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Rowena Rick

On May 30, 1889, as Ellen White was boarding a train to Pennsylvania, the railroad city of Johnstown, Pa., was about to be destroyed by a massive flood. Thousands would lose their lives. See how the Lord intervened and spared her life so that she could make it to camp meeting.

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## Passionate for Jesus

just returned from Strasburg, Pa., where we experienced a spiritually refreshing weekend. More than 300 local church leaders, along with their pastors, gathered for inspiration, training, and to celebrate the Pennsylvania Conference's annual Hispanic Lay Festival.



The testimonies of lay missionaries like Dinorah Peña were the best part. She and her husband, Wilfredo, were baptized in 2004; their miraculous journey to our church is amazing. The short version is that she went to the Dominican Republic to die because of a serious illness. On her deathbed she promised to serve the Lord if He would heal her. "But please guide me to Your true church because I don't know how to find it," she prayed.

After her miraculous healing, she moved to Reading, Pa. Her prayers were answered when Julio and Jaqueline Narvaez, a faithful Adventist couple, moved in next door. They invited her to some of the special events at their church, but she refused to accept for fear of becoming part of a cult.

One day Jacqueline showed her how the Bible answers our inquiries. From that moment, Dinorah became an insatiable student of Scripture. After months of daily and intense Bible studies she asked for baptism. On February 14, 2004, she was born again and since that time has become a very successful soul winner. If somebody dares to get in her way, she will do everything to share Jesus with them.

At the recent festival where I met her, Dinorah brought Maria Alvarez and her young daughter. Maria is one example of how Dinorah's passion for Christ enables her to use every opportunity to win souls. One day Maria went to Dinorah's house and asked her to watch her daughter while she went to a doctor's appointment. Dinorah was apprehensive, but realized that God may have brought Maria's request for a purpose. "Lord," she prayed, "I promise that I won't stop until [Maria] becomes your disciple." Six months later Maria gave her heart to the Lord and was baptized. She is one of 13 people Dinorah has brought into the Adventist Church.

But Dinorah isn't satisfied; she continues to passionately work for the Lord. Every Sabbath afternoon at her house, she gives Bible instruction to more than 14 children. At the same time the adults and young people enjoy their own small group service.

### WHAT COULD HAPPEN?

Could it be that passion is one of the most important elements needed to complete the work the Lord has entrusted to us? What could happen if every believer (members and leaders alike) became a burning light filled with Jesus' love for the lost, like Dinorah? The reality is that only six percent of church leaders confess to being passionate about their ministry.<sup>1</sup>

Christianity was founded on the greatest passionate act—self-sacrifice. Church history shows that this same passion was the key behind the early church success, the revivals, and the reformation. What moved our pioneers was their passion to encounter the Lord and prepare people for His second coming.

I strongly believe the gospel will be preached to all and the great commission accomplished by men and women filled with Jesus' passion for the lost. Are you one of them?

Ruben A. Ramos ([raramos@columbiaunion.net](mailto:raramos@columbiaunion.net)) recently joined the Columbia Union Conference staff as assistant to the president for Multilingual Ministries. Read his blog at [www.columbiaunion.org](http://www.columbiaunion.org).

<sup>1</sup> Thom S. Rainier, *Breakout Churches: Discover how to Make the Leap (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2005), p. 124.*

LAVERNE HENDERSON

### Virginia Tech Students Pray After Massacre

In the wake of the massacre that killed nearly three dozen students and teachers and shook the campus of Virginia Tech, in Blacksburg, Va., Adventists gathered to pray for those affected and thank God for His protection. The prayer meeting was organized by Friends Adventist Christian Fellowship, an official campus ministry led by Sylvia Grove, a student and member of



the Radford (Va.) church. Students from Virginia

Tech and nearby Radford University and New River Community College, were joined by members and pastors from area Adventist churches. This photo was taken by Christopher Rawlins and captures the spirit of those in attendance.

### Washington Adventist Hospital to Relocate

Adventist HealthCare (AHC) recently purchased land to relocate Washington Adventist Hospital (WAH), as part of its Vision for Expanded Access initiative. WAH's new home will be located near the White Oak section of Maryland's Montgomery County, approximately six miles from its current site in Takoma Park. The 48-acre site, off Plum Orchard Drive and Cherry Hill Road, will be accessible from Route 29 and the Capital Beltway.

While planning for its future site—a process that will take several years—WAH officials

will continue to make investments and purchase new equipment for the current 285-bed facility. "Maintaining an outstanding level of quality care



and service remains a priority for everyone," said hospital president **Jere Stocks**.

Founded in 1907 as the Washington Sanitarium with proceeds from Ellen White's book *The Ministry of Healing*, the facility was on the underdeveloped outskirts of the nation's capital. "Today, Montgomery and Prince George's counties are first and second in terms of Maryland population," says Stocks. "Times have changed and Washington Adventist Hospital must change as well."

William G. "Bill" Robertson, president and CEO of Adventist HealthCare, agrees. "We cherish our 100-year tradition of playing an integral role in the region's healthcare safety net."

### Mountain View Evangelism Initiative Begins

About 35-40 nightly guests stopped by the Brier Inn, in Lewisburg, W.Va., for a two-week seminar series recently.

Coordinated by the Lewisburg Adventist Church, this event kicked off the Mountain View Conference's "Tell the World—Tell Them Now" cooperative evangelism initiative. **Dave Weigley**, Columbia Union Conference president, was the speaker for this inaugural session.

"Our goal was to create a network of quality interests that the

pastor and laypeople can nurture and guide to make decisions for baptism," Weigley says. "After being

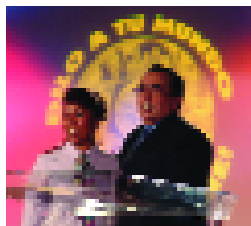


introduced to the Sabbath at the meetings, a few of those interests came to church. By the end of the series, six indicated their desire to be baptized."

Throughout 2007-2010, each of the Columbia Union's remaining seven conferences have committed to sponsor evangelism programs in Mountain View. To view a video about the initiative, visit [www.columbiaunion.org](http://www.columbiaunion.org).

### New Jersey Satellite Series Reaps Harvest

"Tell it to Your World: The King is Coming" was the theme of LA RED 2007, the Hispanic evangelism component of the NET satellite series. The two-week event originated from the New Jersey Conference and was aired around the world on the Esperanza and 3ABN television networks and some radio stations.



At the uplink site in Vineland, N.J., more than 200 people were baptized during the series, preached by **José Cortés** (above, right), executive secretary for the Conference. "The people didn't want the meetings to stop. They said, 'Let's keep going for another week,'" he reports. "It was a beautiful experience watching them accept Jesus."

## Unity Pervades Chesapeake Session

In spite of competition from the weather—it was the first beautiful Sunday this spring—Chesapeake delegates packed the Spencerville church in Silver Spring, Md., last month, for their Second Quinquennial Session.



Conference president **Rob Vandeman** welcomed nearly 500 delegates with a challenge: "We come together

today to do serious work. We come in confidence that God is in control and that He will see to it that decisions made today will continue to move forward His work in this territory," he said.

In his president's report, Vandeman asked three questions: Where have we been? Where are we now? Where are we headed? He shared highlights of the conference agenda since 2002 and then cast some of his vision for the conference's future. The

delegates sent a strong statement of affirmation for conference leadership and for the direction the conference is headed by returning all three officers.

In addition, they voted several significant changes to their bylaws: The midterm meeting will be replaced by a series of district town hall meetings. The K-12 Board of Education's bylaws were rescinded; it will now fall under the direct authority of the Conference Executive Committee with terms of reference. The Conference Executive Committee was enlarged from 19 to 21 members.

The following two recommendations were also approved for further study with proposals to be brought back to the next regular (or specially convened) constituency meeting:

1. To investigate the possible merger of the Conference (the ministry focus) and the Association (the corporation) into one entity.



2. To study the possible collaboration between Highland View Academy (HVA) and Mt. Aetna Elementary School in developing a K-12 program with a boarding component. "The likelihood of this merger is uncertain at this time and will be to an important degree based upon HVA's ability to maintain or increase its dormitory enrollments," Vandeman told delegates.



A remarkable spirit of unity pervaded the meeting, and Vandeman closed the session by thanking attendees for their confidence in conference leadership, soliciting their prayers, and asking that all personal agendas be put aside in order to pursue the agenda of the Holy Spirit.—*Frank Bondurant*



*Delegates returned all three officers—president Rob Vandeman (with Judy), executive secretary Charles Griffin (with Evelyn), and treasurer Ramon Chow (with Elizabeth)—to office for the 2007-2012 term.*



What's New?

**Music > Sam Darby - "Come on up a Little Higher"**

(Inspirational Poetry)

Sam Darby thinks there's too much negativity in the world. So through his third CD (with 17 poems), underscored by inspira-



tional Christian jazz, he attempts to infuse listeners with positive vibes. "People don't hear enough positive messages; the average person's self-talk is 87 percent negative," says this longtime educator and member of Allegheny East's Pine Forge (Pa.) church. "I want to present positive messages of personal power to propel people past perceived potentialities."

