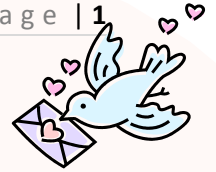


# P.C.H.E.A

Pottawatomie County Home Educators Association



## February 2012

“If I speak in tongues of men or angles, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal”—1 Corinthians 13:1 (NIV)

~Pottawatomie County Home Educators Association Newsletter~

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### Reoccurring Events

**PCHEA's PE Class—Weekly—  
Thursdays, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Looking for an outlet your kids' energy? Join PCHEA's PE Class! Classes continue into February... **Continued on Pg.2**

**Skate Days!—Monthly—Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**

A fun, oft-themed, skating extravaganza!  
For February, it's a Valentine's Day themed hour-and-a-half skate spree at Star Skate in Shawnee from 10-11:30 am! How Lovely!  
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**No Mom's Night Out this Month**

**...Due to drastic budget cuts...**

...Just kidding. Mom's night out will take a break for this month. Don't cry mothers of PCHEA, this monthly night out will resume next month.

**Family Games Night—Randomly—Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**

Planning a date for a Games Night is not an exact science—there is not a specific formula to predict when they will occur. This month, however, the figurative circumstances are right, and PCHEA will host its latest rendition of the Games Night this month! **Continued On Pg.3**

# EVENTS

## PE Class—Thursdays— February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>

Classes are held once a week, through April.

It's not too late to sign up!

PE Classes take place at OBU's "Wellness Center." Classes (2 hours) start at 10:30 and end at 12:30 pm—1 hour "gym" and 1 hour swimming (parents are welcome to swim too). Classes are broken up by age; parents are required to be present at all times.

### Fee per child:

Ages 1-3: Free PE, \$1 per swimming period

Ages 4+ are \$3.50 a week (PE and Swim)

Parents: \$1.50 for swim period, walk track is free!

~Cash Only~

For more information, contact Jenny Hardwick at:

[mchardwicks@yahoo.com](mailto:mchardwicks@yahoo.com) or 878-6877

## Skate Days—Friday—February 13<sup>th</sup>, 10am

Please RSVP immediately if you plan on joining us for the next skate day, Mon. Feb. 13th 10:00-11:30. This month, PCHEA has a V-day party with snacks and a card exchange planned out for those who would like to participate—last year children brought small sacks or decorated shoe boxes for their cards. Everyone planning on coming will need to RSVP soon so we know how many V-day cards each family needs to bring.

The cost for this monthly event is \$5 per skater. This cost covers admission as well as basic skate rentals. In-line or speed rentals come at an additional cost.

You may bring your own skates if you prefer...

**...Please RSVP!!!** Skate requires a minimum of 30 skaters for PCHEA to have this private skating session.

### Star Skate

37393 W. 45th St

(South of Hwy 177 on 45th St)

Phone: 273-2030

Give ideas and thoughts about skate day events to **Sydney Gore** at [sydneykgore@yahoo.com](mailto:sydneykgore@yahoo.com)

## Father and Daughter Dance—Friday February 10<sup>th</sup>

From 6-9 pm, this is a special night for dads and their daughters. Taking place at Heritage Church in Shawnee, this event is for all PCHEA fathers who have a daughter from Pre-K - 12th grade (fathers are encouraged to bring more than one daughter).

### Daughters, here's what you need to do:

We ask that each family attending would bring a dessert or finger food to share.

Simple enough?

### Fathers, here's what *you* need to do:

In order to cover costs, we are asking families to pre-pay \$10 per daughter, with a \$40 maximum for families with multiple daughters attending. We ask that all attending would pay by the end of January so we can plan accordingly.

To make it easier to keep track of who has paid, give or send a check to Trisha Houghton at

**1910 Keller Place  
Shawnee, OK 74804**

and write your family's name, as well as the event (Father Daughter Dance) and number of persons attending in the memo line.

Dads, make some special memories with your special "little girl(s)."

**Notes:** Jason Starinieri, a local pastor and fellow homeschooling dad, will play DJ for the evening.

We will have a special backdrop and set up for the dads and daughters to take a picture to commemorate the event.

**"Four Loves" Valentine Day Recital—  
Tuesday—February 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm**

With Louima & Dephanie Lilite

Come to a beautiful evening of song! Selections will feature the four aspects of love -- agape/God's love, eros/romance, phileo/friendship, and storge/family -- as described by C. S. Lewis in his book "Four Loves." All ages are welcome to this formal event which provides an excellent opportunity to practice good recital etiquette!

When: Tuesday, February 14th, 2012—7:30pm

Where: Yarborough Auditorium  
—Raley Chapel, OBU

Cost: Free

**Family Games Night—Friday, February  
17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm**

Family Games Night is Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30, Heritage Church in Shawnee (2100 N. Bryan St). Tom and Kate Kordsiemon have a night of excitement planned out for all attending. Just bring a snack/dessert and a fun group game. Oh...and yourself(s). This event is for everyone of every age group. Dress is casual— atmosphere is relaxed and fun. Come and play some group games, fellowship with folks like you, and eat yummy food!

Wanna help plan some of the games and contests??? Have any ideas or suggestions?

Outstanding! Call

**Tom and Kate Kordsiemon** at **(405)321-4737**  
or send them an email at [tomwk6@gmail.com](mailto:tomwk6@gmail.com)

**Geography Fair!—Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>,  
6-8pm**

Get your passports ready and prepare for takeoff! Come one, come all to the annual PCHEA Geography Fair for an exotic evening of food, fun, and virtual travel!!! What is the Geography Fair, you ask? It is an opportunity to share what you have learned about a particular country, and to explore other countries as well. Each student, family, or group will have a table where they can display posters, artifacts, maps, books, and even food-samples from the country of their choice. The only rules are that only one entry for each country will be allowed, so sign-up early to get first pick of the globe. In the past, some groups have even chosen to present a particular time-period such as medieval England or ancient Egypt. That's okay, too!!!

When: February 23rd, 6-8pm.

Where: Heritage Baptist Church

Who: Everyone welcome!

Contact: Sarah Montgomery or Jenae Baughman for more details or to sign-up for this fabulous event!

## **Editor's Note: Keep Collecting Box Tops and Earn Money for PCHEA**

Last year PCHEA was able to collect enough Box Tops to earn \$61 for our group. We will use money raised through this program this year for something fun at the end of the school year, so keep clipping and collecting!

**The next collection period is in March.** Trisha Houghton is our "Box Tops Coordinator", so save your box tops and pass them on to her by mail, in person at PCHEA events, or however you fancy at your convenience.

**Thank you!**

....As always, additional information, as well new events and topical discussions are available at

**Yahoo-group website—**  
[groups.yahoo.com/group/PCHEAGroup](https://groups.yahoo.com/group/PCHEAGroup)

**...and at the PCHEA website—**[pcheahomeschoolers.blogspot.com](http://pcheahomeschoolers.blogspot.com)

*What's that?* Have an itch to organize an event to list on the newsletter?

*Awesome Sauce!*

If so, please contact  
**Ruth Smith, Tom Kordsiemon,**  
or **Nancy Schwab** by email or phone.

**Note: Please submit any event by the 15th  
of the month before the event is to happen.**

**Failure to submit event *by* the 15<sup>th</sup>  
makes life difficult on the people who put this together. So show us some love and submit your  
event on time and we'll return the love by including it in our monthly rendition.**

*The end*