



Conference & Curriculum Fair



*I have No Greater Joy than this, to hear
of my Children Walking in the Truth,
III John 1:4*

Featuring:

Andrew Pudewa—Institute for Excellence in Writing
Vicki Bentley—HSLDA
Brian Young—Creation Instruction Association

March 12-13, 2021

Indian Hills Community Church
1000 S. 84th St.
Lincoln, Nebraska



Nebraska Christian Home Educators Association

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You are graciously invited to attend . . .

The NCHEA's 34th Annual Conference and Curriculum Fair (C&CF). The ultimate purpose of the C&CF is to bring glory and honor to our Lord Jesus Christ in all that is said and done. We hope that the workshops and keynote sessions serve to be a witness to the lost, encouragement to the downtrodden, provide fellowship for believers, and a time of rest for weary parents.

Why should you attend? Come to . . .

- ♦ Be inspired and encouraged by our speakers
- ♦ Shop the exhibit halls and see what's new
- ♦ Meet and have fellowship with other like-minded home-educating parents
- ♦ Mentor new homeschooling parents
- ♦ Learn about homeschooling and parent-led education
- ♦ Enjoy "couple time" away from home and children
- ♦ Be blessed

Sincerely,

**NCHEA Board, Officers, and Conference
Committee**

Conference Schedule

Friday, March 12

8:30 a.m.
Registration Begins
9 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
Exhibit Halls Open for Shopping
9:30 –10:30 a.m.
Opening General Session
11 a.m. Navigating the Exhibit Hall*
11 a.m.–4 p.m.
Workshop Sessions
2:15-2:45 p.m.
Exhibitor Workshops
6:30 p.m.
Exhibit Hall Closes
7–8:30 p.m.
Open to the Public
Keynote Session followed by Graduate Recognition

** For new conference attendees. Meet at 11 a.m. for a fun orientation session in Room 1422-23.*

Saturday, March 13

8 a.m.
Registration Begins
8 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
Exhibit Halls Open for Shopping
9 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
Workshop Sessions
10:15–10:45 a.m.
Exhibitor Workshops
Noon–1:15 p.m.
Support Group Leader Luncheon**
3:30 p.m.
Exhibit Hall Closes
3:30–4:30 p.m.
Closing General Session

*** Support Group Leaders join us for an informational and inspirational session. RSVP on the Registration Form. Bring your own lunch or preorder on the Registration Form.*

Questions?

Call after 6:00 p.m.

Kathleen Lenzen ♦ nchea@nchea.org ♦ (402) 423-4297

Janell Papke ♦ cjpapke@yahoo.com ♦ (402) 798-0444

Jean Bennett ♦ jaben460@gmail.com ♦ (402) 875-3109

Michelle Pietzyk ♦ mdpietzyk@gmail.com ♦ (402) 480-1347

Pre-Registration & Payment

Save \$\$\$ with NCHEA membership and early registration!

Pre-registrations must be received by **February 8, 2021**. When your online registration is received, you will get an email confirmation. Please save this confirmation as your record of registration. If you do not have an email address, your canceled check will be your confirmation. Confirmation notices are not mailed.

Each individual or couple that pre-registers will receive one C&CF syllabus at check-in. The syllabus contains outlines and resources. Additional copies may be reserved in advance on the registration form for \$10. Individuals or couples registering at the door receive a syllabus while supplies last.

For quick and easy registration go to www.NCHEA.org.

C&CF Information

Pre-Registration

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Lodging

Take advantage of the NCHEA special lodging discount. Spend time with other families.

Comfort Suites, 331 North Cotner Blvd.

Call (402)325-8800 for reservations. Ask for the NCHEA room block to receive the discount. Reservations must be made by Feb. 19, 2021.

Fairfield Inn, 8455 Andermatt Dr.

Call Fairfield Inn at (402) 325-6400. Ask for the NCHEA room block. Reservations must be made by Friday, Feb. 19, 2021.

Take the Conference Home! CDs and MP3s

Remember, the C&CF includes more information than you can absorb in two days! You can purchase CDs and MP3s at the booth in the lobby if you miss a workshop. See the registration form for payment information or go to Alliance.com to order. **No personal recording devices allowed.**

Exhibit Halls

Your C&CF registration includes unlimited access to the Exhibit Halls featuring publishers, textbooks, and teaching materials. **There is no discount to attend only the Exhibit Halls.**

Free Friday Night

Know someone curious about homeschooling? The Friday evening keynote session is FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! Invite your interested friends, family, church members, and your neighbors to see the results of home education. All ages are welcome.

Solicitation

No unauthorized solicitation or distribution of material is permitted at the C&CF or in the parking lot.

Children/Teens

For their safety and security, children/teens attending the conference with their parents must remain with a parent at all times. "Children" is defined as persons under the age of 18 years. Adult children in the home who want to attend must pay and register for the conference.

On-site childcare is not available. A room is available to change diapers, nurse babies or for mothers to have quiet time with their babies.

Coffee Shoppe

Do you need a break? Join us in the Coffee Shoppe in Room 1422-23 to enjoy some relaxation and catch up with friends. Specialty coffee and snacks are available for purchase.



