development. She has been married to the love of her life for 28 years and has six amazing kids and an adorable granddaughter. She has been homeschooling for eleven years now and feels like that is where all the real learning in her life began. Her husband is a full-time chaplain in the National Guard, and through that avenue she has had the opportunity to be trained and certified in several self-help curricula including: Covey's 7 Habits & Speed of Trust and Bradberry & Greaves' Emotional Intelligence. Together they teach at retreats for military couples and families to strengthen relationships and keep families strong. She loves traveling with her family, organizing anything, and being outside in nature. She has a passion for learning, teaching, and self-improvement.

WEDNESDAY

1:15 PM

Once Upon A Story: Unlocking the Magic of Books for Homeschool Educators ("Holly's Reading Corner" Vendor Workshop)



JOSLYN POSTMA

Joslyn is a mother of five with over a decade of experience in guiding her children's education at home. Last year she sent her fourth child into adulthood. Joslyn loves the adventure of discovery and dabbling in new experiences. A few of her recent adventures include woodcarving and farming, and she is currently learning chess. Joslyn is an encourager of personalized education and nurturing a love of learning in children. She enjoys mentoring her children as they pursue their own adventures.

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Understanding A Thomas Jefferson Education

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Think, Build! An Elementary Engineering Workshop

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Building the Homeschool Mom's Ultimate Reading List

**"AS WE CONCENTRATE OUR HEARTS AND MINDS ON
HEAVENLY FATHER AND JESUS CHRIST, AND LISTEN TO THE
STILL SMALL VOICE OF THE HOLY GHOST, WE WILL HAVE
GREATER CLARITY ABOUT WHAT IS MOST NEEDFUL."**

L. TODD BUDGE



CHRISTENA REEDER

Christena Reeder began homeschooling eighteen years ago, initially feeling that she was the last person on earth who could, or should, homeschool. However, what she has found is the most wonderful discovery of freedom and joy! She has an unshakable testimony that with God as our number one partner, our children receive the most excellent education imaginable. She has been shocked and delighted to discover all of the wonderful and priceless lessons learned along this journey. Christena has three incredible homeschooled children, four wonderful stepchildren, and is deliriously happily married to John, the best husband on the planet! They live happily together in northern Utah.

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SELLIKA REESE

Sellika Reese is an Early Literacy Specialist focused on coaching others in the science of reading and the brain's learning processes. Her engaging, hands-on methods have established her as a leading literacy coach in school districts and private companies nationwide. She now aims to empower families with her extensive experience in educating children.

WEDNESDAY

1:15 PM

The Reading Brain: Exploring How Our Brains Learn to Read ("At-Home Literacy" Vendor Workshop)



DEBBI ROLLO

Debbi Rollo loves America and is passionate about promoting freedom, individual rights, and liberty for all. She is a former homeschooler, which is where her joy began in finding creative ways to transform hard-to-understand topics into fun, interesting, and engaging things to study. Debbi believes that the U.S. Constitution is one of the most important historical documents in American history, and that it is our duty as citizens, especially the rising generation, to know where our freedoms come from and what it means to be free. Debbi and her husband, Craig, are parents of nine children, lots of grandchildren, and they provide in-home care for adults with intellectual disabilities. Debbi is an entrepreneur at heart, loves to create forms, to organize, and to study Isaiah and other scriptures. She is the author of several books, including two on the U.S. Constitution. She lives in Orem, Utah.

WEDNESDAY

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U.S. Constitution: Engaging and Easy Ways to Teach it



WILL RUBIO

Will Rubio is a versatile and dynamic performer whose talent shines across both stage and screen. He's appeared on critically acclaimed shows such as NBC's "This Is Us" and "Community" and spent nine seasons as the host of BYUtv's "Random Acts"! He has performed improv comedy and standup for thousands of people at sold-out shows across the country, and he entertains the masses with funny videos. @WillRubio across all social media.

WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM

Embracing Your Authentic Self to Truly Connect With Others



JENNI SHEFFIELD

Jenni loves her family, Jesus, the gospel, painting, hiking, and reading. She has a wonderful husband and five incredible children. Jenni loves to homeschool cuz she loves being with her kids and hearing them laugh, grow, and progress. She is living "after the manner of happiness" with her family in southern Colorado.

THURSDAY

4:15 PM

I'd Rather Laugh About It



TIA SMITH

Tia Smith is a previous Institute teacher who taught the Gathering of Israel class at Utah State University. She is also the host of the weekly podcast, Thinning of the Veil, which focuses on revelatory experiences through the Gathering of Israel. Tia also authored the book, Patterns of Revelation. Through out all of her studies and experiences, she has learned that there is a pattern to all revelatory experiences. Because God is no respecter of persons, anyone who understands and implements the same patterns can and will have similar transcendent experiences that we reverence in holy writ. Most importantly she is a wife, mother of six, and grandmother to four.

THURSDAY

10:00 AM

Patterns of Revelation



ANDREA THOMAS

Andrea Thomas grew up on the conveyor belt of public school and loved it—hang out with friends, study to pass a test, then move on to the next thing. As a mom, however, she knew she wanted more for her kids. Andrea has six daughters, ages five to fourteen. Her family has dabbled in homeschool, public school, and distance learning and has found a love for learning and finding joy in the ordinary every day. Andrea loves creating music, painting, embroidery, singing and dancing with her children, and silly face pictures. She loves reading to her children and adventuring in nature. She loves the community of homeschoolers she has grown to be a part of and loves sharing messages of joy. “Men are that they might have joy.” And so are mamas.

WEDNESDAY

11:00
AM

Well-Educated Heart: A Way of Living



JAZEL THOMAS

Jazel Thomas is a second-generation homeschooler. In her youth, she traveled around the USA and Europe. Jazel has 25 years of experience tutoring children and adults in a variety of settings. Between work and raising a family, she enjoys sewing and nature photography. Jazel and her husband Tony have five beautiful and witty children and a few pets. As a family, they read lots of books, play with Lego and video games, do crafts, laugh and pray together, watch movies, play in the dirt, have tiffs, and sometimes go camping.

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A Charlotte Mason Method: Create a Family Culture of Respect, Wonder, and Growth

FRIDAY

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Teach from Rest



Volunteers Needed!

Participate in next year's planning!

(Grilled Cheese Room - downstairs)

Thursday 5:10 - 5:25

“To educate a man in mind and not in morals is to educate a menace to society.”

Theodore Roosevelt



BOYD TUTTLE

Boyd J. Tuttle and his wife, Holly, have nine children, all of whom served missions. Their education journey spanned homeschool, private schools (while living in Japan), charter schools, and public schools. Today, seven are married, and the Tuttles have 16 grandchildren.

Boyd earned a degree in engineering from BYU and an MBA from Lehigh University. After 25 years in the corporate world in New York and Japan, he founded Digital Legend Press in 2009. Now an established LDS publishing house, the company has released over 200 titles and was recognized as the “Fastest Growing New LDS Publisher” by the LDS Publishers Association.

Among his published works, none has been more impactful—or controversial—than *The Universal Model – A New Millennial Science* by Dean Sessions. This groundbreaking two-volume series has gained significant traction, particularly among homeschooling families.

Boyd has taught Universal Model courses for four years at South Valley Leadership Academy (SVLA), a homeschooling consortium. He currently serves as the UM Education Liaison for the State of Utah.

FRIDAY

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Introduction to the UM (Universal Model)—A New Millennial Science



TRACY WARD

I’m Miss Tracy, a spontaneous, ardent believer in possibilities! I LOVE my mission of strengthening families and building a community of people who want to be the good in the world. I’m a wife to my best friend, Richard, and long-time homeschooling mama to six kiddos and Nana to five grandbabies. I’m passionate about learning, liberty, and laughter. I love kayaking, camping, reading, writing, mentoring youth, and creating events that bless families. Everyday I try to connect with heaven, cultivate joy in myself, and spread joy to others. Deep discussions of powerful ideas fill my soul. Sometimes I remember to make dinner and take out my contacts, but don’t count on it.

WEDNESDAY

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AM

Unlocking the Magic of Family Read-Alouds!

FRIDAY

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PM

Greek vs. Hebrew Views of Truth and Why it Matters



JAYLEE WILLIS

Jaylee Willis is a homeschool graduate and currently works as a mathematics professor. She loves to help people experience more ease in their lives and math in particular. She is eager to help homeschool families build strong mathematical cultures through play, visualization, and application.

THURSDAY

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The Art of Playing Math



DANA WOOD

Dana has always enjoyed teaching. In high school she had the opportunity to be a student teacher, but found the experience frustrating as she was constantly told “you can’t do that in a public classroom! There are too many kids.” After that experience, she told a friend that she would never be a school teacher unless she could teach in a private school for gifted children where they let you teach to the children, not to the test. She has been doing just that since 1985, when she started homeschooling her children after reading John Holt’s book, *Teach Your Own*. She has loved the challenge and the fun of learning alongside her children as they moved back and forth across the country as a military family. She has graduated nine of her ten children and is glad she still has one at home. She is excited that her grandkids are being homeschooled, too. Dana started with LDSHE as a mentor mom in 2005 and joined the Board as the Youth Conference President in 2006, developing the youth conference program. After four years as Youth Conference President, she has done a little bit of everything including Audio Library and Adult Conference Director as LDSHE expanded its conference out west.

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The No Fear Transcripts Class

WEDNESDAY

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A Chat with Retired Homeschool Moms Roundtable

SHARE YOUR CONFERENCE PICTURES WITH US! | SCAN ME



“Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime”

Maimonides



EMILY WOODLAND

Emily and her husband, Seth, have been homeschooling their children for twelve years. Together, they have centered their family culture on hard work, learning to love to learn, enjoying nature, and observing God’s hand while farming in Idaho. By being one hundred percent committed to their vision for their children’s education, it has been easy to stay grounded on their purpose of homeschooling and observe their children’s success as they individually excel in their own interests and dreams. Emily loves history, flowers, gardening, canning, travel, and reading. Her greatest joy comes in teaching, sharing, and helping others learn, heal, change, and find purpose in their lives through Christ.

WEDNESDAY

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Dreams, Visions, and Mottos



NEPHI ZUFELT

Nephi is a servant of Christ; Elizabeth’s devoted husband; Zoe, Ainsley, Keller, Melina, and Stratton’s homeschooling father; world traveler; and a wannabe church basketball star. In his free time from these important roles, he is the CEO of NexTek Innovations (a medical device incubator), entrepreneur, founder and president of Wealth Mentality Families, author of two best-selling books (Katie Bell and the Wishing Well: A Story of Finding True Wealth and The Big Startup Guidebook for Kids), and keynote speaker. Nephi grew up in the beautiful landscape of Moab, Utah, and graduated from Utah State University with a degree in mechanical engineering and later received a M.S. in biomedical engineering and MBA from the University of Tennessee. He spent ten years working his way into a senior leadership role in a major medical device manufacturing company only to turn around and leave it all for the uncertainty of startups and entrepreneurship so he could spend time doing what was most important to him – raising his family. Nephi still enjoys the process of innovation and creation in the world of medical devices but finds his true passion in teaching and helping families find their true purpose and create the life they desire. He teaches parents and youth how to avoid falling into the traps of worldliness and consumption while also pursuing true wealth in the correct way to be used in the service of others.

FRIDAY

2:15 PM

Dads, We Need You

WEDNESDAY | ANNOUNCEMENTS

LUNCH OPTIONS

All restaurants are within 5 miles.
Some are located in the Valley Fair Mall.

Cafe Rio
Cupbop
DQ/ Orange Julius
Good Burger
Greek Kabob
Hot Dog on a Stick
Jamba Juice
Melly Way
Mrs. Cavanaugh's

Olive Garden
Osaka Japan
Pretzel Maker
Red Robin
Rumbi
Sushi Monster
Tornado Crepe & More
Zupas

Applebee's
Betos
Burger King
Carl's Jr.
In-N-Out
Popeyes
Sonic Drive-In
Subway
Wingers



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This QR code is for Wednesday's class surveys.
Please take a couple minutes to fill this out for each class
you attend. We take each comment into
consideration when planning future conferences.
Thank you!



