

October 2011 Newsletter



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Carla's Desk

Hello Everyone,

Wow, what a great turn out for the Calvary Back to School Picnic!! I would like to personally thank each and every family that attended. The kids really had a great time and made some new friends. I hope all of Calvary's events will have such a great turn out.

I have an announcement to make. My Mother will be going in for a triple bypass the 27th of Sept. I will be in and out of touch for the next 2 months. Please be patient with me. I will have all of Calvary's calls forwarded to my cell phone and I will try to check my email as regularly as possible.

We (my family, Doctor's and my Mother) have been working since July to get her healthy enough to under go the surgery. If any of you smoke.... STOP IT!!!! It isn't worth the health problems that it causes.

I have put Real estate on the back burner for now. I will get it back in full swing when home life has slowed down. Please keep us in your prayers.

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 calvaryschool_carla.floyd@yahoo.com. I will review them and post them. They do need to be educationally based or informational to homeschooling parents. The more fun the better!!!

October Birthday's

Reagan Watson	10-1
Brent McMillan	10-3
Holly Kincaid	10-4
Adella Herron	10-7
Justin Forsythe	10-8
Kaitlyn Epps	10-10
Leila Elliott	10-15
Christian Nguyen	10-16
Justin Bean	10-24
Camryn Coffey	10-24
John Wright	10-24
Sean Mitchell	10-25
Austin Smith	10-26
Zachary Swader	10-26
Evan Forsythe	10-28
Bonnie Thomas	10-29
Sofie Walker	10-31

Community Information

Historic Five Points Walking Tour

Huntsville

Five Points

Oct 1

10am

256-551-2230. www.huntsville.org. Free. Five Points District--Huntsville's locally designated historic district encompasses architecture from the late 1890s through the 20th century. Guides share unique and interesting stories about these quaint Victorian homes and bungalows.

Kick'n Chick'n Wing Fest

Homewood

29th Ave and SOHO Square

Oct 1

11:30am-4:30pm

Magic Moments, Alabama's oldest wish granting organization, announces its 3rd annual Kick'n Chick'n Wing Fest to be held Saturday, October 1, 2011 from 11:30 to 4:30 p.m. The Kick'n Chick'n Wing Fest is an outdoor cook-off celebrating Birmingham's favorite football food while supporting one of Alabama's oldest non-profits. Bring your lawn chairs and an empty stomach to enjoy a day of music, family fun, good food and football!

Aside from the wing competition, guests will also enjoy a family friendly Auburn/Alabama-themed tailgate complete with games shown throughout the event site. Come eat the best chicken wings in town, hang out with good friends, and watch some football at the Magic Moments Junior Board's 3rd Kick'n Chick'n Wing Fest! Visit www.bhamwingfest.com to learn more about the

Kick'n Chick'n Wing Fest, and visit www.magicmoments.org to learn more about Magic Moments.

Syrup Sopping Day @Loachapoka

Oct 1

6am - 4pm

Every October since 1972 the Loachapoka Ruritan Club, Ladies Improvement Club, and Lee County Historical Society have organized a syrup sopping and historical fair. For the exact date see our website: www.syrupsopping.org. Traditionally since the town's earliest days, Loachapoka farmers have made fine tasting syrup from sorghum and ribbon cane. The syrup sopping mills are located in the middle of town. On Syrup Sopping Day the mules are turning the mills and rides are given to youngster while the cane is pressed and the syrup is being made. Eager guests arrive at sun up to get their homemade biscuits and hot syrup. Some estimated 20,000 travelers gather to enjoy a day of down home fun and festivities.

"To Kill A Mockingbird"

Pell City

Sep 30-Oct 2

Friday-Saturday September 30 - October 1, 2011 7-9pm Sunday October 2, 2011 2pm Matinee

"To Kill a Mockingbird" is about a small town in south Alabama in the 1930's, seen through the eyes of a tomboy called Scout. The novel follows Scout, her brother Jem and friend Dill as they try to make sense of the adult world, a world that turns from carefree to ominous when Scout's father is asked to defend a black man falsely accused of raping a white woman. The novel is set in the Depression, a time of deep racial discrimination. Kathy McCoy was also the Director of the annual production held in Monroeville

of "To Kill a Mockingbird" for 16 years, during which she toured the play nationally and internationally.

