

Where Homeschool Moms Traveled..., FREE Literature, Informal Chat, TeenPact Early Bird, Declaration of Intent, Lit Courses, Photography



Wow! It's time to dive in for another year of home education.

God's blessings to you for a fruitful season of learning!  
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## CCHE Informal Chat Monday, September 21

Our Informal Chats are a time to visit with other homeschoolers, ask questions, discuss curricula, and so on. Children are welcome. We'll meet Monday, Sept. 21 from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room at Vancouver First Church of God, 3300 NE 78th Street, Hazel Dell. The Fireside Room is in the front of the building. Please enter through the door around the corner to the right of the front main entrance.

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## Declaration of Intent Forms Due September 15

If you intend to homeschool a child who is between the ages of 8 and 18, visit your local school district office and complete a Declaration of Intent form. Declarations are due by Sept. 15 each year, but are accepted at any time. NOTE: State homeschooling laws require that the parent list the **name and age (NOT birth date)** of each child. So, just write down these pieces of information on the form. If you are having a certificated teacher supervise your child's work, indicate this on the form. Write your address, and then sign the form. State law does NOT require you to indicate how you are qualified to teach your children. Once you've completed the form at the school district office, be sure you receive a copy for your files. More information about Washington State Homeschool Law is available [here](#).

## Where Homeschool Moms Traveled Before They Homeschooled

Some time ago, just for fun, CCHE asked newsletter recipients to complete an informal survey. The survey asked moms a few questions about what they did before they became homeschool moms. This is the last of our three-month Word Cloud results. So, just for fun...

## Pre-homeschooling travel

[Pre-homeschooling hobbies](#) (from August's newsletter)

[Pre-homeschooling jobs/careers](#) (from July's newsletter)



[Click here for more details.](#)

2015 PSAT

Sophomores and Juniors in high school may take the PSAT in October. The College Board website lists the recommended test administration date as October 14 with an alternative date of October 28. To verify the date(s) the PSAT will be administered and to register, contact the high school nearest you. [Click here](#) to read an article about the redesigned PSAT.

## **2016 TeenPact Classes Open for Early Bird Registration!**

Registration for the 2016 state classes will open September 1 with the ever popular Double Early Bird Discount, which amounts to \$30 off class tuition! This double discount will be offered through September 30. [Click here](#) to see all class fees and discounts. The [Washington State Class information is here](#). [Oregon is here](#). Students can attend classes at either location.

To learn about all the other great programs TeenPact offers, visit their [website](#) and click the "Programs" drop-down.

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## Outdoor Photography Class - "CAPTURE Oregon" Sept.17-19

Who's the photographer in your family? Are they thriving on resources that are supportive of a wholesome, Christian learning-environment? James Staddon, landscape photographer and founder of Lenspiration was raised as a homeschooled in West Virginia, He now loves to travel and teach photography in homeschool communities all over the place. James is headed our way for a three-day, hands-on photography workshop September 17-19. CAPTURE Oregon is an opportunity for high-school and college-age photography enthusiasts to learn in the beautiful outdoors. The first four attendees receive a \$50 discount. Group discounts also available. [Click here](#) for more details.



[Website](#)

## Center for Literature Courses for 2015-16

Online courses available for Elementary, Junior High, World Literature, British Literature, American Literature, and Understanding Poetry. [Click here for details.](#) Many [other resources](#) are available for parents and students too.

## Reminder: Christian Heritage Homeschool Kick-Off Picnic September 12 at Lewisville Park!

Get all the information [here](#).

### Cool Links

#### Fun & Educational

[Virtual Frog Dissection](#) - Exactly what it says

[Khan Academy SAT Practice](#) - Official preparation for the new SAT

[Is It Down Right Now?](#) - Find out if the website you can't reach is down

#### Theater

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

[Journey Theater](#) (formerly Christian Youth Theater - CYT Vancouver)

[Magenta Theater](#)

#### Stuff to Do

[Fort Vancouver Regional Library](#) - Click on "Events" in gray navigation bar. Note: you can filter events by place, age of children, type of event, etc.

[Oregon Museum of Science & Industry](#)

[Oregon Zoo](#)

[Pacific Science Center](#)

[Vancouver Water Resource Center](#) - Interactive exhibits, hands-on activities.

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