If the mantra-like poem "You Can do It," doesn't motivate you, maybe "You're a Winner" or "Victory's Just Around the Corner" will pick you up. Using

personal experiences and Bible passages like Romans 7 and Psalm 52, Darby's desire is to share messages of redemption and salvation. Learn more about his unique ministry and order his inspirational poetry CDs at [www.deepvoice.net](http://www.deepvoice.net).

**Technology > Bruce Cameron - GoBible.org**

Each week 26,000 people access Bruce Cameron's Bible study outlines in eight languages to teach Sabbath School classes or gain a better understanding



of the *Adult Sabbath School Quarterly*. "I have also had pastors of other faiths tell me they use my outlines, and one Baptist pastor reported using them for Wednesday night prayer meeting," says Cameron, a renowned religious liberty litigator and head elder/laypastor of Potomac's Manassas (Va.) church.

In 1975 Cameron started teaching Sabbath School and wrote outlines for his class. At the dawn of the computer age, he started typing them. With the help of his technologically savvy son Blake, who was 10 at the time, "I taught my class using the computer screen as a kind of 'teleprompter,'" he recalls. In 1996 the duo started publishing the outlines on the Internet at [www.goBible.org](http://www.goBible.org) where users can access them—and a number of sermon outlines—for free.

Whole Health

**Are You a Health News Junkie?**

In today's culture of information overload, we are exposed daily to a plethora of health news in magazines, newspapers, radio, television, billboards, and the Internet. Oftentimes the messages conflict or even



change from week to week. We feel like the patient in a health cartoon by Randy Glasbergen whose physician advises, "I want you to follow a healthy lifestyle—whatever the experts say that is this week."

Many healthcare leaders recognize that this overload of information can be just as dangerous as ignorance. We have become health news junkies who quip the latest research, but never act on the information. Or, confused and overwhelmed, we give up trying to make healthy choices altogether. As a result, we still have tremendous health problems.

Knowledge alone doesn't change behavior. The key is in personal reflection and application. Next time a piece of health information catches your attention, take a few minutes to ask yourself: *How relevant is this*

**In the Spotlight > Nichole Delafield-Bromme**

Nichole Delafield-Bromme is a Seventh-day Adventist fashion designer with her own label. Her degree in fashion design from the University of Maryland taught her about the industry, while work with a bridal designer and children's wear company helped solidify her interest in the field. Though it's not a typical career for Adventists, Delafield-Bromme uses her connections to witness. "Customers are always aware of my Christianity by how and when I do business and how I present my clothing and shows," says this member of Potomac's Vienna (Va.) church. "I've had many opportunities

to say, 'I am a Seventh-day Adventist Christian.' This opens the door for questions and conversations."

The door opened for Delafield-Bromme 12 years ago when, during a buying trip to New York City, she invested in silk painting supplies. The experiments that followed led to her trademark hand-painted silk separates, which she originally created for women. At fashion shows in local hotels and restaurants, she made contacts and sold from a sample collection. Then for about three years, she sold items by request only, in order to spend more time with her children—Max (8), Juliet (6), and Leif, a newborn.

Today her label, which targets children, is available online at [www.nicholedelafield.com](http://www.nicholedelafield.com) and [www.delakids.com](http://www.delakids.com). "I contract seamstresses for sewing orders and do all the hand-painted



work myself," she says. The T-shirts, skirts, bags, belts, and other accessories are embel-

lished with French silk paint. When she's not working on the clothing line, Delafield-Bromme serves as art teacher and home and school leader at Vienna Adventist Academy. —Beth Michaels



*information to me? How can I integrate this into my lifestyle? What small step could I take today? Don't be satisfied gathering more and more information. Do something with it!—Lilly Tryon, MSN, RN, Adventist WholeHealth*

Keeping Score

**How Americans Get Daily News**

- 44% Newspapers
- 35% Network television news
- 34% Cable television news
- 28% Public television news
- 22% Internet
- 20% Radio talk shows

Source: 2007 Gallop Poll

**Web Watch**

**[www.operationglobalrain.com](http://www.operationglobalrain.com)**

Imagine what could happen if all churches in North America petitioned the throne of God at the same time, for the same thing. Then imagine the entire global church praying at the same time for the same thing: the outpouring of the latter rain. Hence, Operation Global Rain! Pray for "rain" June 27-July 7.



# Divinely Ordered **DETOUR**

## How Ellen White Made it to Camp Meeting

*Rowena Rick*

It was Thursday, May 30, 1889, and hundreds of people crowded the streets of Johnstown, Pa., enjoying the Memorial Day festivities. Johnstown, built around the railroad industry, was a very prosperous city. Little did the residents know that their lives would soon change forever. Within the next 24 hours, most of the city was destroyed by floodwaters, and more than 2,200 individuals lost their lives.

That same evening, Ellen White (pictured) and a traveling companion, Sara McEnterfer, boarded a train in Battle Creek, Mich. Their destination was Williamsport, Pa., where a camp meeting was to begin on Tuesday, June 4. They were scheduled to arrive in Williamsport the next afternoon, Friday, May 31, at 5 p.m. Their route most likely included trains from Chicago to Toledo, Cleveland, and the Pennsylvania cities of Pittsburgh, Johnstown, and Altoona. From there they would change trains heading north to Williamsport.



Due to difficulty in crossing the Allegheny Mountains, the main route passed through Johnstown, where the trains picked up “helper” engines to aid in pulling the load over the mountains.

History records May 1889 as the very wettest month on record at that point. And right after the Memorial Day parade, the rains started again in earnest. In fact, the wet weather system seemed to stall over this area. The old city of Johnstown was located in a valley surrounded by mountains, with two rivers flowing through the city. An empty bucket set outside on the night of May 30 contained eight inches of water the next morning, and it was still raining.

As White and McEnterfer traveled toward Pennsylvania, they had no idea what was taking place in Johnstown—at least there seems to be no record of a divine revelation to White.

### “One Big Push”

Johnstown had suffered many floods throughout its history, but in 1889 another peril—the South Fork Dam—presented itself.



By Friday morning, the dam, located on top of one of the mountains near Johnstown, had risen two feet and was continuing to rise at the rate of 10 to 12 inches per hour.

South Fork was originally built and used by the railroad, but for many years it sat idle. It was sold and resold, and finally became the property of the South Fork Hunting and Fishing Club, an aristocratic resort for the wealthy in 1879. The owners had started repairing the dam, but, unfortunately, used inferior materials such as hay, leaves, manure, and whatever they could find. Some safety features, such



as the iron sluice pipes, had been removed and were not replaced. They also installed wire fencing at the overflow to keep the fish from escaping, and this caused clogging. Johnstown residents knew about the shoddy workmanship and complained, but nothing was done. After awhile they forgot about the danger.

Then came the heavy rains of 1889. The water began to rise perilously. On Friday morning, a few men at the dam saw that it would soon break. One man hopped onto a horse and rode to the nearest telegraph office. History records that three different messages were telegraphed to Johnstown. But those who saw the alerts did not take them seriously and failed to spread the alarm. No doubt they recalled previous warnings about the dam when no break had ever occurred.

At 3:15 p.m., one end of the dam gave way. "The dam did not break," observers said. "It simply moved away. ... The whole dam seemed to push out all at once. Not a break, just one big push."

As the torrents gushed out, a 30- to 40-foot wall of water cascaded down the mountainside at about 40 miles per hour.

In some places lakes were formed by the mountain curves and fallen timber, but soon the buildup of water would break open the stoppage and the big waves formed again. It took less than 45 minutes to empty the main lake, which was about three miles long, one mile wide, and some 50 ft. deep.

In the direct path of the wave were the Johnstown railroad yards, where three passenger trains, 33 locomotives, and several freight cars were parked. The force of the water pushed one locomotive 4,800 ft., killing many passengers. The deluge continued and reached the city at about 4:10 p.m., killing hundreds more and leaving a watery wake of destruction.

