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Family Fun

Prairie Party 2007



In less than a month we will be gathering for the Annual MGCHSA Prairie Party. Mark your calendars for 6:30 pm on Friday, November 16, 2007 at the Hephzibah Children's Home, 6601 Zebulon Road in Macon. The MGCHSA Chorus, A Joyful Sound, is preparing melodies to share with us. Come ready to join in the Virginia Reel presented by the Kilpatrick Family. As a special treat, they will also do a square dance demonstration. There will be a prize drawing for those dressed in 1800's costumes. Be sure to enter the drawing! Plan to bring two of your family's favorite prairie-style dishes and one 2-liter drink. There is a \$5 charge per family to cover expenses.

Once again we will accept donations in loving memory of Ashley Angel Abigail (BooBoo) Scheiman. Jim and Evelyn Scheiman have requested that donations be made to Egleston Children's Hospital in Atlanta to purchase a rocking chair for the AFLAC Cancer and Blood Disorder floor where Ashley spent 65 days.

Marcia Robbins would love to hear from volunteers willing to help as well as to receive suggestions for making this year's Prairie Party the best ever!

Please call 478.475.0820 or email marcia.robbins@forestcastle.net.

November Meeting

Attention Graduates 2008



The third planning meeting for Graduation will be held on November 12th at 7:00 at Emmanuel Church. All seniors need to attend as several decisions will be made that you will want to be a part of. If you have any questions, call Alexa Hunt at 994-0028 or 361-6678 or e-mail to lexileighand6@aol.com.

From the Editor's Desk

A Cry from the Heart

I woke the children up at daybreak. "This may be the only chance we get to enjoy the beach...lets go for a walk." Amazingly enough, they rolled out of bed and out the door in record time. It was so gray that the ocean, beach and sky looked like one. But even that couldn't daunt their enthusiasm. Hunter grabbed a shovel; Sarah grabbed a wagon; Rachel grabbed Austin and I grabbed a camera. We walked a ways, stopping every now and then to marvel at some treasure tossed up on to the beach by the storm the night before and to let Jess and Becca catch up to us. Then we came to the tide pools. Rippling sand islands surrounded by mini lakes stretched out before us and the kids squealed with joy. Jess and Becca tried to capture the perfect photo shot of the two of them while Sarah and Hunter waded out into the pool. Rachel, with Austin in the wagon, circled the water coming in as close as she dared without miring down in the mucky sand. Standing in the middle of the tide pool, I turned slowly trying to capture the moments with both my memory and my camera. Suddenly, I heard my name called. I turned to look at Hunter who was crouched down in the water. His eyes were huge, his mouth slack with shock as he tried to call my name again. Then, unable to do anything but cry, he sank back into the water. Before he went under, I grabbed him with one hand and hauled him out. Blood soaked us both as I raced across the pool as fast as I could go holding him close and trying not to drop the camera.

I didn't know what had 'gotten' him. And it didn't matter. He called me and I had to answer. Something cut about a one inch gash on his foot. I wrapped the bloody foot in a towel, held him head down, feet up (to his delight) until the bleeding stopped. The crisis past. Before long, he was digging up crabs and shells.

But I thought about that cry. How I couldn't do anything but run to him...to help him...to save him. The other children faded into the distance and all my attention was on the one who was hurt. I knew exactly where my other children were. I even knew what they were doing...but even so, my very being responded to that cry. And I thought about God... how when we cry out He hears and He responds. David cried out to the Lord... *'I waited patiently for the Lord; He turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of my slimy pit, out of the mud, and mire, and set my feet on a rock, and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth...'* Psalm 40:1

The moment I pulled that bleeding child out of the water, it occurred to me that the God of the Universe **would** come to the rescue of a single being out of billions. For a loving parent cannot do anything but respond when his child cries out to Him. No matter how slimy, deep or dangerous the pit is, God is coming in to pull one of His own out. Have you cried out to Him? He'll answer. Keep the Faith -♥ amy

* I actually wrote this for a 23 year old girl living in California. She's losing her belief in God and doubting his existence. Would you pray for her salvation? Her name is Allison.

A Stitch in Time

Keepers At Home

Keepers at Home is an organization that seeks to foster godliness and womanly arts in young girls so that they might be prepared to assume their proper role in their future homes. Please join us for our monthly meetings. It is open to girls in first through twelfth grades. Mothers are also encouraged to attend.

The November meeting will be held from 1-3 PM on Monday, November 26 Wesley United Methodist Church (4256 Hartley Bridge Road). Join us To learn or improve on your embroidery skills.

Following closely on the heels of our November meeting is our December 10th craft and party meeting. We schedule it early in the month to Avoid conflicts with later Christmas activities, so don't let it pass you by! It also will be from 1-3 PM at Wesley UMC.

Keepers Committee

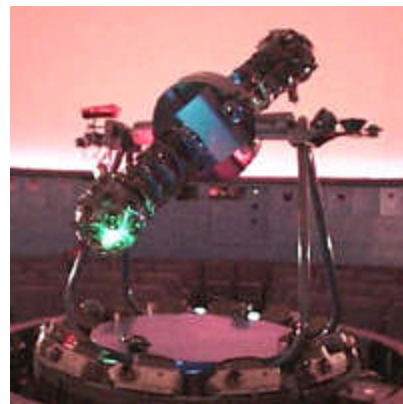
Marcia Braswell 328-2750 Tamie Esmond 738-9568

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MAS Offer fits the Budget

Need a field trip that's close to home and full of neat exhibits, crafts and animals? How about the Museum of Arts and Sciences in Macon, GA.? Not only does the museum have interesting exhibits but it also offers a planetarium and star show. Corrina Tweedle has tickets to the MAS for only \$1 per person. The normal admission prices are fairly steep, \$8 Adults to \$5 Students 12-17 and \$4 Students 2-11.

