

January 2012 Newsletter



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Hello Everyone,

Final Reminder !Calvary Semester Reports due date February 1st !!!

Semester reports are located on the "forms" page at www.calvary-school.org . If you are unable to print these forms from the Calvary website please call or send me an email requesting your copies. I will gladly send you your copies. Please do not fax your semester reports this time. Our fax machine is out of service right now.

Please check out "Calvary Kids" at www.calvary-school.org .Calvary's 2006 pictures of this years activities are up. Enjoy!! If for any reason you do not receive a monthly newsletter, please contact Carla Floyd at Calvary School as soon as possible. I will have it corrected shortly. As always the newsletters will be posted on Calvary's website www.calvary-school.org .

Please feel free to check out the web links that are listed on Calvary's website. There are many fun and educational sites for parents and students. If anyone has any websites that they would like to share. Please email them to carlafloyd@calvary-school.org . I will review them and post them. They do need to be educationally based or informational to homeschooling parents. The more fun the better!!!

January Birthday's

Austin Collins	1-3
Katelyn Underwood	1-6
James Barden	1-7
Margie Barden	1-7
Madeline Joiner	1-10
Eric Pruitt	1-10
Immanuel Allen	1-11
Emily Ody	1-11
Macy Phillips	1-11
Audrey Schroeder	1-13
Ava Wynn	1-13
Hannah Williams	1-15
Bronson Lusher	1-19
Katelyn Hedden	1-20
Morgan Collier	1-22
Elijah Harrison	1-23
Walter Snider	1-24
Heather Keaton	1-27
Halle Norman	1-31

Community Information

George Washington Carver Day

Tuskegee

Jan 7

Join the National Park Service and Tuskegee University Archives as they commemorate the legacy of the famous scientist and educator - George Washington Carver. www.nps.gov/tuin

Red Rose Run

Homewood

Jan 7

Lace up your big old floppy clown....oh, running shoes, put on your red nose, and meet us at Soho Square for the 8th Annual Red Nose Run, which benefits the Ronald McDonald House. Kids will enjoy the one-mile fun run with real Ringling Brothers clowns and Ronald McDonald on hand, while others can run or walk the 5k or run 10 mile courses. All proceeds of the event benefit the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Alabama. This race has a fantastic goodie bag: \$10 coupon for Ringling Brothers Circus tickets, Clown nose, Long Sleeve Race T-Shirt and more. redsnoserun-bham.com

Tour D'Italia Cooking Classes

Auburn

Jan 11

Takes place the first Wednesday of every month. Led by Chef de Cuisine Miguel Figueroa, the classes will highlight traditional Italian foods from different regions of the country. Attendees will get hands-on experience working with the Ariccia chefs and will learn how to prepare a variety of delicious Italian dishes. Revelers will receive a take-away basket containing fresh pasta, basil pesto (made with basil from the Ariccia herb garden), Ariccia's traditional tomato sauce, a small block of cheese from the featured region, and a signature Ariccia apron. Classes are \$100 per person and attendees will be able to sample their creations, which will be paired with select wines. To reserve a cooking class, please call Hayley Grimes at (334) 321-3179. Reservations are required because space is limited to 14 people. www.auariccia.com

Nature Observation and Journaling Hike

Jan 14

Fort Payne

Little River Canyon Field School
Join Renee Morrison for a relaxing creative hike. Learn to observe the tiny treasures of nature and to record them in a nature journal. Fee: \$5 per person (bring your own journal) or \$15 per person (journal provided) www.jsu.edu/epic

Reflect and Rejoice Concert
Birmingham
Jan 15

Reflect and Rejoice: A Community Tribute to MLK. Nearly 50 years after Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech, he continues to influence and inspire across the boundaries of ethnicity, class, and generation. The composers featured in this special program each add a distinctive voice to the continuing dialogue about the meaning of difference. The program features the world premiere of Adolphus Hailstork's "Dream, Child. Hope" which was inspired by poetry written by three Birmingham school children. Michael Morgan, Conductor Daniel Bernard Roumain, Violin Student Choir Members from Alabama School of Fine Arts (Laura Doss, Director), George Washington Carver High School (Bobby Stringer, Director) and Huffman High School (Chipper Janes, Director) UAB's Alys Stephens Center / Jemison Concert Hall Sunday, January 16, 2011 3 p.m. Hailstork - An American Fanfare Abels - Dance for Martin's Dream Roumain - Voodoo Violin Concerto Still - From the Black Belt Roumain - Tuscaloosa Meditation Hailstork - Dream, Child. Hope. (World Premiere) www.bcri.org