"You are needed. You are loved." S. Mark Palmer

"You did not wake up to be mediocre." Robin Arzon

"Serious expectations require serious preparation." Steven J. Lund

Tonight's Family Activity

7pm - Youth Talent Show & Parent Mentor Chat
(Amphitheatre) (Lower Patio)



Wednesday Schedule

ADULTS			
	Great Hall	201-202	204-205
7:30	Registration (Vendor Hall)		
8:30-9:00	Donut Devotional (Patio Steps)		
9:00-9:50	Will Rubio Embracing Your Authentic Self to Truly Connect with Others (Great Hall) with youth		
10:00-10:50	Tracy Ward Unlocking The Magic of Family Read-Alouds	Andrea Mabey Using YouTube to Explore Historical Events and Perspectives	Susie McGann Forget the Curriculum— Start with a Homeschool Philosophy
11:00-11:50	ToriAnn Perkey You, Your Kids, and AI: Safety & Skills for the New Digital Frontier	Andrea Thomas Well-Educated Heart: A Way of Living	Tina Bassett Even Queens Need a Mentor: The Value of Finding a Mentor in Every Season
11:50-1:15	Lunch and Visit our Vendors		
1:15-2:05	Adelaide Olguin Foreign Language Success for Any Age ("Talkbox" Vendor Workshop)	Sellika Reese The Reading Brain: Exploring How Our Brains Learn to Read ("At-Home Literacy" Vendor Workshop)	Kami Harris Anti-Fragile--A New Perspective on Growth and Empowerment for Raising Youth Who Can Do Hard Things ("iFamily Leadership Academy" Vendor Workshop)
2:15-3:05	Susie McGann Worldschooling 101: How to Take Your Homeschool on the Road	Melanie Cameron EPIC Adventures - Unleashing the Power of Your Child's Brain	Kenna Dyches Planning Your Educational Year
3:15-4:05	Joslyn Postma Understanding A Thomas Jefferson Education	Dana Wood The No Fear Transcripts Class	Debbi Rollo U.S. Constitution: Engaging and Easy Ways to Teach It
4:15-5:05	Tara Carling Pass It On! Proven Strategies for Nurturing and Restoring Neurowellness in Individuals and Families	Jazel Thomas A Charlotte Mason Method: Create a Family Culture of Respect, Wonder and Growth	Dana Wood, ToriAnn Perkey, Melanie Cameron, and Christena Reeder A Chat with Retired Homeschool Moms Roundtable
5:05-7:00	Dinner		
7:00-8:20	Youth Talent Show (Amphitheater) & Parent Mentor Chat (Lower Patio)		
8:20-8:45	Post Talent Show and Songversations: Connecting with Heaven with Katie Higley (Amphitheater) Parent Mentor Chat (Patio Steps)		

YOUTH			
	PB&J	Grilled Cheese	BLT
8:30-8:50	Donut Devotional (with adults) (Patio Steps)		
9:00-9:50	Opening Celebration: Will Rubio Embracing Your Authentic Self to Truly Connect with Others (Great Hall) with adults		
10:00-11:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
11:05-11:50	Will Rubio Improv Your Life: How Thinking Like an Improviser Makes You Unstoppable!	Braden Cope The Power of Christlike Leadership	Susie McGann 10 Hacks to Have Success (and Fun) on Your Language Learning Journey
11:50-1:10	LUNCH (Festival Grounds) 11:50-12:20 Will Rubio Meet-n-Greet 12:30-1:05 Lunchtime Activities: (A) 9-square (B) Capture the Flag (C) Line Dancing		
1:15-2:00	Nik & Darla Day Peace in Christ	Jack R. Christianson The Blessing of Taking Personal Responsibility for Your Learning	Travis Hoopes Becoming Your Own President and CEO
2:00-3:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
3:05-3:35	Chantelle Holman Disco Line Dance	Will Rubio Improv Playtime	Sean Anderson Applied Science
3:40-4:10	Chantelle Holman Disco Line Dance	Will Rubio Improv Playtime	Sean Anderson Applied Science
4:15-5:00	Jack R Christianson Maintaining Your Spirituality in a Darkening World		
5:05-7:00	DINNER		
7:00-8:20	Youth Talent Show (Amphitheater)		
8:20-8:45	Post Talent Show and Songversations: Connecting with Heaven with Katie Higley (Amphitheater)		

WEDNESDAY | CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

9:00 - 9:50am

Embracing Your Authentic Self to Truly Connect With Others (Great Hall)

Will Rubio

The strongest connections don't come from trying to impress others—they come from being real. True connection starts with understanding and accepting yourself first. When you embrace your own story, strengths, and even struggles, you create space for genuine relationships built on trust and meaning. In this session, we'll explore how self-acceptance leads to deeper connections with others, why people-pleasing holds us back, and how compassion for yourself allows you to offer it to others.

10:00 - 10:50am

Unlocking the Magic of Family Read-Alouds! (Great Hall)

Tracy Ward

Family reads are magical...or so you've been told. Often times, the result doesn't feel like a happy potion at all—restless children, so-called boring books, and sulking teens—is it all a bunch of smoke and mirrors? Become a believer by starting with your why and adding tried and true hows to your repertoire. As a creator of read-aloud enchantment for the past 31 years, I have piles of tricks up my sleeve to help you create literary magic within your own family. You can do this, I promise!

Using YouTube to Explore Historical Events and Perspectives (201-202)

Andrea Mabey

YouTube hosts a wide range of specialized channels dedicated to niche historical topics, so learners can dive deep into areas of history that they might not find in textbooks or traditional resources. YouTube is convenient and affordable. There are a wide range of viewpoints on historical events. This class offers you a free curriculum of links to amazing videos on ancient and medieval history.

Forget the Curriculum—Start with a Homeschool Philosophy (204-205)

Susie McGann

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11:00 - 11:50am

You, Your Kids and AI: Safety & Skills for the New Digital Frontier (Great Hall)

ToriAnn Perkey

If your kids aren't already using AI (they probably are), they will be soon. As we enter this next frontier of Artificial Intelligence, come learn how to keep your kids safe and to teach them how to use it in a way that aligns with your family values.

Plus you may be blown away when you discover how it can assist you in your homeschool and your life—its applications are so much broader than you think. Come to this class with a sticking point in your life — meal planning, lesson planning, tricky parenting situations, anything you can think of — and learn how to use AI to help.

Well-Educated Heart: A Way of Living (201-202)

Andrea Thomas

“The whole world is full of unworked joy-mines. Everywhere we go we find all sorts of happiness-producing material, if we only know how to extract it.” — Orison Swett Marden

What exactly is Well-Educated Heart? First off, it's not a curriculum. It's a way of living that will last long after your children leave your home. It will look different for everyone. Come “catch the vision” as you learn a different approach to learning: a heart-based approach. Marlene Peterson said, “I have come to believe the purpose of education is to help children live lives of maximum joy.” And it all starts with you, Mama.

Even Queens Need a Mentor: The Value of Finding a Mentor in Every Season (204-205)

Tina Bassett

Each of us was sent to earth at this specific time with a specific purpose. Like Esther in the Bible, we “have come to the kingdom for such a time as this.” (Esther 4:14) Thankfully, God does not expect us to find and fulfill our purpose alone. He has prepared mentors to walk along side us as we navigate the various seasons in our lives. Whatever season you find yourself in, come learn from the story of Esther and Mordecai as we explore the importance of mentors, what to look for in a mentor, and the traits we need to cultivate to be mentored well.

1:15 - 2:05pm Vendor Workshops

Foreign Language Success for Any Age (Great Hall)

Adelaide Olguin

Would you like part of your homeschool journey to be speaking another language or two? Not just memorizing vocabulary and doing grammar drills? But you feel a little lost, stuck, overwhelmed, or like you might fail? I've got you! Whether you're brand new to a language, a native speaker, or a parent with a bachelor's degree in a language, I'll show you how to start talking in another language with your family from day one.

As a homeschool mom who has layered in multiple foreign languages throughout our homeschool journey—from the baby to the teen—I'll show you how easy and fun this process can be so that your dreams can come true too! Success at any age will transform your family's life into connecting with and helping others in this new language.

The Reading Brain: Exploring How Our Brains Learn to Read (201-202)

Sellika Reese

Did you know that our brains aren't naturally designed for reading? It's true! Kids are actually reshaping their brains as they learn how to read. When you understand how the brain learns to read and the basic skills needed to become a good reader, you'll be more prepared to support your child as they learn to read.

Anti-Fragile: A New Perspective On Growth and Empowerment For Raising Youth Who Can Do Hard Things (204-205)

Kami Harris

What if your child's struggles weren't setbacks, but stepping stones to resilience and growth? In a culture obsessed with avoiding discomfort, many youth are paralyzed by anxiety and depression. Yet, challenges are not barriers—they're opportunities.

The concept of becoming 'Antifragile' teaches that adversity can strengthen us. As parents, we can guide our children to embrace challenges, develop resilience, and unlock their divine potential. By leaning on gospel principles and the atonement of Jesus Christ, we can help them transform trials into triumphs. Join me as we explore how to empower your child to face life's struggles with confidence, faith, and purpose.

Worldschooling 101: How to Take Your Homeschool on the Road (Great Hall)*Susie McGann*

Dreaming of worldschooling but not sure how to make it happen? You're not alone! In this session, I'll share what I've learned from nearly four years of worldschooling—from living in the jungles of the Andes with five kids and no washing machine to starting a homeschool co-op in Medellín, Colombia, to full-time RVing across the U.S. We'll cover the mindset shifts and practical steps to get from thinking about it to actually doing it, plus how to keep homeschooling running smoothly on the road. You'll also hear what not to do so you can avoid common pitfalls and make the most of your family's travel adventures!

EPIC Adventures - Unleashing the Power of Your Child's Brain (201-202)*Melanie Cameron*

The brain is a wonderful thing! Learning HOW the brain not only learns, but also stores information is vital to your child's success. Perhaps even more important is learning how to help your child store what they learn in their long-term memory and in a way that makes it easy to retrieve. EPIC Adventures use modern brain research into how children learn and retain information to help you create a learning environment that gives your child the best chance for academic success.

Planning Your Educational Year (204-205)*Kenna Dyches*

Let's talk schedules and organization! Do you feel overwhelmed when thinking about planning for the next school year? With principles that can apply no matter the age of your kids or homeschool style of your home, this class aims to overcome overwhelm and to welcome confidence in its place. Leave with ideas of how to define your goals, build your schedule, and move forward with confidence, whether you prefer spontaneity or a complete outline of the year.

Understanding A Thomas Jefferson Education (Great Hall)*Joslyn Postma*

A Thomas Jefferson Education (TJEd), also known as Leadership Education, is centered on nurturing a child's unique genius and recognizing that every individual has an important mission or purpose. A great education is one that helps a student discover and prepare for that mission. This session will provide an overview of the principles of Leadership Education and how their influence can lead to a child taking ownership of their education. I will share how I have applied these principles in my home with children ranging from toddler to young adult.

The No Fear Transcripts Class (201-202)*Dana Wood*

Homeschooling high school can be scary. It has to be hard to do, right? And the most terrifying thing about it is...wait for it... transcripts! That and the possibility that your child's life is ruined if they don't get into college. And it all rests on your shoulders! Fear not. This class will take the mystery out of transcripts and college entrance and give you the information you need to help your child get the most out of their high school years.

U.S. Constitution: Engaging and Easy Ways to Teach It (204-205)*Debbil Rollo*

Learn a variety of fun, easy, and engaging ways to teach the Constitution as part of your homeschool. The rising generation holds the hope of America's future liberty in their hands. It is vital that they (and adults) learn how our government works and the founding principles upon which our country was established. In this presentation, you will discover a long list of ideas, tools, and resources to help your children and your family experience the U.S. Constitution and its values. This can be done by adding it to many of things which you are already doing (spelling words, penmanship, keyboarding practice, etc.). Give your family the gift of knowledge regarding the Divinely inspired United States Constitution.

Pass It On! Proven Strategies for Nurturing and Restoring Nuerowellness in Individuals and Families (Great Hall)

Tara Carling

Transform the way you use your brain, and get relief from debilitating mental patterns. Discover ways to increase mental freedom and confidence—for yourself and your children. Learn how your brain works, what the main brain chemicals are that affect behavior but often get out of balance, and what you can do about it. Replace mental health struggles with massive life fulfillment, and teach your children to do the same! I look forward to sharing with you a few of the key techniques and proven strategies I have employed to increase neurowellness for myself and my family.

A Charlotte Mason Method: Create a Family Culture of Respect, Wonder, and Growth (201-202)

Jazel Thomas

Is a Charlotte Mason method right for you? Come and consider the classical-based principles of teaching that Charlotte Mason shared more than 100 years ago: a holistic and flexible approach to homeschooling that educates the whole family. Discover how to create a engaging and respectful atmosphere at home. Cultivate good habits, and feed your child's mind with rich ideas from nature, art, and literature. As Charlotte Mason said: "Education is an atmosphere, a discipline, and a life."

A Chat with Retired Homeschool Moms Roundtable (204-205)

*Dana Wood, ToriAnn Perkey,
Melanie Cameron and Christena Reeder*

Sometimes, as homeschool parents, the greatest challenge we face is our own doubts and fears wondering whether we're doing the right thing. We question everything! Will my kids be able to transition into "the real world?" Can I teach them enough? Will they have a positive view as they look back on their school experience?

Naturally, the answers to all of our questions will vary, but generally, we can rest assured...it works out. Join this panel discussion where you can ask questions and gain perspective from homeschooling moms who have (or soon will be) "retired." Let their experience bring some peace to your heart.

7:00pm - Bring the whole family!

Parent Mentor Chat (Lower Patio)

Join other homeschooling parents each evening to talk about the classes of the day, struggles you are facing in your homeschool, or the great book you just read. This is the perfect place to find support and new friends!

Youth Talent Show & Special Performance (Amphitheatre)

Homeschool youth are a talented bunch, and this is an opportunity for your whole family to enjoy lively entertainment and lots of laughs in a warm, family environment. All attendees are invited to this fabulous evening event!

Following the Talent Show, join Katie Higley for Songversations: Connecting With Heaven, a unique performance/workshop that blends live music with interactive conversation. In this dynamic session, Katie will perform and share her approach to nurturing musical talents, empowering artists, and building confidence through song. Along with the Lighthouse Mamas, Katie will showcase the power of collaboration and creativity in real-time. Whether you're an educator, performer, or music lover, this post-Talent Show event will build your desire to unlock your creative potential. Be prepared to engage, learn, and experience the transformative power of music and song!

Share your pics!

LDSHE Photo Guide

Help us capture the joy of LDSHE! We can't be everywhere at once—so grab your camera and join the fun.

What to snap:

Venue – Show off the space with or without people.

Classes – Smiling faces, action shots, and engaged learners (not just backs of heads!).

Connections – Friends talking, laughing, playing games, or posing together.

Tips:

Portrait mode is best, but landscape works too.

Focus on faces and fun!

Let's make memories together—one photo at a time!

Upload your photos here:



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UNLOCKING THE MAGIC OF FAMILY READ ALOUDS

TRACY WARD

WHY I WANT TO READ-ALoud

BOOKS I WANT TO READ

PRINCIPLES & TOOLS TO MAKE FAMILY READ-ALoudS MAGICAL

USING YOUTUBE TO EXPLORE HISTORICAL EVENTS AND PERSPECTIVES | ANDREA MABEY



Middle Ages
YouTube
Curriculum



Medieval
Reading
list



Medieval
Music
Playlist



Mighty
Castles
Ebook



Renaissance
to Golden
Age



Revealing
the African
Presence



Medieval
Technology



Cedric the
Forester



Art of
Renaissance
Europe

Notes:

I like to use these types of resources

- ☐ Books
- ☐ Videos
- ☐ Craft Activities
- ☐ Audio recordings / podcasts
- ☐ Games
- ☐ Dramatization ideas
- ☐ Recipes
- ☐ Worksheets
- ☐ Historical archives



Contact me to participate in a 6 week summer Homeschool Kickstarter course andreamabey@gmail.com

FORGET THE CURRICULUM -- START WITH A HOMESCHOOL PHILOSOPHY | SUSIE MCGANN

Put It In Your Own Words

My Why. I Homeschool because...