### Divine Intervention

Where was Ellen White when the dam broke? Because she boarded a train on Thursday evening, calculations would have put her on one of the

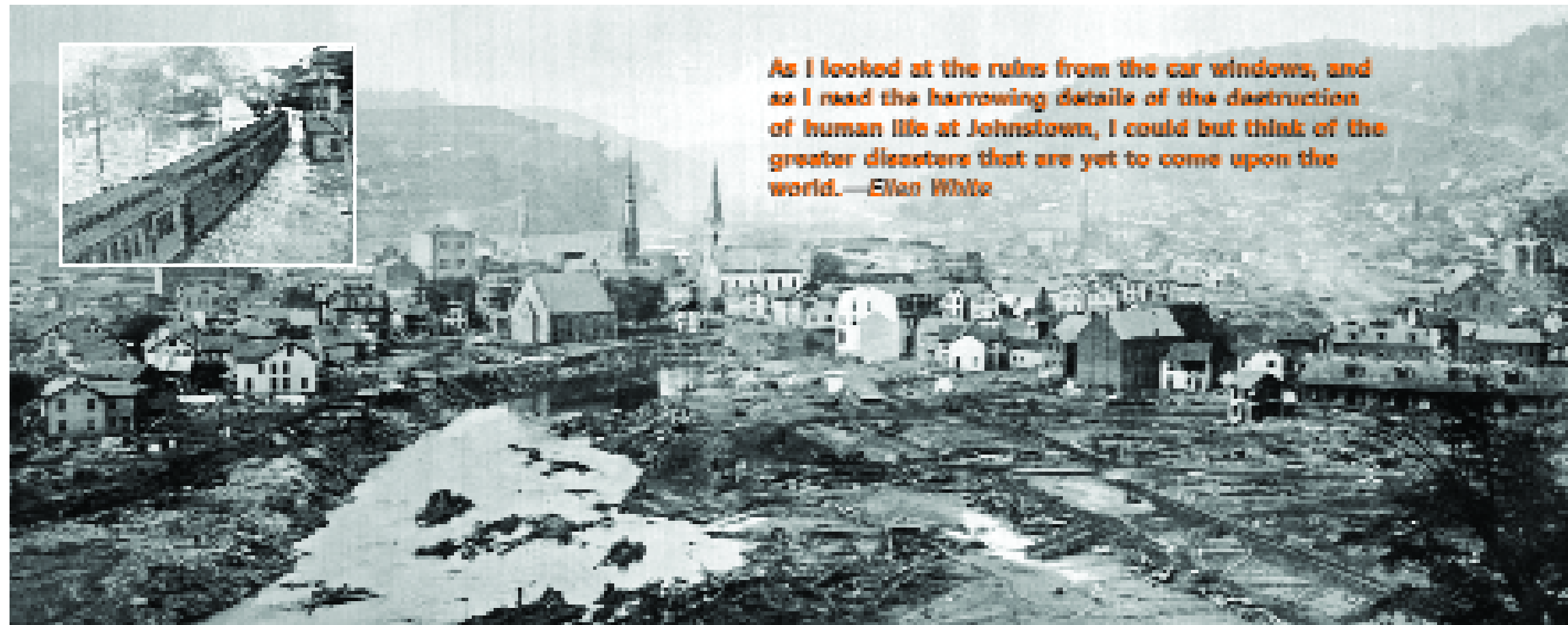
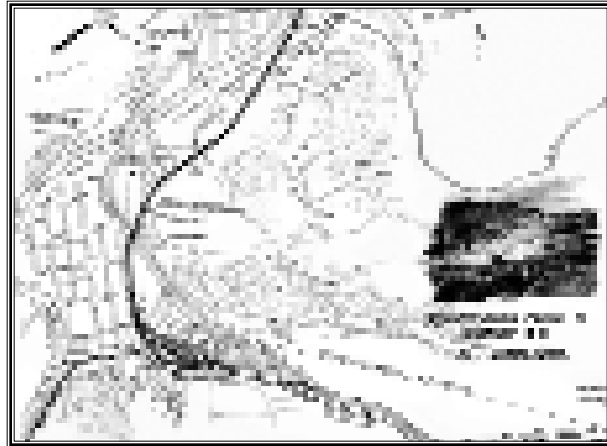
trains arriving on the Johnstown tracks at 3 p.m. But God knew of the impending danger and had a solution—an impassable bridge between Pittsburgh and Johnstown. This problem was due to heavy

rain and not the breaking of the South Fork Dam, which came later in the day. When her train reached Pittsburgh, it could not get through to Johnstown where the deadly destruction would soon take place.

So what did White do? According to Arthur White's book *The Lonely Years*, p. 430, she and McEnterfer

took another train to Elmira, N.Y., and tried to buy a ticket to Williamsport, Pa. When that didn't work, they purchased tickets to Canton, Pa., which is about 40 miles from Williamsport. At Canton they booked a hotel over the Sabbath.

Arthur White describes their next travels in these words:



**As I looked at the ruins from the car windows, and as I read the harrowing details of the destruction of human life at Johnstown, I could but think of the greater disasters that are yet to come upon the world.—Ellen White**

"Determined to get through, Ellen and Sara put their heads together and left no stones unturned in their attempts to find a way. Traveling by carriage part of the way and walking part of the way, they compassed the forty miles in four days. At one point they waited for three hours as, at their direction, a raft was constructed upon which to ferry the carriage in which they traveled across a swiftly flowing stream. A small boat pulled it across, the horses swam the stream, and the two lady travelers were rowed across. Then they continued their journey by horse and carriage."

When the pair finally reached Williamsport, they were told that the camp meeting had been flooded out and the tents taken down. But upon their arrival at the campsite, they found that the tents had been moved to higher ground and the camp meeting was *still* in progress. Although she arrived late, White was able to speak 13 times at this Pennsylvania camp meeting.

As she was leaving Williamsport, White penned these words: "We left Williamsport, Pa., June 12, for Rome, N.Y. We were glad to leave the flooded district. As I looked at the ruins from the car win-

dows, and as I read the harrowing details of the destruction of human life at Johnstown, I could but think of the greater disasters that are yet to come upon the world. As the restraining power of the Holy Spirit shall be withdrawn, because of the impenitence and ingratitude of men, terrible things will be witnessed in the earth."

Sadly, her words have come true numerous times in the years since. But in spite of life's ongoing tragedies, God's hand and divine providence are still present. Just as He protected White and her companion enroute to camp meeting so long ago, He continues to care for His people. "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose" (Rom. 8:28, NKJV).

*Rowena Rick writes from Breezewood, Pa.*

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# Down Came the Rain —and the Tent

## A Camp Meeting Miracle



LaVerne Henderson

It had been raining all week and Sabbath, June 17, 2000, was no exception. Potomac Conference Camp Meeting worshippers gathered for services under their big tent on the campus of Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, Va. Other than enduring the soggy, everything went well during the morning service.

The afternoon session, however, was another matter as things took a turn for the worse. “My daughter Peggy Jean [Lee] and I were at the afternoon meeting,” remembers Peggy Lee, secretary/treasurer of the Columbia Union Revolving Fund (CURF), who’s only missed one Potomac camp meeting in 44 years. “We were listening to a message by Harold Lee, who was Columbia Union president at the time.

“It started raining harder, and we could see the top of the tent buckling over our heads,” continues Peggy, who attends the Hyattsville (Md.) church. “At first we hesitated to move, or leave, since our boss was speaking,” she smiled. But they eventually made their way to the fringes of the tent.

“It was raining furiously,” confirms Harold Lee. I saw that the tent was not going to withstand the force of the water so, without creating a panic, I gently closed the service and alerted those on the platform that we needed to get out.”

### TRAGEDY AVERTED

“Then the back left portion of the tent started coming down,” explains Peggy Jean, CURF assistant

treasurer. “A few seconds later it came down completely. Then the left side came down and, finally, the right side. The few who weren’t able to get out immediately crouched under the chairs to avoid the poles coming down on them,” she said.

As he was exiting the tent, Harold Lee fell and lost his glasses. “The miracle,” he says, chuckling, “was that no one was seriously hurt.” Although there were a few minor injuries, the Lord’s watch care kept the tent’s poles—and water weight—from crushing anyone.

According to Jeanie Allen, conference communication assistant, “The pastors and administrators sprang into action, formed a line, and systematically held up the canvas to find and assist people.” Kurt Allen, vice president of finance, made sure that the electricity was shut down.

Even though this occurred during the Sabbath, when the crowds were largest, the rain may have actually kept more people from attending the afternoon service. This, according to Peggy Jean, was another blessing. “The fact that everyone remained calm was also amazing,” she remembers.

Once outside, attendees crowded onto the porch of the girls’ dormitory as fire engines and ambulances drove across the muddy campus to assist and rescue those left inside. “A few were taken to the hospital to make sure they were okay,” added Peggy. “We also made the evening news; I saw the story on TV. Later, we teased Elder Lee about ‘bringing down the tent’ with his dynamic message!”

Grateful that everyone was spared, and wanting to praise God for His mercies, the administrators decided to proceed with the closing meeting at the New Market church located on campus.

Six years later, in June 2006, Potomac’s leadership decided to pitch another tent. The response, based on surveys prepared by vice president for administration Roger Weiss, was overwhelmingly positive. Notwithstanding the pleasant weather this time, members seemed to appreciate the genuine “camp meeting feeling” that a tent provides.

Whether or not there are more tents in Potomac’s camp meeting future, one thing is certain: everyone will always remember, and be thankful for, the Lord’s protection and mercy the day the rain—and the tent—came down.

**Top, left:** Volunteers pitch in to clean up after heavy rains brought down the tent.

**Center, left:** Heavy rains buckle the top of the Potomac Conference’s big tent shortly before it collapsed on Sabbath afternoon worshippers.

**Center, right:** Fire and rescue workers enter the toppled tent to aid those who may have been trapped inside.

**Bottom, left:** Former Columbia Union president Harold Lee quickly ended his message before the tent fell down.

**Bottom, right:** Volunteers assist rescue personnel in clearing the tent and chairs.

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Another short direct-to-church series from *It Is Written* featuring Pastor Steven Hernandez

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*Out of Thin Air* will explore the creation/evolution debate, one of the hottest topics in the United States today. But rather than simply defending the creation position, Pastor Hernandez will address evolution's claims head on.