Volunteers

The C&CF is planned and conducted by homeschool parents like you. This undertaking requires many volunteers. Prayerfully consider volunteering. Please check the box on the registration form marked "volunteers" or call Kathleen Lenzen at (402) 423-4297 or Janell Papke at (402) 798-0444.

Refund Policy

No refunds or adjustments are made at the C&CF. All refund requests must be made in writing by March 1. All refunds are subject to a \$5 cancellation fee. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope when requesting a refund.

Food

Food and drink are NOT permitted in the church, except in the Coffee Shoppe. Water is allowed in a sealed container. Because of Covid-19 restrictions, Friday and Saturday lunch orders will not be available this year. Enjoy a meal offsite with your friends!

Exhibit and Advertising

Advertising in the syllabus and exhibitor space is available. For information, contact NCHEA@NCHEA.org. Advertising and exhibiting is at the discretion of the C&CF committee and denials are without comment.

Calls

The church does not sponsor this event and no calls should be directed to Indian Hills Community Church.

Photos and Video

When you attend/enter the NCHEA C&CF, you will be entering an area where photography, videography, and/or audio recording may occur. By entering the event premises, you consent to photography, audio recording, video recording and its/their release, publication, exhibition, or reproduction of the same to be used for the purposes of print, news, web casts, promotional purposes, telecasts, advertising, inclusion on websites, or any other purpose as required by the NCHEA, its affiliates, or its representatives.

Take the Conference Home!



Pre-order your C&CF MP3s on the registration form.

Pre-orders are mailed out after the conference.

Special Activities

Support Group Leaders Lunch

Thank you for all that you do! Saturday from Noon-1:15 p.m., join us for a great time to connect with other leaders and encourage one another--Room 1101-1102. Please bring your lunch or preorder a sack lunch on the Registration Form.

Graduate Recognition

Sign your senior up for Graduate Recognition. The Keynote Session and Graduate Recognition are open to the public.

Visit

www.NCHEA.org

for the graduate questionnaire, fees and information. For questions, contact Janell Papke at cjpapke@yahoo.com or Kathleen Lenzen at nchea@nchea.org.

Dyslexia Screening

March 12-13

The Nebraska Dyslexia Association is screening children of all ages. Screening takes 90 minutes and the fee is \$30. Appointment times are 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 2 p.m. both days and 3:30 p.m. on Friday. To schedule a screening, contact Carolyn Brandle at cbrandlenda@gmail.com or (402)488-7920 with your first and second choice of screening times. Mail checks to: Nebraska Dyslexia Association, PO Box 6302, Lincoln, NE 68506

SPECIAL Opportunities

Buy It Here and Win!

Support our exhibitors by purchasing your materials at the C&CF. Enter to win a free electronic device. Bring your receipts to the NCHEA table. Receive one entry for every \$25 purchase. (Ex. \$25=1 ticket, \$50=2 tickets, etc.)

AND watch for other ways to win at the C&CF!

Kids and Teen Conferences

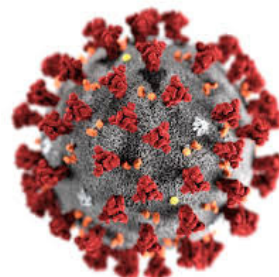
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Kids and Teens once again have their own fun and educational conferences during the C&CF.

See pages 15 and 17 for registration information!

Covid-19 Precautions

Attendees are asked to comply with Covid-19 precautions in effect at the time of the conference in the city of Lincoln, Nebraska. The city of Lincoln and Lancaster County may have precautions that differ from other parts of the state of Nebraska or other states. The NCHEA asks your courteous cooperation with the official position. The most current Lincoln guidelines will be posted and available.



Find Your Local Support Group

Stop by the NCHEA table in the lobby to find our information about local support groups and connect with people in your area. If you are a support group leader, please stop by the table and mark your group on the map. If you have not given us your support group information, please send it to Kathleen Lenzen at NCHEA@NCHEA.org.

Featured Speakers

Andrew Pudewa

Institute for Excellence in Writing



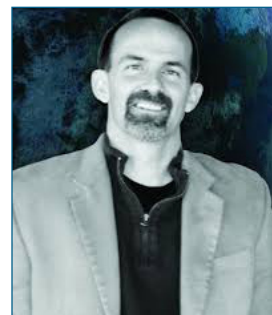
Andrew Pudewa is the founder and director of the Institute for Excellence in Writing and a father of seven. Traveling and speaking around the world, he addresses issues related to teaching, writing, thinking, spelling, and music with clarity, insight, practical experience, and humor. His seminars for parents, students, and teachers have helped transform many a

reluctant writer and have equipped educators with powerful tools to dramatically improve students' skills.

Although he is a graduate of the Talent Education Institute in Japan and holds a Certificate of Child Brain Development from the Institutes for the Achievement of Human Potential in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, his best endorsement is from a young Alaskan boy who called him "the funny man with the wonderful words." He and his wonderful, heroic wife, Robin, have homeschooled their seven children and are now proud grandparents of fourteen, making their home in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Brian Young

Creation Instruction Association



Brian Young, an internationally known speaker and author, was a teacher and principal for 10 years before becoming director of Creation Instruction Association and the Semisaurus Mobile Creation Museum. He has now been speaking on the topic of creation and Biblical authority for 25 years, doing debates at universities, going into prisons, and sharing at churches,

schools and camps around the world. He uses the Bible as the foundation for science and education.