I believe the purpose of education is to:

To learn something, my kids need...

My main role as a homeschooling parent is to ...

The priorities in our homeschool are...

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

On our best days, our HS looks like....

On our worst days, we at least try to...

The most important things for a child to master at the following ages are

0-3: _____

3-5: _____

5-8: _____

9-12: _____

13-18: _____

I can tell our HS is working when/by....

To Generate Ideas

The Process of Learning...

Living book → tell about it in own words → knowledge is internalized through relationship and habit. (Charlotte Mason)

Prepared environment → exploration and manipulation → repetition until self-desired mastery (Montessori)

Authentic question → research and create project → reflect and document process → share with others (Project-Based Learning)

Personal interest → explores through life and resources → learns naturally through experience and interests (Unschooling)

Reads inspiring story → is moved to journal about what they liked → heart is nourished (WEH)

Memorizes facts (age 5-12) → Analyzes and identifies relationships between topics (age 12-15) → Expresses personal ideas through writing or speech (age 15-18) (Classical)

Reads a textbook → takes a quiz → reviews material → demonstrates learning on a test (Traditional)

Explores a topic from multiple subject angles → participates in related activities and projects (Unit Studies)

Reads a classic book → discusses ideas with mentor → applies principles to real life (TJEd)

The role of the adult is to...

□ **Inspire** — awaken curiosity, love of learning, and wonder (TJEd, WEH, Charlotte Mason)

□ **Model** — demonstrate the habits, skills, and attitudes of a lifelong learner (Montessori, Classical, TJEd, WEH)

□ **Guide** — observe, suggest (Project-Based)

□ **Prepare the environment** — provide tools, resources, and space for learning to unfold naturally (Montessori, Charlotte Mason, Unschooling)

□ **Facilitate conversations** — ask questions, listen, and engage thoughtfully (Classical, Project-Based, TJEd, Charlotte Mason)

□ **Train Habits** — foster intellectual and moral habits (Charlotte Mason)

□ **Offer freedom within limits** — balance liberty and responsibility to help children thrive (Montessori, Waldorf, TJEd)

□ **Mentor** — develop a personal relationship and model character and wisdom (TJEd, Project-Based)

□ **Connect them to masters and other great teachers** (TJEd, Unschooling)

□ **Step aside** — trust the child to lead their own learning (Unschooling)

Primary Methods

□ **Living books** (Charlotte Mason, TJEd, WEH, Classical)

□ **Hands-on projects** (Montessori, PBL, Unschooling)

□ **Mentorship** (TJEd, PBL, WEH)

□ **Conversation & discussion** (Classical, Charlotte Mason, TJEd, PBL, WEH)

□ **Nature & outdoor learning** (Charlotte Mason, Waldorf, Montessori, Unschooling, WEH)

□ **Artistic expression** (Waldorf, Charlotte Mason, WEH, Montessori, Unschooling)

□ **Freedom & autonomy** (Montessori, Unschooling, TJEd, PBL)

□ **Consistent practice** (reading, writing, math, etc.) (Classical, Charlotte Mason, Montessori, Traditional)

□ **Reflection & journaling** (Charlotte Mason, PBL, WEH, TJEd)

Suggested Book List:

Charlotte Mason

- For the Children's Sake by Susan Schaeffer Macaulay

The Well-Educated Heart (WEH)

- Catch the Vision of The Well-Educated Heart by Marlene Peterson

Montessori

- Teach Me to Do It Myself by Maja Pitamic

Project-Based Learning (PBL)

- Project-Based Homeschooling: Mentoring Self-Directed Learners by Lori Pickert

Scan the QR code for a link to my notes and more resources.



Unschooling

- The Unschooling Handbook by Mary Griffith (excellent primer)

Thomas Jefferson Education (TJEd)

- A Thomas Jefferson Education by Oliver DeMille



Even Queens Need a Mentor



*“... who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom
for such a time as this?”*

Esther 4:14

NOTES

Questions to Consider

- What qualities should I look for in a mentor?
- What traits do I need to develop to be mentored effectively?

Key Points

- God places mentors in our lives to help us fulfill our purpose in each season of life.
- A mentor should be spiritually mature, courageous, and honest.
- To be memorable, we must be humble, teachable, and courageous.

Action Plan

ANTI-FRAGILE -- A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON GROWTH AND EMPOWERMENT FOR RAISING YOUTH WHO CAN DO HARD THINGS

KAMI HARRIS

Define Fragile:

Define Resilient:

Define ANTIFRAGILE:

**INVITATION FOR INSPIRATION: HOW CAN I TEACH MY CHILDREN TO
EMBRACE CHALLENGES, GROW THROUGH FAILURE, AND BECOME
ANTIFRAGILE?**

Examples of things that are ANTIFRAGILE:

1. Muscles!
2. Pearls!
3. Diamonds!
4. Our Immune Systems!
5. US!



Quote from the book, *Antifragile* by Nassim Taleb: "Systems that are antifragile become rigid, weak, and inefficient, when nothing challenges them or pushes them to respond vigorously. The modern obsession with protecting young people from feeling unsafe is, we believe, one of the several causes of the rapid rise in the rates of adolescent depression, anxiety, and suicide."

SAFETYISM:

2 Nephi 2:24: "Men are that they might have joy."

Elder Howard W. Hunter "God Will Have a Tried People" April 1980

General Conference: "We came to mortal life to encounter resistance. It was part of the plan for our eternal progress. Without temptation, sickness, pain, and sorrow, there could be no goodness, virtue, appreciation for well-being, or joy."

Philosopher John Macmurray: "In imagination, we feel sure that it would be lovely to live with a full and rich awareness of the world. But in practice, sensitiveness hurts. It is not possible to develop the capacity to see beauty without developing also the capacity to see ugliness, for they are the same capacity. The capacity for joy is also the capacity for pain. We soon find that any increase in our sensitivity to what is lovely in the world increases also our capacity for being hurt. That is the dilemma in which life has placed us. We must choose between a life that is thin and narrow, uncreative and mechanical, with the assurance that even if it is not very exciting it will not be intolerably painful; and a life in which the increase in its fullness and creativeness brings a vast increase in delight, but also in pain and hurt."

Neal A. Maxwell said, "If it is also true (in some way we don't understand) that the cavity which suffering carves into our souls will one day also be the receptacle of joy..." (Neal A. Maxwell, BYU Devotional, September, 1974 "But for a Small Moment")

ALCHEMY:

Isaiah 61:3 “To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness;”

2 Nephi 2:2: “Nevertheless, Jacob, my firstborn in the wilderness, thou knowest the greatness of God; and he shall consecrate thine afflictions for thy gain.”

Elder David A Bednar April 2014 “Bear Up Their Burdens with Ease”

“Not only does the Atonement of Jesus Christ overcome the effects of the Fall of Adam and make possible the remission of our individual sins and transgressions, but His Atonement also enables us to do good and become better in ways that stretch far beyond our mortal capacities. Most of us know that when we do things wrong and need help to overcome the effects of sin in our lives, the Savior has made it possible for us to become clean through His redeeming power. But do we also understand that the Atonement is for faithful men and women who are obedient, worthy, and conscientious and who are striving to become better and serve more faithfully? I wonder if we fail to fully acknowledge this strengthening aspect of the Atonement in our lives and mistakenly believe we must carry our load all alone—through sheer grit, willpower, and discipline and with our obviously limited capacities.”

Sister Michelle Craig October 2022 “Wholehearted”

“When your faith, your family, or your future are challenged—when you wonder why life is so hard when you are doing your best to live the gospel—remember that the Lord told us to expect troubles. Troubles are part of the plan and do not mean you’ve been abandoned; they are part of what it means to be His. He was, after all, “a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief. I am learning that Heavenly Father is more. Living in convenience does not bring power. The power we need to withstand the heat of our day is the Lord’s power, and His power flows through our covenants with Him. To lean in with our faith when facing strong headwinds—to sincerely strive each day to do what we covenanted with the Savior we would do, even and especially when we are tired, worried, and wrestling with troubling questions and issues—is to gradually receive His light, His strength, His love, His Spirit, His peace. The point of walking the covenant path is to approach the Savior. He is the point, not our perfect progress. It is not a race, and we must not compare our journey to others. Even when we stumble, He is there.”



THREE TOOLS FOR ALCHEMIZING TRIALS:

Tool 1: Teach your children to reframe stressors as “challenges”-not “threats.”

TWO TYPES OF FAILURE:

GROWTH VERSUS FIXED MINDSET:

Journal: What is one belief you’ve held onto that has held you back?
What can you do to break the bondage of this belief?

Tool 2: Teach your children to get comfortable with feeling uncomfortable.

DR. ANNA LEMBKE-PLEASURE/PAIN BALANCE:

Phil Stutz says, "What is the barrier between your comfort zone and your infinite potential? Fear, pain, discomfort! It's in that discomfort that your infinite potential exists."

Risk

To laugh is to risk
appearing a fool,
To weep is to risk
appearing sentimental.
To reach out to another is
to risk involvement,
To expose feelings is to
risk exposing your true
self.

To place your ideas and
dreams before a crowd is
to risk their loss.
To love is to risk not being
loved in return,
To live is to risk dying,
To hope is to risk despair,

The Lion Chaser's Manifesto by Mark Batterson

Quit living as if the purpose of life is to arrive safely at death.
Run to the roar. Set God-sized goals. Pursue God-ordained passions.
Go after a dream that is destined to fail unless God intervenes.
Stop pointing out problems and become part of the solution.
Stop repeating the past and start creating the future.
Face your fears. Fight for your dreams.
Grab opportunity by the mane and don't let go.
Live like today is the first day and last day of your life.
Burn sinful bridges. Blaze new trails.
Live for the applause of nail-scarred hands.
Don't let what's wrong with you keep you from worshiping what's right
with God.
Don't try to be who you aren't. Be yourself. Laugh at yourself.
Dare to fail. Dare to dream. Dare to be different.
Chase the lion.

Tool 3: Teach your children to cling to Christ's power.

Philippians 4:13 declares, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."



Corrie ten Boom said, “When a train goes through a tunnel and it gets dark, you don’t throw away the ticket and jump off. You sit still and trust the Engineer.”

Good Timber

The tree that never had to fight
For sun and sky and air and light,
But stood out in the open plain
And always got its share of rain,
Never became a forest king
But lived and died a scrubby thing.

The man who never had to toil
To gain and farm his patch of soil,
Who never had to win his share
Of sun and sky and light and air,
Never became a manly man
But lived and died as he began.

Good timber does not grow with ease,
The stronger wind, the stronger trees,
The further sky, the greater length,
The more the storm, the more the strength.
By sun and cold, by rain and snow,
In trees and men good timbers grow.

Where thickest lies the forest growth
We find the patriarchs of both.
And they hold counsel with the stars
Whose broken branches show the scars
Of many winds and much of strife.
This is the common law of life.

-Douglas Malloch

HOW TO TAKE YOUR HOMESCHOOL ON THE ROAD

SUSIE MCGANN



WORLDSCHOOLING 101

BY SUSIE MCGANN

MINDSET SHIFTS

- ☐ What you need and what you think you need are very different.
- ☐ Get creative: daydream – what would an ideal worldschooling life FOR YOU look like?
- ☐ It's ok to be different: your kids will be ok.
- ☐ This doesn't need to be \$\$\$

SCHOOL ON THE ROAD

- ☐ Curriculum: Choose something portable or digital (or unschool!).
- ☐ Routine: Create simple anchor points (morning basket, read-alouds, journals).
- ☐ Supplies: Keep it minimal — notebooks, e-reader, art supplies.
- ☐ Learning from Places: Museums, tours, nature, local markets, historical sites.
- ☐ Community: Worldscool hubs, local co-ops, online groups.

1-2-3 GO!

- ☐ Figure out income. (savings, passive income, remote work, solo parent travel, etc.)
- ☐ Figure out what to do with your current home & car
- ☐ Choose your method: Full-time travel, slow travel, RV life, or a home base + trips.
- ☐ Plan the logistics:
 1. Passports & visas
 2. Health insurance & required vaccines
 3. Housing (Airbnbs, RV parks, homestays, etc.)
 4. Airport pickup
- ☐ Downsize and Pack



COMMON PITFALLS

- ☐ Going too fast; doing too much
- ☐ Unrealistic expectations
- ☐ Neglecting self-care, connection, and rest.
- ☐ Not allowing your kids (or you) to grieve

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"I never teach my pupils, I only provide the conditions in which
they can learn." *Albert Einstein*

**There are 4 main functions required for our brain to cement
knowledge:**

1. Gather Information – Explore, experiment, go on field trips, expose your child to great people and ideas
2. Make Meaning of the Information Gathered – Why is the information important? How will it help them? How does it relate to other ideas?
3. Create New Ideas from this Information – Ask (and answer) questions, explore more deeply, build models, experiment
4. Act on Those Ideas – Encourage them to share what they have learned with others, Have them teach siblings, Think Big!

“I **HEAR** and I forget.

I **SEE** and I remember.

I **EXPERIENCE** and I **understand**.”

Confucius

PLANNING YOUR EDUCATIONAL YEAR

KENNA DYCHES

Define Your Goals

“This, it seems to me, is the real object and the right result of education; to create out of the raw stuff that is hidden in the boy a finer, stronger, broader, nobler type of man.” ~Van Dyke

Build Your Schedule

Move Forward with Confidence



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THE NO FEAR TRANSCRIPTS CLASS

DANA WOOD



No Fear Transcript Class

1. What is a transcript?
2. Why do colleges need a transcript?
3. How do I create one?

English

Math

Science

Social Studies

Humanities

Health

Physical Education

Article from HSLDA.org – "Homeschoolers May Need Less Instructional Time Than Traditional Than Traditional School Students"

4. What about College entrance tests?

THE NO FEAR TRANSCRIPTS CLASS

DANA WOOD

5. What about Middle School?

6. What if my child has learning challenges? What are my options?

1.

2.

3.

4.

And Now.... the rest of the story.....

7. What else do I need to know before college?

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.