*It Is Written* has created this 4-night direct-to-church series to support the evangelistic efforts of the local church. *Out of Thin Air* will be perfect for both church members and the community, and an interactive element at the end of each program will encourage visitors with their local Adventist power.

To register your church as a host site for this event or to learn more, please have your pastor call 1-877-507-3739 or visit [www.thisairseries.com/hosts](http://www.thisairseries.com/hosts)



# YOUR HEALING MINISTRY

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## Touching Those in Need

*"... Go out quickly to the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame" (Luke 14:21, NIV).*

What is the world like today? What are the needs of those around us? These are a sample of the questions the people who make up Grandview Medical Center (GVMC) ask themselves every day. Our focus, since we opened our doors in 1926, has been to give whole-body care to all those who are in need. This was not a new concept then, and it isn't today, but that focus on caring for the healthcare needs of our surrounding communities has never changed. Today, more than ever before, there is a need for help in the inner cities of our society. Dayton is no different, and Grandview Medical Center has redoubled its efforts to make a positive difference in the lives of Daytonians.

Realizing that the needs of those around us are constantly growing, GVMC expanded by opening the Victor J. Cassano Health Center. It was located so that the medically underserved had easy access to the doctors and nurses who work there. Over the past three years, the number of clients has increased as more people have learned of the high quality care and service given at the health center.

### Sisters in Service

The ability to provide quality healthcare hasn't been confined to GVMC or its outpatient facilities. That level of service, commitment, and quality also extends to Southview Hospital. This sister facility to GVMC was built to meet the growing demands of the increasing population south of Dayton. Staffed with committed physicians, nurses, and support staff, Southview also addresses the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of those who pass through its doors. Moreover, it has continued to extend and branch out through the addition of the Joslin Diabetes Center, which is nationally recognized for its leading role in diabetes research, treatment, and education.



As Grandview and its many skilled employees have moved through this year, we have seen the guiding hand of the Master Healer touching lives through our efforts. We have been given the opportunity to encourage the sick and suffering. This is our mission; this is our desire.

*Roy Chew is president of Grandview Medical Center in Dayton, Ohio.*



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# Daddy's Little Girl

*Youth Services Provides Compassionate Care*

Martin Clark

I can't begin to tell you how proud we are of Mary.\* She was standing next to the casket of her father, greeting funeral guests with grace, composure, and beauty. Mary was quite a contrast to her father, lying in state and decked out—as he would prefer—in his favorite Cleveland Browns sweatshirt.

This would be quite a task for any 16-year-old. But Mary isn't just any 16-year-old. She was at her father's funeral on a pass from our youth facility, the Kettering Hospital Youth Services.

We refer to Kettering Hospital Youth Services as KHYS. One of the five hospitals in Kettering Adventist HealthCare, it is located on Lamme Road, in Dayton. KHYS is an inpatient and outpatient psychiatric treatment facility for children and youth from ages 4 through the teens. It is one of only a few such hospitals in Ohio. KHYS is a difficult, but essential, part of our business and calling.

And KHYS has been essential for Mary.

Mary came to us for treatment of depression and other emotional problems. She was Daddy's little girl, but Daddy and Mom were divorced—and Mom was now remarried. Mary was the only girl in a family of

five children. She reacted to the news of her father's death as anyone might—with an aching sadness and sessions of seemingly unending tears.

But something else soon began to emerge, something that showed Mary's progress. She began to make plans for her father's funeral. While her mother wanted to protect Mary from such duties, our therapists believed that it would be important for Mary to take an active role in as many aspects of her father's memorial service as possible.

Why the Browns sweatshirt? Because he was an avid Browns fan. So avid, in fact, that some of Mary's best memories were of game days when she, her brothers, and her father would all dress in their Browns shirts, eat their game-day dinner, and sit together in the family room to cheer for their favorite football team. Mary was working through her memories in a very constructive manner.

Her caregivers at KHYS watched closely as she prepared for her father's funeral. Our hearts went out to this hurting girl. Hours of listening, loving, and monitoring prepared Mary for this enormous challenge.

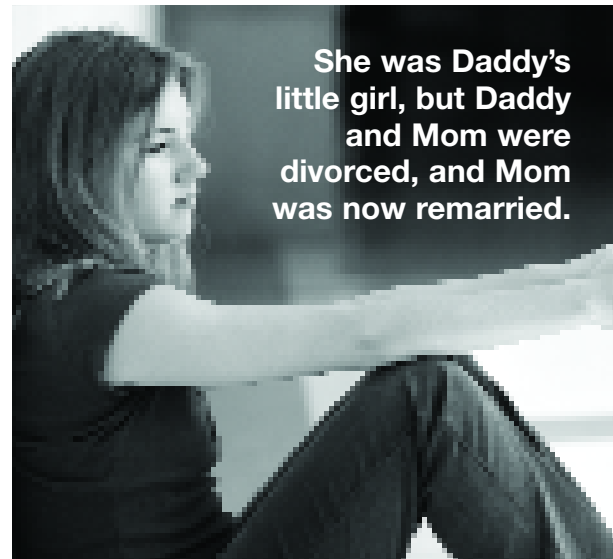
Our chaplain, Rick LaVenture, her psychiatrist, and other KHYS caregivers had walked with Mary through the deep waters of her life. Chaplain LaVenture went to the funeral to assure Mary of the thoughts and prayers of her extended family at KHYS. He hardly recognized her. He was accustomed to seeing Mary in her hospital attire, which consisted of patient scrubs, her hair pulled back severely, and a blanket around her shoulders. Mary *always* had a blanket around her shoulders. But before him was a beautiful young woman who no longer needed the blanket. She greeted him with a hug.

Mary still has a way to go. Although she has experienced a lot of pain, she now has a wonderful chance in life because of the compassionate care of the KHYS staff.

Mary is one more reason why we're here.

*\* Name changed to protect her privacy.*

*Martin Clark is president of the Kettering Medical Center Foundation.*



**She was Daddy's little girl, but Daddy and Mom were divorced, and Mom was now remarried.**

# Youth Volunteers Make a Difference at Grandview

It's a win-win situation. While students are getting a first-hand taste of working in the healthcare industry, the departments and patients at Dayton's Grandview Medical Center are benefiting from their actions.

Beginning last fall, the first 13 students from the Improved Solutions for Urban Systems (ISUS) Healthcare Institute started working as volunteers at Grandview. One group helps out in the morning and another group comes in the afternoon. When they aren't in the hospital, they are working in their newly renovated building across the street learning healthcare skills in the classroom.

"They have given us well over 1,500 volunteer hours this school year, and it's been a huge help," said Grandview Volunteer Services manager Sharon Kiser. "It is really working out well."

The students have assisted in the radiology and linen departments, surgery holding, surgery waiting, the eye clinic, and other areas. "I have two ISUS students in surgery waiting," said staff member Gloria Sanders. "They interact with the families and give them directions and updates. Both of them are really motivated, willing to help, and always wearing a smile," she notes. "And that's a little unusual for kids that young."

## On the Right Track

Cynthia McCloud is one of Sanders' ISUS volunteers in the surgery waiting area. She is on track to begin classes at nearby Sinclair Community College in May. McCloud feels that the past several months at Grandview have been a valuable sneak preview into healthcare. This experience has given her the determination to pursue her dream of becoming a dentist.

"When I came in I was thinking I would like to become a surgeon, but I realized it wasn't for me when I got to see certain parts of surgery," McCloud admits. "Here at the hospital I get hands-on experience, and I get to meet the doctors. I love helping people, and this place just makes my day perfect. I wouldn't change it for the world."



Mark Floro, director of the Victor J. Cassano Center, also appreciates the ISUS volunteers. "The students have developed their computer and communication skills *and* professionalism through daily patient interactions," he said. "They are smart, quick to learn, and eager to help. ISUS is really doing a great job."

At the beginning of 2006 we had a 30 percent patient no-show rate at Cassano Center," Floro added. "The students have been sending out postcards a week before, and calling patients the day before, to remind them of their appointments. Now we are down to a 15.8 percent no-show rate."

We serve a large uninsured population," continues Floro. "And the demand for appointments is high, so it's important to reduce the no-show rate so we can help more people. These kids are doing important work."