Eagle Awareness at Lake Guntersville State Park
Guntersville
Jan 13-15

Join us on Friday night for our Apple Cider Social and then on Saturday we will have guided tours and programs. At 1:00 p.m on Saturday we will have Becky Collier with Alabama 4H. At 7:00 p.m. we will have Mark Jackson, Superintendent at Lakepoint State Park. www.visitlakeguntersville.com

Celebration Honoring Robert E Lee
Oneonta
Jan 16

Oneonta Courthouse--Celebration honoring the birthday of Robert E. Lee including flag raising, guest speakers, and 21 musket salute on the courthouse lawn in Oneonta. Public invited. Sponsored by St. Clair Camp

308, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Ashville Chapter 1488, United Daughters of the Confederacy and The John W. Inzer Museum, Inc. Pell City Courthouse (9 a.m.) and Ashville (10 a.m.) Event will terminate at the Blount County Courthouse (11 a.m.)

Mid-day Musical Menu
Birmingham
Jan 20

A Free, 30 minute concert of music by Charles M Kennedy. Cathedral Church of the Advent adventbirmingham.org/

A Day in the Life of a Confederate War Soldier
Dauphin Island
Jan 21

Fort Gaines
www.dauphinisland.org
Hosted by the Independant Rifles, soldiers will drill and shoot their weapons. A blacksmith will demonstrate his craft in the fort's original Blacksmith Shop.

Dance Across Birmingham
Birmingham
Jan 21

What is Dance Across Birmingham?
Dance Across Birmingham is a day of FREE community classes for anyone to experience the art of dance in styles ranging from hip-hop, ballroom, praise dance, African dance, Latin dance, swing dance, dance fitness, and tap!
Never danced before? No problem! Our classes are designed for beginners of ALL AGES. Come out for a day of fun and bring the whole family. Special creative movement classes for pre-schoolers will be available.
Browse the exhibits at the Alabama Dance Exchange in the BJCC Theatre lobby to find information on the many dance resources available in our area. Expanded and improved, the Dance Exchange will include exhibits by dance companies, dance studios, artists, arts organizations, vendors, and much more!
Lunch will be available from BJCC concessions. Eat in the BJCC Theatre while watching the FREE Birmingham Dance Showcase and discover for yourself what the Birmingham dance community has to offer!

www.alabamadancecouncil.org

Sougahoagdee Falls Hike

Grayson

Jan 21

www.freshairfamily.org

The winter is the best time to hike: no bugs, no snakes and the cold feels great within minutes of walking. The Sougahoagdee Falls Hike is in the Bankhead National Forest. Life does exist in the woods in the dead of winter. This naturalist-led hike will allow us an opportunity to become acquainted with winter flora. This is an easy-to-moderate hike along the banks of Brushy Creek that leads us to a stunning waterfall at the head of a box canyon. Free event. For more information or to register, email events@freshairfamily.org

Bulls and Barrels

Oneonta

Jan 20-21

Blount County-Oneonta Agri-Business Center

See professional cowboys and cowgirls from across the country compete for nightly prize money. Watch as only the toughest cowboys pit their strength and agility against the meanest, bucking rough-stock found anywhere. Thrill to the action of lovely cowgirls racing at break-neck speeds on some of the fastest and truest athletes in the sport of barrel racing. Children's events both nights. www.bcoabc.com

Field School Growing Up Wild Winter Bingo

Fort Payne

Jan 27

Little River Canyon Field School

Join Renee Morrison and volunteers every fourth Friday of the month for fun nature and art programs for preschool age children. This program is based on the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Project Wild: Growin' Up Wild Curriculum. No Fee: Some programs may have limited space, so pre-registration is encouraged. www.jsu.edu/epic

