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From the AHEA Board

Peter Verhoog, Board Chair

As the AHEA Board it is indeed our pleasure to welcome you all back to the 2023 AHEA Homeschool Convention located in Red Deer Alberta. This is our first full, in-person convention since 2019, and long anticipated.

The convention team, capably headed this year by Shannon Tederoff, along with an enthusiastic group of staff and volunteers, has worked hard to make this year's reunion an exciting and memorable event. The unique combination of volunteers, keynote speakers, motivational talks, breakout presentations, educational sessions, networking opportunities, and general visitation, makes the convention a one of a kind experience.

The speaker series this year is once again top notch. We welcome keynotes Michael Thiessen and Durenda Wilson to the 2023 Convention. Durenda is a gifted speaker with a unique message for your home education journey. As a seasoned home educator in her own right, she's been supporting others with her messages for years. Welcome Durenda. We also welcome Michael Thiessen, a busy homeschooling father, pastor and cultural commentator. Michael finds himself at the forefront of the spiritual battle going on in our society, and devotes much of his time to equipping others. Alongside the keynotes, we also feature many other speakers and presenters on a host of interesting topics.

In our exhibit hall you'll find a wide variety of vendors and organizations, a wider variety of materials, helps, supports, advice and just about anything else you'll need on your home education journey.

While we were away, AHEA celebrated 35 years since its inauguration as Alberta's first home education association. Soon after its inception, the formal governmental recognition of home educating within the Education Act, and a home education regulation, became the fundamental tenets of the home education movement. Over the years, AHEA has been instrumental in the battle for the right to home educate, and continues to meet regularly with government officials on that front to not only maintain, but also enlarge the scope and recognition of home education in the province of Alberta. Additionally, supporting home educators in their day to day journeys by answering questions, offering a range of helpful information, networking within the broader community, and speaking

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on behalf of the community at large is all part of what we do as AHEA.

Finally, we are so grateful for the many AHEA sponsors, members, volunteers and enthusiastic supporters that collectively make it possible for this convention to come together, and the year round work to continue. You are truly appreciated.

WELCOME one and all to the 2023 AHEA Convention!!

General Information

Name Tags

In order to gain re-entry into the convention, *you will need to display your name tag as this is your entrance ticket.* Please help us keep convention costs down by returning your name tag — *with strings inside* — when you leave on Saturday. Thank you.

AHEA Information Booth

The AHEA Information Booth is located at booth #407 in the Exhibit Hall. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments about the convention, or need more information about home education or AHEA, please come and talk to us. Board members will be present at various times to speak with you and answer questions. We are happy to help you in any way we can. Information for Home Educators and for Home Educating Through High School will also be available at the AHEA Booth.

Special Needs Information

Additional information on Special Needs can be found at the AHEA booth. Additional information on the free Services available to home educators through Open Parachute can be found by visiting the AISCA booth #310.

Baby/Toddler Rooms

We have a baby/toddler room upstairs in Lookout Room A. There are change tables for the babies and a quiet place for babies/moms to relax.

Children

Our convention is open to all ages. Please be sensitive to your neighbour in that if your child becomes noisy or restless, be prepared to remove them quickly should they become disruptive. As well, should seats in a session be limited, please hold your small child on your lap in order to make more room for others. **Please do not leave young children unattended.* AHEA is not responsible for your children.*

Cell Phones

Please turn all phones off or put on vibrate during the speaking sessions out of courtesy of others. Ringing phones are extremely irritating to the speakers and other attendees.

Book/Bag/Coat Check

Tired of carrying your coat or purchases all day? Bring them to the Coat/Bag Check in the Exhibit Hall (booth #201) the Stockmen's Pavilion and the **Central Alberta Homeschool Band** members will take care of them for you. All donations for this service go directly to support the band.

Youth Track

Participation in the youth track is limited to ages 13 and up. Youth are also welcome to attend any general sessions of interest to them.

Parking

Please park only in the designated areas on the west side of the building.

Food and Lunch Tables

You are allowed to bring in food and beverages for your own consumption, including food purchased elsewhere. There will be a concession in the Gallery and an extra concession will be opened during the lunch hour. Food and beverages are allowed in the Exhibit Hall but please be considerate of the vendors' products. Lunch tables are available in the Gallery and throughout the Exhibit Hall.

Board Members, Convention Team & Volunteers

Board members will be wearing special name tags and will be serving at the AHEA Information Booth throughout the weekend. **The First Aid Attendant** will be wearing a red First Aid shirt. If required please contact the nearest Convention Team member or Security volunteer. The Convention Team will be wearing blue golf shirts. Feel free to ask any of these people for assistance or directions. Security will be wearing blue vests, and other volunteers will have blue volunteer buttons.

Lost and Found

If you find a lost item, please bring it to the AHEA Booth in the Exhibit Hall and we will make every attempt to return it to its rightful owner. As well, if you have lost something, please stop by the AHEA Booth to see if we have it. Please Note: AHEA is not responsible for lost or stolen articles.

Convention Survey: Help Us to Help You

Your comments are very important to us, and we read and consider every one of them, so please be sure to fill out your survey (found on pages 29 & 30 of this Guide) and leave it in the survey box by the exit/entry door. A draw for free entry to the 2024 convention will be made from the completed surveys. The survey will also be posted on our website for you to complete after the Convention.

Photographs

By attending this event, you are giving permission for AHEA to take photographs of you and your family to be used for promotional purposes (on AHEA's website or Facebook pages, AHEA's Arrow newsletter, etc.).

Keynote Speakers



**Durenda
Wilson**

Durenda has been a wife to Darryl for 33 years and homeschooling mom to 8 kids, 7 of whom have graduated. She homeschooled all of her children from the beginning. Durenda brings decades of experience in a gracious, practical, and gentle way. Her words and voice bring a sense of calm to the hearts of parents and help them realize that they really can do this!

Durenda is the author of *The Four Hour School Day* (Zondervan), *The Unhurried Homeschooler*, and *Unhurried Grace for a Mom's Heart*. She is the host of *The Durenda Wilson Podcast* and writes for *Homeschooling Today* and *Epoch Times*.

DurendaWilson.Podbean.com



**Michael
Thiessen**

With a heart for training and mentoring young adults, Christian leaders, and pastors, and advancing both church and cultural renewal, Michael Thiessen serves as the Founder and President of Liberty Coalition Canada. Michael holds a Master's of Arts in Religion degree with a focus in New Testament and Ethics, and holds a Doctor of Ministry Degree. Michael also serves as a Fellow at both the Ezra Institute for Contemporary Christianity and the Center for Cultural Leadership. Michael has over 20 years of pastoral ministry experience, including international missions experience. He is the author of *Pursuing a First Class Marriage* and is a certified coach for Grip-Birkman. Michael currently sits as the chair Ontario Christian Home Educators Connection. Michael is married to Sarah. They have four children.

LibertyCoalitionCanada.com

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A heartfelt thank you goes out to each and every volunteer in every position, from little roles to large ones, who give of your valuable time, talent, and energy throughout the year and during the convention weekend itself to support and bless the many AHEA convention attendees.

Your servant spirit does not go unnoticed: you help to create the amazing supportive network that we home educators have come to love in our province.

Youth Session Speakers



Jeff McConnell is a former atheist turned devoted Christian, husband, father, assistant pastor, teacher, and former lay apologist writer for gotquestions.org. He is passionate about maintaining a biblical worldview for all of life in an increasingly hostile post-Christian Canada. He currently resides in Leduc Alberta, with his wife Nikki, and four children.



Daniel P. Allers: Hailing from Red Deer, Alberta, Daniel Allers is a homeschool graduate turned speaker spreading his love for education across the nation. Daniel's humorous approach to history and science captivates audiences, and is brought across Alberta, and around the world, through his popular workshops 'History Plus'. With more than 1,000 in-person speaking engagements and thousands of families around the world, Daniel continues teaching as one of the top homeschool educators in the province.