U.S. Constitution

ENGAGING AND EASY WAYS TO TEACH IT

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Incorporate teaching the U.S. Constitution to much of what you are already doing!



WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO TEACH THE U.S. CONSTITUTION?

The hope of preserving America's liberty is in the hands of our children.
To know how our Government works and how to defend our rights.

WHAT IS THE CONSTITUTION?

Supreme Law of the Land.
Established to secure rights of life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness.
The rulebook for how our government works.

IDEAS HOW TO TEACH THE U.S. CONSTITUTION



- **Pocket Constitution** for each family member
- **Patriotic Table-Area** for display of Constitutional material, crafts, etc.
- **Patriotic Notebook** for each family member (for notes, lessons, research, etc.)
- **Handwriting Practice** – notebook to copy entire Constitution as handwriting practice
- **Handwriting Practice** – notebook to copy entire Declaration of Independence
- **Keyboarding Practice** – use words from the Constitution and Bill of Rights
- **Patriotic Day** – Once a month (field trip, clothing, music, stories, etc.)
- **Memorize Preamble to the Constitution** – Plan family celebration when it's memorized
- **Liberty Library Day** – Pick patriotic books to read at library, then share what you read
- **Writing Prompts** – about the Constitution (google some or come up with your own)
- **Alphabetizing** – Signers of the Constitution or parts of the Constitution
- **Constitution Amendment or Article of the Week** – Memorize and discuss
- **Constitution A-Z Game** – Take turns finding words in Constitution in order A-Z
- **Bill of Rights in Order** – copy and laminate and practice putting in order
- **Preamble in Order** – copy and laminate and practice putting in order
- **Signers of the Constitution** – Research Facts
- **Constitution Share** – Everyone underline something in the Constitution and share
- **Amendment Dice** – Roll 2 dice & multiply them together. Read that Amendment
- **Patriotic Crafts and Art**
- **Attend Local Liberty Events**
- **Display Patriotic Décor**
- **Stories and Videos about Liberty, America and Founding Father**
- **Online Virtual Museums** about the Constitution and America
- **Online America's Founding Documents** – National Archives
- **Wear Patriotic Attire**
- **Play Patriotic Music** – playlists and sing patriotic songs
- **U.S. Constitution** in open area and read it regularly
- **U.S. Constitution App** – install and read often (instead of scrolling videos, etc.)
- **Create Culture of Patriotism** in your Home

RESOURCES – on slides with link

A CHARLOTTE MASON METHOD: CREATE A FAMILY CULTURE OF RESPECT, WONDER AND GROWTH

JAZEL THOMAS

I am not affiliated with any of these, however I have found all of these resources helpful in my homeschool journey

Study Charlotte Mason's Principles & Ideas



Charlotte Mason Series, Annotated. All her original books free to read online.



Charlotte Mason in Modern English. All her modernized books free to read online.



Brandy Vencel's Start Here: Dive into Charlotte Mason's 20 Principles.

Support to Create Your Lesson Plans & Build Your Curriculum



Ambleside Online
Free lessons plans, support and Q&A about Charlotte Mason methods.



The Mindful Heart
(The creators of these beautiful educational resources do not claim to follow Charlotte Mason but it matches well with her philosophies.)



Simply Charlotte Mason
Support, how-to videos and family friendly curriculum.

Encouragement and helpful Tools



After Thoughts.
Brandy Vencel's Blog and weekly emails.



Schle Sisters
Online community, podcasts, book clubs, challenges, etc.



Simply convivial by Mystie Winckler: Support & tips for running your household while homeschooling.

Places to order Classic and Hard-to-Find Books



Book Finder:
A site to search for any book, in any condition online.



Eborn Books
Local book store that has their inventory online



Living Books
Reprints and digital versions of beautiful old books.

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THURSDAY | ANNOUNCEMENTS

LUNCH OPTIONS

All restaurants are within 5 miles.
Some are located in the Valley Fair Mall.

Cafe Rio
Cupbop
DQ/ Orange Julius
Good Burger
Greek Kabob
Hot Dog on a Stick
Jamba Juice
Melly Way
Mrs. Cavanaugh's

Olive Garden
Osaka Japan
Pretzel Maker
Red Robin
Rumbi
Sushi Monster
Tornado Crepe & More
Zupas

Applebee's
Betos
Burger King
Carl's Jr.
In-N-Out
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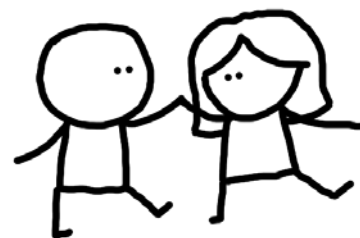
Visit: www.ldshc.org for more information.

This QR code is for Thursday's class surveys.
Please take a couple minutes to fill this out for each class
you attend. We take each comment into
consideration when planning future conferences.
Thank you!



Volunteers Needed!
Participate in next year's planning!
(Grilled Cheese Room - downstairs)
Thursday 5:10 - 5:25

Tonight's Family Activity
7pm - Family Dance & Parent Chat
(Chinese Gate Patio) (Lower Patio)



Thursday Schedule

ADULTS			
	Great Hall	201-202	204-205
7:30	Registration (Vendor Hall)		
8:30-9:00	Unwrapped Inspiration (Great Hall)		
9:00-9:50	John Bytheway Come Unto Christ (Great Hall)		
10:00-10:50	Tia Smith Patterns of Revelation	Stewart Parry Toolbox for Relationship Success	Emily Woodland Dreams, Visions, and Mottos
11:00-11:50	Paige Anderson Helping Your Children Fulfill Their Purpose: Guiding Them to Greatness	Tiffany Parry The Untapped Power of Stillness	MD House Intense Stewardship: Models from the Book of Mormon
11:50-1:15	Lunch and Visit our Vendors		
1:15-2:05	Holly Peterson Once Upon A Story: Unlocking the Magic of Books for Homeschool Educators ("Holly's Reading Corner" Vendor Workshop)	M.D. House The Joys of Following a Call to Create (Vendor Workshop)	Damia Shimmin The First 3 Steps to Helping Your Teen Further Their Education Debt-free (Without a Dime from You, Even if They Don't Want to Go to College) ("Harmony Living" Vendor Workshop)
2:15-3:05	James Perry When Life Gives You Lobsters, Make Bisque	Ali Eisenach and Rhonda Hair A Restoration of Education: Preparing Hearts and Minds for the Millennium	Joslyn Postma Think, Build! An Elementary Engineering Workshop
3:15-4:05	Christine Owens Make Your Own Commonplace Book Junk Journal HANDS ON WORKSHOP	Alison Johnsen and Joslyn Postma Building the Homeschool Mom's Ultimate Reading List	Jaylee Willis The Art of Playing Math
4:15-5:05	Ali Eisenach Divine Threads: Weaving Purpose & Mission into Your Daily Life	Jennah Martin & Jen Cloward Recharge!	Jenni Sheffield I'd Rather Laugh About It
5:10-5:25	Volunteer Meeting Grilled Cheese Room (downstairs)		
5:05-7:00	Dinner		
7:00-9:45	DISCO Family Dance (Chinese Gate Patio) & Parent Mentor Chat (Patio Steps)		

YOUTH			
	PB&J	Grilled Cheese	BLT
8:30-8:50	Donut Devotional (Patio Steps)		
9:00-9:50	Paige Anderson Footsteps to Greatness: Your Path to Purpose and Success	M.D. House Structuring Stories that Matter	Ali Eisenach Click, Create, Publish: A How-To Guide for Digital Success
10:00-11:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
11:05-11:50	John Bytheway The Main Thing		
11:50-1:10	LUNCH (Festival Grounds) 11:50-12:20 John Bytheway Meet-n-Greet 12:30-1:05 Lunchtime Activities: (A) Corn Hole (B) Human Foosball (C) Line Dancing		
1:15-2:00	Chantelle Holman Dance and Music Basics: Make Your Next Dance AmAZnG	Sam Martineau The Hardest Choice	Bryce Larson Verbal Judo: Becoming a Master of Communication
2:00-3:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
3:05-3:35	Bryce Larson Calm through Chaos: Jiu Jitsu for Everyday Life (on patio)	Kami Harris Fire It Up! Being the Master of Your Own Intrinsic Motivation	Stewart Parry Take the Fear out of First Aid
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THURSDAY | CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

9:00 - 9:50am

Come Unto Christ (Great Hall)

John Bytheway

The scriptures are full of invitations. One of the most repeated invitations is to Come Unto Christ. When Jesus appeared in the new world, they could physically just walk toward him. But how do we come to Jesus today? We'll explore what coming to Jesus means and how the direction we are facing in life is more important than the distance we have to travel.

10:00 - 10:50am

Patterns of Revelation (Great Hall)

Tia Smith

President Nelson has encouraged us to "Grow into the Principle of Revelation." To do this, we must first understand the patterns to understand the principle. What are the components to revelation and how do we implement them in our own lives? There is a formula of sorts that exists both in the scriptures and from the teachings of all prophets, past and present. When we understand what doctrines are involved and how to apply them, we will receive revelation upon revelation. As we consistently grow into the principle of revelation, we will fill up our own "small plates" with continuous, revelatory messages from heaven.

Toolbox for Relationship Success (201-202)

Stewart Parry

Relationships are tough. They take work. Hard work. And successful relationships start with you! If you've read many self-help books, you have probably discovered that they all have a common denominator. They are based on the same natural principles. These principles, when incorporated into your life, will create successful relationships. When you work on yourself, you show up for others in a new and powerful way, and you open up a pathway for positive communication. In this class, we will talk about some of these self-help books, discover the principles, and discuss how they can change your life and your relationships. Each book's approach is slightly different and offers a variety of tools and skills you can use to live the principles. You will leave this class with a list of books, principles, and tools that will inspire change and help move you toward relationship success.

Dreams, Visions, and Mottos (204-205)

Emily Woodland

Whether you are a beginning or seasoned homeschooler, knowing your purpose or vision is paramount to your success on this journey. Creating mottos, vision statements, and boards will help make your dreams a reality. They will be key to keeping you in the right direction. Come get inspired on how to individually make your foundation grounded and rekindle the light to your "why" for home education.

11:00 - 11:50am

Helping Your Children Fulfill Their Purpose: Guiding Them to Greatness (Great Hall)

Paige Anderson

As parents, we want to help our children discover their purpose and reach their fullest potential. This class will give you the tools and insights you need to guide your kids on their journey toward the greatness God has planned for them. You'll learn how to help your children find the right mentors who will inspire and support them, as well as how to encourage them in discovering what they were sent to earth to do. We'll also dive into how you can assist them in developing the skills to receive personal revelation, helping them make decisions that align with their true path. You'll leave with practical strategies to support your children as they take the steps toward fulfilling their unique purpose and growing into the amazing individuals they are meant to be.

The Untapped Power of Stillness (201-202)*Tiffany Parry*

Do you feel overwhelmed and rushed with the chaos and hyper speed of our society and life? Do you sometimes feel like the gospel falls short of the expectations you have for it in your life? Do you feel like a lot of things we are asked to do in the gospel add to your ever-growing and overwhelming to-do list? Do you struggle to “Hear Him”? Or do you just wish for a deeper connection? This class (based on my learning from the book *The Power of Stillness* by Hess, Skarda, Anderson, and Mansfield) is designed to awaken your mind to the power that lies in stillness. Christ’s teachings and examples model stillness, and the gospel has many built-in opportunities for mindful stillness—opportunities to pause, catch our breath, and drink in Christ’s living water. However, we often end up looking at these sacred practices as just more things to do. Infusing our spiritual practices with more mindfulness, stillness, space, and silence changes them profoundly—into what they were meant to be. Come learn how stillness can bring power, peace, and a stronger relationship with your Savior into your life!

Intense Stewardship: Models from the Book of Mormon (204-205)*MD House*

Real-life examples of people who exercised incredible faith and took full advantage of their talents and opportunities to serve Heavenly Father’s children abound in the Book of Mormon. We are ALL leaders in various aspects and spheres of responsibility, empowered by our covenants (including premortal covenants) to organize efforts, overcome obstacles, and marshal miracles.

1:15 - 2:05pm Vendor Workshops**Once Upon A Story: Unlocking the Magic of Books for Homeschool Educators (Great Hall)***Holly Peterson*

Are you ready to transform the way your students engage with reading and writing? Join Holly for an interactive and inspiring breakout session, *Once Upon A Story*, where we'll dive into the world of books and explore how to seamlessly integrate:

Reading & Writing – Learn creative strategies to enhance reading comprehension and writing skills through fun, story-driven activities that kids will love!

Creativity & Imagination – Spark your students’ imaginations by using books to inspire creativity and storytelling, turning every lesson into a memorable adventure.

Learning Across Subjects – Discover how books can be the gateway to teaching a variety of subjects, including history, science, and social skills, while making learning more meaningful and engaging.

Whether you’re a new homeschooler or an experienced educator looking for fresh ideas, this session will provide you with practical tools and book recommendations to ignite your students’ passion for learning! Don’t miss out on this opportunity to make reading and writing come to life in your homeschool classroom!

The Joys of Following a Call to Create (201-202)*MD House*

We are all creators, and budding Creators. We have many opportunities to create things that are useful for others, and following the Spirit in pursuing them brings tremendous satisfaction. My first career was Corporate Finance, and the things I “created” there were different than what I create now, but still important. I’m also a husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle, church volunteer, community volunteer, etc.

I recently accepted a role leading a non-profit organization on a volunteer basis (LDSPMA), and that has opened up new opportunities to share my creative and organizational talents.

What an enjoyable, valuable journey this life is!

The First 3 Steps to Helping Your Teen Further Their Education Debt-free (Without a Dime from You, Even if They Don't Want to Go to College) (204-205)

Damia Shimmin

What if your child's struggles weren't setbacks, but stepping stones to resilience and growth? In a culture obsessed with avoiding discomfort, many youth are paralyzed by anxiety and depression. Yet, challenges are not barriers—they're opportunities.

The concept of becoming 'Antifragile' teaches that adversity can strengthen us. As parents, we can guide our children to embrace challenges, develop resilience, and unlock their divine potential. By leaning on gospel principles and the atonement of Jesus Christ, we can help them transform trials into triumphs.