Cullman Oktoberfest 2011

Cullman

Oct 1-8

Week full of planned activities. Authentic German food, costumes, and music. Free admission to most activities. Dog show, arts and crafts, wagon rides, kids fun area, food vendors, a visit from the colonel, and much more. <http://www.cullmanoktoberfest.com>

Moundville Native American Festival

Moundville

Archaeological Park

Oct 3-6

205-371-8732. www.moundville.ua.edu. Moundville

Archaeological Park--Celebrate the Southeastern Indian heritage of prehistoric Native Americans who lived and thrived on the grounds of Moundville. Enjoy arts and crafts, children's area, knapper's corner, living history camp, and a stage featuring music, storytelling and dancers. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Monroe County Kiwanis Fair

Pioneer Days

Troy

Oct 7-8

9am - 5pm

Horse and wagon rides, trips on the Pioneer Express, Native American camps with demonstrations of candlemaking, spinning, weaving, quilting, blacksmithing, drum, dance, etc. Friday is School Day.

Tennessee Valley Old Time Fiddlers Convention

Athens

Athens State University

Oct 7-8

Fri, 7pm until, Sat, 8:30am until

Known as the granddaddy of midsouth fiddler gatherings, this convention attracts thousands of music enthusiasts to the campus of Athens State University the first weekend in October each year. Competition categories include harmonica, mandolin, bluegrass banjo, dobro, dulcimer, buck dancing and more.

Backyard Birds

Guntersville

Oct 8

1pm

www.visitlakeguntersville.com

Come learn about some of the birds around your home and how you can help them during the upcoming winter months. Meet at the Lodge for the presentation with a nature hike to follow.

Colonial Isle Dauphine, 18th Annual

Dauphin Island

Oct 8

9am - 5pm

www.dauphinisland.org

A living history day exploring life on the Coast before the Fort was built. Re-enactors in pre-1840 dress bring the Fort to life. Soldiers will do drilling and fire the cannon. Visit with settlers and their families. Women are cooking over an open hearth, traders are sitting by their blankets. Our resident blacksmith will demonstrate his craft in the Fort's original blacksmith shop.

Oktoberfest

Alexander City

Charles Bailey Sportsplex

Oct 8

A community favorite, the 31st annual Oktoberfest day-long celebration with vendors from all across the southeast, featuring local arts and crafts, great food, entertainment, Kid-Fest children's activities, sports programs, antique car show and much more. A Native American Artifact show is our newest showcase at Oktoberfest. Admission is Free.

Willy Wonka Jr

Birmingham

Red Mountain Theatre Company Cabaret Theatre

Oct 10-13

Thursday - Saturday, 7:30pm and Saturday-Sunday 2pm

www.redmountaintheatre.org

Roald Dahl's timeless story of the world famous candy man and his quest to find an heir comes to life in this stage adaptation of Charlie and The Chocolate Factory, and features the songs from the classic family film Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. The memorable score features "The Candy Man," "Pure Imagination," "Oompa Loompa" and "I Want it Now" by Academy and Grammy award winners Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley.

Alabama Tale Tellin' Festival

Selma

Oct 14-15

5:30pm Swappin' Ground, 7pm Tale Tellin'

www.artsrevive.com

33 years ago Kathryn Tucker Windham began the Alabama Tale Tellin' Festival here in Selma, Al and though she will not be with us in body this year, you can be sure she will be here in spirit. The performers this year are Anndrena Belcher, Wanda Johnson and The Dill Pickers. A special tribute will be given each evening

to "Miss Kathryn". The location this year will be the Carneal ArtsRevive Building, a newly renovated auto service building on the banks of the Alabama River. Don't miss this family event.

Alabama Scenic River Trail Guntersville Paddle

Guntersville State Park, Tennessee River

Oct 15

All Day

www.alabamascenicrivertrail.com/events

Lake Guntersville State Park. Paddle the big waters and backwaters of the Tennessee River's Lake Guntersville while camped at this north Alabama jewel of a state park.