Rob Anders is a Canadian former politician. He represented the riding of Calgary West from 1997 until 2015 and was a founding member of the Conservative Party of Canada.



Dr. Rev. Michael Thiessen is a keynote speaker for our Convention. He is the Founder and President of Liberty Coalition Canada. Read more about him on page 6.



Jolene Biegel is a Christian Marriage and Family Therapist and certified professional counsellor who has run a private practice in Edmonton for the past 15 years, counselling in the areas of depression, anxiety, sexual abuse, grief, loss, and codependency. Jolene longs to see God's children walking in wholeness and freedom according to the promises that the Heavenly Father has reserved for them through Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit.



Joel Hiebert is a 26 year old carpenter who works for a home builder in Edmonton and has been attending GraceLife Church for approximately 8 years. For the last 4 years he's been involved with planning and leading games for GraceLife's Awana program. He likes spending time planning and playing games with youth and kids of all ages. He looks forward to getting to know your youth.

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General Session Speakers

Brenda Jones is a Pediatric Occupational Therapist with over 20 years experience. She has worked to develop a broad range of skills to help children and teens with unique challenges including Autism and ADHD. Brenda developed a “self-serve” website to help in areas such as sensory integration, emotional regulation, executive functioning, self-help skills, visual-motor skills, printing and writing. Brenda serves home education families at Khan Communication Services Inc.



Sandy Paddick is a speech-language pathologist with over 24 years experience. She has served on diagnostic teams and has expertise in speech motor and language delays and disorders. Sandy is a leader for programs that target language and play skills in groups. She helped to develop early learning pre-literacy skills for Khan Communications with a focus on assessing and treating students with delays in phonological awareness and narrative skills.



Yvonne Harink is a homeschooling mother of six sons and four daughters and is a grandma to 16 grandchildren. She has been teaching her children at home for the last 25 years and this job is still not finished. One of the joys of homeschooling has been getting hooked on History, including the opportunity to network with other families to form a History Co-op to explore the stories of the past.



Chrystal Seutter McClellan is a poet and spoken word artist. If she is not knee deep in homeschooling her boys, she is likely riding her bike, cultivating her garden, at an arts-related event or wishing she was. She is bravely pressing through a rough season in life but still coming up for air. She welcomes you to share a thoughtful, hope-filled space with her as she shares courageously from her experience.



Peter Stock is the Executive Director of the Canadian Centre for Home Education. For over two decades on Parliament Hill, he developed expertise in areas of public policy; but his primary focus was on making or improving the law, usually to protect children and families. His experience with public policy progressed into protecting and promoting home education. For over 16 years Peter and his wife, Tarah, have been homeschooling their four children.



Dr. Joseph Woodard is the Director of Research for the Canadian Centre for Home Education. He is very passionate about parent-led education. He and his wife Kathy have homeschooled their ten children. Dr. Woodard has a particular interest in research on homeschool curriculum and standardized testing. He believes there is a need for this research for the purposes of public advocacy as well as for communications within the home education community.



Joanne Pennington has always loved the magic held within math and so after 23 years of homeschooling her three children she fell into teaching, tutoring and mentoring math. Her practice focuses on facilitating math learning through games and play.



The Fehr Family is a gospel music group from west of Edmonton. They enjoy blending family harmony with their acoustic instruments in a variety of styles, from southern gospel and Celtic, to a capella and bluegrass. They are a 2nd generation homeschooling family with eleven children who love praising God together with old and new music.

General Session Speakers



Terry Reichel always wanted to be an electrician like his dad. Once he was working he applied what he'd been taught - to help young professionals get a start in the trades. Soon his company became the largest high school/rap student supporter in

Alberta. As a father of four, his wife Kerri taught him the importance of home schooling. Now they are in 11+ years and it's the biggest blessing apart from the kids themselves.



Craig Weston has been a post secondary administrator at several Alberta institutions, working in Registrar's, Admissions, and Student Services Offices. He is currently working in the Office of the Registrar

at the University of Alberta. Driven by a desire to increase efficiency and offer systemic enhancements, he has been successful in creating admission pathways and removing barriers for homeschooled students. Craig and his wife homeschooled their five children and reside in Edmonton.



Colleen Klatt: It's been over a decade since Colleen Klatt was first drawn to Charlotte Mason's emphasis on spending time outdoors, living books, and Christ-centred principles and practices. She has been aspiring to "simple living and

higher thinking" ever since. She educates her children and teaches homeschool classes part-time for BCS@Home in Calgary.



Dawna Ferguson has a passion for helping parents "go the distance" in home educating their children. She's the Country Coordinator for Classical Conversations, overseeing the leaders and communities in Canada. They believe this model

helps parents prepare their children to stand firm in the Lord and enter the world as a light for Christ as adults. Dawna and Dan have graduated 4 with 3 more daughters at home in Calgary.



John Carpay: As the founder and president of the Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms, John has devoted his legal career to defending constitutional freedoms. He considers it a privilege to advocate for courageous and principled clients who take great risks by resisting the unjust demands of intolerant government authorities. In 2010, John received the Pyramid Award for Ideas and Public Policy for his work in constitutional advocacy and for building a non-profit organization to defend citizens' freedoms.



Jolene Biegel is a Christian Marriage and Family Therapist and certified professional counsellor who has run a private practice in Edmonton for the past 15 years, counselling in the areas of depression, anxiety, sexual abuse, grief, loss, and codependency. Jolene

longs to see God's children walking in wholeness and freedom according to the promises that the Heavenly Father has reserved for them through Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit.



Tim Stephens is the pastor of Fairview Baptist Church in Calgary. He grew up on a farm in Eastern Ontario and graduated with a Computer Engineering degree from Queen's University and a Masters of Divinity degree from Detroit Baptist

Theological Seminary. He is doing his doctoral studies at the Masters Seminary. He desires to apply the Bible to all of life. He is happily married to Raquel and they have eight children.



Hester VanBraeden is a 2nd generation home educating parent who is keenly aware that her own education is not complete, and comfortable that it probably never will be. She has many years of experience

with children, books, and curriculum. She loves to travel to worlds and times beyond the present with her children through stories. Hester and her husband have four children and live in BC's lower mainland.

General Session Speakers



Stephanie Morrison has been building businesses, mostly from home, for over 10 years, motivated by her determination that her two youngest boys would be educated at home. She currently works in the marketing department of The Old

Schoolhouse®, and coaches entrepreneurs to grow their businesses from home. She and her family are perfectly placed in the prairies of Saskatchewan. She loves being a homebody and building up her permaculture property.



Prairie West is a collaboration of some of the top traditional musicians from across Canada (all of whom were home-schooled!) They have been teaching

traditional square and partner country/old time dancing across Canada and are thrilled to share it with you! The band includes The Corry Boys, Ethan Harty and Anna and Eva Smilek.



Sigmund Brouwer: As the bestselling author of dozens of titles, with over five million books in print in multiple languages, Sigmund Brouwer writes for both children and adults. He instills confidence in the most reluctant young writers and

ensures they are having fun and staying excited all the while. He has won the American Christy Book of the Year for best Christian novel, and the Arthur Ellis Award for Best Young-Adult Mystery in Canada.

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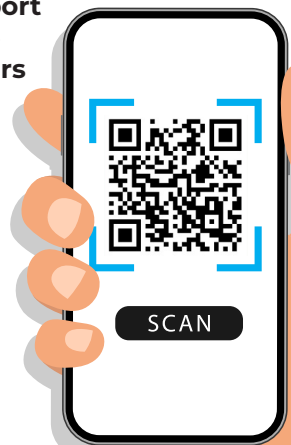
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6:00–8:45 pm *Doors open for Convention registration in Prairie*

Enter through PRAIRIE Pavilion doors.