Join me as we explore how to empower your child to face life's struggles with confidence, faith, and purpose.

2:15 - 3:05pm

When Life Gives You Lobsters, Make Bisque (Great Hall)

James Perry

Life will always have challenges, and that's a good thing. The skill of humor will help you create joy from it: HARD + HUMOR = HAPPY

A Restoration of Education: Preparing Hearts and Minds for the Millennium (201-202)

Alie Eisenach and Rhonda Hair

Jesus Christ is coming, and as we prepare for His return, we have a powerful opportunity to reflect on what education might look like during the Millennium. What are the principles of education as the Lord intended?

In this class, we will explore the original vision of the prophets for education, what has been lost over time, and how we can restore Christ to the center of our personal and family learning. By aligning our education with eternal truths, we can prepare our hearts and minds for the glorious day when the Savior returns.

Come ready to see learning in a whole new light, embrace a Christ-centered vision for education, and be inspired to teach and learn in a way that truly prepares us for His coming!

Think, Build! An Elementary Engineering Workshop (204-205)

Joslyn Postma

Looking for engaging, hands-on ways to introduce your children to engineering? This workshop will prepare you with fun, simple activities that teach problem-solving and creativity using everyday materials. Learn how to encourage critical thinking through challenges that encourage kids to design, build, and experiment.

It is important to note that engineering is more enjoyable when it's hands-on. Be prepared for audience participation!

Make Your Own Commonplace Book Junk Journal (Great Hall)*Christine Owens*

Come let your hands get crafty at this hands-on workshop. We will be learning how to turn an old book into a Commonplace Junk Journal. Commonplace books have been used for centuries by leaders and philosophers like Mark Twain, C. S. Lewis, W. H. Auden, Virginia Woolf, Ronald Reagan, and Marcus Aurelius as a place to collect quotes and thoughts. So why not do it in a fun and creative way?!? This is a skill you can teach to your children. You will also learn some commonplace book techniques to make the most of your new creation. Supplies provided for those who signed up prior to the conference.

Building the Homeschool Mom's Ultimate Reading List (201-202)*Joslyn Postma & Alison Johnsen*

Gather round with fellow homeschool moms to collaborate and compile a curated list of great books for yourself and your children. This roundtable discussion will focus on sharing high-quality literature that inspires, educates, and enriches homeschooling families. We will exchange book recommendations across various genres and age groups and foster a supportive network of book-loving, homeschool moms. At the end of our hour together, attendees will leave with a shared reading list and hopefully a new friend or two.

The Art of Playing Math (204-205)*Jaylee Willis*

Five principles can transform your children's experience with math, making it easy and fun! In this seminar, I will share these principles with tips on how to implement them into your family culture.

Divine Threads: Weaving Purpose and Mission into Your Daily Life (Great Hall)*Ali Eisenach*

Transform the way you use your brain, and get relief from debilitating mental patterns. Discover ways to increase mental freedom and confidence—for yourself and your children. Learn how your brain works, what the main brain chemicals are that affect behavior but often get out of balance, and what you can do about it. Replace mental health struggles with massive life fulfillment, and teach your children to do the same! I look forward to sharing with you a few of the key techniques and proven strategies I have employed to increase neurowellness for myself and my family.

Recharge! (201-202)*Jennah Martin & Jen Cloward*

Recharge your health through easy-to-implement daily revitalizing habits! The small things are often forgotten in the shuffle of everyday life. As healers (aka - moms), it's important to be at the top of your game mentally, emotionally and physically. Explore six daily habits with us that are simple to incorporate, but will make a massive difference in your health. These are habits that you can easily teach your children to set them up for a life of health and wellness. As homeschooling parents, that's what you strive for, right? These simple habits are designed to bring you to optimal health and keep you at the top of your game.

I'd Rather Laugh About It (204-205)*Jenni Sheffield*

Homeschooling is a full-time pursuit. With little to no time for ourselves, burnout is a real possibility. Sometimes, we just want to put ourselves into time-out and cry our eyes out. I don't know about you, I'd rather laugh about it. Give yourself an hour of comic relief! Shake off the information overload by laughing about all we go through as moms, wives, and teachers.

7:00pm - Bring the whole family!

Parent Mentor Chat (Lower Patio)

Join other homeschooling parents each evening to talk about the classes of the day, struggles you are facing in your homeschool, or the great book you just read. This is the perfect place to find support and new friends!

DISCO Family Dance (Amphitheatre)

This year's family dance—with a DISCO FEVER theme—is going to be groooooovy! Held under the stunning Chinese Gate on the vast lawn, families will dance, laugh, and boogie the night away.



PATTERNS OF REVELATION

“Knowing how the Spirit speaks is essential today. To receive personal revelation, to find answers, and to receive protection and direction, we remember the pattern the Prophet Joseph Smith set for us...As we repeat this process, we will, in the words of the Prophet Joseph Smith, “grow into the principle of revelation.”

RUSSELL M. NELSON “GROW INTO THE PRINCIPLE OF REVELATION”, LIAHONA JAN. 2021

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“AND THE VOICE OF THE LORD CAME UNTO ME SAYING...”

PR=Personal Revelation: “Satan has marshaled his forces and is raging against the work of the Lord and those of us engaged in it. Because of the increasing dangers we face, our need for divine guidance has never been greater, and our efforts to hear the voice of Jesus Christ—our Mediator, Savior, and Redeemer—have never been more urgent. As I said shortly after I was called as President of the Church, the Lord is ready to reveal His mind to us. That is one of His greatest blessings to us.” (*Doctrine and Covenants 42:61*)

S=Scripture Study: “First, we immerse ourselves in the scriptures. Doing so opens our minds and hearts to the Savior’s teachings and truths.” (*Joseph Smith—History 1:12*)

P=Prayer: “Next, we pray. Prayer requires initiative, so we humble ourselves before God, find a quiet place where we can regularly go, and pour out our hearts to Him.” (*Enos 1:4*)

L= Listen: “Then we listen. If we will stay on our knees for a while after we finish our prayer, thoughts, feelings, and direction will come into our mind.” (*1 Nephi 17:7*)

R= Record: “Recording those impressions will help us remember what actions the Lord would have us take. As we repeat this process, we will, in the words of the Prophet Joseph Smith, “grow into the principle of revelation.” (*1 Nephi 19:1-3*)



DR=Daily Repentance: “If something is stopping us from opening the door to heavenly direction, we may need to repent. Repentance allows us to open the door so we can hear the voice of the Lord more frequently and clearly.” (*Ether 2:15*)


F=Fasting & FH=Family History: “When we couple increased purity and obedience with fasting, diligent seeking, study of the scriptures and the words of living prophets, and temple and family history work, the heavens will open. The Lord, in turn, will fulfill His promise: ‘I will impart unto you of my Spirit, which shall enlighten your mind.’” (*Alma 17:2–3*), (*Moses 1:1–2*)

HG=Holy Ghost: “Refining our ability to recognize the whisperings of the Holy Ghost and increasing our capacity to receive revelation requires worthiness. Worthiness does not require perfection, but it requires that we strive for increased purity. The Lord expects daily effort, daily improvement, daily repentance. Worthiness brings purity, and purity qualifies us for the Holy Ghost. As we take ‘the Holy Spirit for [our] guide’, we qualify for personal revelation.” (*Doctrine and Covenants 45:57*)

PATTERN OF COMING INTO HIS PRESENCE


1. **HEAR HIM: 2020-** “In this new year, I encourage you to take the necessary steps to hear the Lord better and more often so that you can receive the enlightenment He wants to give you...When we receive revelation, we spend time in the presence of God as He reveals His mind, will, and voice unto us.” *Liahona*, “**Grow into the Principle of Revelation**”
2. **PART THE VEIL IN INCREMENTS: 2021-** “And to each of you who has made temple covenants, I plead with you to seek—prayerfully and consistently—to understand temple covenants and ordinances. Spiritual doors will open. You will learn how to part the veil between heaven and earth, how to ask for God’s angels to attend you, and how better to receive direction from heaven. Your diligent efforts to do so will reinforce and strengthen your spiritual foundation.” *October GC*, “**Temple and Your Spiritual Foundation**”
3. **COME INTO HIS PRESENCE: 2025-** “When I speak of having confidence before God, I am referring to having confidence in approaching God *right now*! ...In the Lord’s own words, charity and virtue open the way to having confidence before God! Brothers and sisters, we can do this! Our confidence can truly wax strong in the presence of God, right now! ...Increased time in the temple will help us prepare for the Second Coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We do not know the day or the hour of His coming. But I do know that the Lord is prompting me to urge us to get ready for that “great and dreadful day.” *Apr. GC* “**Confidence in the Presence of God**”


HOW TO FIND A PERSON AFTER RECEIVING REVELATION FOR AN ANCESTOR

STEP 1: Go to the **FAMILY SEARCH APP** on your mobile phone or go to **WWW.FAMILYSEARCH.ORG** on your computer and log in.  FamilySearch

STEP 2: On your cell phone locate the **“More”** button on the bottom right hand of the screen. Then click on **“Find a Person”**. On the computer locate the **“Family Tree”** button on the top left of the screen and scroll down to the **“Find A Person”** button. **(NOTE: DO NOT CLICK ON THE “SEARCH” BUTTON FOR THIS APPLICATION!)**

STEP 3: On your cell phone and computer type the **FIRST AND LAST NAME** received through revelation into the proper boxes and click **“Find”** (cell phone) or **“Search”** (computer) button.

STEP 4: On your cell phone, click on each corresponding name offered then click on the **THREE BUTTONS** ... in the upper right-hand corner and click **“View My Relationship”** each time until you have found the right ancestor. On the computer click on the name and then click on the **icon** that has **two squares on each end of a squiggly line**  (view my relationship). Repeat this pattern until you find the right ancestor.

STEP 5: Once you have located the ancestor that you’re related to, click on the **“View Tree”** button and reserve the available ordinances from there. 

STEP 6: If you want to print the ordinances, on your cell phone, locate the **“Temple”** button located at the bottom of app, click on the desired name with ordinances and click on **“Take to the Temple”**. On the computer click on the **“Temple”** button at top of page and scroll to **“My Reservation List”**. Click on the desired name with ordinances and then click on **“Print”**.

STEP 7: GO TO THE NEAREST TEMPLE AND DO THE WORK FOR YOUR ANCESTOR!!!



What does the Book of Mormon teach us about

Intense Stewardship?

- Nephi was more than a U.S. Navy SEAL
- Mormon commanded tens of thousands of troops at age 15
- Alma the Younger took on the Nehors

What are some characteristics of an intense steward?

- Unwavering **faith** in the Lord Jesus Christ and his power to lift and redeem
- Deep **humility** in order to be taught and guided by the Spirit
- A propensity for **repentance**, on a constant (even daily) basis
- A yearning to feel the pure **love** of Christ, not just as a receiver but as a giver
- Iron **determination** to do good, every day, in every capacity available
- **Perseverance** born of trust in God and his plans
- A willingness—even eagerness—for realistic **accountability**, avoiding the urge to blame others or hide behind excuses
- A **celestial perspective**, so that mindset and activities may transcend mundane mortal necessities

Class taught by author M.D. House



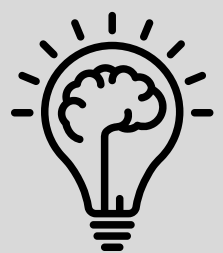
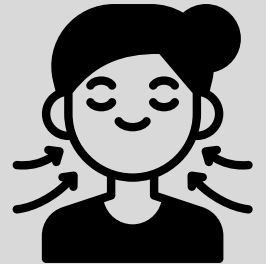
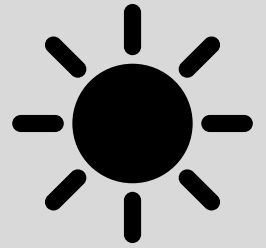
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Recharge!

with Jen Cloward & Jennah Martin
DIYHolisticSolutions.com

1. **Sunshine.** Better circulation and immune support come from the sun? Yes! Sunshine helps convert Vitamin D in our bodies, and heal our mitochondria. We need sunshine to hit our skin everyday! Summertime makes this easy. But in the winter, we need to find other ways of mimicking that sunlight in our lives. We can do that by finding sources of infrared light, like candles, campfires or saunas to keep us healthy all year long. Our bodies need light!
2. **Deep Breathing.** Did you just take a breath? Was it through your mouth or nose? We all tend to breathe shallowly and when we get stressed, it's even worse. Let's fix that! We can calm stressful situations and help our overall health by learning to breathe deeply through our noses. A few deep breaths in and out slowly through your nose first thing in the morning, anytime throughout the day, or right before drifting off to sleep, can make all the difference.
3. **Water.** Staying well hydrated is more important to our overall health than we realize! And good quality water is the basis. Our bodies are 66% water and our brains are 95% water. Starting each day with 16-32 oz of water with 1/2 a lemon squeezed in it 30 minutes before eating will help your liver finish its night time flush and help you start off your day well hydrated. Finish drinking water throughout the rest of the day, aiming for about a gallon total.
4. **Movement.** Exercise is invigorating! Even a short walk to the mailbox and back each day can start great habits of movement. Jen really enjoys slow, stretching yoga every day and Jennah plays on a women's soccer team. Find something you love and do it! If you feel like you just don't have time to fit movement into your day, try parking as far away from the store as you can, instead of as close as you can, and walk the distance or try taking the stairs instead of the elevator next time you have a flight or two of stairs to go up. Moving our bodies tones our muscles, helps us sleep better and flushes our lymph system, all of which lead to better overall health. It just feels good to be strong!
5. **Grounding or Earthing.** The earth's crust is negatively charged and those negative ions are great for our bodies. By standing with our bare feet in the grass we transfer ions from the earth bringing that healing negative charge into our bodies for a needed reset. In science speak, "Contact with the earth's natural electric charge stabilizes the physiology at the deepest levels, reduces inflammation, pain, and stress, improves blood flow, energy, and sleep, and generates greater well-being." (earthrunner.com) Go out and stand in the grass today.
6. **Mindset.** We can't forget about the health of our minds. When we're cold we adjust the thermostat, when we're unhappy we adjust our mindset. We have mindsets about everything...drivers on the road, women, men, political ideas, etc. Once we know our "health" mindset, we can move the thermostat. To do this, we have to start listening to what's going on in our heads and flipping those negative thoughts back to the positive.