Cemetery Stroll

Huntsville

Oct 16

256-533-5723. Maple Hill Cemetery--Sixty costumes interpreters tell the story of the people buried in the cemetery.

Heritage Festival

Huntsville

Oct 16

10am-4pm

www.burrittonthemountain.com

Enjoy the sights and smells of fall at Burritt on the Mountain for Heritage Festival, a celebration of the heritage of the region.

Civil War Voices

Decatur

Oct 18

7:30pm

www.princesstheatre.org

Written by James R. Harris With Traditional Music from the period Arranged by Mark Hayes True stories, real words, the music and voices that shaped America The play tells passionate true stories of people who lived through the greatest conflict in our nation's history as told in their own words and woven with traditional music of the period. One such character was the playwright's great-great uncle Joe Harris, a cotton planter from Alabama and reluctant soldier, whose diary inspired the play. Pre-Show Talk on stage at 7PM

Storytelling' Campfire Talk: Ghosts on the Mountain

Fort Payne

DeSoto state Park Large CCC Pavilion

Oct 21

5-6pm

<http://epic.jsu.edu>

Spooky stories guaranteed to put shivers up your spine. Learn about Alabama's finest spooks, legends and folklore from JSU Field Schools' Renee Morrison and Jenny Walker Whitman. Dress warmly.

Cinderella

Birmingham

Oct 22

10am - 12pm

www.bct123.org

Imagine living with two bossy stepsisters and a grouchy stepmother who makes you do all the housework...Yuck! Cinderella has it tough, but she does the work without complaint and with a smile on her face. In this timeless story, Cinderella's kindness, hard work, and selflessness help her overcome the obstacles she faces. Children will giggle and shout as they help the Prince find the perfect foot for the magical glass slipper!

General Admission pricing: Adult, \$10; Child, \$8. To purchase tickets please visit our website.

Creatures of the Night at the Alabama Wildlife Center

Pelham

Oct 22

1-5pm

www.awrc.org

An educational event featuring night-active creatures, guest speakers and children's activities.

Fall Color Nature Hike

Guntersville

Oct 22

1pm

Take a hike among the beautiful fall foliage of Lake Guntersville State Park. The ridges and banks of the Guntersville Reservoir are a patchwork of color painted by Mother Nature. The park naturalist will lead you through the myriad of colors on a guided hike with the trail location to be named later. Meet in the lobby of the Lodge.

Wiregrass Heritage Festival

Dothan

Oct 22

10am-4pm

www.landmarkpark.com

Learn how peanuts were harvested in the Wiregrass a half-century ago. Enjoy the sights, sounds and smells of cane grinding, syrup making, butter churning, basket weaving, soap making and other traditional farm activities. Plus, food, music and antique tractors and farm equipment.

Campfire Talk: Canyon Constellations

Fort Payne

DeSoto State Park Campfire Circle

Oct 28

6pm

<http://epic.jsu.edu>

Learn more about the winter night sky with JSU astronomer Dr. Laura Weinkauff. Dependent upon weather conditions.

28th Annual Renaissance Festival

Dauphin Island

51 Bienville Blvd

Oct 28-29

9am-5pm

www.dauphinisland.org

See Knights in armor as they storm the "Castle", view melee's and sieges, watch the Lords and Ladies, and visit a Medieval merchant. Watch the resident Blacksmith demonstrate his craft in the Fort's Original Blacksmith Shop. A very colorful event. Hosted by the Society of Creative Anachronism.

Spooktacular Science

Huntsville

Sci-Quest

Oct 28-29

28th 6-9pm, 29th 3-6pm

www.sci-quest.org

This two-evening, Halloween Party introduces children of all ages to the fun of science. Filled with games, hands-on activities, exploding pumpkins and curious concoctions created by the Sci-Quest educators, Spooktacular Science is fun for the whole family. A costume contest is held for the children.

Oak Hill Cemetery History Tour

Birmingham

Oct 29

12 noon - 6pm

Oak Hill Cemetery is Birmingham's first city cemetery and was founded in 1871. Come meet some of the famous and infamous founders of The Magic City, who "reside" there. You can meet James Sloss, Lou Wooster and Gen. William Rucker to just name a few! This is a family-friendly event.

