



Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be our **Ice Cream Social!**

Thursday, Sept. 10 at 7:00 PM.

Manasco home (outdoors)
3605 Black Quarter Rd.
New Athens IL 62264

SCCCHHE will provide individually wrapped ice cream bars and goodies.

Please bring your own lawn chairs and drinks.
Feel free to bring lawn games and other activities.
Fishing is available as well, so bring your rods.

But wait! There's more! **THREE** more things are happening then, so keep reading to see what they are.

Upcoming Meetings

October 9 - Family Bonfire

Our annual bonfire will be at the Manasco residence, starting around 4:00 pm.
More details later.

November 12 - Talent Show and Craft Fair

December - no meeting

Graduation

Parents of the class of 2021

There will be an information meeting in October concerning High School graduation. Be on the lookout for coming details!! If you are interested and want to receive future emails please send an email to Brett and Angie Brown at angieb1099@aol.com.

Coat Drive with Thrivent

At the ice cream social (Sep 10) and bonfire (Oct 9)

Our family has teamed up with an "Action Team" through Thrivent. We will be holding a coat drive.

So, as you go through your closets and start getting out winter things, PLEASE look to see if you have any "gently loved" coats that you no longer need. We will have boxes at the bonfire (Oct 9) to drop them into. The next weekend we will be taking the coats to be distributed to areas in East St. Louis; for families you are not always able to afford good coats for the winter.

If you have nothing in your closet to give, please consider purchasing one. There are so many good places to get coats! You can try Savers, Once Upon a Child, relatives, friends, and even yard sales!

Thank you,
Melissa Manasco

Teenpact registration is now open

Want your teen to learn more about God, government, and God in government?

Then Teenpact is the place for you! Many of our member families have participated in this excellent group. To find out more, go to www.teenpact.com.

You can also contact Christie Black at christie4275@gmail.com

Photos for family and graduation

At the ice cream social (Sep 10) and (maybe?) bonfire (Oct 9)

SCCCE member and professional photographer Ken Carden has graciously agreed to take portrait photos during the ice cream social next Thursday evening at the Manascos'.

You will be offered the option to purchase a package and your child's photo will be placed in the portrait page section of the yearbook. If you plan to attend next Thursday, please find Ken early in the evening and have your child's portrait taken. No need to reserve a time slot.

Yearbooks are in

At the Ice Cream Social

Lori Hubble will be on hand with 2019-2020 yearbooks for those who ordered.

She will also be taking family page orders for this year. A family page is your own personal page in the yearbook that you design (online) with your family's photos. The cost to include a family page is \$5.

Contact Lori Hubble for more info. happyhubble@yahoo.com

Ultimate Frisbee

Is your child needing some exercise and fellowship?

Sign up for Ultimate Frisbee! We take kids (and adults!) ages 12 and up to play twice a week (Tuesdays and Thursdays) at the O'Fallon Sports Park.

What is ultimate frisbee? It's like soccer, but uses a frisbee instead.

Contact Thor Peterson to get on the email list. tpthor4@gmail.com

Robotics

Looking for a FIRST Lego League team? Designed for 4th-8th grade students, this program incorporates Robotics with a research project and presentation skills. This year, Illinois teams will have virtual competitions, with submitted videos and an online judging session in early January.

Team would meet at my house (211 Cynthia Lane, Lebanon—8 miles north of SAFB) on Monday afternoons, for about 14 weeks, likely starting on or after September 14.
Team size is 4-8 students

Cost would be \$125 per person.

Team members will be expected to do 1 hour of homework each week for their research project.

No prerequisites, but previous experience from TLC classes or Robotics summer camp is helpful!

I can also host a non-competitive team that would focus on the Robotics portion only, also meeting on Mondays for 10 weeks, ending by Thanksgiving. Cost would be \$85. This email is more of a survey rather than a rock-solid opportunity—but if you are interested, please let me know soon so I can take steps to finalize and register the team. Monday is my preferred day but if more families want Wednesdays, I could switch to that day.

If interested, please email me and include:

child's name and grade

Monday or Wednesday preference

interest in the competitive team (longer season, with weekly homework) or the robotics only/non-competitive team (ending by Thanksgiving, no writing required).