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FRIDAY | ANNOUNCEMENTS

LUNCH OPTIONS

All restaurants are within 5 miles.
Some are located in the Valley Fair Mall.

Cafe Rio
Cupbop
DQ/ Orange Julius
Good Burger
Greek Kabob
Hot Dog on a Stick
Jamba Juice
Melly Way
Mrs. Cavanaugh's

Olive Garden
Osaka Japan
Pretzel Maker
Red Robin
Rumbi
Sushi Monster
Tornado Crepe & More
Zupas

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consideration when planning future conferences.
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**"In the heat of the moment, words can sting and sink painfully
deep into the soul — and stay there. Our words on the internet,
texting, social media or tweets, take on a life of their own. So be
careful what you say and how you say it."**

Patrick Kearon

Tonight's Family Activity
7pm - Graduation
(Great Hall)



Friday Schedule

ADULTS			
	Great Hall	201-202	204-205
7:30	Registration (Vendor Hall)		
8:30-9:00	Unwrapped Inspiration (Great Hall)		
9:00-9:50	Connor Boyack How to Help Our Children Survive Spiritual Battlefields (Great Hall)		
10:00-10:50	Glenn Kimber Relationships Are More Important Than Scholarship	Millie Hoggan Integrating Reflexes: Rewire Your Child's Brain!	Jason Mow The Battle-Proven Secrets to Inspiring Greatness and Raising a Warrior DADS TRACK
11:00-11:50	Merrilee Boyack Training Your Children to Be Independent	Bruce Hoggan Stepping into The Family Proclamation: A Real Man's Role DADS TRACK	Tina Bassett Creating Zion in Your Home
11:50-1:15	Lunch and Visit our Vendors		
1:15-2:05	Kiri Jorgensen Three Levels of Literature Study and Why Your Kids Need All of Them ("Chicken Scratch Books" Vendor Workshop)	Joey Mascio Villain to Mentor: Becoming the Person Your Teen Turns to Instead of Fights Against ("Sidekick to Hero" Vendor Workshop)	Camille Allred How to Help Your Struggling Student Succeed ("Leap Learning Literacy" Vendor Workshop)
2:15-3:05	Brandon Mull Motivating Reluctant Readers & Writers	Jazel Thomas Teach from Rest: Homeschooling Should Not Be a Hectic Race	Nephi Zufelt Dads, We Need You DADS TRACK
3:15-4:00		Tracy Ward Greek vs. Hebrew Views of Truth and Why It Matters	Boyd Tuttle Introduction to the UM (Universal Model): A New Millennial Science
4:05-4:15	Closing Announcements Great Hall		
4:15-5:15	Brandon Mull The Power of Coming Together to Accomplish Great and Heroic Things (Great Hall) with youth		
5:15-7:00	Dinner		
7:00	LDSHE Graduation (Great Hall)		

YOUTH			
	PB&J	Grilled Cheese	BLT
8:30-8:50	Donut Devotional (Patio Steps)		
9:00-9:50	Joey Mascio Self-Confidence: Being You is Better Than Being Someone Else	Nephi Zufelt Making Dreams Reality	Sam Bostwick The Power & Influence of Music: Your Choice
10:00-11:00	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
11:05-11:50	Connor Boyack They're Lying To You: Seeing Through Propaganda to Stand For Truth	Nephi Zufelt Intentional Living in the Age of Distraction	Tracy Ward Perspectives: Change Your Thoughts, Change Your Life
11:50-1:10	LUNCH (Festival Grounds) 11:50-12:20 Brandon Mull Meet-n-Greet 12:30-1:05 Lunchtime Activities (A) 9-square (B) Corn Hole (C) Line Dancing		
1:15-2:00	Brandon Mull Writing Workshop: Principles of Character Development	Jason Mow How to be a Modern-day Stripling Warrior	Breann Duffin Dating 101: Creating Friendships and Planning Awesome Experiences
2:00-2:40	Games & Snacks (Festival Grounds)		
2:45-3:15	Jason Mow Self-defense (on patio)	Mary Stoddard The One Thing People Fear Worse Than Death	Oba Bonner How to Rock Social Situations and Find Friends
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FRIDAY | CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

9:00 - 9:50am

How to Help Our Children Survive Spiritual Battlefields (Great Hall)

Connor Boyack

Learn about the ideological attacks on our children and why home education and intentional parenting is so critical to fortify our children's hearts and minds and guard their spirits against the enemy's attacks. Based on the book *Mind Wars* by Connor Boyack.

10:00 - 10:50am

Relationships Are More Important Than Scholarship (Great Hall)

Glenn Kimber

All parents want their children to learn. But knowing WHY we want them to learn is of paramount importance. Over the years, educational studies have shown that forced homework actually destroys the love of learning and does little to help students actually learn the subject. Parents who have struggled with their child to complete his or her homework know that it can also be divisive and harmful to the parent/child relationship. In this class, Dr. Kimber hopes to help everyone truly understand that relationship is always more important than scholarship.

Integrating Reflexes: Rewire Your Child's Brain! (201-202)

Millie Hoggan

Have you ever heard of primitive or postural reflexes? We are all born with them and they help in growth and development. They "disappear" or integrate when their purpose has been accomplished. But what happens if they stick around because they never accomplish their design? Or come back because of trauma and injury? Targeting specific areas of the brain through specific movements could help you and your child find hope and healing as you journey more towards a whole and complete brain. Come and learn about these reflexes and the exercises that can change you and your family's brains so you can have a more peaceful and fun homeschool!

Battle-Proven Secrets to Inspiring Greatness and Raising a Warrior (204-205)

Jason Mow

The prophet of God looked your children in the eyes, called them "God's heroes," and then told them that they are the Lord's youth battalions and have been chosen by God for the greatest of all tasks: to prepare this world for the Savior's return. The youth of today are the modern-day Stripling Warriors and we, as their parents, are responsible to train them, armor them, and prepare them for the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual battles to come... No pressure!!!

So, how do we do that? Where do we start? Listen as Mr. Jason, a former U.S. Army paratrooper, SWAT team leader, government contractor, and high school seminary teacher, shares proven insights and ideas on how to raise modern-day Stripling Warriors.

Training Your Children to be Independent (Great Hall)*Merilee Boyack*

Did you look at your new baby and think, “Now what do I do?” We’ll be discussing very practical ways to teach and train your children in life skills, finances, and more so that they can be independent adult. Prepare to come away with lots of tools and ideas jam-packed into one hour!

Stepping into The Family Proclamation: A Real Man’s Role (201-202)*Bruce Hoggan*

Breaking it down to break us down and understanding it better as we understand our real selves better. Do not expect a fluffy discussion. Laughter and tears are permitted. While intended for men ages 8 and up, the daughters of God are more than welcome, too. Our war is about to change. Which of the three armies will you be with?

Creating Zion in Your Home (204-205)*Tina Bassett*

Life is chaotic and relationships are messy, and yet, we are told to create Zion, a people “of one heart and one mind.” (Moses 7:18) What seems like a lofty, nearly impossible goal is actually a very practical work that begins with ourselves and in our homes. Come catch the vision of your Zion home and leave with a concrete action plan to transform your home into a unified sanctuary of peace, love, and joy.

1:15 - 2:05pm Vendor Workshops**Three Levels of Literature Study and Why Your Kids Need All of Them (Great Hall)***Kiri Jorgensen*

Great literature is a fabulous tool to teach with unlimited depth. Can modern children’s literature be great, and how can you utilize it to full advantage? In this workshop, publisher and teacher Kiri Jorgensen will show you how to find great literature your kids will engage with, and then she’ll introduce you to the 3 levels of literature instruction: Reading at Whim, Literature Explore, and Literature Analysis. Each level holds important keys to academic and personal growth, and your kids need all of them. Kiri will give practical advice for implementing each level into your homeschool plan, show you some tools to utilize, and get you excited about the possibilities of using great literature more in your homeschool.

Villain to Mentor: Becoming the Person Your Teen Turns to Instead of Fights Against (201-202)*Joey Mascio*

Before we became parents of teens, we imagined how it would be. We would be our child’s best friend and they would come to, confide in, and listen to us. But, in reality they often view us as the bad guy. We try to walk that line between friend and parent but it comes across as either fake or passive aggressive. We notice our communication with them weakening and our influence over their life fading. In this presentation, I will show how the skills I teach in Sidekick to Hero can help parents change into a mentor mindset that will allow you to ask the right questions, set firm boundaries, and increase connection with a child of any age so you stop feeling like the villain and become their trusted advisor.

How to Help Your Struggling Student Succeed (204-205)*Camille Allred*

- How to identify if your student is struggling
- Reasons students struggle
- How you can help your struggling student
- The Dyslexic Iceberg
- What is a growth-mindset?
- Evaluating literacy progress

Motivating Reluctant Readers & Writers (Great Hall)*Brandon Mull*

Brandon Mull has spent the last twenty years writing best-selling novels targeted for kids and families. Not only has he sought to instill a love of reading in his own kids, he has visited thousands of schools motivating kids to read for fun. Brandon will share the tactics he uses to help kids see reading as an exciting choice on the entertainment menu.

Teach from Rest: Homeschooling Should Not Be a Hectic Race (201-202)*Jazel Thomas*

If we believe God has called us to homeschool, then we should also believe He has a plan for us and our children. We can trust Him and expect His help. Christ has said, “Take my yoke upon you and I will give you rest.” This is an invitation to work and to rest, to serve and to be fulfilled, to put in effort and to receive abundance.

In this class, we will discuss thoughts from Sarah Mackenzie’s book, *Teaching from Rest: A Homeschooler’s Guide to Unshakable Peace*, as well as thoughts from modern prophets and apostles. We all struggle with stress and anxiety. However, let’s take a moment to reconsider how God’s work can be done from a heartfelt state of rest.

Dads, We Need You (204-205)*Nephi Zufelt*

The world has a “dad problem.” Study after study demonstrates the dire effects of fatherlessness on society. Crime rate, sexual immorality, success in school, drug use, lifetime earnings, and every other measure of success are drastically different between families that have a father in the home and those that do not. Dads, we need you in the lives of your children. We need you home more often. We need you engaged with your family. We need you to be spending quality time with them, and we need you to take the leadership role in homeschooling. In this class, we will talk about the importance of your role as a father and how you can arrange your life to better fulfill your dream job—being the World’s Best Dad.

Greek vs. Hebrew Views of Truth and Why it Matters (201-202)*Tracy Ward*

We are swimming in the waters of a Greek world we inherited from Plato, Socrates, and the great thinkers of the Western World. That perspective views truth as an idea, while the Hebrew perspective views truth as a person. “This is why many of the questions we ask—however simple and honest they may seem—simply do not have immediate answers. It is because our questions implicitly assume a Greek world, and we are dealing with a Hebrew faith. The idea view of truth (and its Greek assumptions) has made the Hebrew tradition and belief look like nonsense” (Thayne & Grant). Come and learn the differences between these two ways of thinking! In doing so, you will deepen your search for truth, embolden your faith, and increase the power of Jesus Christ in your life.

Introduction to the UM (Universal Model)—A New Millennial Science (204-205)*Boyd Tuttle*

This presentation offers an exciting introduction to The Universal Model – A New Millennial Science (UM), a revolutionary approach to science that challenges conventional theories with new, evidence-based discoveries. Unlike traditional textbooks that rely on outdated assumptions, UM presents observable, testable principles that redefine our understanding of geology, physics, chemistry, and biology.

Students and homeschooling parents will explore key UM concepts, including:

- The Hydroplanet Model – showing how water plays a fundamental role in planetary formation.
- The True Rock Cycle – revealing how rocks form rapidly under natural conditions, not millions of years.
- The nature of electricity, magnetism, and gravity from a fresh, empirical perspective.
- The importance of questioning scientific dogma and developing critical thinking skills.

Why is this important for homeschoolers? UM fosters curiosity, independent thinking, and real-world scientific inquiry, providing an alternative to mainstream science that aligns with observable reality and scripture. By engaging with UM, students develop confidence in scientific reasoning, preparing them for higher learning and a strong foundation of discovery-based education.

4:15 - 5:05pm

The Power of Coming Together to Accomplish Great and Heroic Things (Great Hall)*Brandon Mull*

#1 New York Times bestselling author Brandon Mull will explain what he has learned about teamwork and sharing his imagination over a twenty-year career as a professional novelist that includes nineteen New York Times bestselling novels.

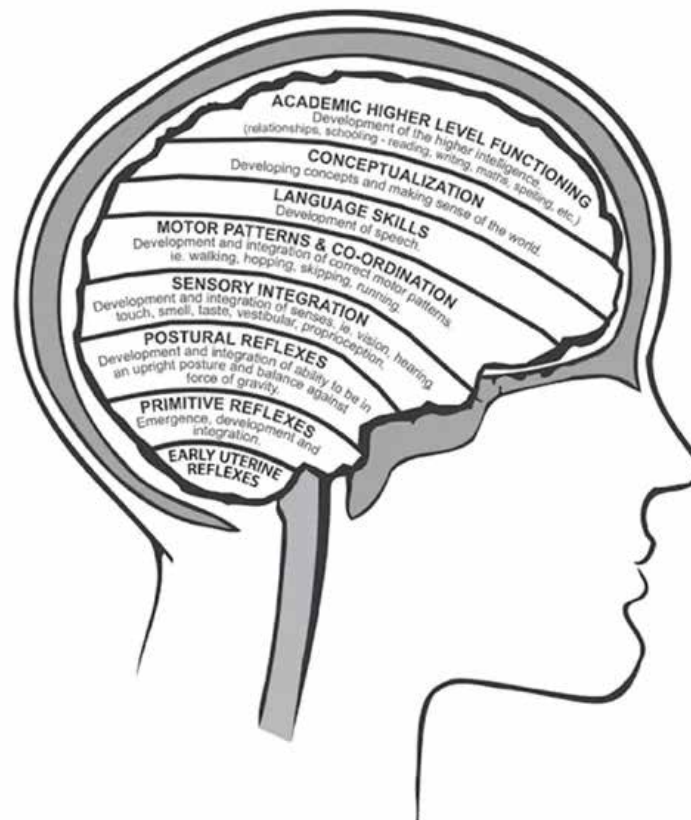
7:00pm - Graduation

INTEGRATING REFLEXES: REWIRE YOUR CHILD'S BRAIN | MILLIE HOGGAN



Every developmental stage is essential for critical learning and essential growth.