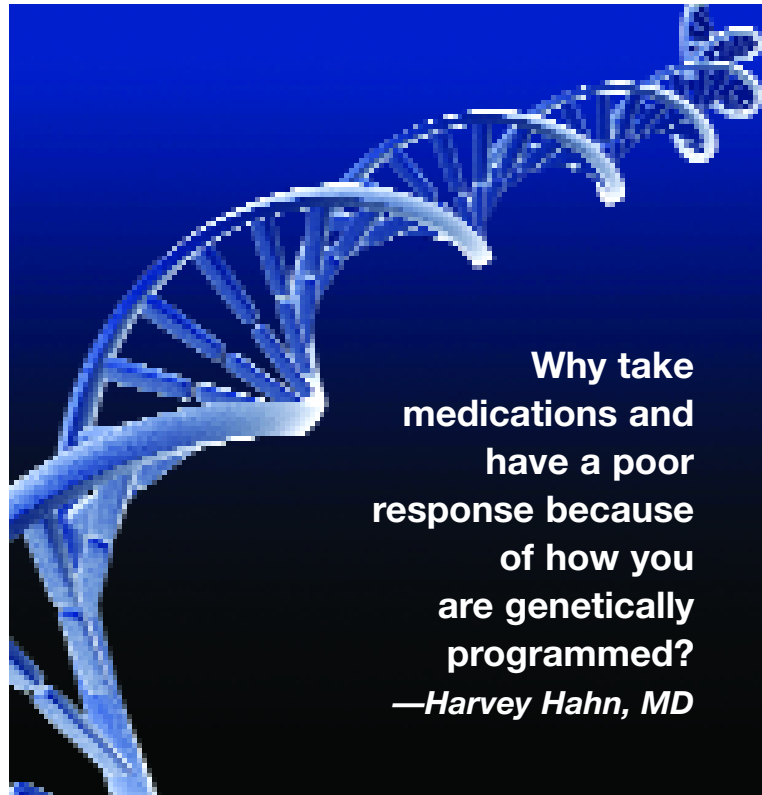
# Kettering Joins Genetic Study

Kevin Lavoie

Understanding a blueprint is the key to constructing a building, and it may also be the key to proper treatment of heart disease. Researchers at Kettering Medical Center (KMC) are taking part in a study to determine if people will respond differently to heart medications, depending upon their differing DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) makeup.

KMC, collaborating with the University of Cincinnati, is part of a \$19.9 million, five-year Specialized Clinical Center of Research study looking at the interaction of genes and heart disease. This study is one of only five such projects funded by the federal government's National Institutes of Health, and aims to make heart care more effective through DNA profiling.

It is now known that many genetic variations determine how well patients will respond to specific treatments. This new field of



**Why take medications and have a poor response because of how you are genetically programmed?**  
—Harvey Hahn, MD

research is called pharmacogenomics and helps explain why some people have a great response to a blood pressure medication, while others have almost no response, or, worse yet, some have side effects.

"Genetics is an emerging field in medical diagnosis and treatment," said Harvey Hahn, MD, a cardiologist and principal investigator for KMC's participation in the study. "Everyone is different and a big reason is your genes. In the future, by knowing a patient's genetic profile, we hope to custom tailor their medical program to maximize benefit and minimize potential side effects and cost," he states. "Why take medications and have a poor response because of how you are genetically programmed?"

"Kettering Medical Center is already a leader in stroke research, as well as having a clinical trial for Alzheimer's disease, and research on the benefits of advanced medical imaging," says Rick Mace, vice president for Clinical Affairs at KMC. "Now we are looking into the link between genetic makeup and congestive heart failure. Like our other research efforts, we think this will greatly benefit the health of people in our community, and around the nation, for years to come."

Suzanne Coleman, director of the Office of Research at KMC, is pleased with the joint venture. "It is exciting for us to work on this study with the University of Cincinnati and other prestigious research centers. Together we will gather significant findings to enhance our understanding of genetics' role in the development and treatment of cardiovascular disease. Since August 2006," she continues, "we have already enrolled more than 50 patients from our community who will participate in this important research."

Kevin Lavoie is the media relations specialist for Kettering Adventist HealthCare.



# ALLEGHENY EAST *Exposé*

## Welcome

This is the 61st year for having camp meeting on our campgrounds. We have experienced many wonderful moments and have seen the Spirit of God do some amazing things. We witnessed a giant steel tent pole fall into a group of 125 children and not one was injured. We have listened to testimonies of individuals who have met and fell in love with Christ. We have each had our own personal experiences; however, we have yet to have Pentecost. After Jesus' resurrection, He told the disciples in Jerusalem to "... wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence" (Acts 1:4-5). Shortly thereafter, Pentecost followed.

We have chosen as our theme this year, "Spirit of the Living God, Fall Afresh on Me! If Not Me, Who? If Not Now, When?" We are looking for the Holy Spirit to visit us this year. The Spirit of God has to come. Jesus promised that.



—Charles L. Cheatham, President

## Spirit of the Living God, Fall Afresh on Me

Pine Forge Academy ■ June 28-July 8

### Speakers

Ordination Service ■ Friday, July 6

Divine Service ■ Sabbath, July 7

**James Doggette**, DMin, is co-founder and senior pastor of the Madison Mission church in



Huntsville, Ala. He has also been a professor of Practical Theology at Oakwood College—his alma mater—in Huntsville, Ala., since 1993. He is known as a "son of the church," with a number of past and current relatives preceding him in the ministry, including his father. Doggette's 20-plus years of pastoral ministry have taken him across the United States, including Ohio, California, Arkansas, and Louisiana. He is credited for helping build a church in Mansfield, La., from the ground up. Pastor Doggette and his wife, La-Shawn—a nurse practitioner—have four sons: Shawn, James Jr., Austin, and Milton.

**Leslie N. Pollard**, PhD, DMin, is vice president for Loma Linda University (LLU) Adventist Health



Sciences Center. From this position he leads diversity education, promotion, recruitment, and retention for LLU, LLU Medical Center, and the other corporations called Loma Linda. Dr. Pollard has successfully led some of the smallest and largest congregations in America, including the Breath of Life and Oakwood College churches. Dr. Pollard has served as a youth pastor, chaplain, college teacher, and educational and healthcare administrator. He serves as an adjunct professor of religion for both Andrews and Loma Linda universities. He recently authored and edited the groundbreaking work on leadership and diversity "Embracing Diversity: How to Reach People of all Cultures."

## Programs

### Youth

#### Senior Youth

Gather at this tent both weekends of camp meeting and be inspired by Pastor **Andrea Trusty King**, DMin. King is co-pastor of the Maranatha church in San Diego, Calif., and the vice president and co-founder of Brighter Hope Ministries, Inc., a multifaceted ministry that reaches today's generation through radio, television, seminars, Bible studies, and inspirational camps for youth. Brighter Hope broadcasted its first radio program in March 2002. King is also an acclaimed speaker who has been heard throughout the United States and beyond.

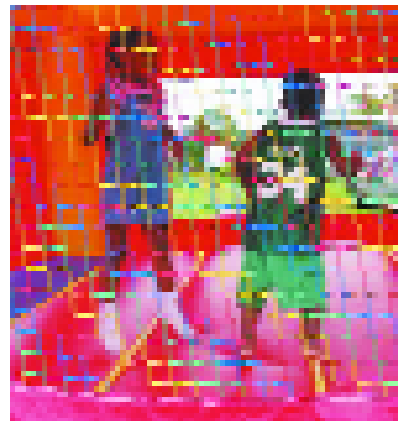
#### NEW - Young Adults

The young adult tent is an exciting new feature this year. This tent will provide electrifying programming and activities designed and created by young adults for young

adults. The Children's Ministries Department has given serious attention to this age group because statistics show that they have untapped energy, resources, talents, and issues that the church must address to retain them for good. Make sure to join one of the most exciting Christian meetings on the East Coast. For more information, visit [www.myspace.com/aecyouthministries](http://www.myspace.com/aecyouthministries).

#### Juniors and Teens

A junior tent will be available for the young people ages 13 and under, which will include special activities such as puppets, drama, kits, and other creative ways to worship Christ. The teen tent is going to have small group sessions where they can discuss issues they are experiencing, helping them in their spiritual development, in addition to worship services. There will be outings for both age groups during the week, giving them an opportunity to participate in outreach and community service.



### Music

#### Pine Forge Academy Choir ■ Saturday, June 30

The Pine Forge Academy Choir consists of over 90 members, ages 13 through 18, who not only excel musically, but academically. The choir is noted for its full, rich, and powerful harmonies. They proclaim God's goodness through spirituals, gospels, anthems, and a classical repertoire.

During the school year, the choir is engaged in concerts, church services, extensive tours, and other community events several times a month, throughout the United States, as well as on nearby islands.

During the past three years, the choir has sung for Philadelphia's Year of the Child; with the State Senate's Black Caucus in Harrisburg, Pa.; the inauguration of Philadelphia's Mayor John F. Street; the world broadcast of NET 2004 from Baltimore, Md.; the Living the Dream program with Cicely Tyson at the Liberty Bell; annual guest artists for the Indian Valley Concert Series; and with Bill Cosby and Bobby McFerrin, to name a few.



## Programs

### Health Ministries

This year's theme for Health Ministries events is "Your Body is God's Temple, Don't Destroy It!" organized and led by department director **A. Leah Scott**. Attend the camp meeting health seminars and learn how to crack the codes "TF, SF, S, S, EX" for a "temple demolition." Seminar times and content are subject to change. Please refer to the conference website for updates.



#### Health Screening ■ Sunday, July 1

The conference's Health and Wellness Department is partnering with PreventFirst, a division of Ultrasound Services of America, Inc., to provide a mobile health physical assessment for heart attack and stroke prevention. The day will include preventative ultrasound screenings for carotid (stroke), cholesterol, diabetes, blood pressure, and body mass index. There will also be testing for thyroid, complete blood counts, body chemistry, and prostate cancer screening. All testing will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Please sign up by calling (301) 386-2223 or visit [www.preventfirst.com](http://www.preventfirst.com).