Vicki Bentley

HSLDA

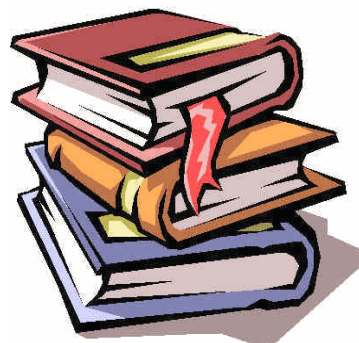


Vicki Bentley is an author, speaker, educational consultant, and homeschool veteran with almost three decades of personal and professional experience in the world of home education. She has a heart for helping parents and seeks to equip them with practical wisdom and encouraging words.

She is the mother of eight daughters, foster mom to over 50, and grandma to 23 wonderful grandbabies and five great-grandbabies (so far).

Alongside her husband Jim, Vicki has homeschooled 17 children since 1988 and has been a support group leader since 1991. She has served on the executive board and convention committee of the Home Educators Association of Virginia (HEAV) and has addressed state and national conventions, university teacher organizations, and many mothers' groups.

She is also the author of *My Homeschool Planner*, *Everyday Cooking*, *The Everyday Family Chore System*, *Home Education 101: A Mentoring Program for New Homeschoolers*, *High School 101: Blueprint for Success*, along with other homeschool and homemaking helps.



Workshop Speakers

Mikaela Betka, OD, FCOVD

Dr. Betka knows that patients have to see how much you care before they care how much you know. She lives by this mantra to help patients of all ages realize their best possible vision. Her quest is to help people improve their vision to do better in school, work, and in life. She's an expert in visual issues and leads the Vision Therapy team at EyeCare Specialties Center for Vision Development.



Gwelda Carlson

Gwelda Carlson, M.A. taught for more than 30 years in preschool, Head Start and in the public school system, primarily as a special education teacher and literacy teacher. She is an academic tutor, focusing mainly on literacy instruction. She has provided literacy skills instruction at the university level and has provided numerous workshops and staff development sessions in reading. She serves on the Board of Directors for the Nebraska Dyslexia Association.



Vicki Clarke

Vicki is the librarian at Walt Branch Public Library in Lincoln, Nebraska. A former homeschooling mother of six, she returned to her first career as a librarian after staying home with her children for 13 years. Passionate about finding hidden gems and discovering cool new things, Vicki is always eager to show people the great things that can be found at libraries.



Shelli Cook

Shelli, CCC-SLP, received her M.S. in Education in Speech-Language Pathology from the University of Nebraska-Kearney and B.S. from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She has provided services in public and private schools, rehabilitation facilities, and private practice, including focus on reading instruction for more than 14 years. Shelli is on the Board of Directors of the Nebraska Dyslexia Association.



Sharon Fisher

Sharon is a wife, mother, and grandmother who has a passion for encouraging homeschool parents and Christian educators to teach children with excellence and with a biblical worldview. She holds a B.S. and an M.A. in Elementary Education. She has many years of full-time teaching experience in the elementary classroom, served as Curriculum Coordinator for Bob Jones Academy, and served as an elementary author for BJU Press. She has contributed to a variety of elementary educational materials and has presented workshops both nationally and internationally on a variety of topics and teaching methods. She serves as Social Media Coordinator, Workshop Speaker and Coordinator, Blog Writer, and Curriculum Specialist for Homeworks by Precept, a provider of excellent homeschool materials.



Gretchen Garrison

When Gretchen Garrison started homeschooling in 2008, she and her husband, Kyle, had four kids six and under. At the point, she did not anticipate how slowly and quickly the journey would go - they will graduate their first senior this spring. Back in 2013, she started her blog, *Odyssey Through Nebraska*, to help her family study and travel Nebraska that school year purposefully. The blog continued and has resulted in three books so far. *Detour Nebraska: Historic Destinations and Natural Wonders* were published in the fall of 2017. In 2020, both *A History Lover's Guide to Lincoln* and *100 Things to Do in Lincoln Before You Die* became available. Gretchen and her family live on an acreage just west of Lincoln.



Adam Lloyd Johnson

Dr. Adam Lloyd Johnson serves as a university campus missionary with Ratio Christi. He also teaches classes for Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He received his PhD in Theological Studies with an emphasis in Philosophy of Religion from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is the editor and co-author of the book 'A Debate on God and Morality: What is the Best Account of Objective Moral Values and Duties?' published by Routledge. You can learn more about his ministry at his website www.convincingproof.org.



Kristen Pfeil, OTD, OTR/L

Dr. Kristen Pfeil graduated from Creighton University in 2002 with a clinical doctorate in occupational therapy. Over the last 18 years she has practiced as a pediatric occupational therapist in outpatient, inpatient and school based settings. She owns a pediatric therapy practice Connect Pediatric Therapy in Lincoln.



Rachel Smith, OD

Dr. Rachel Smith graduated from Indiana University School of Optometry in 2013. She currently practices at Children's Hospital in Omaha, NE. Over the last 7 years she has worked in private practice primary care along with vision therapy. Both Kristen and Rachel have spent their professional careers in pediatrics and are passionate about the coordination of care in order to meet the needs of each child.