So, this is a great savings! There's a cool museum gift shop as well. Call Corrina for more information at 478-471-0840. You can send your money for tickets to Corrina Tweedle at 3014 Clairmont Avenue, Macon, GA. 31204.



Minolta MS-10 Star Projector

Museum website is www.masmacon.com

Dr. A's Super-Cool Science Show

Parents Always Attend Free!!

Dr. Craig Anderson is a former Mercer University Engineering faculty member who has conducted Science presentations throughout the Southeast, and in his lifetime nearly a million students, teachers, and parents have seen his exciting approach to making science and technology fun, exciting, relevant...and easy to understand. He is also a 27-year Georgia veteran as a Georgia state-level judge for the Georgia Science and Engineering Fair. Dr. A will present 6 hours of "edu-taining" Science demonstrations, as well as teach the scientific principles behind each one. All of these concepts are presented in a manner that is easy to understand – even for the 5-year-old Kindergarten student – but, exciting enough to captivate the most precocious teen. Along with every demonstration, an emphasis is also placed on the relevance of the scientific concepts presented to everyday life.



“Combo” Science Show on Tuesday January 8, 2008


at 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (doors open at 9:00 a.m.) at Ingleside Baptist Church 834 Wimbish Road ~ Macon, GA 31210, in the Xtreme Zone Gym. Bring a Sack Lunch. \$19.95 per student (K-5 through High School; no preschool children, please)

register online at www.HomeEducationResources.org; click on “Dr. A” all registrations must be prepaid; no money can be taken on the day of the Show.

Demonstrations include

**Cryogenics - Physical change/chemical change - Gravity and center of gravity
Optics/visual perception/sound - Pneumatics, hydraulics - Density -
Bernoulli's principle - Thermodynamics - Polymerization**

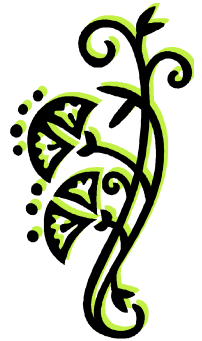
2007 Mac Schedule

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Macon Area Christian</p>  <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Mustangs</p>	<p>Entitles holder admission to MAC basketball home games at reduced entry fees.</p>	<p>MAC Discounted Entrance Fees to HOME games:</p> <p>3-4 Game Nights: \$3 Adults, \$1 Students Under 6 FREE, \$15 Family Cap</p> <p>2 Game Nights: \$2 Adults, \$1 Students Under 6 FREE, \$15 Family Cap</p>
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Hello fellow home schoolers. We are excited about our upcoming basketball season. All of our HOME games will be played at the Hephzibah gym on Zebulon Road. I'm listing our game schedule for November, all games within a short driving distance. Please copy and bring the coupon above to receive the discounted entrance fees listed above.

- Nov. 6th** 4pm Hephzibah Home
JV Girls & Boys, Varsity Girls & Boys
- Nov. 8th** 4pm Hephzibah Home
JV Girls & Boys, Varsity Girls & Boys
- Nov. 9th** 4pm Gilead
JV Girls & Boys, Varsity Girls & Boys
- Nov. 13th** 6pm Tatttnall
JV Girls, Varsity Girls & Boys
- Nov. 15th** Time TBA Hephzibah Home
JV Girls, Varsity Girls & Boys
- Nov. 19th** 4:30pm Hephzibah Home
C-Team Girls & Boys
- Nov. 20th** 4:30pm Hephzibah Home
JVB, VG & VB
- Nov. 26th** 4pm Monroe Academy
Varsity Girls
- Nov. 27th** 4pm Monroe Academy
Varsity Boys
- Nov. 28th** 7pm Monroe Academy
Varsity Girls
- Nov. 29th** 7pm Monroe Academy
Varsity Boys

Updates, changes, etc to the MAC schedule will be sent via the MGCHSA email loop.



Relay For Life Homeschool Team

For the past five years I have been involved with the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in Crawford County. This is an all night event to Celebrate cancer survivors and the advancement in cancer research, to Remember those who have lost their lives to this disease, and to raise money to find a cure for this disease. This year I have volunteered to assist with recruiting relay teams for the 2008 Relay for Life.

I think it would be fantastic if home schoolers could be represented at the Relay by having a team. Teams usually consist of at least ten individuals of any age that are willing to raise at least \$100 each, pay a \$10 registration fee which covers a T-Shirt for the event, and are willing to participate in the all night event. I am currently on an existing family/friends team (with my homeschoolers) so I would not be able to head this up. If anyone is interested in either being the team captain or joining this team please contact me. Or if you'd like to have a team with your church, work, or just a family/friend team let me know. I also have an informational type DVD that would be excellent for students 4th grade and up to learn more about the American Cancer Society and cancer that I would like to share if anyone is interested. This year my reason to "Relay" is to honor the memory of Summer Curry, who was ten years old when she succumbed to this dreadful disease a few months ago. If you would like to make a donation in her memory or to honor someone you know that has been touched by this disease please send a check payable to the American Cancer Society to Tina Ashley, 1206 Sandy Point Road, Knoxville, GA 31050. If you would like a luminaria at the Relay on April 11th (at a cost of \$5 each) in someone's honor or memory please send a note with the check to this effect. Also my personal Relay Home page can be reached by copying and pasting the following link:

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/?pg=personal&fr_id=8286&px=3174016

Thank you so much for taking the time to read and consider this opportunity. . . together we can make a difference in the fight against cancer. I hope to hear from you soon. Sincerely, Tina Ashley