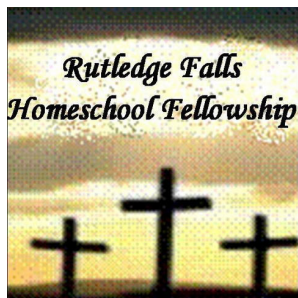


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## Rutledge Falls Homeschool Fellowship

Spring 2010

### Class Descriptions

#### Non-Rotating Classes

Coordinator: Tracey Hansen

We are glad to keep your little ones occupied and happy while you and your older children enjoy our co-op day. You are welcome to volunteer your time to help supervise these young children, but we would like you to spend some time getting acquainted with other co-op members as well.

**Nursery** – For children from birth to toddling ages. Cribs and rocking chairs available for naptime, and favorite free-play toys welcome. Leader: Bethany Cope. No class fee.

**Playgroup** – For children who are walking but not yet potty-trained. This roomful of love will keep your little ones occupied and happy at free play while you and your older children enjoy our co-op day. Leader: Leah Leblond. No class fee.

**Three-year-old Class** – For children who are potty-trained but not ready to prepare for kindergarten level work. Please join us for a day full of love, snacks, playdough, painting, show-n-tell time, crafts, puzzles, large-motor PE, and lots of FUN!!!! Teacher: Brandy Skipper. Class Fee: \$5.

**PreKindergarten / Kindergarten** – For children who are working on their pre-reading skills. We will be working on phonics, scissors skills, counting, colors and shapes, and other fine motor skills while having fun playing!! Hope to see you there! Teacher: Bonnie Steele. Class Fee: \$5.

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### Rotating Classes

#### Adopt a Pet for a Week

Amy Cooley

Grades 1 through 6

Parents must be willing to let their child bring a pet home one week out of the semester. You may choose which pet to take.

Students will learn how to care for different kinds of pets. They will learn about feeding, grooming, play, safety, exercise, health care, and other aspects of having a pet. They will all have a chance to take home a pet for one week out of the semester. At the end of the semester, Dr. Windley will come in to talk to the students about pets and being a veterinarian. At the end of the semester, the pets will be up for adoption or some donated to the Hands on Science Center.

Please note: class fee will be used to buy feed, bedding, and needed supplies for animals.

#### All 50 States

Loretta Rhodes & Dawn Gray

Grades 1 through 6

We are going to put together a book of all 50 states by the end of the semester. Each state page will have the state symbols, a map of the state, and some facts, etc. We will do state pages in class, and *at least two state pages each week will be done at home and brought to class to add to their books.* We will have quick, fun activities with one state each week, like an art activity, or eat something from that state, or have a show and tell of something from that state.

### **American Girl Overview**

Melissa Hendricks

Grades 1 through 6

We will study 3 different girls, Samantha, Molly, and Josephina. We will discuss only the first book from each of these 3 series. Books need to be purchased by parent. Hastings has new and used copies of American Girl books, and they are also at the library. We will learn the historical facts from each time era, and throw in a few crafts & fun stuff. It will be helpful if the child can read, but the parent could help the child read the story.

### **Board Games**

Tracey Hansen

Grades 1 through 3

Come see the goodies we have in our Game Tote! You are also welcome to bring your own game to share with some friends.

### **Calligraphy / Artistic Lettering**

Melissa Hendricks

Grades 7 through 12

We will be learning traditional calligraphy using markers (supplied), which are cheaper & less messy than pens. This class will be mostly hands-on with practice at home. We will explore other lettering art (strokebrush letters, illuminated letters, etc.) as time permits. Regular lined writing tablets can be used for practice. Projects will be done on tagboard.

### **Chemistry Lab**

Risa Brown, Tutor

Grades 9 through 12 - Closed to new students

This is a continuation of the fall lab. Remember, parents will determine whether credit is earned and assign a final class grade. Tutor fee: \$20 per month, payable directly to Mrs. Brown.

### **Civics & American Government**

Lori Costley

Grades 9 through 12

We will study laws and different aspects of government and some important Supreme Court decisions. This class will help high schoolers to meet one of their graduation requirements.

### **Codes & Clues**

Christina Harr

Grades 6 through 12

Students will encode and decipher messages. There will be individual and group activities. They will also learn a little history about codes and the people who thought them up. There will be two movie nights (place to be determined): "National Treasure" and "National Treasure 2: Book of Secrets." A parents' permission slip will have to be signed. Both movies are rated PG.

### **Culinary Arts**

Rita Munn

Grades 7 through 12

This is a continuation of the fall semester class, open to new students, in which we will address some more advanced techniques. We will combine the practical, hands-on experience of culinary arts & nutritional information. Students will be asked to take turns furnishing specified ingredients.

**Farmer Boy**

Tryphena Beachy

Grades 1 through 6

"Farmer Boy" crafts & stuff for boys

**Girls' Show Choir**

Amy Cooley

Grades 6 through 12 (girls only)

Students will learn harmonies and vocal techniques to five different songs. They will also learn choreography. There is no previous music or dance experience required. Songs include:

Oh Happy Day (Sister Act 2)

September (Kirk Franklin version)

Joyful, Joyful (sister Act 2)

You Are Good (no choreography)

Footloose

Solos will be offered, but not required. CDs will be sent home for practice.

**Hands-on Music**

Donna Rutledge

Grades 1 through 6

Students will learn to combine sounds and rhythm to create music using various instruments, including Boomwhackers. See <http://www.musick8.com/boomwhackers/boomwhackers.php> Students will also be taught introductory concepts in reading music. Time permitting, we will also study the different parts of an orchestra.