Timothy Schmidt

Timothy is a father of 4 and a graduate of The Master's Seminary. He has served as the preaching pastor in the Evangelical Free Church of Firth for the past 10 years. Through a variety of outlets, his passion to train young people to defend their beliefs has been growing since his own days of standing firm in the faith when he was a student at UNL in the mid 90's.



Danna Swartz

Danna and her husband Patrick have volunteered with NCHCA for more than 10 years. They are both involved with teaching their children and work professionally as educators at Clarkson College and corporate training facilities. They love to work with new homeschool families to help equip them for the mission ahead.



Rick Willet

Rick Willet has been in the construction industry since 1977 and is very passionate about introducing young men and women to the enjoyment a career in construction can present. In 1995 Rick & his wife Marcia started Willet Construction, Remodeling Specialists. Rick graduated from Southeast Community College-Milford in 1979 with a bachelor's degree in Building Construction Technology. He is a member of the Home Builders Association of Lincoln, serving as remodelers' council chairperson in 2018. In 2015, Rick became a member of Remodelers Advantage Roundtables, which is a national peer group of industry leading remodeling contractors around the country working together toward mastering the fundamentals of owning a remodeling business. In 2018, Willet Construction was awarded the Big50 award, given to the top 50 remodelers around the country each year by Remodeling Magazine.



Graduate Recognition

Attention Seniors!

Join us for the Graduate Recognition during the NCHEA Conference and Curriculum Fair on March 12 in Lincoln.

Register by Feb. 8 for this wonderful evening at

www.NCHEA.org.

Inform, Support and Protect

All year long the Nebraska Christian Home Educators Association, a not-for-profit organization formed in 1986, provides information, support, and training to home educators throughout the state. We encourage you to join hundreds of homeschooling families across Nebraska who share in the benefits of NCHEA membership. Your membership is important in strengthening the impact of the NCHEA with elected officials.

NCHEA Membership Benefits:

- Newsletter
- Discounted Conference Registration
- \$20 HSLDA Membership Discount
- Legislative Alerts
- Legislative Day

Register Online at
www.NCHEA.org

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Workshop Schedule

Friday, March 12

9:30–10:30 a.m.

However Imperfectly: Lessons Learned From Thirty Years of Teaching

Andrew Pudewa, Auditorium

In this talk, Andrew shares many humorous experiences (and painful lessons) he has learned over thirty years of teaching and homeschooling, including: It's hard not to do to your kids what was done to you; Process over product; All kids are different; "Progressive" education doesn't mean progress; What real "college and career readiness" is, and two secret keys to successful teaching. You will be challenged or reassured (or both!) but sure to leave with an expanded vision of your calling as a homeschooling educator.

11 a.m.–Noon

Reaching the Reluctant Writer

Andrew Pudewa, Auditorium

Many children really do not like to write. Why? This workshop will answer that basic question and teach a specific and successful method of separating the complex process of writing into the smallest possible steps, making it possible for even the most reluctant writer to produce short but complete compositions. He will be proud and motivated to write again. If you remove the problem of what to write, you will be free to help your child learn how to write, using source texts, key word outlines, and "dress-up" checklists. Results guaranteed!

Navigating the Exhibit Hall

Tim and Angi Bates, 1422-1423

New conference attendees can join us for a fun orientation session about conference vendors and speakers. Discover great tools for getting the most out of the conference. Join us in the **Coffee Shoppe** to kick off your weekend at the conference.

Juggling Life and Lesson Plans

Vicki Bentley, Chapel or live stream Room 2430

As a busy mom, do you sometimes struggle with lesson planning, keeping the house somewhat presentable, teaching your kids, keeping up with the laundry, AND getting dinner on the table the same day you homeschool? Learn to apply these 7 truths of juggling skills to take your homeschool journey from sanity-defying circus act to a joyful and peaceful experience.

The Godly Family

Brian Young, 1404

Having problems with your children or grandchildren? This is one of our most requested presentations. See what the Bible says about the discipline and education of your children. Find out what God sees as priority for your children and learn Biblical steps in raising a Godly family.

The Reality of Dyslexia

Gwelda Carlson, 1112

Dyslexia is the most common learning disability, occurring in up to 20% of children. Individuals with dyslexia have the ability to learn and are often talented, creative, and have productive minds. Research has helped us to understand that the areas of the brain designed for learning to read need to be developed by reprogramming the brain pathways. Explore the signs of dyslexia, the need for appropriate instruction, and strategies to build successful readers.

1–2 p.m

Teaching Boys & Teaching Girls: Towards a Better Understanding

Andrew Pudewa, Auditorium

Children like to do what they can do, they want to do what they think they can do, and they hate to do what they think they cannot do. If you want excited and enthusiastic children who learn well, you must understand these key laws of motivation, and focus on the essential requirement of relevancy. If it matters, children will learn it, and if it doesn't, they won't. This session will enlighten you with specific ways to find and create relevancy for children, even when they have no apparent interest.

