

The Center



Community Center Foundation

"A place for celebration, enrichment and healing"

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GOD'S COMMAND CLEAR

"For this command which I enjoin on you today is not too mysterious and remote for you. It is not up in the sky, that you should say "Who will go up in the sky to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?" Nor is it across the sea, that you should say "Who will cross the sea to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?" No, it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out." (Deuteronomy 30, 11 – 14)

These verses out of Deuteronomy in the Old Testament illustrate a basic truth. Each of us intuitively have within us a sense of God's will, what is right, and what is just. We need not look to others all the time for answers – rather we should look inward and have faith in our own thoughts. Be true to yourself.

I find in today's world that can be a complex task. When you think about how life was back when the Old Testament was written – people might have had three or four decisions to make in a day. Surely life was simpler and more defined. In today's world we are bombarded with decisions, choices, and information...a constant noise that is hard to get away from. Reverend Jerry illustrated this point rather clearly at our last Easter Sunrise Service when he asked "If Jesus lived today, how would he have fared in the public opinion with twenty-four hour news coverage, the paparazzi following his every move, constantly taking pictures and posting them in magazines, newspapers, and on U-Tube, the edited news clips and sound bites, the world wide web and the numerous political editorials. How would he have fared? We would have an incredible amount of information, truth and blasphemy, to sift through and sort out to make any kind of educated decision on who this Man really is. Not one or two stories, but hundreds or thousands.

Still amidst all this we have to navigate our lives and make the best decisions we can. The only way I know how is to daily spend some time alone with God. There is a scripture on the chapel "Be still, and know that I am God." I have to say that to myself several times to let go of the daily clutter and open my mind to the things that mean the most to me. Then I can make decisions based on what is in my heart.

How many times have you gone against a gut feeling and found out later that you made the wrong choice. Situations and others influenced you into making a decision you were not sure about. We have to learn to trust our own thoughts and go with them. I believe God is speaking to us in those gut feelings. Don't ignore them. No matter how much comes at you – you still have an initial gut feeling. They are often right.

Even in today's world with so much more, there are basic and simple truths to live your life by...to keep things straight. Our Creator gave us free will and certainly we have all made wrong choices and blunders in our lives. But He has also given us a beautiful and intuitive sense of what is right and what is just. This is a simple truth in each of us. May we try to use it each day to the best of our ability.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Special Events This Month

Anniversary Dinner and Renewal of Vows

Sunday, November 2, beginning with 4:30 p.m. Vespers

All November anniversary couples are invited. The evening will begin with a Vespers Service at 4:30 pm in the Chapel. After Vespers, the couples will enjoy a gracious candlelight dinner in the lodge, and then return to the Chapel for Renewal of Wedding Vows. For reservations: send \$70 for dinner for two, to be received no later than October 20.

Toastmasters Club: Learning to Communicate

Wednesdays, November 5 and 19, 7:00 p.m.

If you are interested in improving and practicing your public speaking skills, we invite you to join our supportive group of speechmaking students. We take turns leading the meetings, giving speeches, critiquing speeches, and having fun doing it. Talk to Dave Sanders, Lois Lauer, or Frank Sanders for details: we're all in this effort together and would love your participation.



Sunday Evening Great Decisions Discussion: China

Sunday, November 2, 6:30 p.m.

Great Decisions is a Sunday evening monthly discussion group for folks interested in broadening their knowledge and understanding of the world. The 2008 program highlights eight of today's most significant, far-reaching world issues. The Great Decisions book published annually by the Foreign Policy Institute provides facts and a nonpartisan analysis of the "great decisions" we face today. On Nov 2, we will be discussing topic #7, about the evolving economic rivalry between the U.S. and China. Briefing sheets are available in the office. Please call to let us know you are planning to attend.

Join The Fellowcrafters

1ST and 3RD Tuesdays, November 4 and 18, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Fellowcrafters meet twice each month to make items to sell in the gift shop area by the front door of the lodge. The Fellowcrafters have been meeting at The Center for nearly 70 years, making wreaths, knitting, crocheting, stitching, and more, to benefit The Center and its programs.

Visit the Gift Shop in November!

