

# HEAR What's Going On!

Quarterly Newsletter

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## THOUGHTS FROM A TEACHER

This section will feature a short article shared from a HEAR member. The editor of the newsletter will give a couple weeks notice to all members to allow ample time to write a brief article. This is a great opportunity to share a tip, experiences or an upcoming event. We want to hear any good, positive message.

## THOUGHTS FROM A STUDENT

For those wanting to encourage your student to write... here it is! We would love to feature an article from a student. It can be as simple as "why I love homeschool" or a review on a trip, curriculum or book.



### Scrap Exchange Field Trip

#### Field Trips

Thank you to all who attended the Scrap Exchange field trip. We had a wonderful time.

Field trips are a wonderful way for children to learn (and teachers) and for us to build lasting friendships. All members are welcome to coordinate a field trip. If you are a field trip novice, please contact our Activities Director, Frances Wheeler, for assistance.

Here are a few quick tips to help.

After choosing a location, choose a date & time and stick with it! Don't try to coordinate with everyone. Let them work it into their schedule

Allow enough time for people to work it into their calendar. Generally 3-5 weeks is a good time frame.

Notify members on Facebook & Yahoo Group. Not all members check both of these sites regularly. Ask Jayne to set up the field trip as an event on Facebook.

Send reminders after sending the first notification of the field trip.

Get all the who, what, when & where questions before announcing the field trip. How much does it cost, what should we wear...

Be professional! We represent the homeschool community. Let's make a good impression.

**Upcoming Field Trip:** Linda Clayton is organizing a field trip to Our Pride. Our Pride is a company right here in Roxboro that makes Pimento Cheese. The trip will be March 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00. Please e-mail Linda the number of people attending if you plan to join the group for this trip.



## REMINDERS!

The Annual Geography Fair will be this March. Heidi Foltz has once again graciously offered to coordinate the event. Keep watch for the details on our group sites and new website. Start building your projects today!

Mark your calendars for the Annual HEAR Field Day event. It will be May 12, 2012 at Mayo Park. Volunteers are always needed for the planning. Be considering what you can contribute to make this a memorable day for our students.

## THANKS & ENCOURAGEMENT

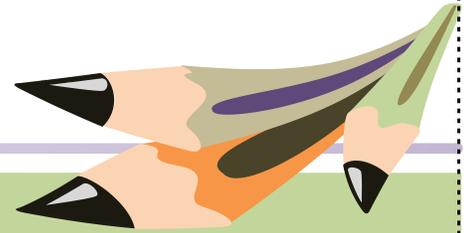
A big thank you for those who do so much to see HEAR grow. We are not only a homeschool support group but more importantly servants of a Holy and Magnificent God. HEAR was started to first and foremost glorify God! Supporting each other, encouraging each other is glorifying God.

We are also witnesses in our community for Jesus Christ. We have chosen to step outside of our society's norm. Many look upon what we do as strange or even ridiculous. Personally, I have been applauded more than heckled for which I am so very thankful. I digress. My point is that we must embrace our group as a mission. A mission to show people the power a family has when entrusted to the Lord! When we step out in public or speak with family and friends, we should speak with grace and love about why we homeschool.

So whether volunteering for an event, writing an article for a newsletter or coordinating a field trip, let us all try to remember, All for the Glory of Christ! Our attitude, behavior, words, actions, work ethic and commitment should be pleasing to God.

As we enter into our daily homeschool routine and our HEAR activities, we should pray that He be glorified in all details. I ask you to pray daily for each other and for our support group.

I Corinthians 10:31 says, "So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God" (ESV).



### Science Fair Participants

Thank you to all who participated in the Science Fair and a big thank you to Heidi Foltz for coordinating this event. We would love to see participation increase. Start thinking about what project your student(s) can enter next January!

### THIS ISSUES TIP!

Homeschoolers can use their buying power to save! That's right...save money. Before you buy, look online at Homeschool Buyer Co-ops to see if you can get a discount.

### EDITOR'S NOTES

This edition was created by Susan Byerly. Notify Jayne Nagy or Susan Byerly if you would like to volunteer to write an article or become editor of the newsletter.