Non-SCCCE children may also participate if space permits, so if your child wants to invite a friend, please have their parent contact me.

Rebecca Phillips jrphil5@charter.net

618-206-8652 home/618-334-7249 cell

SCCCE Homeschool Emeritus

Southern Illinois FIRST Robotics Committee & mentor for Robo Raiders FTC 7129

Bright Lights

This semester, due to COVID 19 regulations and some families' personal restrictions, we will regretfully not be meeting in person this Fall.

However, the Bright Lights leaders for this semester (Alice O. Gloria P. and Hannah B.) will be facilitating a Prayer Partner/Accountability partner so that we can all keep up with each other and help one another even through uncertain times.

[HERE](#) is a link to a Google form where you can add your information to be added to the prayer list and to be paired with your partner. You will be responsible for keeping in contact with your partner over the next few weeks.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns, and feel free to forward this email to any other strong Christian young ladies that could benefit from a support group!

We will be sending out your prayer partners on September 11th!

Love you ladies, we are praying for you and we can't wait till we are able to meet again in

person!

Hannah Bleymaier, brightlightsmascoutah@gmail.com
Bright Lights Mascoutah

Don't know about Bright Lights? Go to the website:
<https://tomorrowsforefathers.com/bright-lights/>

P.E. Class

You almost missed it!

Well, you missed the opportunity to get a T-shirt, but you can still sign up for P.E. classes with Jonathan Sherwood.

We will be starting class the 11th of September at 12:30 pm.
We will go till 3:00 pm and the class will end In November.
We started a closed facebook page for only those that are in the class to join to get updates and also photos of what is going on every Friday. (Group name on facebook, SCCCHE P.E. My facebook is www.facebook.com/ijonathansherwood) We will be have a portion of the time where we do physical fitness activities such as stretches and running. Then another portion of the time to do team games such as volleyball, capture the flag, and other similar games and age appropriate. We will work with ages 6-18. We will break it up into two classes 6-12yrs and 13-18yrs.
Commitment is key and the students must be consistent.

Pants and athletic running shoes that can get dirty are preferred but modest athletic shorts will work. (chances of getting muddy are high)

Total cost for the class will be \$30 per child and \$10 per additional child.

Thanks!
Jonathan Sherwood jonathansherwood07@gmail.com

Last Newsletter??

It's time to cull the list of those who have not renewed their membership for this year.

Anyone who is not a member will be removed from the Google Group, the Newsletter, and all activities.

Some of you have registered but not paid. You will also be removed.

To see if you are up to date on membership, click [HERE](#)

Coordinator Article

Well, what a year this has been so far. And it is far from over. I personally believe the worst is yet to come. November is not going to be pretty.

But we need not talk politics, race, crime, social ills, or social media. We need to talk Jesus. Last month's hymn quote still holds true:

His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the 'whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

What are you holding on to? When you wake up and do your morning routine, God's Word is an important part of that. As Christians, we need to be in the Word every single day. We find instruction, encouragement, guidance, comfort, and help in the Word. We also find rebuke and warning, mixed with unending love.

I've been memorizing hymns lately. I've gathered all my favorite hymns and the original texts with all the verses, and have been working my way through them. As of last night's count, I've memorized 66 hymns with 333 verses. (Yes, I'm bragging a bit - forgive me!) But the benefit of having these hymns running through my mind is wonderful. These are fantastic little excerpts of God's Word and theology put into beautiful and poignant snippets that easily stick in the mind. And when I most need a verse, it comes forth to encourage or rebuke me.

The hymn above talks about the flood of the world trying to sweep us away. Here's another flood that is much more encouraging.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free.
Rolling as a mighty ocean,
In its fullness over me.
All around me, underneath me,
Is the current of thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward
To Thy glorious rest above.

In this time of tremendous unrest, we need to encourage one another more and more. I've used my hymns and this newsletter to encourage you. Now it's your turn. Find what gifts God has given to YOU, and use them to bless others. As this world gets darker, our light should get brighter. Please don't hide it.

God Bless!
Josh Peterson
SCCCE Coordinator

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