Thanksgiving will soon be here, and the Fellowcrafters Gift Shop in the Main Lodge has many lovely autumn arrangements to dress up your home. There are also darling turkeys waiting to adorn your mantle or table, and you will begin to see Christmas decorations this month. So please stop in to see these and much, much more! Remember--each and every item is lovingly HANDMADE by a member of the Fellowcrafters right here at The Center. Also in the Gift Shop: NEW 2009 CALENDARS (\$7) and "A Taste of The Center" Cookbooks, (\$12). With wonderful drawings by Lois Hrejsa and her students, both make great Christmas gifts.

Spiritual Companionship

Kathy Fontaine is donating her time and expertise to The Center, by offering her one-on-one services to anyone seeking spiritual direction through prayer, meditation, and dialogue. A good friend of The Center for many years, Kathy Fontaine has been trained by the Institute for Spiritual Companionship. The cost of Kathy's spiritual companionship is \$20/hour, which Kathy donates to the camp scholarship fund. Please, call the office for details about setting up appointments with Kathy, who is here as a spiritual companion all day every Tuesday.

The Center Singers

Monday evenings, 7:00 p.m.

Our choral group, The Center Singers, is busy preparing for their Advent performances. Rehearsal pianist Shirley Swanson, organist Ed Nowak, and Director Penny Wills invite you to join us on Monday evenings!

Camp Committee

Wednesday, November 12, 6:30 p.m.

Thanks so much to all of you who support our wonderful summer camp at The Center through your contributions, your participation, and your belief in our program. Another way you can help is by serving on our volunteer camp committee. The committee is made up of camper parents, former campers and staff, and other friends of The Center. We share a willingness to work on camp program planning, fundraising projects, and family night dinners. Plans are already in the works for next summer and our upcoming fundraisers. New energy and ideas are welcome; those generated by the committee help to make camp the memorable and fun experience that it is.

Autumn Walking Club

Every Monday and Friday morning, 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

If you'd like to focus on fitness this fall, please join Lois Lauer and Kathy Mical for morning walks at the farm and in the woods. Please call ahead, so that we will be able to notify you of schedule changes and walk locations. Meet on the lodge front porch

Understanding the Bible—from Genesis to Revelations

Tuesday evenings, November 11 and 25, 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Chris Hopkins, M. Div., leads this adventure in understanding the scriptures. We invite you to join us this fall for a modern look at the meaning of the ancient sacred stories of the Bible.

Spirituality 101: *The Hidden Heart of the Cosmos*

Tuesday evenings, November 4 and 18, 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Chris Hopkins helps us to understand cosmologist Brian Swimme's bestselling book "The Hidden Heart of the Cosmos," as we examine the most profound questions about our universe and the nature and destiny of humanity. Please pre-register. The Nov. 4 election night discussion may be rescheduled—be sure to call ahead.

Sunday Vespers in The Chapel

Every Sunday, 4:30 p.m.

We invite you to join us each Sunday for a short inter-denominational worship service of music, meditation, and prayer, led by Rev. Frank Sanders. After the service each week, we continue the long-standing Center tradition of inviting everyone down to the lodge for tea and fellowship. Our advent schedule is listed in this newsletter. Please join us!!

Reiki

Sunday, November 30, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Reiki (pronounced Ray-Key) is a gentle, relaxing and peaceful form of energy healing, especially beneficial for those suffering from physical or emotional pain. Level 3 Reiki Practitioner and Social Worker Judy Wiggins will be joined by fellow Reiki practitioners to offer their healing services, asking only a free will donation to The Center. Advance registration necessary, as participation is limited.

Chair Yoga—for those who want to stretch but don't wish to get down on the floor!

6 Thursday mornings, beginning November 6 (skip 11/27), 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Yoga instructor Maureen Ryan will lead this yoga class, in which participants can stretch and twist and balance, either sitting or using a chair for balance. We meet in the parlor of the lodge. Class fee: \$60 per 6 week session. Pre-registration required.



A Thanksgiving Puppet Presentation...

Friday, November 28th beginning at 1PM the animals of The Children's Farm will be performing a puppet presentation. Puppet Show will begin promptly at 1:00 and the farm will be open for viewing immediately following. Admission is \$4.50 per person. Children under two are free.

Come and celebrate Thanksgiving at The Children's Farm!