Multi-level Teaching

Vicki Bentley, Chapel or live stream Room 2430

When you had one child, it seemed easy. But adding more children sometimes makes homeschooling feel like a zany plate-spinning act. In this workshop, Vicki shares ideas for keeping the homeschooling "plates" from crashing to the floor! Come hear practical tips for teaching multiple ages from a mom of 17 homeschooled students (up seven school-aged kids at one time!).

Vision: It's More Than Just 20/20

Mikaela Betka, 1112

Does your child avoid reading or near work? Do they struggle with reduced reading comprehension or fluency? Do they omit small words or skip lines when reading? Are they struggling to live up to their full potential academically? There are 17 visual skills that are necessary for efficient vision. In this presentation we will discuss the link between vision and learning and the signs and symptoms that might suggest your child is struggling from an undiagnosed visual disorder.

Ready, Set, GO!

Danna Swartz, 1404

How to start, where to find curriculum, when to school, and what a typical day looks like are some of the areas discussed. Get an understanding of Rule 13 and gain valuable information for your homeschool journey. This workshop is a MUST for new homeschoolers.

2:15-2:45 p.m.
Exhibitor Workshops
*Enjoy some great Exhibitor Workshops
during this session!*

3–4 p.m.

The Four Deadly Errors of Teaching Writing
Andrew Pudewa, Auditorium

We've all suffered it at one time or another: frustration about writing assignments. Either on the receiving end, or perhaps now on the giving end, there can be a few distinctly discouraging aspects to teaching and being taught writing. The tough questions include: What to correct and how to give a grade? How much help is too much? Isn't the assignment clear enough? Why don't students find their own errors? Learn and avoid four teaching mistakes that contribute to this frustration: Overcorrecting, Holding Back Help, Unclear Assignments, and Over-Expectation.

Exploring Curriculum Options

Vicki Bentley, Chapel or live stream Room 2430

Drawing on her experience as a mom of 17 homeschooled students and a curriculum counselor for a statewide homeschool organization, Vicki shares the secrets to mapping out a successful course of study for your children. This workshop helps beginners to get a solid start in home education and encourages veteran homeschoolers to re-examine their goals and priorities. It also includes a basic overview of different teaching approaches.

Constructive Skills: Learning for a Lifetime

Rick Willet, 1101-1102

A house or building can be the single largest investment of a lifetime. What simple skills should your children learn that will benefit them for a life of maintaining that investment? Learning these simple skills could lead them to deciding that a career in construction is right for them. We will talk about the multiple skills needed to plan, design, engineer, construct, decorate, furnish, finance, and maintain a house. Discussion will include how you can teach something you may not know how to do yourself.

How to Find the Stories Waiting Down the Street

Gretchen Garrison, 1404

Do you know why particular streets are given the names that they are? Do you know about your neighborhood? For her Nebraska books, Gretchen Garrison did so much research. She will tell you how you can find out behind the scenes the information on the places that you frequent. If you really do not want to do the research, part of this workshop will include stories about Nebraska that she has uncovered through her studies. Included at no extra cost to you will be a slideshow presentation of some of the pictures that are found in her three books.

Keynote Address and Graduate Recognition

7–8:30 p.m.

Entering the Promised Land

Brian Young, Auditorium

Come hear Brian Young as he encourages the graduates and challenges all of us. Learn what to expect as we become soldiers in the Kingdom of God.

followed by **Graduate Recognition**

Join us in celebrating the hard work of graduates and their families after the Keynote Address. This Keynote Address is free and open to the public.

Saturday, March 13

9–10 a.m.

Ten Thousand Times & Then Begins Understanding
Andrew Pudewa, Auditorium

This Japanese proverb encapsulates a discipline quite foreign to our Western way of thinking. We are happier with "Try, try again" or "Third time's the charm." How can we engender in ourselves and in our students a love of diligence that transforms the "daily grind" of study and repetition into a joyful pursuit of excellence?

Getting Kids to Help at Home: Training in Diligence & Thoroughness

Vicki Bentley, Chapel or live stream Room 2430

Letting your children be more involved in helping at has some great benefits—both for training them in character and practical skills AND for your sanity! But where do you begin? This foster mom to over 50 children shares tips and practical helps that have enabled her to homeschool 17 children and still be able to open the front door to guests.

Scientific Evidences of a Young Earth

Brian Young, 1404

Explore topics such as carbon dating, tree rings, ice cores, population statistics, astronomy, erosion and more to see how all of them support an earth that could not possibly be millions and billions of years old. Shows how the Bible isn't against science but rather science gives incredible support for the Bible and a young earth.

Ready, Set, GO!

Danna Swartz, 1101-1102

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11 a.m.–Noon

"Jump-Start" to Joyful Motherhood (Psalm 113:9)

Vicki Bentley, Auditorium

What comes to mind when you hear the phrase "joyful mother"? If you aren't sure this describes your perspective on motherhood right now, come learn six steps to guide you to the joyful path! We also discuss practical strategies to help us stay "tuned up."

Wandering the World

Gretchen Garrison, Chapel

Geography affects so many aspects of our lives. This workshop will fill you with ideas on how to bring the world into your classroom including fictional titles, activities and resources. This is primarily geared toward the elementary student classroom, but some basic ideas will be given for middle school and high school families. As a travel writer, Gretchen Garrison has put some miles on her Odyssey minivan. She also teaches the Lancaster Learning Link middle school geography class.