7:00-8:30 pm *NEW HOMESCHOOLERS:
I Want to Homeschool! Now What?*

Andrée Verhoog (Salon B)

Home educating is daunting to the parent contemplating this journey. A parent naturally asks; Am I qualified? How do I prepare? Where do I go for help? This session is designed to give you the basic tools to initiate your journey, give you confidence to go forward and help you begin to form a concrete plan. Even navigating through the abundance of curriculum at this convention can be challenging. Some tools will be given to help you buy what you and your students need. Home education is a gift your family may learn to embrace with open arms. Be encouraged and please come with questions.

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8:00 am *Doors open for Convention registration in Prairie*
Enter through PRAIRIE Pavilion doors.

8:30-9:00 am *Music by Central Alberta Homeschool Band and “O Canada” (Prairie)*
Take advantage of the coat/bag check in the Exhibit Hall to support the band.

9:30-10:00 am *Welcome & Announcements/HSLDA Update (Prairie)*

10:00-11:00am *KEYNOTE: Unhurried Homeschooling: Why We Need to Slow Down*
Durenda Wilson (Prairie)

In a world that is moving at warp speed, it's easy to forget that kids are still kids. Their needs haven't changed: they need time to explore and experiment with the real world around them, to absorb life through all their senses, to process their thoughts at their own pace. All of these are crucial in laying a firm foundation for higher learning, but this TAKES TIME. Learn why this is so important and how to protect and defend your kids' childhood.

11:30-12:30pm *KEYNOTE: The Importance of a Christian, Classical Education (Part 1)*
Rev. Dr. Michael Thiessen (Prairie)

Classical education advocates believe that the mind must first be given facts (grammar), then provided with the means to think logically about them (logic), and finally supplied with the tools to express their own thoughts and conclusions (rhetoric). In this first session, we will learn about the importance of teaching and speaking plainly about Christian facts in order to create a true foundation for thought in this non-neutral world.

Creating a Family Challenge

Stephanie Morrison (Salon B)

Looking for a fun, and family-focused way to motivate your children to develop various skills? Learn about an approach that will have your kids developing their own project to improve in one area, but that will give them skills that are helpful in various areas of their life. In this session, you'll learn the basics of creating a like skills challenge and how to make it the best fit for your family. The Life Skills Family Challenge Guide includes planning, tracking, and assessing worksheets along with directions on choosing the challenge project. This is an excellent approach to build on existing skills or acquire new ones and gain skills for a career path. Get the whole family in on it to encourage each other over the 30 or 60 day challenge!

Developing Phonological Awareness Skills in Young Children

Sandi Paddick, SLP and Treena Anand (Frontier - Upstairs)

Phonological Awareness refers to a set of skills that children typically develop as pre-reading skills. These include skills where a child begins to understand how words are made up of individual sounds and how they can be manipulated and changed to create different words. During this phase of development children become aware of the phonology of our language. Phonological Awareness skills include rhyming, segmenting, blending and replacing. In this presentation we will review the various skills and the phonological awareness developmental hierarchy.

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP: Nurturing Heart Faith, Not Just Head Faith

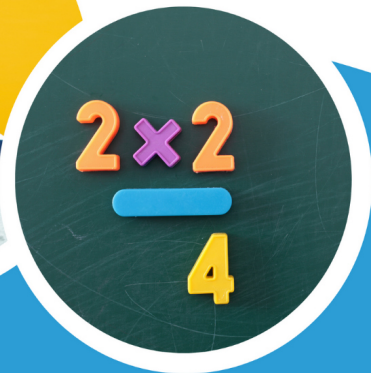
Robert Rudd - Impact Ministries Canada (Trailblazer 1 - Upstairs)

In this workshop, Robert will guide parents on nurturing their children's heart faith, emphasizing the significance of teaching doctrine foundationally rather than just stories. He will also discuss how Christian service can play a vital role in preparing children to live out their faith authentically and make it a central part of their lives beyond the home

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP: Freeze Drying - A Home-Based Solution to Food Security

Gary & Beth Wiens - Merchant Ship (Trailblazer 2 - Upstairs)

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Friday Sessions

11:30-12:30pm *Continued*

YOUTH TRACK: Ice Breaker

Joel Hiebert (Salon A)

Youth Icebreaker games that are going to be lots of fun, you're not gonna wanna miss!

12:30-1:00pm *Music by Central Alberta Homeschool Band (Prairie)*

Take advantage of the coat/bag check in the Exhibit Hall to support the band.

1:30-2:30pm *KEYNOTE: The Four-Hour School Day*

Durenda Wilson (Prairie)

Often parents who are considering homeschooling are hesitant because they think that home-educating their children will take 7 hours a day, but that simply isn't the case. In this workshop, Durenda shares the reasons why home education doesn't have to be an all-day event! This session is loaded with encouragement for parents and will help them begin to see how they and their kids can thrive in the homeschool life!

Nurturing Knowledgeable Netizens

Joel Arnold (Salon B)

Does technology make us distracted, erode our social skills, and hollow out our relationships. Is it inevitable? And yet life in 2023 all but requires these devices. Who can afford to renounce technology completely? How do we help our children become technologically adept and not screen-obsessed? How can they be competent in the digital sphere without transmuted their entire lives into pixels and memes?

Printing Problems and Pointers

Brenda Jones, OT and Treena Anand (Frontier - Upstairs)

In the "Age of the Ipad" is applying pencil to paper an outdated expectation? Studies show that fine motor writing tasks are the greatest predictor of reading and math achievement, as well as working memory, and generating ideas. But printing requires multiple complex skills, and breakdown can happen for different reasons. Join me to learn some common challenges, and some FUN tools for improvement: including Guided Drawing, Handwriting Without Tears, and more!

Apprenticeship in the Trades

Terry Reichel (Trailblazer 1 - Upstairs)

Who knows what their lifelong career is going to be right out of high school? What about a trade? But is it for me and how would I ever get hired on as a tradesperson? It sounds fun to build things and work with my hands. What are the different ways to start in the trades and how long would I want to work in a trade? There are so many trades, jobs and career paths that you can try without going to college or university. You never know until you try.

YOUTH TRACK: Worldviews Exposed

Jeff McConnell (Salon A)

There are various worldviews and philosophies in this world that lay claim to truth, but what truth are they clinging to? How many worldviews are there really in this world and how can we discern and expose them? Join us as we examine the world and its ideas through God's Word.

3:00-4:00pm *KEYNOTE: The Importance of a Christian, Classical Education (Part 1)*

Rev. Dr. Michael Thiessen (Prairie)

Classical education advocates believe that the mind must first be given facts (grammar), then provided with the means to think logically about them (logic), and finally supplied with the tools to express their own thoughts and conclusions (rhetoric). In this second session, we will discuss how to get our children to evaluate and discern falsehood while having the skill of putting thoughts into plain speech.

Back to the Future - Studying His Story

Yvonne Harrick (Salon B)

What happens when you lose your memory? You can't make decisions about the future. Our society has largely forgotten the great things that God has done in the past, leaving us confused and fearful. Why should history be our most important

subject? Because God commands us to teach it. After all, it is His Story. Teaching history will bring many blessings into our lives. The homeschooling movement has produced numerous tools to help us become lifelong history students, equipping us with wisdom, understanding and courage to face the future.

Spread Your Wings

Chrystal Seutter McClellan (Frontier - Upstairs)

Chrystal welcomes you to share a thoughtful, hope-filled space with her as she shares courageously from her experience. Find hope and inspiration to homeschool alongside your dreams and through personal hardships.

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP: Trouble on the Way

Vanessa Brobbel - Voice of the Martyrs (Trailblazer 1 - Upstairs)

This is for parents who want to equip their children to live godly lives in Christ Jesus despite strong reactions of the world. Increasingly the general public is portraying the Church as the oppressor of individual freedom opening her up to persecution in all its forms: ridicule, harassment, discrimination, defamation, attack, detainment, torture and martyrdom. However, understanding of God's purpose in and through persecution has eluded many Christ-followers and has caused confusion within the body of Christ. This session asserts a victorious, resilient faith that thrives as it encounters the very gates of hell.