The Farm and Nature Discovery Preschool

Our year goes by so fast and we can't believe it is already November. This is an exciting month at Farm and Nature Preschool. This month's theme "A Bounty of Thanks," will give our students an opportunity to learn how to be thankful for everything around us, including family, friends, animals, and the earth. We will explore our farm and continue to learn about our ever changing seasons and how they affect the farm.

This is also the month that we celebrate Grandparents' Day by welcoming them to our school with a little presentation and to see our classrooms.

As always, we bring in a Thanksgiving feast for our students so they can sample all sorts of yummy treats, including turkey, sweet potatoes, and pumpkin pie. **There are still a few openings. If you are interested, please call Kristin at 708-361-8933.**



Coming up in early December: (Please call After November 15th to make reservations)

- Live nativity Luncheon on December 2nd, 12 noon
- Bob Crachit Dinner on December 14th, 5:15 p.m.
- Pilgrimage to the Manger on December 21st, 5:30 p.m.

Thanksgiving Family Night!

Sunday, November 23rd, 5:30 p.m.

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED, LIMITED SEATING

The November Family Night is an old-fashioned Thanksgiving dinner full of tradition, good food and community. Each family is asked to contribute a homemade potluck item to the Thanksgiving table (such as squash, corn, or pumpkin pie) to compliment the freshly roasted turkeys, gravy, mashed potatoes, and dressing from The Center's ovens. Following dinner, two heart-warming, interactive Thanksgiving stories will be dramatized before the fireplace in the Great Hall, starring willing audience members. Family Nights are organized by The Center's Camp Committee as evenings of family fun and fellowship. Proceeds from Family Nights support the camp's scholarship program for financially needy campers. Cost is \$15/adult, \$7.50/child.



Tuesday Luncheons, 12:00 Noon - 2:00 p.m.

Each Tuesday, we invite interested folks to join us for a delicious luncheon followed by an enriching program on travel, nature, art, book reviews, personal growth, spirituality, or other topics of interest. Luncheons cost \$15. Reservations are required three days in advance.

A special request to luncheon guests: Please, please call ahead to make a reservation. When unexpected folks arrive for a meal at The Center, of course we want to be hospitable, but it is very stressful for the kitchen staff to add last minute place settings to a prearranged table and to worry about the quantity of food prepared. If you are not able to make an earlier reservation, even a call the morning of the luncheon is more helpful than none at all.

Tuesday November 4: The Right to Vote!

'As a special tribute to election day, we will watch "Iron Jawed Angels," a wonderful movie about the fight for women's suffrage. Hilary Swank plays Alice Paul, a defiant and brilliant young activist who puts her life at risk to help American women win the right to vote. The movie is 2 hours long. We'll have our dessert and coffee during the movie, and so hope to be finished by about 2:30 p.m. Join us on Nov. 4, and then, be sure to vote!

Tuesday, November 11: Patriotic tunes on the organ!

Professional organist Frank Pugno returns to our luncheon "stage" with a Veteran's Day program of patriotic music. Frank has always provided delightful programs and is sure to do so again, with his wide repertoire and knowledge of music, and the friendly sing-a-long ambience of his performances on the Hammond organ.

Tuesday, November 18: Fair Trade Bazaar: Hope, Justice, And Dignity With Every Purchase!

The Fair Trade movement is growing! More and more people are eager to help hard working farmers and craftspeople by supporting them with their purchases. Every year the number of colleges, churches, and other institutions that serve fair trade coffee goes up dramatically! This is our fourth annual bazaar of items from "fair trade" organizations, which attempt to give a fair wage to farm and craft workers in developing countries and in job training programs in our cities. The bazaar will include coffee and spoons from Guatemala, chocolate from Ghana, bowls and baskets from African countries, jewelry, and purses from India, Indonesia, and Ecuador, children's toys from Peru, and cards and journals from India and Vietnam. A local woman, Colleen Laino of Frankfort, has formed her own business (The Thoughtful World Shop) to promote fair trade. We have invited Colleen to speak and show slides about fair trade at this year's Fair Trade luncheon, Then, of course, there will be time to shop at the bazaar, which Colleen is helping to provide this year. We hope you'll join us to learn about this important movement, and to buy some beautiful and meaningful Christmas presents.

Tuesday, November 25: WOMANTALK!