Teaching Strategies for Students with Dyslexia and Reading Struggles

Shelli Cook, 1101-1102

Do you have a child who struggles with reading, writing, and/or spelling, but you're not sure what to do? Do you wonder if they have dyslexic tendencies? This session will provide systematic, multi-sensory strategies to help children from early childhood to middle school with these challenges.

Critical Thinking- What's all the Fuss About?

Sharon Fisher, 1112

Critical thinking is a well-used phrase in homeschooling circles, but's what the big deal? Why is critical thinking one of the most important skills to master and how can you best help your child?

Flat Earth, False Education

Brian Young, 2430

Google searches for "flat earth" have gone up 800% from 2014-2017. This presentation addresses this growing issue to see why people are buying into this lie and show people how to process and discern through information.

Noon–1:15 p.m.

SUPPORT GROUP LEADER LUNCH

Support group leaders meet in Room 1101-1102
for lunch and fellowship.

PRE-REGISTRATION is required.

1:30–2:30 p.m.

Cultivating Language Arts: Preschool through High School

Andrew Pudewa, Auditorium

Listening and reading well, speaking and writing clearly, thinking and debating effectively are abilities that most parents hope to cultivate in their children. With that goal in mind, Andrew will explore various environments and activities which will accelerate the development of these language skills, beginning with the youngest students and continuing into the high school years.

Starting in the Middle

Vicki Bentley, Chapel or live stream Room 2430

Maybe you haven't always homeschooled—you're starting a few years in, or even mid-year. Can you start mid-year? What does it look like? Where do you begin? What should you expect? How can you ease the transition for all of you? This workshop answers these questions and more. There's a Q&A time included, so bring your questions!

Libraries Are More than Books: Helpful Online Resources to Enhance Home Education

Vicki Clarke, 1112

Maybe you already know how to search the library's catalog and place holds on books, but did you know there is so much more you can access on the library's web page? Libraries subscribe to many online resources that are available for you to use from the convenience of your own home. Discover how to access new software knowledge and makerspace opportunities, enhance your reading lists, learn 100 languages, even access a live tutor, plus much more. It is all available with your library card - and even those who don't live in Lincoln can get one too. It's the most valuable card in your wallet!

Vision and Motor Coordination

Dr. Kristin Pfeil and Dr. Rachel Smith, 1404

Learn the critical role of vision and motor coordination in development and learning. Discover how to set your child up for success:

1. Overview normal development of early motor skills, visual skills, and their integration
2. Recognize early signs of delays in motor, sensory, and visual skills
3. Understand the link between visual motor skills and learning deficiencies
4. Strategies to remediate delays

Careers in Construction: What has Happened to the Workforce and What Does the Future Hold?

Rick Willet, 1101-1102

Why is it hard to find people that want to work in the trades? How has our education system and government failed to promote the trades industry? What can we do to reverse this trend? Come find out:

- “who” might enjoy the different types of careers in construction
- “what” level of education is needed for a construction career
- “why” a career in construction can be a very fulfilling experience
- “where” can a construction career path take me
- “how” can we introduce construction through our education

3:30–4:30 p.m

Keynote Address

Freedomship Education: Rebuilding Your Education Paradigm

Andrew Pudewa, Auditorium

Escaping the conveyor belt approach of institutional education by which most of us were shaped isn't easy, but it has to be done. For many parents, our greatest handicap as teachers is our own education—but it need not be so. In this inspiring and empowering session, you will not only come to understand the nature and purpose of today's educational system as it was originally conceived and designed, but you will see a shining alternative path, one that develops true thinkers, leaders, and communicators—so desperately needed in today's world.

Kids and Teen Conferences

March 12-13

Kids ages 5-12

Come see how Moses learned to trust God, and how God in turn used him to deliver the Israelites from Pharaoh. Children will enjoy Bible lessons, music, art, and recreation for an engaging and entertaining time as they are enriched by God's word.

Teens ages 13-18

Get equipped to defend your faith in Christ with good reasons and evidence to believe Jesus is God. In this conference you'll learn about the historical evidence for Jesus' miracles and resurrection. We'll also discuss common objections against Christianity such as the claim that the New Testament has been altered or corrupted throughout the centuries. We'll be utilizing an apologetics book for teens called *Living Loud: Defending Your Faith* by Norman Geisler and Joseph Holden.

See pages 15 and 17 for registration information!

*Note: All workshops and times are subject to change.

2021 NCHEA C&CF Registration Form

Send in this form or register online **BEFORE FEBRUARY 8** at www.NCHEA.org

Husband (first) _____ (last) _____
Wife (first) _____ (last) _____
Address _____ City _____
State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____
E-mail _____ E-mail _____

NCHEA Member Benefits

Please consider becoming a member to help support the NCHEA and to enjoy these benefits below.

	Pre-Registered Member*	Pre-Registered Non-Member	Walk-in Non-Member
Membership	\$25.00	n/a	n/a
Individual/Couple C&CF Registration	\$25.00	\$45.00	\$60.00
Family C&CF Registration	\$60.00	\$80.00	\$95.00
Conference MP3 Recordings	\$35.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
Kid's Conference: 1 st Child	\$30.00	\$35.00	n/a
Kid's Conference: 2 nd & Additional Children	\$25.00	\$30.00	n/a
Teen Conference: 1 st Teen	\$30.00	\$35.00	n/a
Teen Conference: 2 nd & Additional Teens	\$25.00	\$30.00	n/a

Pre-Registered Members will also receive a \$5 coupon to be used at the C&CF Coffee Shoppe.