**History of Weapons**

Lori Costley

Grades 1 through 4

We will study the history of different types of weapons that people used to defend their homes and land. We will make some examples out of very safe materials. Should be a lot of fun!

**Juggling**

Kathy Dorrell

Grades 1 through 12

Students will be instructed on how to juggle using basic juggling equipment: scarves, bean bags, balls (rings and clubs as students advance). There will also be opportunity to learn more advanced juggling skills and other circus arts such as stilt walking, poi and Giant Chinese Yo-yo. There will be a sampling of juggling videos to watch and learn from as well.

**Last Course**

Megan Akin

Grades 9 through 12

The class will be baking the more sophisticated desserts. We will learn culinary techniques and how to work comfortably in the kitchen as a team.

Limit: 8-10

**Latin I (Latina Christiana)**

Rita Munn

Grades 7 through 12

This is an introduction to the study of Latin. We will provide photocopied worksheets, so there is no need to purchase the curriculum.

**Latin, Primary**

Rita Munn

Grades 1 through 6

We will study this classic language at a pace the younger children can handle. Some knowledge of the Latin basics is very helpful for mastery of English grammar and vocabulary.

**Lewis & Clark's Expedition**

Christina Harr & Lori Costley

Grades 5-8

Students will follow Lewis & Clark's Expedition route. They will learn what state they would be passing through today, about the Native Americans they meet, and animals they saw. We will also discuss and compare then & now.

**Literature & Writing II**

Loretta Rhodes & Valerie Walden

Grades 7 through 12 - Open to new students

Continuation of fall semester Lit & Writing with persuasive essays, reflective essays, British literature & world literature surveys. Group work and fun assignments to make literature & writing enjoyable and worth remembering. We will work on a newspaper for the co-op.

**Little House on the Prairie**

Tryphena Beachy

Grades 1 through 6

We will be going through probably one book – doing crafts and preparing (eating) foods from the time era. Possibly we will watch an episode or two of “Little House on the Prairie.” I want to portray to kids the joys and trials of living in the late 1800's. This stuff should be fun for the older ones too – not just little kids!

**Machine Sewing, Beginning**

Beverly Bixler

Grades 5 through adult

Beverly has been sewing for many years and would love to pass this skill and talent down to the next generation. We will learn to make a tote bag and a pillow case. Machines are supplied but you will need to furnish your own fabric and supplies.

**Basic Math**

Natasha Brooks

Grade Kindergarten

We will cover basic math skills, number recognition and writing, shapes, counting to 20, place value and skip counting. This will be geared to 4-6 year olds just learning their numbers. This does not exclude older children that may need a little help with their basics.

**Math**

Natasha Brooks

Grade 1<sup>st</sup>, and others who need help with basic skills

Your child should already know their numbers and how to write them. In this class we will review number recognition and writing then go on to skip counting, place value to 100 and higher if needed, addition and subtraction. This will be geared to 6-8 year olds. However this does not exclude older children needing basic math skills.

**Pencil Drawing II**

Sandy Hawkins

Grades 4 through 12 - Closed to new students

Continued from fall 09. We will learn to “see” things with an artist’s eye. I will use some techniques from Betty Edward’s *Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain* and other methods I have learned over the years. Lots of fun – no pressure!

**Science Experiments**

Sandy Hawkins

Grades 3 through 6

Hands-on fun mixed with learning about the principles of science.

**Sign Language**

Donna Headrick

Grades 5 through 12

We can learn a basic 600 word vocabulary through practical use, association concept, and repetition. We will learn how to “think deaf” and how to interact with the hearing impaired.

**Sign Language**

Donna Headrick

Grades 1 through 4

600 basic word vocabulary.

**Smocking, Beginning**

Donna Headrick

Grades 6 through adult

Basic Smocking techniques can be used to adorn pillows, nightgowns, baby clothes, ornaments, samplers, etc. Stitching is worked on pleated fabric with needle & embroidery floss.

**Sock Knitting**

Bethany Cope & Tracey Hansen

Grades 7 through adult

We will learn the basics of knitting socks on double pointed needles and complete at least one simple pair of socks. For supplies everyone needs to have a set (5) of size 2 double pointed needles and at least 400 yards of sock yarn. A ruler also is a good idea. For some sock yarns the 400 yd will be in one skein and for others you will need to purchase two skeins. Just be sure and check the label. When in doubt always ask the yarn store ladies; they love to talk yarn. If you have questions please e-mail Bethany at [brianandbee@bellsouth.net](mailto:brianandbee@bellsouth.net) .

**Spanish, Elementary**

Linda Reed

Grades 1 through 6

Open only to fall '09 continuing Spanish students, or by permission. We will continue our PowerGlide adventure, study Hispanic culture in various ways, and prepare an Achievement Night presentation.

**Sweet Treats I**

Megan Akin

Grades 3 through 5

We will be exploring the world of sweet things to eat. We will be eating different kinds of desserts, looking at the origin and also decorating cakes and cookies. There will be no baking.

Limit: 10 people

### **Sweet Treats 2**

Megan Akin

Grades 6 through 8

We will be baking all sorts of desserts. Learning simple culinary techniques and how to work together in a kitchen. The students will have hands on experience in the kitchen.

Limit: 8-10 students

### **Yearbook**

Linda Reed

Grades 7 through 12

Photo layout on computers in youth building. Only active contributors welcome. This is serious work.

Limit: 5 students.

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