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP: DNA Extraction Hands-on Workshop

Ian Juby - Tech Valley Science Centre (Trailblazer 2 - Upstairs)

In this workshop you will extract samples of your own DNA (don't worry, it's painless) and isolate it. You should be able to collect and isolate enough that you can see it with your own eyes. Suitable for kids as young as 8, we'll discuss the construction of cells and the process we use to extract the DNA from deep within the cells. All materials will be provided, you just need to bring yourself, your kids and of course, your DNA.

YOUTH: Hands-On History and Science of Forensics and Investigation - 1 of 2

Daniel Allers (Salon A)

Have you ever wondered how investigators solve crimes using science? Is it like you see in movies, or something else entirely? How on earth did we figure it all out? This two part series dives into the science and history of forensics, and how it helps define the world we live in today. First, discover the science used by these detectives, and after the break, check out the wacky history of developing forensics and build your own dossier about yourself!

4:30-5:30pm

KEYNOTE: Nurturing Sibling Relationships

Durenda Wilson (Prairie)

This is THE most popular topic I speak on! Most of us didn't factor into the equation just how much sibling conflict would be part of our homeschooling days! It can be exhausting! As homeschooling parents, we have a unique opportunity to nurture sibling relationships among our children. Find out practical ways to do this and what an IMPORTANT part of our homeschooling it really is!

KEYNOTE: The Family Integrated Church

Rev. Dr. Michael Thiessen (Salon B)

The purpose of this lecture is to respond to the mass exodus of children leaving the church by exploring the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats of a Family-Integrated-Church ministry model. Certain churches in the U.S. and Canada have been intentionally drawing the family unit back into the centre of discipleship by labelling themselves as being a "Family- Integrated" church. By doing this SWOT analysis, we hope to understand this ministry model and encourage churches' disciple-making.

Homeschooling: What Does the Research Say?

Dr. Joe Woodard (Frontier - Upstairs)

The session features the Director of Research of Canada's only home education research organization. He will be explaining what the past 35 years of academic research really tell us about home education. In addition to academic outcomes, he will share how homeschoolers fare in post-secondary education and careers, as well as overall success and happiness in life. He will also share some brand-new CCHE-funded research that contains more good news for the homeschooling movement.

Friday Sessions
4:30-5:30pm *Continued*

***Dominoes, Rulers and Measuring Cups:
Creating a Numeracy Rich Learning Environment***
Joanne Pennington (Trailblazer 1 - Upstairs)

Join us as we explore the why and how to create a numeracy stimulating homeschool in order to build a foundation for learning and loving math. We will also take a look at games and their importance in fostering math skills.

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP: A University Unique to U
Angela Campbell - Concordia University (Trailblazer 2 - Upstairs)

Find out more about the benefits of a university degree and why Concordia University of Edmonton is a great next step in your education journey.

YOUTH: Hands-On History and Science of Forensics and Investigation - 2 of 2
Daniel Allers (Salon A)

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7:00-8:30pm ***Fehr Family Concert (Prairie)***

The Fehr Family will be presenting an acoustic musical evening of songs that have encouraged them in their journey of faith and family life, as they have been doing in many churches and gospel jamborees throughout western Canada. James and Heather and their seven oldest children will be singing gospel songs, well-known hymns and original music in a variety of acoustic styles with the youngest four children also making an appearance. After many years of attending the AHEA conference as homeschooling vendors (at the Smart Move Games booth), they are excited to share a message of hope through testimony and songs.

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FRIDAY Schedule

Friday	Prairie	Salon B	Frontier	Trailblazer 1	Trailblazer 2	Salon A
8:00 am						Salon A Youth Workshops
MAIN ENTRANCE DOORS OPEN for Registration						
9:00 am	Central Alberta Homeschool Band					Joint session for youth & adults in Prairie
9:30 am	O Canada, Introductions/ Announcements/HSLDA update					
10:00-11:00 am	Keynote Address Unhurried Homeschooling: Why We Need to Slow Down Durenda Wilson <i>*joint session for youth, children & adults*</i>					
11:00 am						
Break - EXHIBIT HALL OPENS - 11:15 am						
11:30 -12:30	The Importance of a Christian, Classical Education (Part 1) Michael Thiessen	Creating a Family Challenge Stephanie Morrison	Early Literacy and Phonemic Awareness Sandy Paddock, SLP Treena Anand	<u>Exhibitor Workshop</u> Nurturing Heart Faith, Not Just Head Faith, So Your Kids Keep Their Faith Impact Canada Ministries	<u>Exhibitor Workshop</u> Food Preservation Merchant Ship	IceBreaker Games Joel Hiebert
12:30-1:30 pm			Lunch Break Concessions are open in the Gallery Central Alberta Homeschool Band			
1:30-2:30 pm	The Four-Hour Homeschool Day Durenda Wilson	Nurturing Knowledgeable Netizens Joel Arnold	Printing Problems and Pointers Brenda Jones, OT Treena Anand	<u>post-secondary</u> Apprenticeship in the Trades Terry Reichel	<u>Exhibitor Workshop</u> Classical Education: Is it for Me? Classical Conversations	Worldviews Exposed Jeff McConnell
2:30-3:00 pm						
3:00-4:00 pm	The Importance of a Christian, Classical Education (Part 2) Michael Thiessen	Back to the Future - Teaching His Story Yvonne Harink	Spread Your Wings Chrystal Seutter McClellan	<u>Exhibitor Workshop</u> Trouble on the Way Voice of the Martyrs	<u>Exhibitor Workshop</u> DNA Extraction Hands-on Workshop Tech Valley Science Centre	Hands-On History and Science of Forensics and Investigation 1/2 Daniel Allers
4:00 - 4:30 pm						
4:30-5:30 pm	Nurturing Sibling Relationships Durenda Wilson	The Family Integrated Church Michael Thiessen	Homeschooling: What Does the Research Say? Peter Stock and Dr. Joe Woodard	Dominoes, Rulers, Measuring Cups: Creating a Numeracy Rich Environment Joanne Pennington	<u>Exhibitor Workshop</u> A University Unique to U Concordia University	Hands-On History and Science of Forensics and Investigation 2/2 Daniel Allers
6:30 pm						
7:00 pm						
Exhibit Hall closes at 6:30 pm						
Fehr Family Concert - in Prairie Hall						

SATURDAY Schedule

Saturday	Prairie	Salon B	Frontier	Trailblazer 1	Trailblazer 2	Salon A	Youth Workshops
8:00 am	MAIN Gallery DOORS OPEN for Convention/Registration Exhibit Hall Opens 9:00 am						
9:00 - 10:00 am	Sustainable Homeschooling Durenda Wilson	<small>new homeschoolers</small> I Want to Homeschool! Now What? New Homeschooler's Session Andree Verhoog	<small>post-secondary</small> Confidence to Prepare for the Future Craig Weston	<small>Exhibitor Workshop</small> Untold Secrets of Planet Earth: Flood Fossils Untold Secrets of Planet Earth	<small>Exhibitor Workshop</small> Simplifying Family Discipleship Little Shoots, Deep Roots	Preparing For and Protecting Marriage Michael Thiessen	
10:00 - 10:30 am	Break						
10:30-11:30 am	Raising Our Sons and Daughters Michael Thiessen	Restoring Your Freedoms John Carpay	Fostering Attention, Cultivating Character with Charlotte Mason Colleen Klatt	The Sandwich Generation Dawna Ferguson	<small>Exhibitor Workshop</small> Building Community with Good Books Classical Education Books	Being an Overcomer No Matter What You Go Through Jolene Biegel	
12:00-1:30 pm	Lunch Break CONCESSIONS are open in the Gallery 12:30 - 1:30 Barn Dance Primer! with Prairie West - open to all						
1:30-2:30 pm	Exhibit Hall opens for Shop-Only registrants from 12:00-4:30 only						
2:30-3:00 pm	The Sky's the Limit: Homeschooling High School Durenda Wilson	From Montessori to Charlotte Mason - Understanding Major Educational Philosophies Joel Arnold	Veteran Mom's Panel Andree Verhoog Christina Vanderzyl Melodie Vervloet	Building a Christian Home with Truth and Beauty Tim Stephens	<small>Exhibitor Workshop</small> Transforming Struggling Students into Lifelong Learners NILD	Mock Parliament 1/2 Rob Anders	
3:00-4:00 pm	Preparing Your Mom-Heart for the Post-Homeschool Years Durenda Wilson	Teaching the Whole Child Hester VanBraeden	How To Nurture Authentic Connections With Your Child Through Healthy Communication Jolene Biegel	Entrepreneurship for Families Stephanie Morrison	The Power of STORY Sigmund Brouwer	Mock Parliament 2/2 Rob Anders	
4:00-4:30 pm	Break - Exhibit Hall Closes 4:30						
4:30 - 5:30 pm	Prairie Hall Closing Keynote Love, Law and Liberty Michael Thiessen						