WOMANTALK! is a wonderfully nurturing and supportive discussion group, focusing on the month's readings in Sarah Ban Breathnach's "Simple Abundance," "Romancing the Ordinary," and "Moving On" books, or any other inspirational resources that ladies would like to bring to share. Our focus is on learning to live authentically, joyfully, simply, and gratefully. After the luncheon, the discussion takes place from 1 p.m. to approximately 2:30 p.m.

On November 9th we celebrate the 76th year of The Center. It has been quite a ride. Sometimes I get dizzy keeping up with the changes. New staff, new buildings, new programs, new challenges. I can imagine how my mother and father felt as they watched this place grow past them. Now it's Blanche's and my turn. Are we going to do that? Can we do that? Well, the answer always seems to be "YES!" We can do anything we set our minds to.

Often as an organization grows it changes. I can honestly say that The Center has grown but it has not changed. Our goals, our purpose remain the same. Oh, the vehicles have changed. Our Pathway program is a good example of that. We have been involved in being a part of changing lives since the very early days. We have always wanted people to "grow" through this place and in the process enrich their lives. We still do and I might add – quite successfully. That has always been a part of the dream. That has always been a part of the mission. That will continue to be a part of the mission of the future.

Dreams are accomplished in many ways. We have strengths that build toward our success in following that dream and we have weaknesses. Certainly financial stability is one of those. But much more important are the successes. I would mention one - a very special one. No one works here. Our entire staff is here because they want to be a part of the mission of The Center. They want to give of themselves to this dream. They are missionaries. What a great strength that is to the success of this dream.

A visitor and I were talking just last week. The conversation began as do many here. "What is this place?" As always that is difficult to answer in a few words. I did my best and told him about the many programs we have and how they are a part of our mission. He asked me to pick one that I thought was most important. Was it the spiritual underlayment? Of course, the spiritual underlayment is a part of the 'whole' of The Center. So much so that I would not call it program. It is the underlying substance of our existence.

Instead I picked the Children's Farm. There are many facets: tours, camp program, birthday parties the pre-school, 4-H and more. Closest to my heart is the growth of children and adults as they relate to animals. I spoke of that in the October Newsletter. There are so many wonderful life - changing stories of that relationship. Animals judge you for one reason only. "Do you want me to love you?" Believe me, animals do love. And with that love a child or an adult can grow. It is a most wonderful relationship.

The Center has grown and will continue to grow. Often an organization that grows – changes. We have grown. We have not changed. Our goals, our program, our mission remain the same. In 1932 the mission was to be a sanctuary that exemplifies selfless love, beauty, harmony and brotherhood. Its goal was to nurture and restore balance and growth in people's lives. In 2008 that mission remains the same. We welcome all to join us in this mission.

Sarah Sander



Christmas Teas



The Log Cabin hostesses invite you to enjoy a cup of Christmas tea and a plate of Christmas cookies, cakes, and sandwiches. A heart-warming Christmas story will be shared by the fire and each tea guest will have an opportunity to make Christmas potpourri so that they can take home a bit of the Log Cabin's warm and cozy holiday ambience.
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 11 and Friday, December 12 (Dec 11th tea will be in the lodge)
Saturday December 13 and Sunday December 14
Thursday, December 18 and Friday, December 19
Saturday, December 20 and Sunday, December 21
Advance Tickets Are required. Ticket Cost For Christmas Teas: \$22 per guest

Our Advent Schedule... Please join us

Christmas is the most beautiful season of the Christian year. It is a time of wonder and worship, fun and festival, giving and receiving; a time when our minds are brought nearer to the love of God, and the good will of our passengers on this earth, than at any other time of the year. It is a season of peace and joy, when works of cheer, thoughts of kindness and acts of love fill the lives of man, woman and child.

Behind the celebration of Christmas are many facts, traditions, and customs from all over the world. We at The Center have Christmas traditions—our Bob Cratchit Dinner and Yule Log Service, Christmas at the farm and Advent Vespers Service. We invite you to join with us in any of these traditions.

The Candlelight Advent services are 4:30 p.m. Sunday afternoons. They are a series of meditations to help us prepare for the birth of the Christ Child in our lives. The Chapel is beautifully decorated to help us experience the joy of Christmas.