#### Health Seminars Unlimited ■ Monday-Wednesday, July 2-4

These comprehensive seminars will be provided by the husband and wife team of **Curtis Eakins**, ND, and **Paula Eakins**, MS. Curtis is president of Health Seminars



Unlimited, Inc. He is a Certified Surgical Technologist and a Naturopath. He is also the

author and publisher of the lifestyle book *Natural Alternatives*, and has developed and implemented eight multimedia presentations on major health concerns.

Paula is vice president of Health Seminars Unlimited. She has thrilled individuals across the nation and abroad, delivering unprecedented cooking exhibitions for more than 20 years. Paula was a Nutrition and Dietetics professor at Oakwood College for more than five years. She has been an active member of the American Dietetic Association for more than 15 years. She has even produced and published two cookbooks: *Vegetarian Cooking Made EZ* and *Global Vegetarian Cooking Made EZ*.

#### Monday

##### Morning ■ The Winning "Weigh"

Create a no-nonsense workable lifestyle approach for weight management and solve common pitfalls. Fill-in worksheets included.

##### Late Afternoon ■ Your Digestive System

Discover effective, natural strategies for easing common digestive disorders and diseases. Fill-in worksheets included.

#### Tuesday

##### Morning ■ Controlling Cholesterol

Learn step-by-step principles on how to lower your cholesterol and blood pressure safely—without medications. Fill-in worksheets included.

##### Late Afternoon ■ Faith Healing

Discover four biblical reasons why people get sick and how to pray for healing. Fill-in worksheets included.

#### Wednesday

##### Morning ■ Vegetarian Cooking

Experience an action-packed cooking class. Learn time-saving cooking tips, sample food, and get recipe handouts.

#### OnPoint Fitness Mid-Afternoon Seminars ■ Monday-Wednesday, July 2-4

**Lloyd Henry** is a three-time Ironman with international race experience in all triathlon distances. He has been running since 2002 and coaching triathletes since 2004. In addition to triathlons, Henry has competed in numerous running events including the 110th Boston Marathon. A native of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, Henry is an avid scuba diver and snowboarder.

Form and technique are the focal points of Henry's coaching style. He will teach attendees skills that reduce the risk of injury, allowing them to make fitness a part of their everyday life. The OnPoint Fitness seminars will be used to help seminar participants achieve their fitness goals through injury-free and energy-efficient running and walking. OnPoint Fitness is designed for all levels of fitness experience—beginners through advanced.





**Programs, cont.**

**Prison Ministries**

“Train The Trainer” leadership classes will be directed by Edith Tucker, the conference’s Prison Ministries Federation president.

**Women’s Ministries**

Jackson M. Doggette, Jr., Esq., pastor of the Germantown church in Philadelphia, will be speaking on “The Art of Mediation.”

**Adventist Community Services**

Gaspar Colón, PhD, and May-Ellen Colón, PhD, will be speaking on “The Basics of Demographics and Community Development.” Gaspar is associate professor of religion at Columbia Union College in Takoma Park, Md., as well as director of the school’s Center for Metropolitan Ministry. May-Ellen is the assistant director of the Sabbath School and Personal Ministries Department for the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church.

**Upcoming Events**

**June**

8-10 Annual Elders Retreat  
*Pine Forge Academy*

**July**

15-29 Youth Camp, *Camp Davis*  
(www.campdavis.org)  
FIT 4 YOU Camp

**Special Features**

**Men’s Ministries Rally –**  
*Saturday, June 30 and July 7*

**Singles Potluck – Saturday, June 30**  
Bring a dish and share in this annual singles event.

**Pathfinder Day – Sunday, July 1**  
Featuring 600 Pathfinders on parade, drill competitions, floats, crafts, and more.

**Annual Friends and Family Day –**  
*Thursday, July 5*  
Featuring games and activities for the whole family.

**50-Plus Banquet (Date TBA)**  
An annual event honoring members who have reached age 50 and above, thanking them for maintaining their relationship with the Lord.

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**Welcome**

To commemorate our conference’s 40th anniversary, the theme for camp meeting this year is “Driven By a Vision—One More River to Cross.” Our purpose will be to not only reflect on the blessings of the past, but also to remind ourselves of what God expects of us in the future.

Perhaps the greatest challenge facing our churches is not the lack of money, but a lack of focus on what exactly is our mission. This has caused us to become ineffective. Our mission has been and will continue to be the proclamation of the gospel to a dying world. It is in our mission that we find our most profound satisfaction, and the direct line to the power that can only come from God. This mission cannot be accomplished without God.

I know that the programming and speakers will richly bless you. We will review previous challenges that God has helped us overcome, as well as future obstacles that, by faith, God will

provide what is necessary to stay “on mission.”

—James L. Lewis, President



**Driven By a Vision— One More River to Cross**

**Allegheny West Campgrounds • June 22-23, 27-July 1**

**Speakers**

**Divine Worship ■ June 23**

**Alvin Maurice Kibble** was elected to his current position of vice president of the North American Division in October 2000. He is the immediate past president of the Allegheny East Conference, and president of the Regional Presidents’ Council. Kibble has pastored in Maryland, New Jersey, Virginia, and Pennsylvania and has served on the Board of Trustees for Oakwood College (Ala.), Columbia Union College (Md.), and Loma Linda University (Calif.). He has conducted revivals and evangelistic meetings in the United States, England, Bermuda, Jamaica, and Africa.



**Divine Worship ■ June 30**

**Delbert Baker**, PhD, is president of Oakwood College (Ala.). His professional experience includes 10 years of pastoral leadership in Ohio and Virginia, seven years as editor of *Message* magazine, and four years as special assistant to the president and professor at Loma Linda University and Loma Linda University Medical Center (Calif.). Baker also serves on the board of directors for more than 10 organizations—among them the General Conference, the North



American Division, and the Adventist Health System. He has spoken on six continents and is also a strong proponent of a healthy lifestyle.

**Friday Evening ■ June 22**

**Charles L. Bradford** has served the Adventist Church as a pastor, departmental director, conference evangelist and president, and as president of the North American Division. Bradford is also an internationally published author, including a book titled *Preaching to the Times*, a classic among Adventist pastors. His book *Pauline Epistles and Sabbath Roots: The African Connection* offers a look at the origins of Christian sabbatarianism in Africa.



**Wednesday Evening ■ June 27**

**Henry Wright** is senior pastor of the Community Praise Center in Alexandria, Va. A sought-after speaker and evangelist, both in the United States and throughout the world, Pastor Wright’s pastoral ministry and teaching career has taken him to Kentucky, Mississippi, and Ohio. Wright has received numerous awards and recognition for pastoral leadership, preaching, and evangelism. He is married to Carol Wright, undertreasurer for the Columbia Union Conference.



## Programs

### Ordination Service

Friday, June 29

Pastor **Buford Griffiths** has ministered to congregations across North America, London, and New Zealand for the past 30 years. He has worked for the Southwestern Union since 1998, where he now serves as vice president for Ministries. Griffiths previously served as senior pastor of the Ephesus church in Columbus for nearly eight years, as well as other churches throughout the Allegheny West Conference (AWC) territory.



### Youth Program

Guest Speaker  
Sabbath, June 23



Pastor **Nathaniel Lyles Jr.** is the associate pastor for youth at the Glenville church in Cleveland. A

recent Oakwood College (Ala.) graduate originally from Winston Salem, N.C., he and his wife, Natasha, now live in Strongsville, Ohio.

Guest Speaker  
Sabbath, June 30

**Rupert Bushner**, DMin, is the chaplain at Oakwood College in Huntsville, Ala. He previously served the Allegheny West Conference as pastor and youth director, and has pastored in the

Southeastern Conference. Bushner is often requested to speak at congresses and conventions, and has preached on many continents. Bushner is known for saying, "What I am is God's gift to me. What I become is my gift to God. I want to give God an awesome gift."



### Pathfinder Camporee



The Youth Department, led by **Donald Burden**, DMin, youth and ministerial director, will host a

Pathfinder Camporee during camp meeting this year. There will be Pathfinder clubs from around the



conference participating and earning honors. Honors that will be offered are first-aid, communications (sign language), edible plants, nature, rocks, stars, trees, birds, mammals, and amphibians.

On Sabbath, June 30, a combined Pathfinder drum corps and mass choir will lead a youth processional to the adult pavilion. After playing and singing for the adults, they will present their offering to the conference for the 40th anniversary. The goal set by the Youth Department is \$20,000.

### Children's Program

This year's theme for the Children's Ministries program is "Transforming Children Into Spiritual Giants," led and directed by department director **Kenneth J. Washington**, PhD. The special programs and events



will take place at the new Noah's Ark facility, and will include activities such as movie night, numerous crafts, a splash party, coloring contest, swimming, and a balloon launch.

Lanessa Boddie, a home school parent and education specialist



from the Hillcrest church in Dayton, will be the special guest leader for the first Sabbath. She will organize crafts for attendees and a Bible balloon launch.

