

November 2016

Around the province! What are your peers up to?



Well, in Fundy...

"Every year, we try and line up a few dates that we can help out at a local shelter called Outflow. One of the ways they help the poor and homeless in Saint John is with a hot meal 7 days a week. As a group, we prepare the meal and then spend a few hours serving them. It is a great way to show love to our city! Is there a local shelter in your community that you could contact?"

News from HSLDA

Items for praise and prayer



Update

As we reported, WISDOM/Trinity had filed a request for a review of the decision that shut them down on October 25th. The case was heard on Friday, November 4th, and as you may have seen and heard, the judge ruled in favour of WISDOM/Trinity and gave a temporary injunction, meaning that WISDOM/Trinity is allowed to continue operating as normal, except without receiving any further funding from the government, until the next court date set for January 5, 2017.

Wisdom continues to demonstrate its integrity and commitment to home education by operating with severely limited funding.

This means that families can continue homeschooling as normal without needing to renotify anywhere. HSLDA is continuing in discussion with AHEA and other pertinent parties to ensure that homeschooling families in Alberta have the information, support, and options that they need.

AHEA's statement as well as the news report from the Edmonton Journal can be read for further details and perspective. We will update again as details emerge.

Also, a great, 2 part video on Child Protection Services: What to Know

Leadership Breakfast

Great Conversation

Delicious food and a relaxed, cozy atmosphere opened the way to great conversation at our Leadership Breakfast on November 26th at DaySpring in Rothesay. We discussed how to promote homeschooling events while maintaining privacy and protection for our children; athletic and scholastic opportunities with local Christian schools; our growing connection with the registrars and recruiters for post secondary institutions in NB; networking parents of special needs children; and future conference speakers, just to name a few. A great suggestion for next year's Leadership Breakfast is to have a break out group where local support group leaders can discuss ideas on how they run their groups, co-ops and events. A HUGE thank you to the ladies from Fundy Home Educators for hosting!

Skiing Program

Touted the Best Deal Across Canada



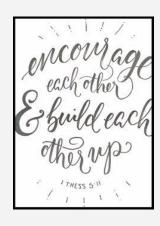
If your children are in grades 4 or 5, and love hittin' the slopes, you may want to check this out! Remember to check the details.

Home and School with Heart

Need a pick me up?

Homeschooling not all roses?

<u>Struggling Learner to World Leader</u> by Charlene Notgrass A very encouraging read.



Need to make room for the tree?

A quick declutter



Here are a few reasonable sites to give you ideas and help get you started.

- 1. How to Declutter Your Home in a Weekend
- 2.10 Types of Items You Can Declutter Fast
- 3.9 Decluttering Secrets from Professional Organizers

Need to make space in your budget? A few suggestions

You can save lots by making your own bread. This recipe takes just minutes and costs less than a dollar a loaf.

Use lots of milk? Powdered milk costs around half of fresh milk. You can keep a pitcher of it in your fridge to bake and cook with, and mix it half and half with the fresh (3.25%) for drinking.

Bar soap is much cheaper than fancy liquid pumps and bath and shower gels.

Homemade cleaning supplies really do work and are safer, healthier and cheaper.

Having a drying rack to use indoors for bath towels and jeans will save dollars on your power bill.

Wash clothes in cold water.

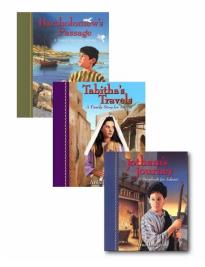
Advent ideas

Preparing for His coming

Unwrapping the Greatest Gift

A bestseller last year, this will guide your family through a Jesse tree.





This <u>series</u> ofbooks is tried and true and will keep you on the edge of your seat waiting for the next reading!

Or try a backwards box, where, instead of getting something each day, you give. At the end, you donate it to your local food bank.



Looking for Christmas gifts?

Why not shop local?

Why not support another home educating family? If you are an HENB member, and would like to list your home business on our website as a place to purchase items for Christmas, please send your name, membership number, business info, and contact to info@henb.ca



Track and Field

Looking ahead



The Fundy Home Educators are looking for another local support group to host the yearly track and field meet. If this is you, please contact us.

Struggling with post-secondary enrollment?

Jumping through too many hoops because you home educate?

We can help you if you can help us! We are discussing requirements with the Atlantic Association of Recruiters and Admissions officers (AARAO) and we need statistics on who we are and how our students have performed. HENB will be sending out a survey shortly to all members to gather this data. PLEASE take the time to fill it out as promptly as possible. Thank you.

Watch your in-box for the link to the survey!

Alumni Antics

Where are they now?

We always knew the proof would be in the pudding. So when all those skeptics (including ourselves) come back to haunt us, let's take heart in the grace of God.

Katelyn MacDonald, daughter of Dan and Marlene is finishing her last year of medical school at Dalhousie University. Katelyn was homeschooled entirely before entering university.



After a few years of education and travel Caroline McLaughlin is living in the Grand Falls area and working as a PSW (personal support worker) at the Victoria Villa in Perth Andover, NB. Caroline is the



daughter of Kevin and Shawna, and with the exception of one year, she also spent her school years at home

Save the Date

Great events coming!

Legislative Tour - tba

2017 Annual Conference - May 26, 27, 2017 Check out the speaker!



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"An observant child should be put in the way of things worth observing."

-Charlotte Mason

"Profound thought is conveyed in language of very great simplicity and purity."

-Charlotte Mason