November 30th - A Baby is Born

December 7th - The Shepherd's Experience

December 14th - Wisemen Come from Afar

December 21st - Jesus the Christ Comes into our Lives

*We bring this experience to its high point with a
Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service
on December 24th at 6:30 p.m.*



*Are you our angel? We would like to replace our mattresses and our over 30-year-old bunk-beds at camp with new wooden ones. We are seeking a generous spirit that would be willing to help fund this project! Please let us know if you would like to contribute.



Center Retreats in November and December: a great way to get away, relax, grow, and enjoy!

PERSONAL GROWTH RETREAT: A legacy of our values

Friday and Saturday, November 21 and 22, (5 pm Fri – 5 pm Sat)

Retreat leaders: Eileen Kerlin Walsh and Lois Lauer

Personal growth leader Eileen Kerlin Walsh will help us each reflect upon our life's journey, and write our own personal Ethical Will. "An Ethical Will is a personal legacy that transmits your non-material assets...your values, your story, the lessons life has taught you, the information that is too valuable to risk being lost." Using this wonderful description by author Susan Turnbull, Eileen will help us to write meaningful letters--to our children, to ourselves, perhaps to the world. The weekend will include time for reflection and writing, time for inspiring guidance by Eileen, time for walks in the woods, and of course, time for fellowship, fun, and relaxation. Eileen Kerlin Walsh is a personal growth seminar leader, an inspirational speaker, and an estate lawyer. Cost per participant is \$110 which includes leadership, accommodations, meals, and all major supplies. Early registration is advised!

Christmas Folkcrafters' Retreat: A Woodland Christmas!

Friday, December 5, 5 p.m. – Saturday, December 6, 5 p.m.

Artist April Schabes and program director Lois Lauer invite ladies to our very popular 16th annual women's Christmas Folkcrafters' Retreat, which will focus on preparing our hearts and our hearths for Christmas. Featuring handmade woodland crafts, fireside fellowship, and time to reflect on the meaning of Christmas, this women's retreat is always a wonderful way to get in the spirit of the season. Retreat Fee: \$110, includes leadership, 3 meals, accommodations, and retreat supplies. For those who would like to stay over Saturday night for continuing fellowship and creativity, we offer an additional \$40 second night option.



NATIVITY FAMILY PHOTOS AT THE CHILDREN'S FARM

Would you like to have a picture of your family in a classic nativity scene, complete with a stable background, donkey and animals, and costumes? Here at The Center in late November and early December our farm becomes Bethlehem as we conduct many live nativity scenes for school groups and church groups. They are wonderful photo opportunities for parents. This year we have decided to make this opportunity available to families. Here are the details...

Professional photographer Tim Coughlin of Coughlin Studios (15418 Primrose Court, Orland Park, Illinois, (708) 633 - 7344) will provide photography services to families at The Children's Farm on Saturday, November 22 and Sunday, November 23 between 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm. No appointment is necessary – just show up at the farm and we will get you into costume. You may also bring your own costumes if you like.

The photo session of five to six shots will cost a flat fee of \$20.00 – half of which photographer Tim Coughlin will donate to The Center. Please only cash or check – no credit cards. Tim will then offer prints and/or electronic images online. In addition he will give The Center 20% of his online sales.

Here is a chance to get a nice picture of your family in a live nativity scene celebrating the birth of Christ. These pictures would also make wonderful Christmas cards. Your participation would also help out all the animals at our farm. All proceeds raised will go towards living accommodations and feed for our farm animals.

Christmas Wreaths From The Center:

Balsam fir handmade wreaths with red velvet bows; 24" (\$20), 36" (\$30), 48" (\$40), 60" (\$50) wreaths. If you already ordered your wreaths, don't forget to pick them up Nov. 28 or 29. We may have some extra unreserved wreaths. Call today!

Volunteer Corner Marilyn Dunlap

For eight years I spent every other week working as part of the staff at the Center. For health reasons, I resigned in October of 2007. All of a sudden there was a big void in my life.

In the eight years I had new friends in my life. Not only the permanent staff and volunteers but also the friends I had made with the men in Pathway.

The Pathway program is such an important part of The Center's existence and mission.

The men that "grow" through that program leave a piece of themselves. The program is still growing today with the addition of the Sunday breakfast and quarterly newsletter to keep the connection to all of the alumni.