Petition Statement:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to introduce legislation that requires children ages 5 to 15 to obtain parental consent before they become a member of a Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) or provide a sexual orientation/gender identity (SOGI) self-identification to their school.

Saturday Sessions

8:00 am

Doors open for Convention registration in Prairie
Enter through PRAIRIE Pavilion doors.

9:00-10:00am **KEYNOTE: Sustainable Homeschooling**
Durenda Wilson (Prairie)

We all begin our homeschool journey with high hopes, but it often doesn't take long before we realize that some things simply are not working. We find ourselves and/or our kids in burnout mode. At the same time, we are confronted with the fear that we may somehow fail our children if we let go of something. Learn the importance of creating a sustainable homeschooling life unique to your family, bring joy back into your homeschool days, and help equip you to go the distance!

NEW HOMESCHOOLERS: I Want to Homeschool! Now What?
Andrée Verhoog (Salon B)

Home educating is daunting to the parent contemplating this journey. A parent naturally asks; Am I qualified? How do I prepare? Where do I go for help? This session is designed to give you the basic tools to initiate your journey, give you confidence to go forward and help you begin to form a concrete plan. Even navigating through the abundance of curriculum at this convention can be challenging. Some tools will be given to help you buy what you and your students need. Home education is a gift your family may learn to embrace with open arms. Be encouraged and please come with questions.

Confidence to Prepare for the Future
Craig Weston (Frontier - Upstairs)

What are you going to do when you've completed high school? Or as parents, what are your kids planning once they've finished high school? This can be a terrifying thought as it's such a big decision and one that often is quite layered and confusing. While we can't know the future, we can prepare for possibilities in work or post secondary learning. Come hear from a post secondary administrator about how you can prepare for and succeed in post secondary or work environments.

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP: Untold Secrets of Planet Earth: Flood Fossils
Vance Nelson - Untold Secrets of Planet Earth (Trailblazer 1 - Upstairs)

Come on a visual tour with Vance Nelson as we dig up dinosaur and other fossils in Montana, Wyoming, Alberta, and Saskatchewan. What do we actually find? What does the evidence actually show? Does it fit with evolution and millions of years? Or, does the evidence fit with massive flood deposits? What about the fossils themselves? Do they show evolution? Or, do they show evidence for creation? The fossils, as will be seen from the actual evidence, provide powerful positive evidence for creation and the Flood. Many photographs from actual digs will be shown.

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP: Simplifying Family Discipleship
Christie Thomas - Little Shoots, Deep Roots (Trailblazer 2 - Upstairs)

In this session, we will talk about 3 key struggles most families have with family discipleship, including: a) kids not listening, b) not having time, c) not feeling qualified to lead kids spiritually. Also learn about the Start Little Method, which is a system any type of family can use to sustainably and consistently lead their kids in faith.

YOUTH KEYNOTE: Preparing For and Protecting Marriage
Rev. Dr. Michael Thiessen (Salon A)

If you want to find a virtuous and faithful spouse, if you long to find a friend who will be intimate with you, you'll need to navigate your lives wisely now. Just as we won't get to Jamaica by holding to the undercarriage of the plane, we must check in and start the appropriate process to intentionally get to marriage.

10:30-11:30am **KEYNOTE: Raising Our Sons and Daughters**
Rev. Dr. Michael Thiessen (Prairie)

We have to be abundantly clear to teach our children about God's vision from manhood and womanhood. Satan, and those deceived by him, want nothing less than to destroy the nuclear family. We will discuss why the left wants to destroy God's creational design and how parents be proactive with them.

Saturday Sessions

10:30-11:30am Continued

Restoring Your Freedoms

John Carpay (Salon B)

When lockdowns, vaccine passports and travel restrictions were imposed in March of 2020, Charter rights and freedoms (expression, conscience, religion, association, peaceful assembly, bodily autonomy, mobility and travel) were violated by Canada's federal and provincial governments. New restrictions on free expression (Bill C-11), the looming threat of centralized digital ID, and the aggressive imposition of transgender ideology make it clear that defending the free society is as important today as ever before. This session will explore what citizens can do to protect themselves, their family and future generations.

Fostering Attention, Cultivating Character with Charlotte Mason

Colleen Klatt (Frontier - Upstairs)

"No intellectual habit is so valuable as that of attention; it is a mere habit but also the hallmark of an educated person." Charlotte Mason's words ring true in our age of distraction, but how did she foster this habit? Join us as we discuss how Charlotte Mason's principle-based approach to learning can help you cultivate attention and character in your students. We'll immerse ourselves in her practices of habit formation, narration, art study and nature study as we attend to how she spread the feast of education.

The Sandwich Generation

Dawna Ferguson (Trailblazer 1 - Upstairs)

Caught in the middle. Parenting younger children while caring for aging parents. A season of special blessing and interesting challenges. What does God have to say about this? How can we do it all? Should we do it all? Let's throw in the added interest of a boomerang child!

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP: Building Community with Good Books

Carleigh Davey - Classical Education Books (Trailblazer 2 - Upstairs)

We know the reasons for reading good books are boundless: Many homeschooling families want to foster a love of reading in their children, and they do so beautifully and intentionally by filling their homes and curricula with all kinds of classic stories. Sharing the experience with others is another kind of magic, inviting readers of all ages to a rich learning experience filled with joy.

YOUTH: How To Be An Overcomer No Matter What You Go Through

Jolene Biegel (Salon A)

Sometimes life can leave you feeling confused and extremely disappointed. In this session we will explore ways to overcome and rise above the tides of discouragement that threaten to shipwreck you. You were created on purpose and for a purpose.

12:30-1:30pm **OPEN TO EVERYONE:**

Barn Dance Primer!

Prairie West (Prairie NE)

This workshop will cover some of the traditional country/old time dancing that we have taught to homeschoolers and families across Canada. From the Country Waltz to the Butterfly and the Virginia Reel to Square Dancing we will cover the basics of this Canadian cultural and historical touchstone and have some fun to a first rate live band.

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1:30-2:30pm**KEYNOTE: *The Sky's the Limit - Homeschooling High School******Durenda Wilson (Prairie)***

These final years seem full of pressure and can feel intimidating. Every parent wonders if their kids will be prepared for college, if they missed something or if their child will measure up. In this workshop, parents are encouraged to take a step back and think about what education should really look like at this age. Durenda will share how she turned her children's interests and experiences into high school credits and how combining subjects can help keep your high schooler motivated. She will also share the importance of parents moving more toward the role of a coach during this season.

From Montessori to CharlotteMason — Understanding the Major Educational Philosophies***Joel Arnold (Salon B)***

We might blithely choose an educational method or curriculum. But deeper philosophical questions are at stake, many with long intellectual histories in philosophy. What we believe about human nature, the parent-child relationship, our role within society, and the true definition of human flourishing exposes itself in our everyday decisions. Do we know the starting questions of educational philosophy?

