

The Old Schoolhouse[®] May 16th - 20th



EXPO

Homeschooling with Heart

Do you have days when you find it difficult to fulfill all your responsibilities at home, including homeschooling and training your children?

Do you ever feel poured out? Empty?

Take time to “get a refill” at the Schoolhouse Expo, **May 16–20, 2011.**

The theme for the Spring Expo is “Homeschooling with Heart.” Although it would be so easy to focus exclusively on our intellectual goals for our children, simply opening up the curriculum and reading the script, that isn’t how we want to do it, is it? As homeschooling parents, we have a desire to homeschool with our hearts. At our Spring Expo, you will find your heart fortified so that you can continue homeschooling—with joy!

The Homeschooling with Heart Expo will give you tips, tricks, and tools to enhance all phases of your homeschool journey, from the preschool and elementary years to high school, college, and beyond. Whether you are downloading one of the many freebies you receive with your ticket purchase, listening to a seminar given by one of our qualified and interesting speakers, or chatting with a seminar attendee, your heart will be uplifted during the Spring Schoolhouse Expo, May 16–20, 2011. Come give your heart a “refill”!

Schoolhouse Expo Tracks and Speakers

This event is an entirely online event that utilizes web conferencing software. Yes, you can attend from the comfort of your own home, sipping tea or coffee, while wearing your pajamas!

The Old Schoolhouse® turns ten this year! And, as part of the celebration, this year's Expo will be bigger and better than ever!

This spring the Schoolhouse Expo introduces two new fabulous tracks: (1) a high school track and (2) an entrepreneur/work at home track.

The high school track offers practical and informative sessions by speakers whose expertise lies in the area of higher education. Encourage your high school student to join us too—we have some great things in store! If you currently are teaching a middle school student, this track should prepare you to successfully homeschool through the high school years.

Our second unique session track is the entrepreneur/work at home track. Are you interested in exploring family opportunities for home-based businesses or working at home? You'll be informed and inspired as you hear from individuals who have practical tips and success stories to share with you!

The Spring Schoolhouse Expo features an incredible lineup of homeschool speakers and authors who are experts in their fields! We are pleased to announce that Dr. Susan Wise Bauer will be joining us for a special keynote session. You will hear from other great homeschool speakers such as Diana Waring, Malia Russell, Dianne Craft, Maggie Hogan, Tyler Hogan, Carol Barnier, Dari Mullins, Carol Topp, Kim Kautzer, Molly Green, and our own Deborah Wuehler. We have a few more surprises in store, and the names of additional speakers will be announced soon!

We have a limited number of live seats available, and ticket sales will start in January. Our first Schoolhouse Expo, held in the spring of 2010, sold out within a matter of weeks, so please stay tuned to our social media and email updates so that you will be able to purchase tickets as soon as they go on sale.

This is an event you will not want to miss! For more information, visit our Schoolhouse Expo website: www.SchoolhouseExpo.com.



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Dr. Brian Ray

Gifts and Prizes!

Everyone who buys a ticket to the Live Expo will receive a free first-year membership to Homeschool Legal Advantage (a \$65 value)! The membership includes legal services from a group of full-time attorneys and more than 200 affiliated attorneys across the United States, a free will and testament for both Mom and Dad, and a 20% discount on resources from the Christian Law Association.

We're building the free gifts packages for both the Live Expo and Expo To Go and will have plenty of goodies ready for you when tickets go on sale in January. Expect to see freebies from Castle Heights Press, Raising Real Men, Super Star Games, Home Field Advantage and many more!

As with the past Expos, we'll be giving out door prizes during every live session, with a huge wrap-up during our Door Prize Extravaganza on Friday, May 20. Along with plenty of books, curricula, games, and projects for attendees, one winner will receive a family suite getaway to Great Wolf Lodge (a \$450 value)!

Come join the conversation!