Old Time Farm Day

Greenville

Sandcutt Road

Oct 29

<http://oldtimefarmdays.com/index.html>

Step back in time and visit a blacksmith as he works, see how cane syrup was made, witness horse and mule plowing, and much more. Not only can you see agricultural history in action, but you can actually participate in activities from corn shelling to cotton picking.

Pioneer Day

Grove Hill

Oct 29

9am-2pm

www.clarkemuseum.com

Living history event featuring costumed re-enactors, demonstrations, and more. Alston-Cobb House and Mathews Log Cabin open for tours. Live music, 1800's children's games, crafts and activities, homemade baked goods, and outdoor campfire cooking. Hands-on activities include rope making, candle making, clothes washing, corn husk doll making, and more.

Pumpkin Patch Express

Silverhill

Sep 24-Oct 30

1-9pm Sat and Sundays

www.waleswest.com

This trip is total fun in the fall for kids of all ages! Our totally decorated steam powered day train (Pumpkin Patch Express) leaves the station for a 1 mile fun ride to the Pumpkin Patch at the Haunted Barn and return. This trip is very popular with school & mother's day out groups so book early to get the time & date you want. Our steam powered night train (Ghoul Ville Express) travels through a totally decorated landscape where everything is illuminated and monsters come out to greet the train as it passes through Ghoul Ville and return. This train is very popular with the general public & groups & organizations that can not come out for day trips. Both trains stop at the haunted barn where the children will find the haunted maze. Beyond the maze is the pumpkin patch filled with pumpkins for them to choose from. Once the children have selected their pumpkins it's off to the craft tables to decorate them before re-boarding the train. Once back at the main station everyone receives snacks and a Halloween sucker. Open to groups and walk-ins on weekdays from 10:00AM till noon, weekends from 1:00PM till 9:00PM. The last two weeks of the event are also open daily from 5:00PM till 9:00PM.

Pumpkin Patch Express Calera

Calera

Oct 1-30

Sat and Sun 10am-3pm

www.hodrrm.org

The entire family will enjoy an autumn ride aboard the Pumpkin Patch Express. Join in the fun as we visit the pumpkin patch for a hayride, jumpstation, coloring, fun tattoos, and good ol' fashioned

boiled peanuts! Pick your favorite pumpkin from the patch for an additional charge. Tickets and info at www.HODRRM.org

Haunted Hayride and Truck or Treat

Guntersville

Oct 30

5-9pm

Bring the kids out for a haunted hayride and truck or treat. Meet at the beach area located near the main campground. www.visitlakeguntersville.com

Fall Scarecrow Trail

Huntsville

Sep 1 - Oct 31

9am-5pm

www.hsvbg.org

playground to enjoy. We'll take a hay ride out to the pick our very own pumpkins. You can arrive early and picnic at the farm or just meet us for the tour. (Please note this is a different location than in past years.) Cost: \$6 per person.

Friday Oct. 28, 8:45am. Waste-to-Energy Facility. Near the end of Triana Blvd. SW (about 3 miles south of Bob Wallace). Wake up bright and early and join us as we learn about the 3 R's (reduce, reuse, recycle), our community's waste handling practices, and tour the waste-to-energy facility. Come see if you can find the Cheerios box you threw away - among the 2,000 tons of garbage and what happens to it at the waste-to-energy facility. It is quite and amazing process. Free!

Field Trips & Activities

Monday Oct. 3 Domino's Pizza 8:30am. 644 Jeff Rd. Huntsville, AL. Learn how your pizza is made from the time you call in to the time it arrives to your door. Then put on your aprons and make your own pizza! Anyone who wants can then take their pizzas and meet up at Kid's Kingdom at Dublin Park (8324 Madison Pike, Madison, AL) to eat and play. Cost: \$3 per pizza.

Friday Oct. 14 Lyon's Family Farm 1:00pm. 130 Bellview Rd. Taft, TN 38488. It's pumpkin time! At Lyon's Family Farm we'll get to meet the farmer, learn how a pumpkin grows from seed to pumpkin, see all sorts of farm animals including a dairy cow, horses, sheep, pigs, goats and more. There is also a corn maze and large

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