Veteran Moms' Panel - Moderated by Shauna Lammiman***Andrée Verhoog, Christina Vanderzyl, Melodie Vervolet (Frontier - Upstairs)***

This session features three seasoned homeschool moms who will share insight from their journey. These moms will share about their successes and perhaps things they would have done differently. Whether you are a new home educator or "in process" you will benefit from this panel. Several questions will be entertained from the audience so come prepared!

Building a Christian Home with Truth and Beauty***Tim Stephens (Trailblazer 1 - Upstairs)***

Truth and beauty are being redefined in our culture as the religious exchange continues in earnest. Culture is a reflection of what we worship and how we tend or care for the world around us. Do our homes reflect truth and beauty informed by Scripture or the world? A Christian home should be an expression of beauty as a witness to the greatness of God. We'll seek to lay a foundation for building a home in keeping with God's majesty, creational norms, skill and wisdom, and with proper expressions of masculinity and femininity, while bringing glory and honour to the King and Creator of heaven and earth.

EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP: Transforming Struggling Students into Lifelong Learners***Diane Geerlinks - NILD (Trailblazer 2 - Upstairs)***

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YOUTH TRACK: Mock Parliament - Part 1***Rob Anders (Salon A)***

Having learned about Canadian history and politics, students get a real-life opportunity to practice the art of public speaking and persuasion ... in a Model Parliament. Students will choose a federal electoral district to represent in our House of Commons, and will have an opportunity to draft a short legislative motion or policy resolution, present it to the other MPs for consideration, and engage in debate on the merit (or lack thereof) of the resolution or motion. The motion will be subject to a free vote, as this Parliament features neither parties nor party discipline.

3:00-4:00pm**KEYNOTE: *Preparing Your Mom Heart for the Post-Homeschool Years******Durenda Wilson (Prairie)***

The homeschooling journey becomes such a part of our lives as moms. Sometimes it seems that we will never see the finish line but talk to any homeschool mom with grown kids and she will tell you, "The days are long, but the years are short." What feels like a lifelong commitment soon becomes a distant memory and when you've given your all to this worthy task of homeschooling, the next season can bring a conflict of emotions. Durenda has graduated 7 (so far) whom she has homeschooled from the beginning and in this session, she shares some key thoughts to consider as you near the finish line.

Saturday Sessions

3:00-4:00pm *Continued*

Teaching the Whole Child

Hester VanBraeden (Salon B)

Academics are only a small part of a child's life. We might focus on that aspect for their education, but they're learning more when they're not working on their academics. Join me to discuss what that might be, and how we can model the good life in the simple moments. Do we want to raise our children to be smart or wise?

Nurturing Authentic Connections with Your Child Through Healthy Communication

Jolene Biegel (Frontier - Upstairs)

Connecting with your children doesn't have to be complicated. In this session we will explore simple yet effective ways to communicate and handle conflict with your child.

Entrepreneurship for Families

Stephanie Morrison (Trailblazer 1 - Upstairs)

Starting and running a business has many advantages, especially for home educating families. Learn how to discover the type of business that's a good fit for your family and the many learning opportunities with a business startup. Whether you're looking for a new income stream or just a hands-on approach to education, this workshop will give you the startup steps and resources for in-depth learning about entrepreneurship the whole family can take part in.

The Power of STORY

Sigmund Brouwer (Trailblazer 2 - Upstairs)

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YOUTH TRACK: Mock Parliament - Part 2

Rob Anders (Salon A)

Rob Anders, long-time Conservative representative for Calgary-West, will continue to guide students in a model parliament.

4:30-5:30pm

CLOSING KEYNOTE: Love, Law and Liberty

Rev. Dr. Michael Thiessen (Prairie)

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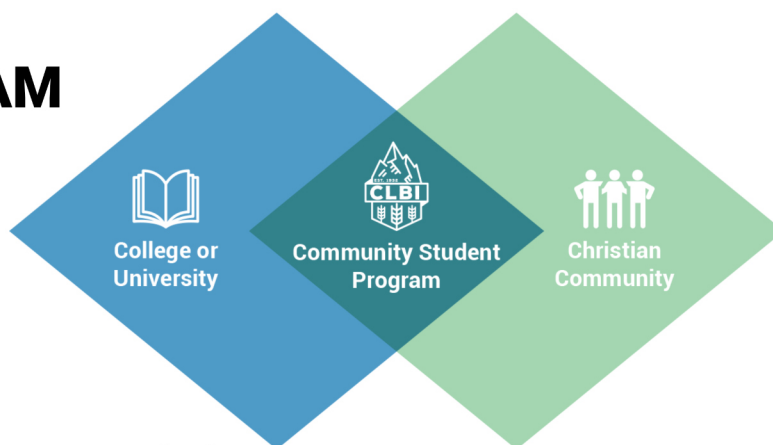
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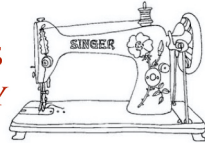


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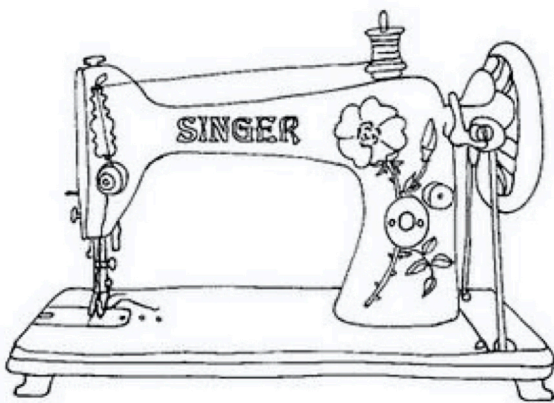
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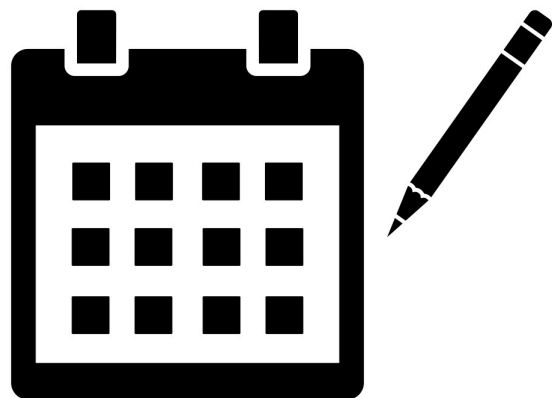
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Were you **SATISFIED** overall with the convention? completely mostly not quite no

OVERALL CONVENTION Comments/suggestions: _____

What was your FAVOURITE part of the convention? Please check.

keynote speakers breakout sessions new homeschoolers' session exhibit hall get re-energized/refreshed
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 Friday night concert volunteering other _____

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS	Durenda Wilson						
	Michael Thiessen						
Comments/Suggestions :							

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BREAKOUT SPEAKERS	Joel Arnold (Technology, Understanding Educational Philosophies...)						
	Stephanie Morrison (Family Challenge, Entrepreneurship)						
	Sandi Paddick (Early Literacy)						
	Brenda Jones (PrintingProblems)						
	Peter Stock & Joe Woodard (H.S. Research)						
	Joanne Pennington (Numeracy Rich Environment)						
	Andree Verhoog (New Homeschooler's)						
	Craig Weston (Confidence to Step Into the Unknown)						
	John Carpay (Restoring Your Freedoms)						
	Colleen Klatt (Spreading Your Wings)						
	Donna Ferguson (Sandwich Generation)						
	Veteran's Mom Panel (various)						
	Yvonne Harrink (Back to the Future)						
	Hester VanBraeden (Teaching the Whole Child)						
	Tim Stephens (Building a Christian Home)						
	Jolene Biegel (How to Nurture Authentic Connections)						
	Sigmund Brouwer (The Power of Story)						
	Vance Nelson (Flood Fossils)						
	Christie Thomas (Simplifying Family Discipleship)						
	Vanessa Brobel (Voice of the Martyrs)						
Diane Geerlinks (Transforming Struggling Learners)							