DEVELOPMENTAL HIERARCHY



Reflex development underpins all other development.

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Primitive Reflexes

Moro Reflex, Tonic Labyrinthine Reflex, Asymmetrical Tonic Neck Reflex, Symmetrical Tonic Neck Reflex, Palmar Grasp Reflex, Plantar and Babinski Reflex, and Galant Reflex

TRAINING YOUR CHILD TO BE INDEPENDENT

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"The Parenting Breakthrough"

TRAINING CHILDREN TO BE INDEPENDENT

1. Nurture vs. training – training our kids to be independent requires we keep our "nurturing" in check and focus on teaching and training them to do things independently.

a. "If you are so determined, you can indeed keep a child happy for eighteen years. In the process, you will surely destroy the child's self-esteem. Why? Because self-esteem is reflected in the child's belief that "I can do it myself!"
John Rosemond

b. By allowing kids to learn and do, you convey the opposites of each—
You are valuable!

One of the best sources of TRUE self-esteem will come from your child being able to competently perform adult, independent functions.

2. Develop a PLAN to train your children to be independent (My plan can be found in the book "Parenting Breakthrough".)

a. Training Tips

- i.** introduce child to task FAR in advance – can filter their reaction and can have them watch you do it
- ii.** training period - be specific and nonjudgemental – takes 8 presentations
- iii.** practice and check up (repeat over, and over, and over) – have it incorporated into chores for reinforcement
- iv.** mastery and incorporate into lifestyle – General Rule: If they can do it, don't do it for them

b. Implementation Tips

- i. Vary who does training
- ii. Tie passing off skills to privileges
- iii. Use rewards

"Self-sufficiency is the yardstick of self-esteem. The road to self-sufficiency is paved with frustration, disappointment, failure, falling flat on one's face, and other equally "unhappy" experiences. We cannot afford to deny children these things." John Rosemond

Let's be realistic, in the short-run this is harder and more work for Mom and Dad.

BUT IN THE LONG RUN, it is MUCH EASIER and far better for your child.

Never forget, our goal is to train our kids to be successful, independent adults! They are counting on us to do just that!

Stepping into The Family Proclamation: A Real Man's Role | BRUCE HOGGAN



Key Principle: Faith → Fight → Freedom → Faith...The "OTHER" Cycle

I. The Disease: Measuring Weakness Instead of Strength

- **Problem:** The world measures problems by weakness, not strength. **FACT:** you get what you focus on.
- **Solution:** Focus on growth physically, spiritually, intellectually, and socially in the eyes of God.
- **Challenge #1:** Identify one area where you focus too much on problems instead of building strength. Ask God how He wants you stronger in that area and move forward: _____

"The men who step forward... will lead the families of the Church into the eternities." ~Spencer W. Kimball

II. The Treatment Resource: The Family Proclamation

- The family is the fundamental unit of society, not the government.
- History shows government control can lead to weakness, suffering, and destruction.
- **Challenge #2:** Read the Family Proclamation and identify your divine role beyond "preside, provide, and protect."

"There is no success that can compensate for failure in the home." ~David O. McKay

III. The Treatment is in the Application of Righteousness

- **The Sword of the Spirit (Ephesians 6:17):** Used for offense & defense, it distinguishes truth from deception.
 - Do I train with my sword daily?
 - Am I teaching my children to wield their swords?
- **Challenge #3:** Find gems in your studies, then apply them for greatest growth.

"The time will come when no man nor woman will be able to endure on borrowed light." ~Heber C. Kimball

IV. Train or Die: How Are You Training Yourself, and Your Family?

- **"We do not rise to the level of our expectations. We fall to the level of our training." ~Archilochus**
- **Reflection:** What do you consume, reject, and provide physically, spiritually, socially, and intellectually?
- **Challenge #4:** Choose one area to consume better, reject better, and provide better.

V. The Power Process for Peak Performance

- **Steps to Strength & Leadership:** Plan Purposefully, Prepare Properly, Pursue Passionately, Perceive Potential, Push Past, Permit Providence, Present Professionally, Perform Powerfully, Promote People, Praise Persistently
- **Challenge #5:** Pick one step to study and implement next week.

"The Lord needs men who can think straight, act well in responsibility, and shoulder the burdens of leadership." ~Ezra Taft Benson

VI. Conclusion & Final Challenge - The 3 Armies:

- **God's Army:** Those who step up, grow, and fight for righteousness.
- **Satan's Army:** Those who actively fight against truth.
- **The Sideline Crowd:** Those who stay passive.
- **Final Commitment Challenge:** "Time and energy invested in education is useless if it does not lead you to betterment." ~Bruce Hoggan (Owner of STRIPLING LLC) Stand and declare one step you will take today to strengthen yourself and your family.

Live by the Family Proclamation. Fight for your family. Sharpen your sword.

CREATING ZION IN YOUR HOME

TINA BASSETT

“And the Lord called his people Zion, because they were of one heart and one mind.”—Moses 7:18



WHAT ZION MEANS TO ME



“Therefore, verily, thus saith the Lord, let Zion rejoice, for this is Zion—the pure in heart; therefore, let Zion rejoice...”

What do I think a “Zion home” looks and feels like?

WHAT’S GETTING IN THE WAY?

Sometimes our homes feel far from Zion. That’s okay—Zion is something we build, brick by brick, with the Savior’s help.



What brings disunity or disharmony right now?

What do I want to change or strengthen?

MY ZION BLUEPRINT




- Begin each day with a short family devotional
- Create a weekly family council where everyone feels heard
- Set a tone of kindness in how we speak to each other
- Choose a family motto, theme, or scripture to guide us
- Make repentance and forgiveness regular, not rare
- Establish a joyful routine that brings peace (not perfection)
- Invite the Spirit with music, order, and intentional worship

What is one thing I feel prompted to begin this week? _____

What principle or practice do I want to build over time? _____

Who can I include in this work with me? _____

We don't wait for Zion—we create it. 

THREE LEVELS OF LITERATURE STUDY

KIRI JORGENSEN
Chicken Scratch Books



Three Levels of Literature Instruction and Why Your Kids Need All of Them

As parents and teachers, we should seek out strong literature for our kids, then use it to full advantage as a tool for academic and personal growth. The keys are quality, ownership, and utilizing all 3 levels of instruction.



First Level: Reading At Whim

- Reading at Whim is *not* a distraction from academics. It exercises their skills.
- Reading at Whim validates agency and gives them ownership of their experience.
- Reading at Whim builds trust in themselves as readers.
- **Reading at Whim is like snacking on literature.**

Second Level: Literature Exploration

- Literature Exploration maintains ownership of the experience.
- Literature Exploration utilizes a Book Club type model, with open-ended questioning and discussion of the story elements.
- Literature Exploration tracks the character arc of change to build empathy.
- **Literature Exploration is like a literature meal.**



Third Level: Literature Analysis



- Literature Analysis is the most academic, language arts based study.
- Literature Analysis utilizes guided close reading, so readers look for clues as they are reading each chapter.
- Literature Analysis has a focus on language skills development in areas of vocabulary, story elements, tracking change, making inferences, comprehension, and writing.
- Literature Analysis produces more careful, discerning readers.
- **Literature Analysis is like a literature feast.**

Kids need all 3 levels of study in a balanced-use experience across multiple books.

- Reading at Whim builds trust.
- Literature Exploration builds empathy.
- Literature Analysis builds knowledge.

At **Chicken Scratch Books**, we provide all 3 levels of literature study for middle grade readers.

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TEACH FROM REST: HOMESCHOOLING SHOULD NOT BE A HECTIC RACE | JAZEL THOMAS

GREEK VS. HEBREW VIEWS OF TRUTH AND WHY IT MATTERS | TRACY WARD



Greek Views of Truth

Hebrew Views of Truth

Epiphanies

Changes I Will Make



UM INTRODUCTION

The Universal Model – A New Millennial Science

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Volume 1: The Earth System

Overview: Volume 1 (8 chapters) critiques modern geology, proposing a water-based "hydroplanet" Earth model over magma-centric theories, tied to a flood event and new weather insights.

1. The Scientific Revolution - Critiques outdated science, introduces UM as fact-based, revolutionary framework.

2. Answers from Questions - Emphasizes questioning over theory, sets UM's inquiry-driven approach.

3. A New Scientific Method - Proposes evidence-first method, rejecting speculative science.

4. The Scientific Dark Age - Calls current science dogmatic, predicts UM-led breakthrough.

5. The Magma Pseudotheory - Disputes molten Earth interior, favors water-based structure.

6. The Hydroplanet Model - Details Earth as ice/water core, explains seismic and drilling data.

7. The Universal Flood Model - Links flood to cosmic event, crust shift, and water surge.

8. The Weather Model - Connects weather to hydroplanet, reinterprets atmospheric phenomena.



Volume 2: The Living System

Overview: Volume 2 (5 chapters) challenges biology and history, advocating a young Earth, rapid fossilization, and non-evolutionary origins for life and humanity.

1. The Age of the Earth - Rejects radiometric dating, argues for a younger Earth via new evidence.

2. The Fossil Model - Claims fossils form in days, not millions of years, per experiments.

3. The Evolution Pseudotheory - Denies evolution, offers "Laws of Life" for diversity.

4. The World History Model - Replaces "Out of Africa" with flood-based human origin story.

5. The Human Model - Rejects human evolution, defines unique human origin.

In "The Universal Flood Model," Dean W. Sessions proposes that a celestial event slowed Earth's rotation, destabilizing the crust and triggering a global flood. He suggests this shift forced subterranean water (from the hydroplanet model) to flood the surface, explaining sedimentary layers and fossils as rapid flood effects, not gradual processes. Challenging mainstream geology, Sessions aligns this cataclysm with historical accounts, offering a controversial, unified Earth history within the UM framework.

Combined Summary: The *Universal Model* spans two volumes, aiming to overhaul science with observable evidence over theory. Volume 1 (The Earth System) reimagines Earth as a water-dominated planet, rejecting magma models, and ties geology to a global flood and weather patterns. Volume 2 (The Living System) disputes Earth's age, evolution, and human origins, proposing rapid fossilization and a distinct historical narrative. Together, they challenge mainstream paradigms across geology, biology, and anthropology, rooted in Sessions' alternative interpretations.

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VENDOR HALL

Bingo

Want a chance to win a free admission to next year's LDSHE West Conference? Visit the vendor hall and have them sign your bingo card! 20 vendor signatures will earn 1 entry. 40 vendor signatures will earn a 2nd entry. Signatures from ALL vendors and receive a 3rd entry! Earn one more entry for filling out the end of Conference Survey. Show evidence of the online survey and your Bingo card at the Info Desk to receive your entries!!!

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DISCOVERY TOYS	SIDEKICK TO HERO	HISTORICAL CONQUEST	CHICKEN SCRATCH BOOKS	LEADERSHIP EDUCATION MENTORING		AT HOME LITERACY
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1. How did this conference help you and/or your family, specifically?

2. What can be improved to help you and your family have a better experience?

3. What did you like about the Vendor Marketplace? What can be improved?

4. Do you own a business that might be a good fit for the LDSHE Vendor Marketplace next year? If so, please give us your email address, and we will be in contact.

5. Any additional comments? We love to hear from you!

Would you consider volunteering on our team next year?

6. Did you know that LDSHE is an all-volunteer organization? Are you interested in volunteering with LDSHE? If you have time to give (no matter how small the amount may be!), we have a place you can serve! You can edit classes for the Audio Library; help plan the conference; be a room monitor, photographer, or videographer at next year's conference; input data to our website; write articles for the newsletter; manage our Facebook page; contact businesses for our Marketplace... We'll train you-- no experience necessary! If you're interested in giving back, please give us your name, phone number, and email address. Thanks!

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

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Even if you don't complete your Marketplace Passport, we really want to hear from you! Please return your completed survey to the LDSHE Info Desk.

Volunteer Page

Latter-day Saint Home Educators is an all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Our volunteers are active home educators themselves, striving to provide support, information, and resources that will assist other Latter-day Saint families in their homeschools. Whether you can help all year, just at the conference or only over the summer, there is place for you! We need you! Thank you for considering paying back! Below are just some of the ways to give back.

