

"NEVER MISTAKE
KNOWLEDGE FOR
WISDOM. ONE HELPS
YOU MAKE A LIVING;
THE OTHER HELPS
YOU MAKE A LIFE."

--S. CAREY

--I hope you are enjoying your summer! When you catch the vision of a WEH learning lifestyle, learning isn't something you need to take a break from. It's how we do life. It's always enjoyable to learn and discover and explore new things.

You might use the time to re-visit a topic you visited earlier in the rotation but want to dive deeper. Maybe you'll spend more time out in Nature. Or spend more time creating things or visiting more museums or catching fun musical performances and plays. As far as topics in the rotation, summer is a great time to read one of the 'sweeps' books of either American or World History. You don't have to do it every year, but it will help to put the puzzle pieces into place of the things you have been picking up as we tour the world.

And then, come September we'll start our tour around the world again. I look forward to revisiting old friends every year—and meeting new ones!

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

--Our Belle Ame at Home Community is going strong during the summer months. We brought back our Organization class and the Rock Art Camp. We have some fun mini-excursions going on throughout the summer where you will visit different countries and find a simple folk song to sing, a game to play, a movie to watch, a couple of pieces of art to look at, a story to listen to, a simple craft, or a treat to make. They only stay up for a week—but they'll re-appear in the regular rotation.

As your family takes trips this summer, we hope you'll take time to share interesting and unusual places you recommend or good restaurants you have found, etc. in our Making Memories space in the navigation bar.

Biblioguides has a fun reading challenge for you.

In our Premium corner, we have introduced knitting and crocheting intro

classes so that your kids will be ready for knitting and crocheting projects in the coming year.

Our music teacher is offering some basic ukulele, guitar and voice classes. And our Art teacher is offering a variety of art mediums to have fun with.

We are also taking herbal walks each week and learning about herbs you may come across in nature and discover ways to use it.

We are gearing up for a new school year that I'll be telling you about in the coming weeks. We are excited for the new Teen Clubs that are forming and our WEH Academy students will be moving their community interactions in our BAAH community.

Our Belle Ame Dream continues to unfold and updates are found in our BAAH community.

### \*\*\*NEW ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP\*\*\*

Also, be watching for our new Annual Membership option at both the Basic and Premium levels. Annual members will have access to all the content all the time. As new content is added each month, it will not be taken down.

In case you missed the announcement, our Premium membership has been lowered to just \$59/month per family. A basic membership is available for just \$29/month per family. Visit belleameathome.org to learn more.

### --WEH Academy news

I have some exciting news for you!

Dr. Pablo and I have been talking about the vision and direction of the WEH Academy. We want it to feel like a part of our WEH community. He is committed to our vision. Moving forward, all of our teachers will need to go through Catch the Vision to understand the community they are serving. There will be ongoing teacher discussions to implement principles and ways of learning that are in harmony with WEH.

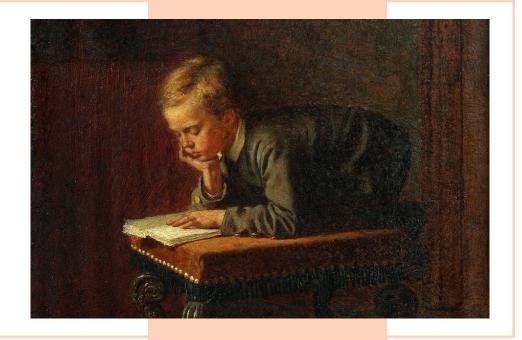
We will be moving the 'social' part of the academy to our BAAH community at the Basic level (\$29/mo per family). Book club discussions, etc. will all be housed there. We care very much about our Teens and are working to enhance their opportunities to connect here.



# "STUDY WITHOUT DESIRE SPOILS THE MEMORY--AND IT RETAINS NOTHING IT TAKES IN."

## --Leonardo da Vinci

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And we are mindful that budgets are tight. So we are pleased to announce several ways that you can register for Academy classes for half price.

- 1. You will receive one half-price class per family with your Basic BAAH membership. (belleameathome.org \$29/mo. per family)
- 2. You will receive TWO half price classes per family with your Premium membership. (\$59/mo. per family)
- 3. There will be a limited number of half price classes for student mentors. (by invitation)
- 4. For moms who are willing to gather and host a few teens to do a class together, she can receive one half price class for doing that.
- 5. There is a student entrepreneurship scholarship for any student who earns half of the tuition him/herself. We will offer a scholarship for the other half. They can sign up for more than one class so long as the student is earning the money.

Furthermore, family members are welcome to join in any class. But for those classes where a student needs to turn in assignments or get feedback, only the registered student will be able to do that.

We hope these changes will bless many families. To learn more details and to apply for any of these scholarships, visit wehacademy.org and look for 'financial aid' in the navigation bar. Several of these scholarships need to be applied for by July 15, so don't delay. Also, if a class doesn't have at least ten students by July 15, it will likely be dropped. If you have previously registered, you will get a refund where applicable. Also, in that same section, you can visit your state to see if WEHA is approved for funding programs.

We have a wonderful variety of classes to choose from including several science and math classes, writing and literature classes, entrepreneurship and innovations, computer programming and engineering, digital art and other art classes and even a virtual choir!

-BELLE AME DREAM. Our June 1st Simple Beauty Conference and Open House was a wonderful time of gathering and so many memories were made. It's just a taste of things to come.

If you weren't able to come, a recording of the morning session is available at <u>belleamedream.org</u>. Consider gathering a group of friends and holding your own mini-conference. Watch the conference together, have a luncheon, and then engage in some artful living activities like painting or art appreciation or poetry tea time or storytelling or creating something together. There are several ideas in our <u>Mothers of Influence community</u> if you look for Simple Beauty in the navigation bar.

Invite them to join our growing community!