Field School Family Fun Program Winter Observations

Fort Payne

Jan 28

Little River Canyon Field School

Join Renee Morrison and volunteers every fourth Saturday of the month for fun nature programs including hikes, crafts, games, nature talks, activities, and more. No fee: some programs may have limited space, so pre-registration is encouraged. www.jsu.edu/epic

Pike Piddlers Storytelling Festival

Troy

Jan 28

334-735-3125 or 334-670-6302 (tickets). www.piddle.org We Piddle Around Theater, Brundidge and Trojan Center Theater, Troy--The Brundidge Historical Society brings four of the top master storytellers in the country to Pike County. This year's tellers are Donald Davis, Bil Lepp, Susie Whaples, and more. The festival begins on Friday night with supper and stories at the We Piddle Around Theater and continues with three concerts at the Trojan Center Theater at Troy University on Saturday. All concerts open with traditional music played by some of the bands in the area. Jan. 27, 6:30 & Jan. 28, 10 a.m., 2 & 6:30 p.m.

Let It Snow!!

Gadsden

Jan 1-31

Gadsden Let it Snow! 256-543-2787 ext.

23. www.culturalarts.org Admission charged. Imagination Place Children's Museum--The weather outside may be frightful but little visitors can enjoy all things snow inside at Imagination Place. Learn the science of snow and the secret life of a snowflake. Special crafts and stories. There may even be snow inside the museum Visit the website for more details.

Helen Keller Exhibit

Jan 26-Feb 26

Birmingham

Birmingham Civil Rights Institute

Students from the Helen Keller School of the Blind will present their annual art show.

Winter Wednesdays

Mobile

Jan 4-Feb 29

Bellingrath Gardens and Home

www.bellingrath.org

Join us on Wednesdays in January and February for special programs. Topics include gardening, history and the collections in the beautiful Bellingrath Museum Home.

Growing Up Wild Wednesdays

Tuscaloosa
Jan 25-Apr 25
Alabama Museum of Natural History
www.amnh.ua.edu

Preschool children and their caregivers are invited to the Museum on the last Wednesday of every month from January through April to explore nature through books, outdoor activities, crafts, and song. Together we will discover the secrets of butterflies, bugs, dinosaurs and more! Free with admission to museum.

Megalodon: The Largest Shark that Ever Lived

Mobile

Jan 28-May 6

Gulf Coast Exploreum Science Center

Coming to the Gulf Coast Exploreum Science Center in January, 2012, is Megalodon: The Largest Shark that Ever Lived. This exciting exhibit both educates visitors about the impressive Megalodon, which became extinct 2 million years ago, and brings to light the importance of shark conservation today. Megalodon features a 60-foot-long walk-through sculpture of the massive shark and highlights the evolution, biology and misconceptions regarding these prehistoric creatures. www.exploreum.com

Alabama Nature Center Public Weekends

Millbrook

Alabama Nature Center

Jan 21 - May 20

Jan. 21-22, Feb. 18-19, Mar. 17-18; Apr. 21-22, May 19-20, (call for other dates). 800-822-9453. www.alabamawildlife.org. Alabama Nature Center-- Enjoy hiking five miles of scenic ANC trails while learning about the fascinating natural history of central Alabama. From distinguishing between a white oak and a red oak to observing the natural processes of a seasonal pond, you get more than just a walk in the woods when you pause to study the interpretive signs along the trails. You can even add to the outdoor experience with a tasty picnic under or around the ANC pavilion.

Fieldtrips and Activities

Fri. Jan. 13, 12:00-2:30, Ice Skating at Point Mallard, 2901 Point Mallard Drive, Decatur, Alabama, 12:00-2:30pm Come enjoy a fun afternoon of ice skating and friends. Cost: \$7/person includes: admission, skate rental, and lunch.

Fri. Jan. 20, 9:00am Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge, Highway 67 (Exit off I-65 South), Decatur, AL 35603. Learn about and see the many migrating and local birds that take refuge here. Meet the resident Red Tail Hawk who was injured and cared for by the staff. Free.

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