For the second Sabbath, Carla Valles, Children's Ministries leader for the Oberlin church in Ohio, will bring her children's puppet ministry team to entertain and teach Bible principles. Valles will also provide craft projects.



### Evangelistic Meeting

May 29-June 26

The Ministerial Department, in conjunction with the Bible Training Institute, will conduct an evangelistic meeting in Columbus. **Robert Moore**, senior pastor of the Glenville church in Cleveland, will be the evangelist. The evangelistic meeting will be held at the Hilltop Community Worship Center with host Pastor Jerome Hurst. The meetings will take place on Sundays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from May 29 to June 26. The baptisms are scheduled to take place at camp meeting during the Sabbath services on June 23 and 30 to welcome the new converts to the AWC family.



## 40th Anniversary Celebration

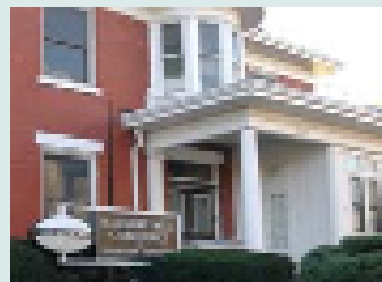
God has been good to the Allegheny West Conference since its beginning in January 1967. The membership has grown from a little over 5,000 to over 12,000. Tithes have increased from \$500,000 to over \$6.5 million annually.

This year the conference will celebrate 40 years of blessings and take time to remember its existence, rejoice in its successes, and renew its commitment to its mission. A grand celebration will take place during this year's camp meeting, and again on Thanksgiving Day.

A special offering was taken in all conference churches on April 28, with another being taken on May 26. A faith goal of \$200,000 was set and will be allocated in the following manner:

- 40% Evangelism Explosion—2008
- 40% Capital Improvements (completion of youth pavilion, additional showers/restrooms on campgrounds)
- 20% Camp Meeting Celebration—2007

For further information or inquiries, contact Carl R. Rogers, AWC executive secretary and anniversary coordinator, or his assistant, Cheryl Alli, at (614) 252-5271 or (800) 238-9707.





# THE CHALLENGE

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## Multicultural Ministries Camp Meeting

**June 29-July 1**

**Hosts**

**Libny H. Dubreuze, Sr.**, conference Multicultural Ministries director, and



**Sara A. Dubreuze**, administrative assistant for the Multicultural Ministries and treasury departments, are coordinating and leading in this special camp meeting experience for Multicultural Ministries.

**Featured Speaker**



**Raúl Gómez** is a retired executive secretary for the South American Division in Brazil. He is

also a former president of the Peruvian Union, where his son Raúl Gómez, Jr., is currently serving as executive secretary. He is an international speaker with a passion for souls. His seminar is titled "Nacidos Para Billar," and he will be discussing church growth and church planting.

**Youth Speaker**

**Jason A. Ridley** is the new pastor of two churches in West Virginia: the Berea church in Charleston and the Shiloh church in

Huntington. A native of Richmond, Va., he has a passion for working with young people. Ridley began preaching at the age of 13, and has worked with youth in a Buddhist school in Bangkok, Thailand.



**Brazilian/Portuguese Guest Speaker**

**Paulo Von Neutegem** is pastor at the Brazilian Temple in Pittsburgh and former employee of Occidental Mission Sul Rio Grande in Brazil.



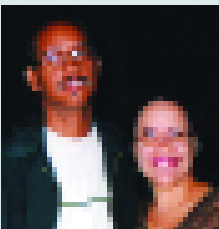
**Children's Speaker**

**Angy-Lynouse Saint-Louis**, originally from Quebec, Canada, is a medical student in Long Island, N.Y. She is the niece of the conference Multicultural Ministries director, Libny Dubreuze, Sr.

**Upcoming Events**

- May**  
19 Bible Workers Training Institute, AWC Campgrounds
- July**  
15-22 Youth Camp, AWC Campgrounds
- August**  
3-5 Frank Loris Peterson Society Men's Retreat, Kenyon College, Ohio

**Musicians**



**Fred Emmanuel**, MBA, and **Evelyn Emmanuel**, RN, are members of the Centerville (Ohio) church. Fred is the financial manager for the Senior Division at Kettering Adventist HealthCare. The couple regularly provides special music for churches in their area and will be the featured music for Hispanic camp meeting.

**Cristina Piccardi** (of Brazil) and **Marcelo Caceres** (of Chile) joined in the same dream of glorifying the Lord through classical music. Both are very accomplished musicians. Cristina has a master's in Vocal Performance and Marcelo a master's in Piano Performance. Both are dedicating their talent and life to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ through music. Their repertoire incorporates a diversity of styles from very refined classical to eternal hymns of public dominium. This pair will provide the featured music for the Brazilian/Portuguese camp meeting.



**Welcome**

Please take advantage of the spiritual feast being prepared for you this year. Our theme "To Know Him—To Make Him Known" underlines two core issues in our lives as Adventist Christians. Fundamental to all we are and do is our personal relationship with Christ. Nothing else matters if we are not connected to Him. Yet once we are in a dynamic relationship with Christ, it becomes our greatest desire to share Him with others (see *Steps to Christ*, p. 78).

It is a challenge for us to keep these in balance. When our devotional life lacks refreshment, it is often an indication that there has been no genuine expression of our faith in service. And when we become so exhausted in our service that we want to call it quits, it is a good indication that we have not fed our spirit with genuine worship. Life must always be lived in the creative tension of worship and witness. May this camp meeting help us find greater balance, and may the



Lord bless our conference as never before!  
—Rob Vandeman, President

## To Know Him—To Make Him Known

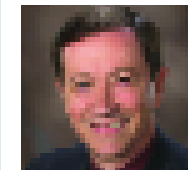
Highland View Academy ■ June 12-16

**Speakers**

**Randy Roberts**, DMin, is the senior pastor of the Loma Linda University church in California, which is the largest Adventist congregation in North America with 6,500 members. Born in South America to missionary parents, Roberts lived most of his life up until college in Latin American countries. He is a licensed marriage and family therapist and has seven years of chaplaincy experience.



**Mike Tucker** is the speaker/director of the *Faith for Today* television ministry, and host of the show's flagship program *Lifestyle Magazine*—the most recognized Adventist broadcast in America.



He is also senior pastor of the 1,800-member Arlington (Texas) church. The North American Division has invited Pastor Tucker to conduct the NET 2007 program—"Heart Quest: Finding the One Who Has Loved You All Along"—which will start airing October 19.

**Gary Krause** is director of the Office of Adventist Mission at the Seventh-day Adventist Church World Headquarters. This office has the twin tasks of caring for the Church's Global

Mission initiative, and informing members on how their mission offerings are changing lives around the world. Krause was previously communication director for Global Mission and creative director for the South Pacific Adventist Media Center in Australia.



**Myrna Tetz** was recently the managing editor of the *Adventist Review*, and is now retired. She has also served as the vice president for recruitment of Canadian University College, and the British Columbia Conference communication and Health Ministries director.



Co-author of the book *We Can Keep Them in the Church*, Tetz has a passion for keeping Adventist young people active in the church.

**Dave Weigley**, Columbia Union Conference president, has served the Adventist Church as a pastor, evangelist, conference communication director, stewardship director, executive secretary, and conference president. Even now as union president, Weigley is heavily involved in evangelism, holding at least one evangelistic meeting a year.





## Seminars

**“Just Walk Across The Room”** will be presented by **Frank Bondurant**, president and evangelism director for the conference. Bondurant will challenge attendees to leave



their circles of comfort and to extend their hands of care, compassion, and inclusiveness to people who need the touch of God’s love today. “Relationship Evangelism” means that it is not enough to simply “go to church.” We must “be the church.”

**“Enjoying Your Bible”** is the theme of **Willmore Eva’s** seminar. Eva, an associate pastor of the Spencerville church in Silver Spring, Md., has a wealth of experience as a pastor, administrator, and editor. Every conscientious Christian feels a great need to read and understand their Bible, yet many struggle to under-

stand it and receive the inspiration they crave. He will share simple, specific, and practical ways to understand and draw strength and inspiration from reading scripture.



**“Living Free: Finding Freedom From Habits That Hurt”** is this year’s health seminar by **Vicki Griffin**. She is author, speaker, and director of the Lifestyle Matters Health Intervention series, and is a member of the American College



of Nutrition. In her seminar, Griffin will reveal the damaging effects of negative thinking on our physical and spiritual health. She will also share lifestyle strategies and personal tools

for building a better brain, better habits, and a better life.

**“Preparing for the Latter Rain”** is to be presented by **Brian Jones**, communication director and pastor of the Braxton, Glenville, and Spencer churches in the Mountain View Conference. Jones, a former Chesapeake pastor, will explore what the latter rain is, what it does,

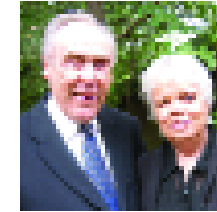


and how we can receive it. Study will also be given to the Bible explanation of true revival, the sealing process, and the power-filled proclamation of the three angels’ messages.