One of the features that Expo attendees love is our chat option. While a speaker is giving his or her presentation, the Expo attendees may have a relevant chat with each other. It's always edifying. For those of us who don't have a large homeschool community nearby, this chat is a source of encouragement.

And the conversation keeps going at our Expo Facebook fan page at www.Facebook.com/SchoolhouseExpo. You'll enjoy talking about the Expo and also enjoy discussing your personal homeschool journey. The Expo fan page is also a great place to get sneak peeks of the May 2011 Schoolhouse Expo. New speakers, freebies, and vendors are revealed on our Facebook fan page before we disclose it anywhere else.

And our blog is an extension of the Facebook fan page (www.SchoolhouseExpo/blog). On the blog, we talk about plans for the upcoming Expo. We're also working our way through the Expo to Go audios from the October 2010 Expo and discussing these audios on the blog. It's another great avenue for conversation and support.

We would love to get to know you better. Join our Facebook fan page and follow the blog. There's always a conversation you can join!

We want to reach as many homeschool moms as possible through our Facebook page. It is a way for all of us to stay connected to each other and to lift each other up. Once we get to 1,000 Facebook fans, we're giving away our new E-Book about John Taylor Gatto to all our fans. We're almost halfway there! And who knows? Maybe there will be some other surprises as we pass milestones on the way to signing up 1,000 fans.

John Taylor Gatto was the keynote speaker on the last day of the October 2010 Schoolhouse Expo. Everyone who attended his talk was completely inspired. The E-Book we'll be giving away uses talking points from this keynote event, as well as information from a previous interview. The John Taylor Gatto E-Book isn't even in the Schoolhouse Store yet, but we're offering it to our Expo Facebook fans. Join our conversation and get a cool freebie just for joining! (www.Facebook.com/SchoolhouseExpo)

We look forward to chatting with you! Come join us at the Spring Schoolhouse Expo, **May 16–20, 2011!**

Blessings from the Schoolhouse Expo team!

Nancy Carter, Michael and Sharra Badgley, Cindy Horton, and Lori Lynn Lydell



"I really enjoyed the conference!!! I was so excited to win [a door prize]. But honestly, I was already a winner since the Schoolhouse Expo is so encouraging. Thank you once again for putting out a great magazine and a truly wonderful Expo!!"

-Dianne C, California

"Well done, Old Schoolhouse Magazine; you all are on top of things as always. The Expos have been a HUGE BLESSING IN MY JOURNEY teaching my kids."

-Angelica Milford, Florida

"I listened in on last night's webinar and it was definitely worth my time. I can't wait for the next one. I don't have the opportunity to get away for a conference, so this is great!"

God bless,
-Karen, Dartmouth, MA

Many thanks to our sponsors!

The Schoolhouse Expo truly couldn't happen without our wonderful sponsors!

They sponsor workshops, provide door prizes, and donate all those E-Books and MP3s that make up our free gifts packages. We've been hard at work lining up sponsors for 2011 and are thrilled to have several companies already on board, with many more to be added by May.

We would like to send a huge "thank you!" to Apologia Educational Ministries, Noodle Head Fun, and Schola Publications (Latin Road/Phonics Road), who took part in both the May and October 2010 Expos and are joining us again for 2011!

Our newest sponsors include these fine companies:

- Math-U-See is the publisher of the popular hands-on mathematics curriculum that covers kindergarten through calculus.
- Family-owned and operated Lisle Violin Shop sells, rents, and repairs a variety of stringed instruments, including violins and cellos.
- The Dyslexia Training Institute offers online courses, webinars, and on-site training to teach parents, teachers, and others about dyslexia. Their courses can even be used for college credit through the University of San Diego.
- Fire Station Buddies teaches kids aged 5–13 about safety, science, problem solving, and how to prepare for an emergency. Kids can sign up to be Fire Station Buddies at no charge!

Here are some of the Diamond Workshops that will be featured at the 2011 Schoolhouse Expo.

