



**St. Clair County Christian Home  
Educators Newsletter  
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**UPCOMING SCCCHE MEETING**

**Thursday, Sept. 13, 7:00 - Ice Cream Social**

Bring your favorite toppings to share. SCCCHE will provide vanilla and chocolate ice cream, bowls, and spoons. We will have some ice-breaking games to help people get to know one another better, and mix up tables every 20 minutes or so. This is a great way for newer members to get plugged in and meet older members, so please make a point of attending this one!

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SCCCHE MEETING**

**Thursday Oct. 4th, 7:00 – Ladies Tea and Men's Mentoring**

The ladies and the men will get together, in their own groups, to talk about important issues, and maybe some fun stuff too!

Kids activities in the gym led by Teenpact.

**November – no meeting**

**Thursday, December 13th**

Talent Show and Craft Fair

**FIELD TRIPS**

**Horse Rescue Center Monday, Sept 10th 8 am (full) and 3 pm**

**Horse Rescue Center  
8743 Leper School Rd  
Millstadt**

Space still available for the 3pm slot.  
Please provide children's ages when signing up.

Description: This is a rescue center for disabled and previously abused horses. We will learn how to care for them by volunteering our service this day. This is a work day. Young children not recommended. We will divide into pairs and be given a task by the caregiver on duty. Dress to work and get dirty (and smelly).

### **City Museum Field Trip: Thursday, September 20**

**Starts at 9:15 am; meet at museum entrance**  
**Sponsored by Robo Raiders FTC 7129**

Join in the fun! Pre-paid admission is only \$7.50 per person (age 3+). Feel free to invite your friends—this event is open to all!  
Payments are accepted at TLC, SCCCHE meeting on Sept 13, or can be mailed to Rebecca Phillips, 211 Cynthia Lane, Lebanon IL 62254.

Payment must be received by September 15. Make checks payable to **Robo Raiders FTC 7129**. Please use order form (available at TLC/SCCCH or email me). Students under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Lunchtime is 12:00, belongings may be left in unsecured area. Bring your own food or purchase there.  
Parking is \$10 cash only, payable to lot attendant. Depart on your own schedule.

Questions? Contact Rebecca Phillips at [jrphil5@charter.net](mailto:jrphil5@charter.net) or call 618-206-8652 or text 618-334-7249.

### **Greater St Louis Air & Space Museum Field Trips: Young Eagles Flight Program, October 8th and October 22nd.**

Greater St Louis Air & Space Museum (use full name for gps)  
2300 Victor Dr , Cahokia (Follow the signs to "Ideal Aviation")

Young Eagles Flight Program: Children will fly in a small aircraft with a licensed pilot. Historical Museum will be open. Free. Self guided.

Details: Two different groups.

- Group 1 is October 8 at 10:00am. 25 students. No adults. Sign up deadline is Oct 5.
- Group 2 is Oct 22. 25 students. No adults.

Provide child's name and age when signing up

Bring lunch. After flights and museum, we will travel, by vehicle, to the other side of the field for a tour of the tower.

**\*\*This flight is free but I will collect a donation on that day to give to the Young Eagles Flight Program to help offset their aircraft fuel.\*\***

**TLC: THE LIMITED CO-OP**

## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

## ENTERTAINMENT OPPORTUNITIES

## SPORTS OPPORTUNITIES

### **MECH Mustangs Return For Their 3rd Season of Basketball - Players Needed**

The MECH (Metro East Christian Homeschool) Mustangs Homeschool Basketball JV and Varsity teams have been conditioning with their first game scheduled for November 1st. The teams practice from 4:00 – 6:00 on Mondays and Thursdays at the First Assembly of God in Belleville. Both teams would be strengthened with a few more players. The JV team (approximate ages 12 – 14), especially, needs additional players. Please contact Athletic Director Zac Costilla or Coach Jeremy Robine for more details at [mechmustangsbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:mechmustangsbasketball@gmail.com).

Current game schedule posted at  
<https://www.facebook.com/MECHMustangs/>

### **Town Hall Archery, Begins Friday October 5th**

Fall Archery will begin Friday, October 5th at Town Hall Archery in Belleville, IL. The classes are set for six weeks straight every Friday with the last class on Nov 9th. **You have a choice of two time choices: 2-3PM or 3:30-4:30PM.**

LOCATION: Town Hall Archery  
Address: 5901 Cool Sports Rd, Belleville, IL 62223  
(across from Target - Rt 15 - intersection of Frank Scott Pkwy & Cool Sports Rd)

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- Ages: 5yrs -18yrs
- strength to pull the bow string on your own
- minimum of 10 to keep class open; full class has 30 archers
- first day, arrive 15 minute early to make payment

COST \$30 **per** participant

EQUIPMENT **IS** provided by Town Hall Archery (THA).