Total Potential Member Savings (w/ 2 children or teens) **\$65.00**

***PLEASE NOTE: You must pay for a new, renewed, or extended membership with your C&CF registration to take advantage of the Member Benefit.**

NCHEA Membership:

____ Yes, I want to sign up for a **new, renewed, or extended NCHEA Membership?** \$25/family \$ _____

***You must pay for a new, renewed, or extended membership with your C&CF registration to take advantage of the NCHEA Member Benefit**

Would you like to receive the **NCHEA News and Legislative Alerts** via _____ E-mail or _____ U.S. Mail?

C&CF Registration:

Individual/Couple C&CF Registration \$ _____

(Pre-Registered Member \$25; Pre-Registered Non-Member \$45; Walk-in Non-Member \$60)

Family C&CF Registration (parents & children of your immediate family) \$ _____

Names of Children: _____

(Pre-Registered Member \$60; Pre-Registered Non-Member \$80; Walk-in Non-Member \$95)

Support Groups

____ Yes, I am a member of a local support group. Support Group Name: _____

____ Yes, I am a support group leader. Leadership Position: _____

____ Yes, I am a Support Group Leader, and will be attending the Leader Luncheon on Saturday.

____ Yes, I would like to preorder a sack lunch for the Luncheon on Saturday. \$6/lunch \$ _____

C&CF Syllabus - ____ Yes, I want an extra Syllabus for \$10.00 each, includes sales tax. \$10/syllabus \$ _____

Conference MP3's - ____ Yes, I want to pre-purchase the C&CF MP3 set* (**\$35 Pre-Reg. Members**, \$65 Non-Members) \$ _____

*(MP3 set includes both Friday & Saturday sessions. MP3 pricing includes sales tax. MP3s will be mailed after the C&CF.)

Donations

____ Yes, I am donating to the NCHEA. NCHEA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization (donations are tax deductible). \$ _____

Volunteering at the Conference

Total \$ _____

Yes, I want to volunteer: ____ Fri a.m. ____ Fri p.m. ____ Sat a.m. ____ Sat p.m.

Grandparent – A non-home educating grandparent may attend free with a paid family member's registration.

Grandparent Name: _____

REGISTRATION DEADLINE – FEBRUARY 8, 2021

Mail this form (postmarked by February 8) and your check made payable to NCHEA to:

Jeff Bennett, C&CF Registrar, 2408 S. 18th St, Lincoln, NE 68502

Credit card payment can be made by registering online at www.NCHEA.org. When you pre-register and pay **online**, you will receive an email confirmation. Your canceled check will be your confirmation. Checks postmarked after February 8 will not be processed and can be picked up at the C&CF. All refunds subject to \$5 cancellation fee and providing a self-addressed stamped return envelope mailed to Nick Lenzen, 2610 Winchester South, Lincoln, NE 68512. No C&CF refunds after March 1, 2021.

Kids Conference 2021



Kids ages 5-12 will spend two days learning about the life of Moses. Come see how Moses learned to trust God, and how God in turn used him to deliver the Israelites from Pharaoh. Children will enjoy Bible lessons, music, art, and recreation for an engaging and entertaining time as they are enriched by God's word.

March 12-13

Friday: Check-in 8 a.m., Conference 9:45 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Saturday: Check-in 8 a.m., Conference 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Kids Conference Location: Capitol City Christian Church, 7800 Holdrege, Lincoln

Register online at www.NCHEA.org

NCHEA 2021 Kids Conference Registration Form

March 12 and 13, 2021, Capitol City Christian Church 7800 Holdrege St., Lincoln, Nebraska

Send in this form or register online BEFORE FEBRUARY 8 at www.NCHEA.org

Parents/Guardians must:

- 1) Pre-register and attend the 2021 NCHEA Adult Conference.
- 2) Pre-register/pre-pay for each child by mailing the registration below OR register online at www.nchea.org. **No registration is permitted on site of the NCHEA Kids Conference!**
- 3) Submit a signed hard copy of the Medical Release/Permission form prior to registration deadline.
- 4) Submit a signed hard copy of the Indemnification Agreement if registering by mail prior to the registration deadline.
- 5) Provide a sack lunch and two (2) snacks each day for each child (ages 5 – 12) registered. No refrigeration available.
- 6) PLEASE NOTE: these two guidelines from the church facility:
A) No "red" drinks allowed (or any deep color that would stain carpet if spilled).
B) No shoes that will scuff or leave marks on the gym floor.

Schedule

Friday

8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. – Check-in

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Dismissal

Saturday

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. – Check-in

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Dismissal

Parents are welcome to check on their children at any time. Only a parent or authorized individual may remove a child from the care of the Kids Conference staff. Please remember - children may NOT accompany parents returning to the daytime NCHEA Conference. Your prompt adherence to the time schedule above is appreciated!

