



He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers. - Ps. 1:3

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The Home Front

February 2008

Mark Your Calendar:

Friday Arts & Fun February 1, 8, 15, and 29 Grace Church

Information Table: Feel free to bring giveaway items to place at the Information Table. However, we request that you dispose of them at the end of the day. Thank you.

Please check out our Information Table each week as there is new information being added weekly. You will find sign-up sheets for HFE activities, community events flyers, freebies, and more. You may include information at the table, if you have something to share with the group. However, we ask that you simply check with a Leadership Team member before doing so.

Lost and Found: Also, don't forget to check the Lost and Found box located in front of the Registration Table. Items are added each week at clean-up, so if you've lost something, check it out. Chances are you will find it there.

For more information on Friday Classes contact Deb McPherson, **845-7601**.

Support Group Meeting Tuesday, February 19 The Lion and The Lamb 7:00 - 9:00 PM

February's open forum is a topic that affects each and every family. That topic is Effective Discipline. Whether you have something to share that has worked in your family or you have questions about discipline and training, we all can benefit from this time. So bring a friend, a good book you'd like to recommend, and/or your questions/suggestions. Grab a hot latte' at the coffee shop and join us as we explore this endless topic.

Are you struggling in this area and feel timid about sharing your struggles? If so, I'd like you to know we ALL struggle at times with raising our children. If you feel you should have it all together and don't, you are not alone. As a matter of fact as you open up and share you will hear similar stories from others who have either been there before or are currently dealing with the same issues. That is why we have support group meetings—to support each other. We promise not to put you on the spot or embarrass you. This is a comfortable venue to express what is going on in your life. Come and give us a try. You might find the lifeline you've been looking for.

For more information please contact Audrey Britt, **846-3767**.

February Field Trip Friday, February 22, 2008 10:30 AM—1 Hour Sunrise Forge FREE

See an artist in Action! David Tucciarone is a local blacksmith and he makes beautiful things using fire, water and iron. Mr. Tucciarone will demonstrate how to make a nail, a hook, and a leaf and then take questions. This trip should take about an hour and if we have more than 30 people - adults, children and babes - sign up then we will have to split the group and have two tours and the time will change, although still in the morning hours. Sunrise Forge is located on 29 South just before the intersection of Rtes 29 and 24. Please sign up at Friday classes or give Angela Weaver a call or email to sign up. Feel free to call Angela if you have any questions. Protective eye wear will be provided.

For more information please contact Angela Weaver, **847-0544**

March Field Trip
Friday, March 21, 2008
9:00 AM—Noon
Point of Honor Museum
Cost: \$2 per child, \$5 per adult.
Children under 4 are free

Point of Honor consists of a house and grounds. The grounds were first used by the Monacan Indians. The property was bought by John Lynch in 1740 from the Monacan Indians after they had suffered great losses to their tribes. Dr. George Cabell purchased the land in 1805 and by Dr. George Cabell was well known as a surgeon and was good friends with Patric Henry. We will have a tour of the house and grounds and learn a few things about colonial life. We will learn some colonial games and have a tutorial on spinning and weaving yarn. The children - and parents too! - will get to try their hands at spinning and weaving! There is a workbook included in the cost of the tour. If the weather is nice, bring your picnics and lunch on the grounds!

For more information please contact Angela Weaver, 847-0544.

Evening of the Arts
Coming Your Way on May 3, 2008
**Look for Details in the March News-
letter!**

Curriculum Fair/Used Book Sale
Saturday, May 31
**Look for Details in the March News-
letter!**



As many of you know, Grace Church lets us use their facility cost-free. I would like to offer my services to raise funds to show our love and support to Grace. I am a homeschool mom of 9 years. My children are Tyler, Trevor, Kaitie and Kaylie. I also teach skin care for Mary Kay and I would like to offer complimentary makeovers to homeschooling moms (or grandmoms!). If there are items you would like to purchase a portion will be donated to Grace. There is nothing more fun than getting to get pampered and play with makeup with some girlfriends! This is also a great opportunity to do mother-daughter makeovers and we will be taking before and after photos! (we promise not to post them!)

Home Front has been gracious and has offered that we could do this on Fridays, while your kids are already occupied! Each "class" takes 30-45 minutes and includes pampering, skin care and make-up. It can be easily scheduled around Friday classes. Our Homeschool Mom Makeovers will take place on February 15th, 29th and March 7th. Our goal is to give makeovers to 100 homeschool moms or supporters by March 7th and each name will be entered into a drawing for \$100.00 of free Mary Kay product!

You are welcome to email me (kingsgirl75@marykay.com) or call me at 845-6518 to set up an appointment time or for any questions. I am very flexible and I am so excited about how we can bless Grace and have fun getting to know one another!

A graphic with a dark blue background. On the left, the text "TOTAL LUNAR ECLIPSE" is written in yellow, bold, capital letters. In the center, there is a stylized illustration of a black circle (the Earth) and a yellow crescent moon. On the right, the text "COMING FEBRUARY 20" is written in yellow, bold, capital letters. Below the illustration, the text "Check out this website for more info:" is written in white. At the bottom, the URL "http://sunearth.gsfc.nasa.gov/eclipse/" is written in white.

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Writing Contest Opportunities

Generation Joshua Essay Contest - Deadline is March 1

Entries must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2008 (mailing your entry is strongly preferred), or e-mailed no later than March 1, 2008, at 11:59 p.m. EST. Participants may enter up to three (3) essays; however, only one essay can win a prize. Entries should be no longer than 500 words. Participants must be a Generation Joshua member between the ages of 11 and 19 by the date of entry. Grand-prize winner receives a \$100 gift card to Amazon.com; Honorable Mentions (4) each receive a \$25 gift card to Amazon.com.

The essay subject this year is "Highlighting Courageous Youth in American History." The essay must be about a young person or group of young people under the age of 25 who had godly character and made a positive difference in culture, politics, history, religion, or some other area of American society. See the website for complete details.

www.generationjoshua.org/dnn/Default.aspx?tabid=306

Creative Writing Contest - Deadline is March 15

Entries must be postmarked by March 15, 2008. Contest is open to high school juniors and seniors. Three prizes of \$250 each will be awarded both in fiction and in poetry. Students may send a single entry in each genre (one poem and/or one short story or novel chapter).

The Howard Nemerov Creative Writing Awards is sponsored by Washington University in St. Louis. This competition will be judged by faculty in the Writing Program at Washington University, including fiction writers and poets.

For further details or inquiries, see the website, or contact David Schuman at 314-935-7130.

<http://artsci.wustl.edu/~english/writingprogram/nemerovaward.php>

Exhibit: African-American History in Virginia - Richmond

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Virginia Historical Society

428 North Boulevard

Richmond, VA

Through July 27, 2008, Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (Museum galleries and shop are open; library is closed on Sunday). Cost: \$5/adults; \$4/seniors (\$2 on Tuesdays for museum galleries only); \$3/students. Free to children under 18 and to members; free to all on Sundays.

Joint ticket with Virginia House: \$6/adults; \$5/seniors; \$4/students. Free to children under 18.

This exhibition tells stories about people and events related to African-American historical sites listed in the Department of Historic Resource's A Guidebook to Virginia's Historical Markers (2007). Photographs and objects will illustrate more than twenty stories from across the Commonwealth. The exhibit, which opened during Black History Month, hopes to encourage visitors to travel to the physical sites of the historical markers, such as Farmville, Brunswick County, Albemarle, Dutch Gap, and Norfolk.

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