



March 2018 News & Events

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Visit our Website

Glen's Gizmos Science & Family Events March 17, 19 & 24

Science Fair Kickoff by Glen's Gizmos Saturday March 17, 2-4:00 p.m. - Over 100 activities and puzzles to attempt, things to build, and concepts to explore as a family. Also, learn about a new opportunity to enter student projects into a student-directed science fair at the Resource Center later this spring. This event will be at the [Firmly Planted Homeschool Resource Center](#). [Click here](#) for details.

[The Riot and The Dance](#) Movie Field Trip March 19 - Join other families to watch the new release of this movie. The movie will show in Clackamas. [Click here](#) for details.

Octopus Dissection March 24 (with three time slots to choose from) - This event will be at the [Firmly Planted Homeschool Resource Center](#). [Pre-registration is required](#).

Student Voices Sought for Audio Productions: Auditions March 10 & 11

Creation Quest is seeking voice-over talent/studio actors for several student-written productions that have a Christian message. The director is Pat Roy, creator of the Jonathan Park audio dramas. Pat spent 12 years as the radio producer of the Institute for Creation Research (ICR). [Click here](#) to learn more and schedule an audition time.



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Firmly Planted Homeschool Resource Center 4th Quarter Registration Starts March 20.

Classes begin April 23rd (not April 16 as the website may currently say), and the session will last eight weeks. The class list will be out mid-March. To be notified when the class list is posted, [please sign up for the Family Portal](#). NOTE: The [FPHRC website](#) is under construction and difficult to navigate at present.

Volunteers are working hard and wearing many hats. They appreciate your patience!

Beloved Exodus Books to Reopen Spring 2018!

[Exodus](#), a long-time Portland homeschool curriculum and education store (and more), will reopen soon! The website will come online in March and the store will reopen later this spring at a new Portland location. Please provide your input on [this survey](#).

"Ten Grands for Kids" March 30

[School at Home Adventures](#) is coordinating homeschool groups to attend "Ten Grands for Kids," a 75-minute matinee show created especially for kids. It features ten pianists on ten grand pianos with a mix of professional musicians and gifted kids playing together on one stage. There are two performance times available. [Click here](#) for details.



Homeschooling vs. Public School: From a Mom Who Has Taught Both

by Ann Karako

"...your friends have over six hours to themselves every day, while you are nagging kids to do their schoolwork, refereeing sibling conflicts, preparing food and cleaning up messes ALL DAY LONG, and generally feeling like you are daily sacrificing your wants for everyone else's needs. It can be tough to remember the big picture." [Click here](#) to read on.

Amtrak's Schools on Trains March 21

Ride the train with other homeschool families and spend almost six hours in Seattle doing whatever you would like to do! Sign up [here](#).

Homeschool Families Sought for General Music Class

Opus School of Music, with locations in downtown Ridgefield and Camas, offers classes specifically designed for homeschool families. Their Camas location is currently looking for students to join a general music class called "Musical Styles in Composition," which is an introduction to musical concepts and instruments with a piano focus. The class, ages 8-14 with 6 students maximum, has two siblings on a wait list, looking for at least one more student to join them before the class can begin. The time is tentatively scheduled for Thursdays 2:00-2:55 p.m. but could be adjusted if needed. Opus also has preschool programs and classes for all ages. [Visit the website](#) for contact information.

FVRL Tween Tech Month - Various Library Locations & March Dates

Harness the power of electromagnetism. Use wire and magnets to create your own portable speaker. Embellish, enhance, and accessorize to make it your own. Classes are for ages 12-18. Registration required. [Click here](#) for details.

CYT & Journey Theater Performances

[Christian Youth Theater](#) - "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" March 2-10 and "Honk Jr." March 9-17
[Journey Theater](#) - "Disney Aladdin Jr." March 2-11, and "Little Women" March 2-11

Running Start Information Night March 7

Running Start is a program of Clark College whereby juniors and seniors can attend Clark College full time or part-time to earn college credit and fulfill high school requirements at the same time. [Click here](#) for program details. [Click here](#) for the Information Night flyer. [Click here](#) for fall eligibility information.

Cool Links

Educational & Other

[Holy Week Timeline Visual](#) - A beautiful way to prepare for Resurrection Sunday.
[Interactive Periodic Table of the Elements](#) - Click and learn with pictures and words.

Theater

[Christian Youth Theater](#) - Portland/Vancouver
[Journey Theater](#)
[Magenta Theater](#)

Stuff to Do

[School at Home Adventures Field Trips](#)
[Fort Vancouver Regional Library](#)
[Oregon Museum of Science & Industry](#)
[Oregon Zoo](#)
[Vancouver Water Resource Center](#)

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