REGISTRATION (Postmarked by February 8th). (Registrations include sales tax)

If the parents are NCHEA Members*: \$30 for the first child and \$25 for each additional sibling.

If the parents are not NCHEA Members: \$35 for the first child and \$30 for each additional sibling.

***Parents must join or renew NCHEA membership with their 2021 Adult Conference Registration.**

Child	Age	M/F	\$	Child	Age	M/F	\$
1.			\$	4.			\$
2.			\$	5.			\$
3.			\$	6.			\$
Total							\$

Kids Conference T-Shirts – Child sizes- S, M, L, XL

Kid Conference T-Shirts / Child Sizes – S, M, L, XL	Size	Quantity	\$10 each (incl sales tax)	Total Due

_____ Yes, please place my children in the same small group if possible.

Parent(s) Name(s), phone, and U.S. mail and email addresses:

Husband (first) _____ (last) _____
Wife (first) _____ (last) _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Refund Policy: No refunds after March 1, 2021. All refund requests must be made in writing. All refunds are subject to a \$5 cancellation fee. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Nick Lenzen, 2610 Winchester South, Lincoln, NE 68512 when requesting a refund.

Mail this Registration Form, the Medical Permission and Indemnification Forms (postmarked by February 8) and your check made payable to NCHEA to: Tina Gould, Registration Coordinator 1655 Harwood St., Lincoln, NE 68502
Please direct your questions to: Tina Gould, Registration Coordinator at (402)438-3466 or kidsconfregist@nchea.org

Teen Conference

Convincing Proof Reasons and Evidence to Believe Jesus is God!

Who is Jesus? Was He really God? What's the evidence? Get equipped to defend your faith in Christ with good reasons and evidence to believe Jesus is God. In this conference you'll learn about the historical evidence for Jesus' miracles and resurrection. We'll also discuss common objections against Christianity such as the claim that the New Testament has been altered or corrupted throughout the centuries. We'll be utilizing an apologetics book for teens called *Living Loud: Defending Your Faith* by Norman Geisler and Joseph Holden.

After His suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.

Acts 1:3

Register online at www.NCHEA.org

Conference is at Indian Hills Community Church,
1000 84th St., Lincoln, Nebraska

Schedule

Friday: Check-in 8:30 a.m., Conference 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Saturday: Check-in 8:30 a.m., Conference 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Parents should meet their teens in the south lobby of the church.

Speakers

Timothy Schmidt and Adam Lloyd Johnson

Parents/Guardians must:

- Pre-register for the parent C&CF.
- Pre-register and prepay for each teen online or with enclosed form.
- Provide lunch if meals are not prepaid. (no refrigeration available)
- Send a signed copy of the online Medical Release Form and Indemnification Agreement prior to March 1, 2021, to Jean Bennett, 2408 S. 18th St., Lincoln, NE 68502.
- Questions – contact jaben4@windstream.net

NCHEA 2021 Teen Conference Registration Form

March 12 - 13, 2021, Indian Hills Community Church, 1000 South 84th St., Lincoln, Nebraska

Send in this form or register online BEFORE FEBRUARY 8 at www.NCHEA.org

Parents/Guardians must:

- 1) Pre-register and attend the 2021 NCHEA Adult Conference.
- 2) Pre-register/pre-pay for each teen by mailing the registration below OR register online at www.nchea.org. **No registration is permitted on site of the NCHEA Teen Conference!**
- 3) Submit a signed hard copy of the Medical Release/Permission form prior to registration deadline.
- 4) Submit a signed hard copy of the Indemnification Agreement if registering by mail prior to the registration deadline.

Schedule

Friday

8:30 a.m. – Check-in

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Teen Conference

Saturday

8:30 a.m. – Check-in

9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Teen Conference.

Parents should meet their teens in the south lobby of the church.

Parent(s) Name(s), phone, U.S. mail, and email addresses:

Husband (first) _____ (last) _____
Wife (first) _____ (last) _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Teen(s) – Name(s)	M/F
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____

REGISTRATION (Postmarked by February 8th). (Registrations include sales tax)

If the parents are NCHEA Members*: \$30 for the first teen and \$25 for each additional sibling.

If the parents are not NCHEA Members: \$35 for the first teen and \$30 for each additional sibling.

***Parents must join or renew NCHEA membership with their 2021 Adult Conference Pre-Registration.**

Teen(s) with Parents who are NCHEA Members:

First Teen Registration of NCHEA Member Parent(s) at \$30.00 \$ _____
Additional Teen(s) Registrations of NCHEA Member Parent(s) at \$25.00 each \$ _____

Teen(s) with Parents who are not NCHEA Members:

First Teen Registration of Non-NCHEA Member Parent(s) at \$35.00 \$ _____
Additional Teen(s) Registrations of Non-NCHEA Member Parent(s) at \$30.00 each \$ _____

Lunch:

Yes, I am purchasing lunch for Friday and Saturday for each teen at \$12 per teen \$ _____

Total Due: \$ _____

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Mail this Registration Form, the Medical Permission and Indemnification Forms (postmarked by February 8) and your check payable to NCHEA to: Jean Bennett, Teen Conference Registrar, 2408 S. 18th St., Lincoln, NE 68502

Questions: Jean Bennett at (402) 875-3109 after 6:00 p.m. or jaben460@gmail.com