Each Pathway man as they arrived, would become a special person I would encounter during my evenings and weekends. It was an exchange that enriched my life and gave me a new perspective. Where I have been—Where I am—and Where I hope to go...

Now I volunteer on Fridays in the front office and it feels great to be a part of this special place.

Marilyn - All of us at The Center look forward to Fridays. Your spirit reminds us that we are a part of a great place. Thanks for continuing to encourage us. The Center Staff



Please join us on Sunday, November 2, 1 p.m. for the
DEDICATION OF THE NEW ART BUILDING



Log Cabin 1 built in 1952, for use as a craft and gift shop, renovated in 1995 as art classrooms.
Log Cabin 2 built in 1958, for use as a recovery center, antique shop, and as art classrooms
Log Cabin 3 built in 2008, as art classrooms and a new home for our Fellowcrafters auxiliary which has been supporting The Center since 1939. Log Cabin 3 is a generous gift from good friends, Dan & Sonya Snyder, Ruth McGinnis, and many other individuals who donated their time, talents, and funds for the creation of this building.



Log Cabin Center For The Arts

November and December 2008


 Classes and Workshops for Adults and Children in Fine Arts and Folk Arts
 

 A complete Autumn Session class schedule containing additional information was published in the Sep-
 

 tember newsletter and is available in the office. The following list is an abbreviated reminder of the won-
 

 derful opportunities that we offer in November and December. We hope you'll sign up and let those crea-
 

 tive juices flow! All classes require pre-registration.
 


LOG CABIN ART FOR KIDS—*combining the wonderful worlds of art and nature!*
 Instructors: April Schabes (gr. K-1), Maggie Martin (gr. 2-3), and Amy Bennett (gr. 4-8)
 New 6 week sessions begin Saturday mornings, November 1
 Choose either the 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. session, or the 10:30 a.m. – 12 noon session
 Class Fee: \$65. Each student is encouraged to bring a personal artist's sketchbook.

HOLIDAY FAMILY POTTERY—*any ages!* Instructor: Laura Milkert
 Monday evenings, November 3, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. and November 10, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
 Class Fee: \$15 plus \$5 materials fee per person (3rd generation no charge.)

ADULT CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

(As you'll see, many of our instructors now have their own art websites, which are listed by their names, so that you may look at examples of their work, and in some cases, their students' creations.)

DRAWING—with pen and ink, pencil, and more...

Instructor: Lois Hrejsa

New 6-week session begins Thursday morning, November 6, 9:00-11:30 a.m. (skip 11/27)

Class Fee: \$95. List of required supplies available in office.

WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Instructors: Lenox Wallace(evenings) www.lenoxwallace.com
and Lois Hrejsa (afternoon)

New 6 week sessions begin:

Wednesday evening, October 29, 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. (skip 11/26)

Thursday afternoon, November 6, 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. (skip 11/27)

Thursday evening, October 30, 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. (skip 11/27)

Class Fee: \$95. List of required supplies available in office.

CREATIVE WRITING:

Instructor: Frank Coughlin www.want-to-be-writer.blogspot.com

New 6 week sessions begin Wed afternoon, Oct 29, 1-3 p.m,

and Thurs evening, Oct 30, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. (skip 11/27)

Class fee: \$75

PAPERMAKING

Instructor: Marilyn VandenBout www.vbartworks.blogspot.com

Holiday Papermaking: 2 Wed evenings, November 5 and 12, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Class fee for 2-day workshop: \$25 plus \$5 materials fee

STONEWARE POTTERY

Instructor: Karen Stasky

New 6-week session begins Thursday evening, October 30, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. (skip 11/27)

Class Fee: \$75 plus \$15 materials fee for each 6 week session

WOODCARVING

Instructor: Keith Miller

New 6 week sessions begin:

Wednesday evening, October 29, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. (skip 11/26)

Thursday morning, October 30, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. (skip 11/27)

Class Fee: \$75. Wood and knife available for purchase in class.

COLLAGE

Instructor: April Schabes

www.aprilsartshoppe.blogspot.com

New 6 week session begins Wednesday morning,

November 5, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon (skip 11/26)

Class Fee: \$95 per 6 week session.

List of required supplies available in office.