	Merchant Ship (Food Preservation)						
	IMPACT (Chronological Bible Teaching)						
	Ian Juby (DNA Analysis)						
	Concordia (Unique to U)						
Comments/suggestions:							

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EXHIBIT HALL	variety of resources						
	variety of services						
	What types of booths do you like having in the hall? ___ curriculum providers ___ post-secondary ___ school boards ___ ministries ___ young entrepreneurs ___ specialty (i.e. special needs, games, etc.) other _____						
Comments/suggestions:							

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OTHER	Free New Homeschooler's Session						
	Friday Family Concert						
	Folk Dance Workshop						
Comments/suggestions:							

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REGISTRATION	ease of navigation						
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	quantity of information						
Comments/suggestions:							

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List of Exhibitors

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407	AHEA	www.aheaonline.com
401	40 Mile Home Education	www.cherrycoulee.ca
217	A Likely Story Used Books	ransomed2serve@gmail.com
304	Accelerated Christian Education Canada	www.acecanada.net
319	Active Animals	https://www.activeanimalsthegame.com/
310	AISCA	www.aisca.ab.ca
501	Alberta Parents' Union	ww.albertaparentsunion.ca
202	Amazing Facts Ministries Inc.	www.amazingfactsministries.com
315	AMEE's Craft Company	N/A
211	ARPA Canada	www.arpacanada.ca
905	Athletes in Action	www.athletesinaction.ca
516	BCS@Home	www.bcsathome.ca
214	Ben's Woodcrafting	https://benswoodcrafting.wixsite.com/benswoodcrafting
506	Better Books & Bibles	www.betterbooksandbibles.com
902	Bibles for Muslims	www.biblesformuslims.ca
500	Blue Mantle Educational Supplies	www.bluemantle.ca
210	Burman University	www.burmanu.ca
209	Canadian Baptist Theological Seminary & College	www.cbtscc.ca
402	Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute	www.clbi.edu
306	CCBR	www.endthekilling.ca
400	Christian Light Education	www.christianlight.org
509	Classical Conversations Canada	www.Canada-CC.ca
109	Classical Education Books	www.classicaleducationbooks.ca
707	Clearwater College	www.clearwatercollege.com
503	Colourful Travels Inc.	www.colourfultravels.com
212	Communakit	https://communakit.com/
701	Concordia University of Edmonton	www.concordia.ab.ca
305	Creation Science Association of Alberta	www.create.ab.ca
216	Discovery Toys	www.discoverytoys.com/playfulangels
507	Durenda Wilson	www.durendawilson.com
201	Edmonton Prolife Society	www.edmontonprolife.org
602	Effective Speed Reading	www.effectivespeedreading.com
303	Family Learning Centre	www.familylearningcentre.ca
702	Family Money School	https://www.familymoneyschool.com/
204	Foundation Baptist College	Www.foundationbaptistcollege.com
601	Generations	https://www.generations.org
405	GFA World	www.gfa.ca
300	Golden Hills Learning Academy	www.goldenhillslearningacademy.com
511	Harvest Christian Homeschool	www.harvestbaptist.academy

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600	Heritage Resources	www.heritageresources.ca
508	History Plus!	www.historyplus.ca
309	Home School Legal Defence Association	www.hslda.ca
706	Hope Christian School	https://hopechristian.plrd.ab.ca/
703	Hope Homeschooling	www.soh.ecacs.ca
311	Impact Canada Ministries	www.impact-canada.ca
505	Impact Fiction	www.impactfictionediting.com
107	Inheritance Publications	www.inhpubl.net
307	Crack the Cursive Code	www.crackthecursivecode.com
219	Jamie Soles	www.solmusic.ca
409	Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms	www.jccf.ca
705	K12homeschool.ca	www.k12homeschool.ca
312	Koinonia@Home	www.koinonia.ca/koinonia-at-home
411	Le French Teacher	www.lefrenchteacher.com
313	Living Books	www.Livingbooks.ca
314	Little Shoots, Deep Roots	https://littleshootsdeeproots.com
903	LMPTC Clearance	www.homeschoolers.ca
404	Math U See	www.mathcanada.ca
504	Merchant Ship	merchantship@generationalfamilies.net and freezedryingalberta.com
408	Michael Thiessen	www.libertycoalitioncanada.com
207	Millar College of the Bible	www.millarcollege.ca
111	Modeste Creek Saddles	www.modestecreeksaddles.com
410	Nanny McCluckins Chick Hatching Experiences	https://nannymccluckins.ca/chick-hatching-experiences/
318	Neilson Music Academy	www.neilsonacademy.com
406	New Homeschooler's Booth	
108	Next Gen Way	www.nextgenway.ca
708	NILD Canada (National Institute for Learning Development)	www.nildcanada.org
317	Nipawin Bible College	https://nipawin.org/
213	Northwest Music Academy	www.nwmusicacademy.com
302	OM Canada	www.om.org
510	One Hope Canada - Ross Haven Bible Camp	www.RossHavenBibleCamp.com
221	Parental Consent Alberta	www.parentalconsentalberta.ca
301	Peace River Bible Institute	www.prbi.edu
316	Pioneer Bible Translators of Canada	www.PioneerBible.ca
220	Prairie College	www.prairie.edu
218	Red Deer Polytechnic	www.rdpolytech.ca
514	Relationship Coach Sherry	www.relationshipcoachsherry.com
208	RightStart Mathematics	www.RightStartMath.com
502	Rocky Mountain College	www.rockymountaincollege.ca
700	Rod and Staff by Lighthouse Ministries	N/A

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515	Rosebud School of the Arts	https://www.rosebudschoolofthearts.com/
308	Science Is...	www.science-is.com
106	Smart Move Games	Smartmovegames@gmail.com
205	Teaching Textbooks	www.teachingtextbooks.com
203	Tech Valley Science Centre	www.techvalleysciencecentre.com
105	The King's University	http://www.kingsu.ca
603	The Learning House	www.learninghouse.ca
904	The Old Schoolhouse	https://www.theoldschoolhouse.com/
512	The Voice of the Martyrs	www.vomcanada.com
604	Guard Your Heart	www.guard-your-heart.ca
709	THEE Homeschooling (Traditional Home Education)	www.thee.ca
901	Tree of Life School and Book Service Ltd.	www.treeoflifeathome.com
513	Trinity Western University	www.twu.ca
403	Untold Secrets of Planet Earth Publishing Company	https://www.untoldsecretsofplanetearth.com/#/
110	Usborne Books	www.myubah.ca/carol
104	Used Book Treasures	www.usedbooktreasures.ca
704	Vanguard College	www.vanguardcollege.com
206	WISDOM Home Schooling	https://wisdomhomeschooling.com/