SCHEDULE for six weeks straight as follows:

Oct. 6 / 12 / 19 / 26 Nov. 2 / 9, 2018

Dates are subject to change by T.H.A. if tournaments happen that have yet to be scheduled. Tournaments are great to see, too!!

Special Note:

If you are in Scouts, AHG, Trail Life, etc...

BRING your Handbooks. Ask question pertaining to your Scouting level with Mr. Monty & Mr. Roger who are the Archery instructors at Town Hall Archery. Plan to stay at least 15 minutes after for 1 on 1 information. You must ASK to receive the help you need, so speak up. They don't bite.

Please, **RSVP by 28 Sept. 2018**, so that I may notify T.H.A. as to how many will be participating. They enjoy having everything ready and prepped for you before your arrival. When you RSVP to my email please, place in the Subject "Fall Archery 2018 2 PM" ... "Fall Archery 2018 3:30 PM".

Also, when you RSVP let me know how many kiddos, first name of child (age) and I will add you to roster I am compiling to hand in to THA, so they can keep the bow # next to your name so it is pulled for every class.

At this time, I have 17 in 2pm class and 12 in the 3;30pm class.

Thank you.

Many Blessings,

Mrs. Betty Cobillas

[ba@cobillas.com](mailto:ba@cobillas.com)

## YEARBOOK

### SCCCE YEARBOOK COVER DESIGN CONTEST for 2018-2019

NOTIFICATION DEADLINE: December Meeting

- Please notify yearbook coordinator that you intend to submit a cover design)

SUBMISSION DEADLINE - January Meeting

- Turn your yearbook cover design implementing the below guidelines

If your child is interested in entering the design contest for the 2018-2019 yearbook cover, the yearbook theme will be Streams, Creeks, Riversbased on John 4:14, John 7:37-39, Zech 14:8-9, John4:1-15, Psalm 23:2 - Artist's choice.

Submission should be done by a current SCCCE student - any age.

The cover will be judged on how well it follows the guidelines and represents the theme and our homeschool group. The winning entry for the yearbook cover will receive one free yearbook! Remaining entries will be used inside the yearbook as backgrounds for pages and ads.

See the website for submission info.

## CALENDAR CHECK

## A NOTE FROM OUR COORDINATORS

This month's article is just a rehash of my sermonette at the kickoff meeting, so if you were able to understand me over the sound system, feel free to move along.

A few years ago the youth pastor at our previous church told us he and his wife decided to home-educate their kids. I asked him what caused him to come to that decision and he said, "you did."

I was surprised, for we had not yet brought up the topic to him, but he went on to say that he had never met any homeschoolers before and liked what he saw. Certainly this caused a bit of pride in me, but it also made me humble and nervous – people are watching!

As ambassadors for Christ, we should all live lives worthy of our calling. As home-educators, we should also carry well that ambassadorship.

So how do we do that? When I first met the Baxter family at our new year's eve party, every one of their kids came up to me, shook my hand, looked me in the eye and said "Thank you Mr. Peterson for inviting us to your party." I was amazed at such careful training and wanted my family to be like that. We haven't yet attained Baxterhood in our manners, but how else can homeschoolers stand out?

How about spelling, grammar, and punctuation? Every email and text I send out is checked for perfection. My dear wife has been working on me since we before we were married, and our kids also are trained under her meticulous tutelage to the point where I have been corrected by my younger children.

Josh (frustrated, looking for his keys): "Where's my keys?!?"  
Some young and temporarily annoying Peterson: "Where ARE my keys??"

A recent rental property advertisement brought me a number of sad queries:

is this property available

and

is ur house still available

Bad spelling, no greeting, no name, no capitalization, no punctuation.  
(And to my judgmental opinion, no brain.)

And yet I did receive a few responses such as:

Dear Sir,

I am interested in your rental property on 15 S. 6th St. Is there a good time to come and see the house? What is the application process, and is there a fee? I am married with 2 kids and 1 small dog. We have a good income, but our credit is not as high as it should be due to a recent car accident. I look forward to hearing from you.

Signed,  
(Name, email, and phone number)

It shouldn't be hard to guess which applicant got the house.

The manner in which you communicate is vitally important. As one preacher put it, "we should learn how to use our words well, especially considering we follow the Lord who calls himself The Word."

So bone up on your grammar and spelling, teach your children well, and if you ever see an email or text from me with an error in it, feel free to tease me without mercy.

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### **It's on the website**

[SCCCE.org](http://SCCCE.org)

Have a question about things in the group? Deleted your newsletter? Need a phone number for a leader? Want to know about field trips? It's all on the website.

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