BASKETMAKING

Instructors: Jane Dwyer (evenings) and
Ann Fowler (mornings)

6 Thursday evenings beginning October 30, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. (skip 11/27)

Class Fee: \$75 per 6-week session, plus \$25 materials fee

PLUS Christmas Basket: Monday and Tuesday, Dec 1 and 2, 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon

Class Fee: \$31 plus \$9 materials fee

WEAVING

Instructor: Nettie Botts

New 6-week session begins Wednesday morning November 5, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Class Fee: \$75 for each 6 week session, plus \$10 materials fee for new weaver's samplers.

SILVER JEWELRY WORKSHOPS

Instructors: Sonya and Dan Snyder

3 week session begins Monday evening, November 3, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Class fee: \$37.50 plus \$35 materials fee



GOURD WORKSHOPS

Instructor: Karen Caldwell www.picturetrail.com/karencaldwell

OCEAN DRUMS*: 3 Monday evenings, November 3, 10, and 17, 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.:

Class Fee: \$48 plus a \$40 materials fee for a 13" drum or a \$60 materials fee for a 16" drum*

WINTER WHATNOTS AND WHIMSEY*: Mon, December 1, 1-3:30 p.m. or 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Class Fee: \$16 plus \$10 materials fee *Early registration is necessary.

PAPER-FOLDING WORKSHOP

Instructor: Ann Fowler

HOLIDAY GIFT BOXES AND BAGS: Wednesday morning, Nov 5, 9:30 -11:30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS STARS: Wednesday morning, November 19, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Class fees: \$16 plus \$6 materials fee per workshop

TOLE PAINTING WORKSHOP: Holiday Sweatshirts

Instructor: Christine Opp

Wed, Nov 19, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Class Fee: \$12.50 plus \$10 materials fee (plus BYO sweatshirt--please wash first)

"TIN BELLS" -- *an old-fashioned look for your Christmas doorway*

Instructor: Lois Lauer

Monday, November 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Class Fee: \$12.50 plus \$5 materials fee

(Bring work gloves, needle-nose pliers, and 12 tin can lids)

EVERGREEN WREATHS—*a circle of fresh greens for Christmas!*

Instructor: George Mitchell

Monday evening, December 1, 7:30 – 9 p.m. Meet at Anderson Center at farm.

Class Fee: \$10 plus \$10 materials fee. (Bring pruners)



In addition to the above classes, new sessions of poetry, quilting, calligraphy, Artist's Way, and other folk arts will begin in January.

Pre-registration is required for all Log Cabin classes and workshops. Class and materials fees are due at time of registration. All class fees include a \$10 non-refundable, non-transferable registration fee. No refunds or transfers of fees are available for cancellations made less than 24 hours prior to the beginning of class. To register by mail, send check and the following information: Name, address, phone, email, name and date/time of class, and if registration is for a child, send birthdate and grade in school this fall, plus parents' names and emergency contact information.

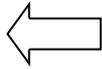
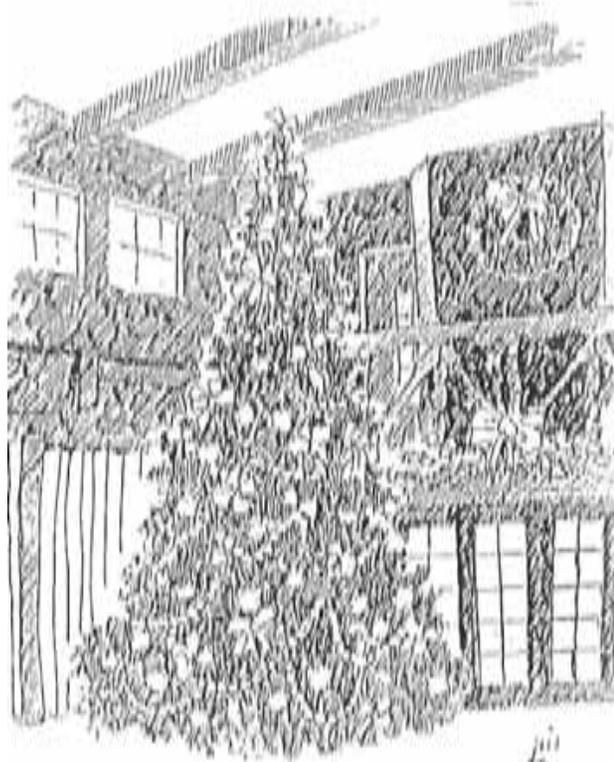
Please note.... Our Art Show is scheduled earlier this year!