MARKETING COORDINATOR

- Attend F2F and planning meetings
- Run advertising campaigns via social media
- Design and order signage, and printed materials for the conference
- Lead email campaigns
- Collaborate with the LDSHE Marketing Team

SPEAKER COORDINATOR

- Attend F2F and planning meetings
- Invite speakers and gather bios, session info, and paperwork
- Handle communication with speakers, including agreements
- Coordinate speaker check-in at the conference
- Work with the web designer and guidebook editor on speaker content

VENDOR COORDINATOR

- Attend F2F and planning meetings
- Recruit potential vendors for the conference
- Maintain communication with vendors and collect all necessary information
- Design and organize the vendor map for the conference layout
- Keep vendor records up to date.
- Support vendors during the conference and assist with any on-site needs

AV COORDINATOR

- Attend F2F and planning meetings
- Coordinate AV needs of speakers
- Gather AV Equipment Needed
- Set up AV Equipment
- Supervise AV Volunteers

VENUE COORDINATOR

- Attend F2F and planning meetings
- Research and identify potential venues
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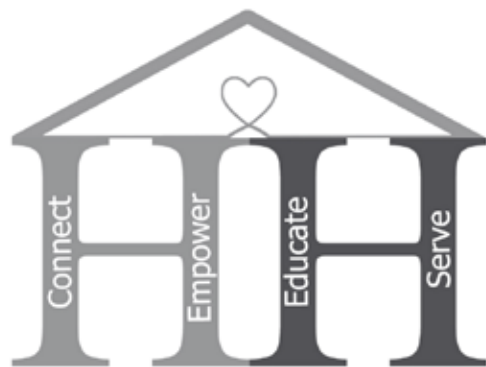


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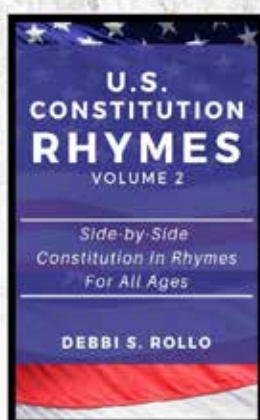
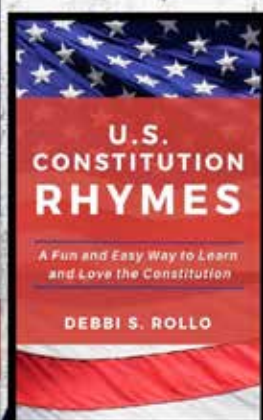
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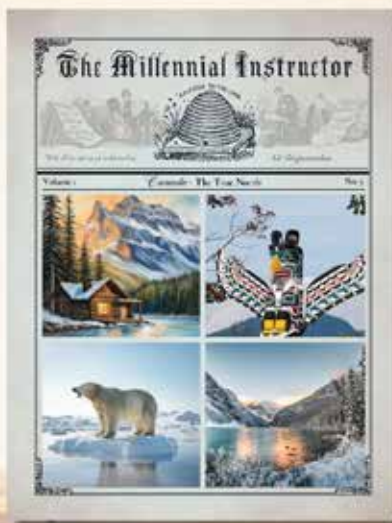
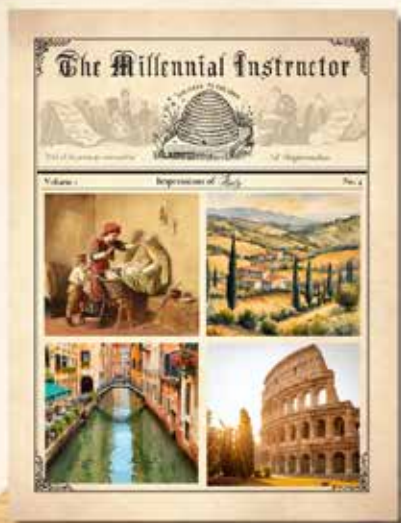


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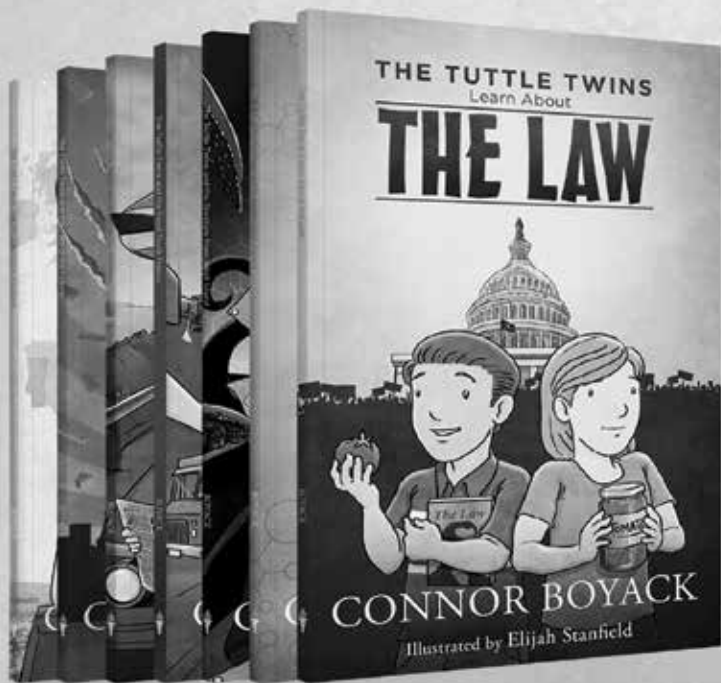
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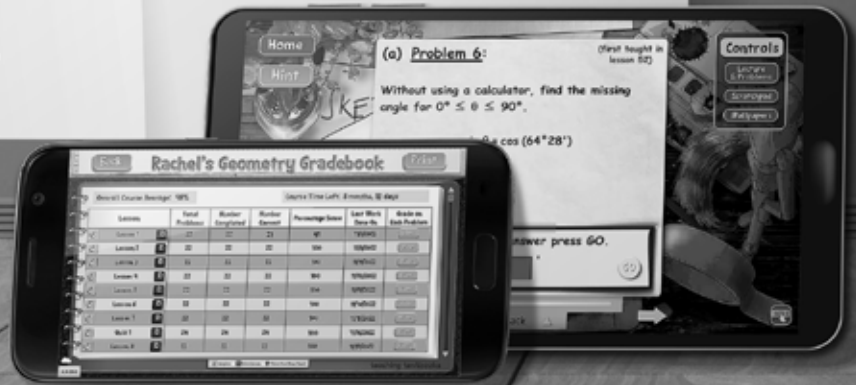
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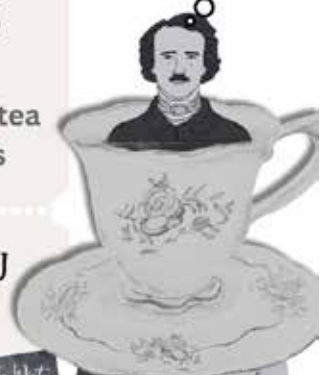
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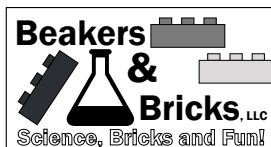
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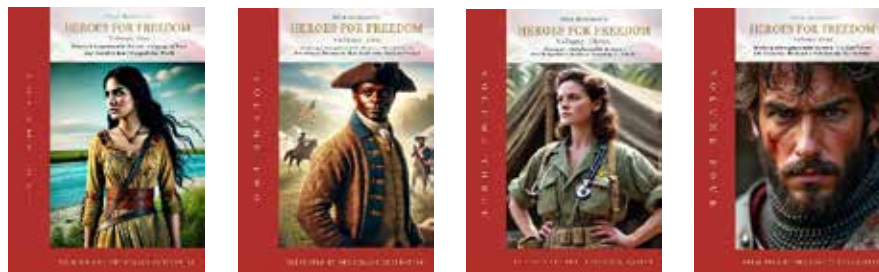
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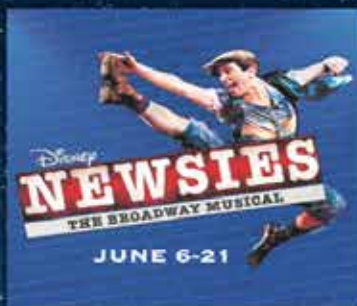
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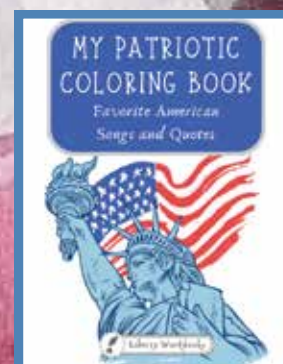
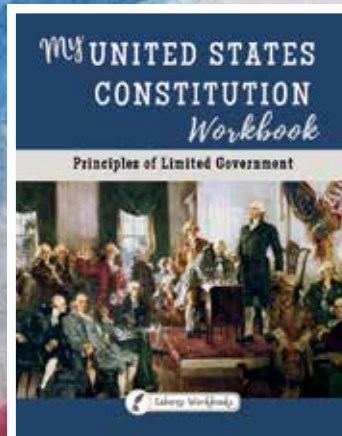
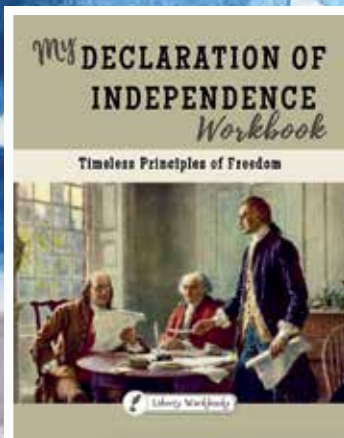
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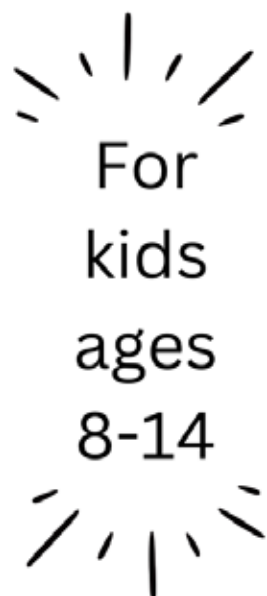
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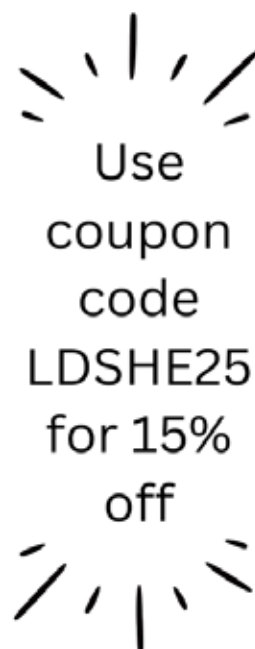
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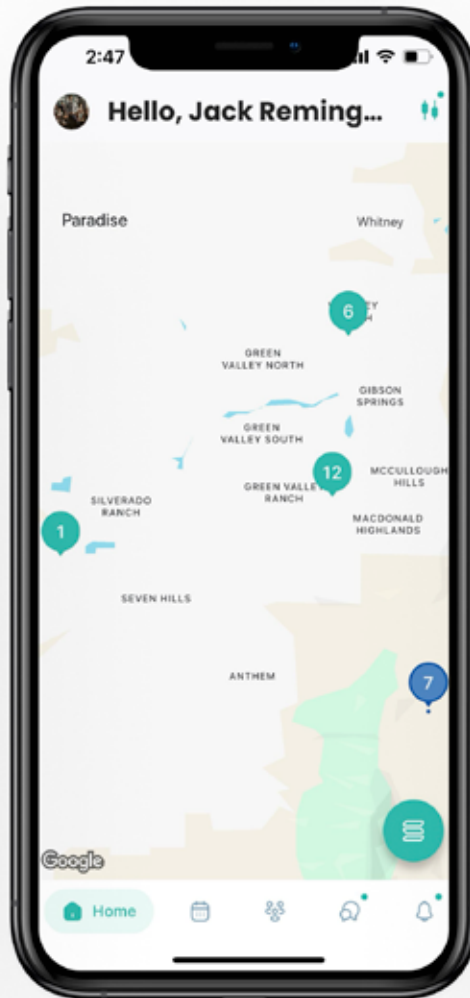
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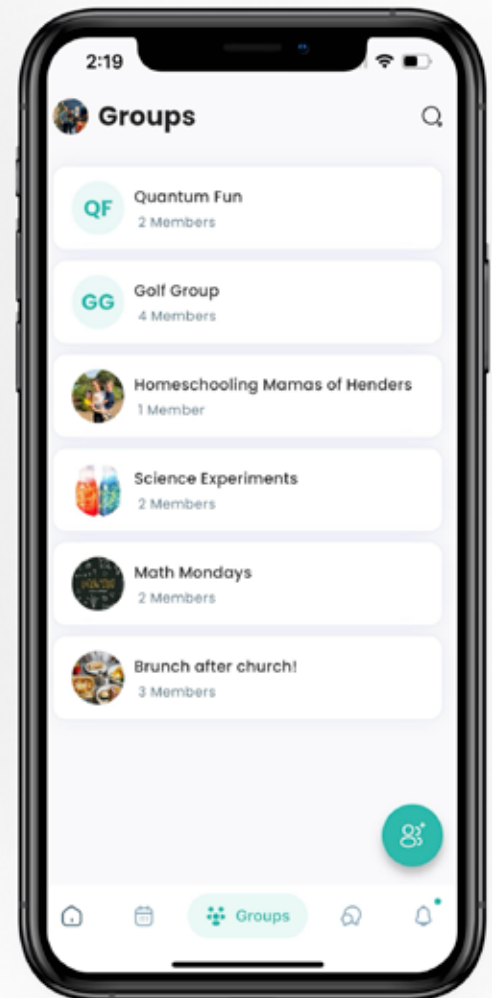
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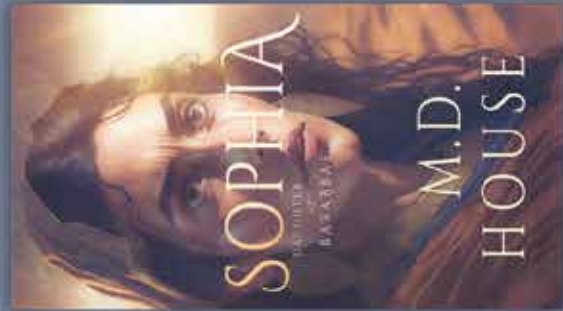
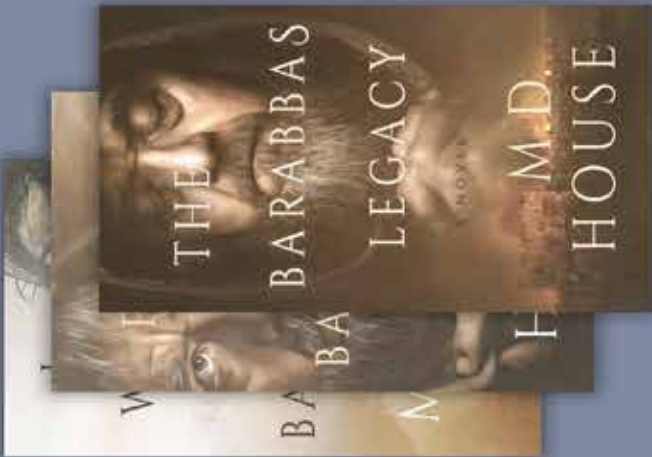


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