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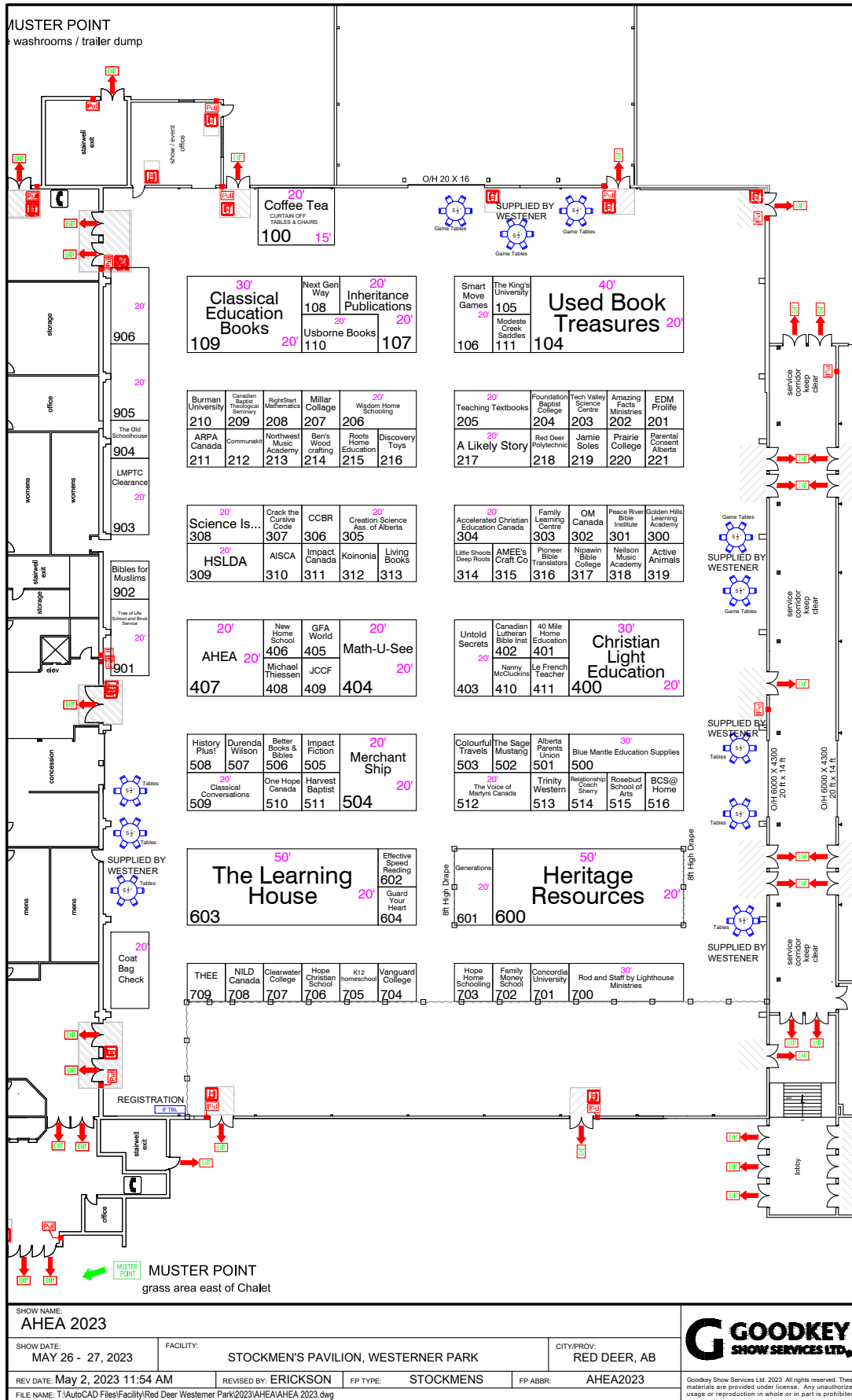
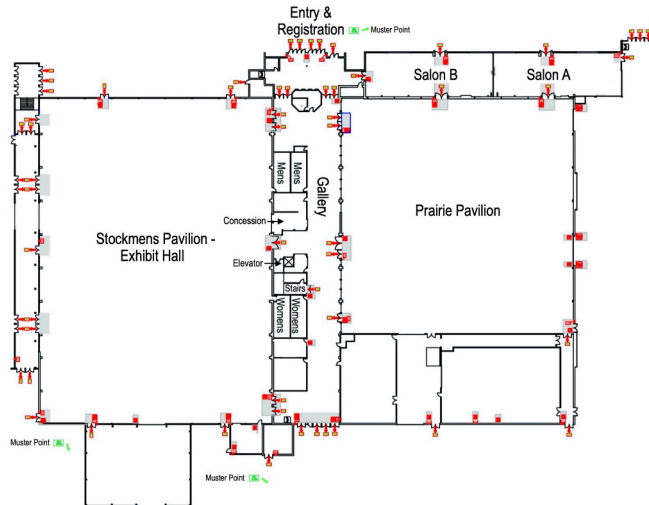
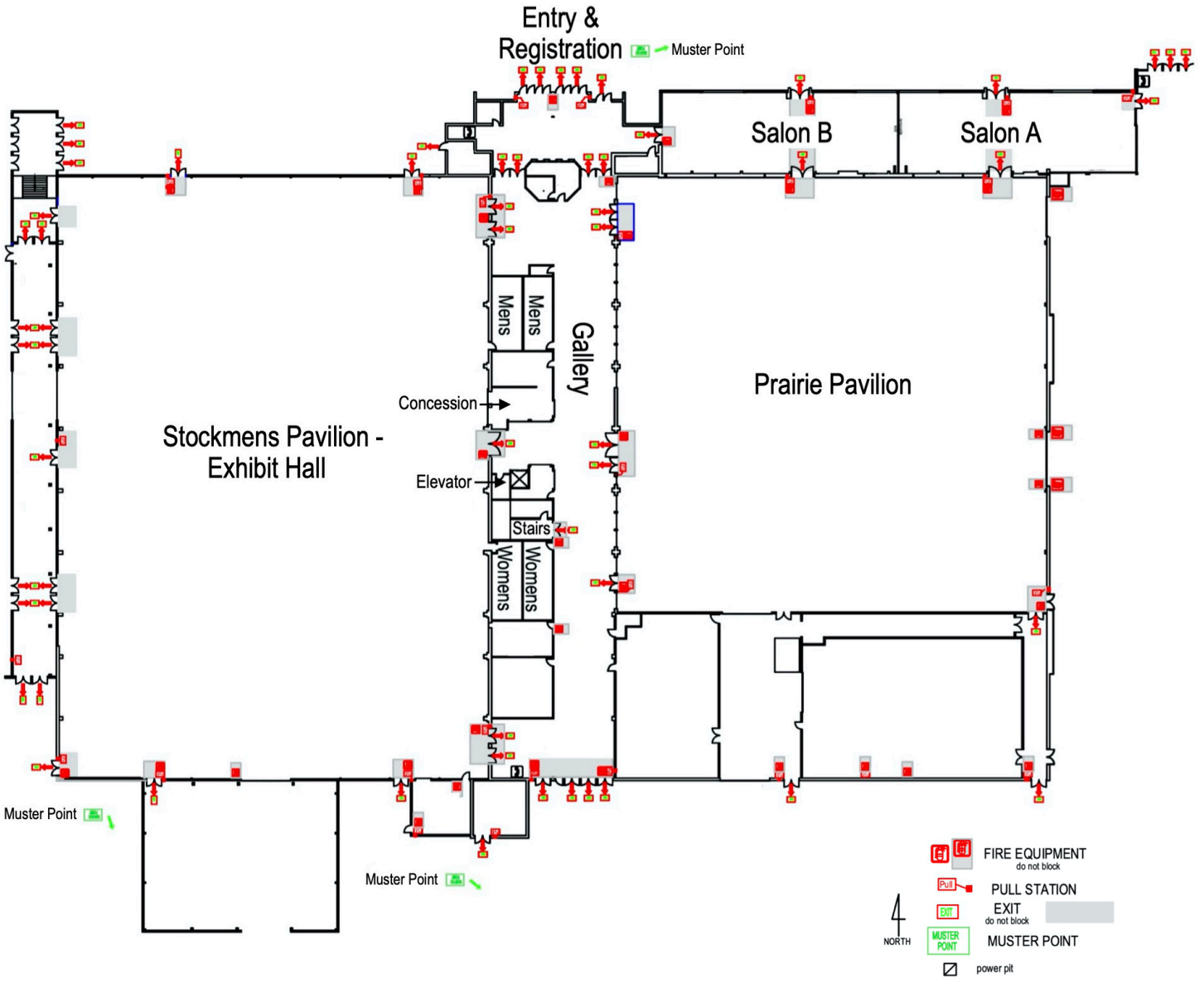
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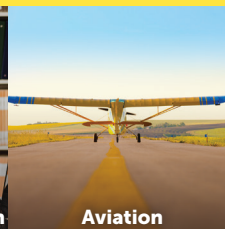


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