Log Cabin Center for The Arts; Christmas Art Show And Bazaar

Sunday, November 16, 12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m.

The Art Show and Sale will feature the beautiful work of the instructors and students at our Log Cabin Center for the Arts. The annual art show is an afternoon to get in the Christmas spirit, perhaps to buy a few unique Christmas gifts or decorations, to support our art center participants with your enthusiasm and appreciation of their art, and to enjoy an afternoon of beautiful music and wonderful fellowship at The Center. Included in the show will be Watercolors, Drawings, Pottery, Woodcarvings, Poetry, Creative Writings, Collages, Tole-painted Objects, Handmade Paper, Gourds, Photography, Baskets, Quilts, Calligraphy, Weavings, and Jewelry for show and for sale, plus an exhibit of the Children's art and Family pottery work. Some of our art instructors will be demonstrating their artwork throughout the afternoon, so that you can get a first-hand look at their creativity!

The Center staff and volunteer Fellowcrafters will also have a bazaar of handmade Christmas decorations and gifts for sale, including our traditional log reindeers, tin bell swags, and Christmas wreaths. We hope you join us for a festive afternoon!



Inside: May peace and love surround you this holiday season and remain with you throughout the New Year. Printed on Green cardstock

Christmas

Cards For Sale

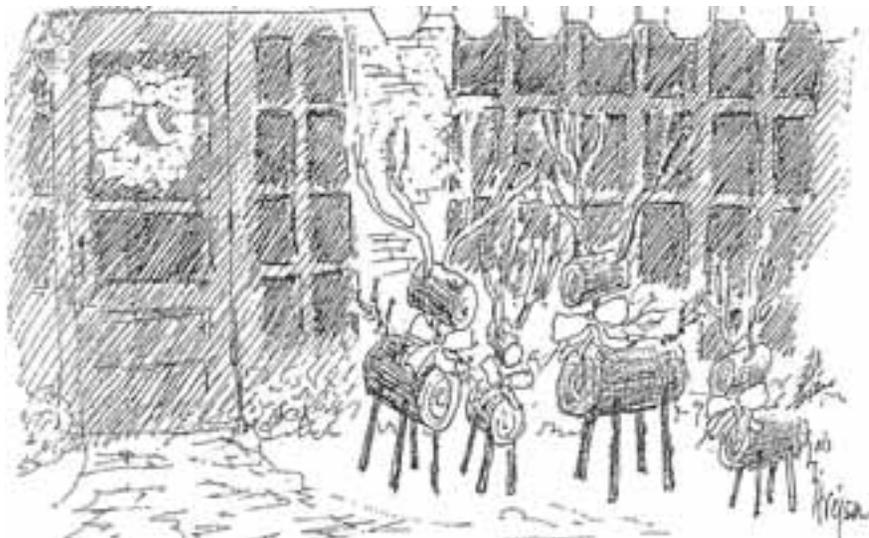


Inside: God's gift is still the greatest gift of all time. May you be blessed with joy and peace as we celebrate the gift of Jesus. Printed on White cardstock.



Local artists Lois Hrejsa and Raye Ann Sanoris have donated their artistic talents by letting us sell their prints on Christmas cards here at The Center. There are three designs to choose from. All cards are printed on card stock. Sold in packages of eight (all one design), the cost is \$8.00 per package or buy three packages and get a forth package free.

If you are interested please stop by the front office to fill out an order form or call The Center at (708) 361-3650 and we will fill out your order form. Cards will be available for pick-up one week after the placement of your order. Please pay for your cards at the time of pick-up.



Inside: Wishing you peace and joy in this Holiday Season. Printed on White cardstockaper

*We invite you to our seventy-sixth Annual Meeting
Sunday, November 9, 2008*

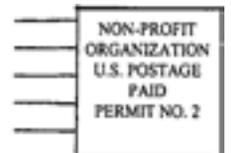
*The meeting begins with a memorial Vespers
Service at 4:30 p.m. followed by a
complimentary supper served at 5:30 p.m.
The meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.*

Please join us.

R.S.V.P. Supper at (708)361-3650

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