



February 2012
Newsletter

Dear Fellow Home-School Parent,

I would be failing, as a Christian Brother and President, if I did not attempt to bring to your attention the latest, misleading, falsely labeled, program concerning home-schooling. Please, pass this information on to all home-schooling families you have contact with.

I strongly urge you to read carefully the following information concerning the newly, popular "Virtual Charter School Program". Our State Government has recently passed this VCS Program. www.virtualcharterschoolmyths.com The best advice I could give you, and you to your friends, after you research it, is to **STAY AWAY FROM IT!**

This Government program dictates what and how much information is given to your child. There is no "Religious Content" allowed for one thing! Also, you do not get to choose what your child learns! You will teach what and when the Government tells you. It boils down to, "public school" in your home. CHEF's By-Laws state that we are '...families dedicated to observing the Biblical commands of Deuteronomy 6:4-10, Proverbs 22:6, and Ephesians 6:4. We promote home education as the Scriptural design for education...'. This program will not be supported by CHEF. (Please see second portion to this inside.)

Remember parents, our children are learning from us,

Don Gauthreaux
President

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MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Join us February 6th as the C.H.E.F. board discusses things going on with your homeschool group. It will be held at the home of Douglas & Janey Thibodeaux @6:30pm

Graduation is scheduled for June 1st- First Baptist Church of Youngsville (Coordinator: Kim Dake) more info. to come.

DISCLAIMER

The articles & recommended resources contained in C.H.E.F. of Lafayette Newsletters have been submitted for and are intended to provide information that may be useful to Christian homeschoolers. The views and opinions reflect those of the contributor and are not those of C.H.E.F. of Lafayette.



The Pinta and Nina land in Houma

Visit Columbus' replica ships, Nina and Pinta

WHEN: Wed. February 22nd @ 12:30-1:00p.m.

WHERE: Downtown Marina
309 Goode St., Houma, LA

*Meeting Place info. will be sent out later

COST: \$4.00 per person, cash only (ages 4 and younger FREE)

Website: www.thenina.com **RSVP:** by Feb. 18th (minimum of 15 needed)
Contact: Laura & Edwin Horn 337-394-8919 or laurashorn@hotmail.com



Wastewater Treatment Facility Field Trip





Father/Son Campout

Bring your own food and camping gear. A small fee will be charged per family, to cover the tent camping area. If you prefer a camper, you will be responsible for making your reservations and sight fee. Arrive Friday after 3pm.

WHEN: March 9thafternoon- 10th afternoon

WHERE: Acadiana Campgrounds---291-8388

Contact: Don Gauthreaux (dongaux@bellsouth.net)
for more info.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1st Daniel Matherne

**13th Joshua Abbott
Jackie Keller**

19th Paul Thompson

20th John Little

24th Aubree Gauthreaux

February Anniversaries

14th David & Irina Stanley

B.O.L.O.

(Be On the Look Out)

- [Louisiana's 200th Birthday Celebration](#)
activities coordinated by CHEF of Lafayette,
Coordinator: Derek Dake
- Chef is sponsoring a [Science Lab](#), before the
end of the school year, for members only.
Coordinator: Nichole DeLine
- [Bicycle Safety Course](#) for the entire family

Important Dates

- Columbus' Ships
RSVP Feb. 18th
- 9th-10th Father/Son
Campout
- 3rd & 17th Park Days
- Columbus' replica
ships trip Feb.22nd



**Leadership Summit
(November)**

C.H.E.F. of Louisiana Annual Homeschool Convention

WHEN: April 20th-21st

WHERE: Bethany World Prayer Center
Baker, LA

More information to come or visit www.Chefofla.org



**Rayne Guest Home
(December)**



January Park Day



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What is a young pupil to believe when, in the morning he is taught social studies [from the Virtual Charter School Program] without any reference to ethics or morality, but in the afternoon he is re-taught the same information from an alternative perspective, i.e.; Biblical parenting? Even if the parents are clear in expressing their beliefs to the child, how can the child help but wonder why the expert author of the published textbook has a different view from that of his parents? The parents in this scenario are inherently creating dangerous cracks in the Spiritual foundation that they are laying for their child. Though the foundation may initially appear to be intact, the chances of a fracture and a rejection of the parents' faith later in life are increased by this juggling of lessons. There is no way a child can have a proper Spiritual foundation with mixed information. The Bible tells us that a little leaven leavens the whole loaf.

Here are a few nuggets I picked up at CHEF of Louisiana's Leadership Summit in November. Think about this; "'Someone' will always teach your child 'who and what". Who do you say that that 'someone' should be? -- "We, parents, want to and will determine what is 'NORMAL'. -- "Home-schooling is a lifestyle of faith!" -- "Faith is contagious!" One more; "We, parents, should be the 'thermostat' instead of the 'thermometer'."

Don Gauthreaux,

Concerned Home-school parent

End of the Year Fellowship/Group Business Meeting



WHEN: May 5th 10am- 2pm

WHERE: Heymann Park on South Orange St.

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