**“Parenting—Lets Talk About It”** is a seminar by **Bob and Myrna Tetz**. They will discuss how to lovingly parent our children, respect our grandchildren, and honor our

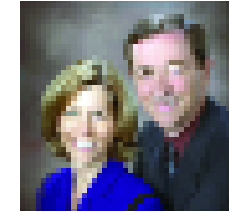
children as church parents. The husband and wife relationship will be reviewed as a model for family unity, and the discussion on church parenting will include finding ways to bond with our children, young people, and members so they’ll always want to be a part of the church.

Bob, now retired, was recently a pastor in Baltimore. He has also



served as the vice president for alumni and development at Canadian University College and as a conference youth director. The couple has traveled throughout North America holding marriage, family, and Children’s Ministries seminars.

**“Love for a Lifetime”** will be presented by **Mike and Gayle Tucker**. Mike holds a master’s degree in counseling. Gayle works with Mike at the Arlington (Texas) church as an associate pastor and also hosts *Faith For Today* broad-



casts. Marriage, family, and individual counseling are major components of their ministry. In

this seminar, the Tuckers will share relationship secrets gleaned from their experience as pastors, counselors, and their own 31-year marriage that will help couples improve communication and build a marriage that honors God.

## Musicians

**Javier Gonzalez** is a graduate of Columbia Union College (CUC) in Takoma Park, Md. He sang with the CUC Collegiate Choral and Pro Musica and made his Carnegie Hall



debut in Mozart’s *Requiem* under the direction of John Rutter. Gonzalez sings with the Washington National Opera, and has enjoyed traveling with the New England Youth Ensemble to such places as Spain, France, and Italy. He is part of the vocal trio *Bella Voce*, which includes Karla Rivera and German Rodriguez. As a member of the Spencerville church in Silver Spring, Md., he sings with the Sanctuary Choir and teaches voice to many students of Spencerville Adventist Academy.

**Karla Rivera** is a soloist and ensemble singer with *Bella Voce*. She was the featured soloist at the 2005 Chesapeake Conference Camp Meeting. Rivera has won many competitions as a soloist, and has toured with the New England Youth Ensemble to many countries. Rivera earned

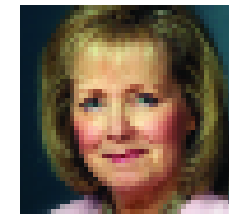


a master’s degree in Vocal Performance from the University of Maryland and is currently on the voice faculty at CUC, her alma mater. She is now pursuing a professional career, and sings first soprano in the Spencerville church’s Sanctuary Choir.

**German Rodriguez** has been the lead baritone for CUC’s Columbia Collegiate Choral and Pro Musica, and has performed in various venues such as Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts—as well as the Sanctuary Choir at Spencerville church. He has performed abroad in his native Argentina, Brazil, London, and South Africa. He sang and played the role of the Mikado in Gilbert and Sullivan’s *The Mikado*. Rodriguez sings with the vocal trio *Bella Voce*. All three members have enjoyed solo performances in the original composition *Requiem* by James Bingham, PhD, CUC music department chair—their teacher and mentor.



**Charlotte McClure** comes to camp meeting for her seventh year as the director of music for adult meetings and programs. She coordinates the



music using the talents of members throughout Chesapeake, including featured guests. McClure is an

associate pastor of the Spencerville church, where she is also active musically. One of her college years was music, and she has enjoyed opportunities to play and sing professionally. McClure loves hymns and other sacred music and believes that they are active worship.

**Tim Crosby**, DMin, a keyboardist, composer, and baritone, is pastor of the Willow Brook church in Boonsboro, Md. He has served the church in many capacities, including director of production at the *Voice of Prophecy* in California. Crosby has authored nine books. His recent video seminar *Di Vinci Decoded: The Undiscovered Jesus* is available on DVD. Crosby spends his spare time working on a manuscript on the historical Jesus and composing music, including theme music for *The Quiet Hour* and *Voice of Prophecy* broadcasts.



## Children’s Schedule

Study Calendar	BOONSBORO Ad. Meetings	WINDY HILLS Church	PRINCE GEORGES Church	Daily Activities	JUNIOR Boys Team Chapel	WORLD PEACE National Day	YOUTH Camp Lodge	SENIOR ADULTS
4-14am 12-12pm	+	+	+	4-14am 12-12pm	+	+	+	
7-11am 2-10pm	+	+	+	7-11am 2-10pm	+	+	+	
7-11am 2-10pm		+	+	7-11am 2-10pm	+	+	+	Friday Study
4-14am 12-12pm				4-14am 12-12pm				
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All departments begin programming on Thursday night except for Fellowship who have no evening programs.

To Know Him—To Make Him Known ■ 2007 Adult Camp Meeting Schedule

Time	June 13 Thursday	June 14 Friday	June 15 Saturday
7:00-8:00am		Myra Text	Myra Text
8:00-8:30am	MOUNTAIN VIEW TO MAKE HIM KNOWN ANNOUNCING		Monday Worship 8:00-9:00am Brendy Bickers
8:30-9:00am	Chesapeake Preschool Camp Meeting		Sabbath School 9:00-10:00am Beth & Myra Text
9:00-10:00am	Highland View Assembly June 13-15, 2007		Young Adult Service 9:00-10:00am
10:00-10:30am		Myra Text	
10:30-11:00am			
11:00-11:30am			
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5:00-5:30pm			
5:30-6:00pm			
6:00-6:30pm			
6:30-7:00pm			
7:00-7:30pm			
7:30-8:00pm			

\* All adult worship services will be held in the existing church except those marked with an asterisk, which will be held in the newly renovated.

# MOUNTAIN VIEWPOINT

## Welcome

In Mountain View, the phrase "camp meeting" brings thoughts of regeneration of the soul and reunion with church members from around the conference. It also brings opportunity to get acquainted with world church leaders. It's a time when we can study God's Word and pray for a closer walk with Jesus.

Our theme this year, "Tell Your World—Now!" is designed to help us sense the urgency of the times in which we live. A time that calls for a stronger relationship with Christ, which will lead and empower us to do greater service in our communities, and which will hasten the day of His return.

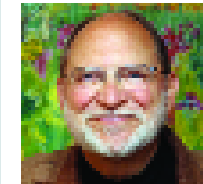
Many of you will choose during the year to make camp meeting your vacation. For others, it's an established tradition. Regardless of the path that leads you there, we'll all be there for one reason—to know more of Jesus.

—Larry Boggess, President  
—Victor Zill, Treasurer



## Tell Your World—Now! Valley Vista Adventist Center ■ June 15-23

### Midweek Speakers



**Sunday thru Friday**—Our mornings begin at 6:30 a.m. with **Stuart Tyner**, pastor of Family Ministries, La Sierra University



Spokane Valley church in Washington, who believes sharing Jesus should be the heartbeat of every church.

Church (Calif.). His presentation "Searching for the God of Grace" is based on his book by the same title.



**Tony Moore**, speaker and president of The Biblical

He will be teaching one-to-one evangelism with his *Friend 2 Friend* approach. **Rachel Whitaker**, associate editor of *Guide* magazine, will demonstrate practical ways to use the magazine to conduct fun, creative programs for juniors and earl-



World, continues after breakfast with *In the Footprints of Jesus*. **Ed Rockwell**, publishing leader for the conference, will



issues and outreach magazines will be featured. Whitaker will also offer tips on getting your stories published in

present "Keeping the Vision Alive" for those interested in becoming a literature evangelist.



**Jim King**, retired pastor from

*Guide*. **David Morgan**, pastor of the Huntington/Point Pleasant district in W.Va., will be conducting a series for those who want to know "The How-to of Preaching."



Florida, presents the "Parables of Jesus." In the afternoon you won't want to miss **Curtis Rittenour**, pastor of the

**Richard Boggess**, MD, president of MUSE Ministries, author, and a retired physician, will be sharing how anyone can be a medical missionary.



Dr. Boggess will also be offering blood testing.

## Opening Sabbath

### Devotional Study ■ 6:30 a.m.

**Stuart Tyner** will begin the morning series, "The Grace of God—Now!" He serves as the Family Ministries pastor at the La Sierra University church in Riverside, Calif. His book *Searching for the God of Grace* is the topic for this early morning spiritual feast.



### Sabbath School ■ 9:15 a.m.

**Randall Murphy** will act as Sabbath School superintendent. Murphy retired in 2002 after serving as president of the Mountain View Conference for more than 13 years. He now serves as manager of Valley Vista Camp and Retreat Center in Huttonsville, W.Va.



The special emphasis this morning will be the Columbia Union Conference's centennial celebra-

tion. Get an update on the union's history. **Jim King**, a retired pastor from Florida, will lead in the lesson study.



### Worship Service ■ 11 a.m.

**E. Lonnie Melashenko**, director-speaker of *Voice of Prophecy*, will share God's message with attendees.

### Musical Concert ■ 2:30 p.m.

Don't miss the concert by the **Melashenko Four**. Pastor Joedy and Judy joined *The Quiet Hour* in 2001. Their interest and experience in youth and music have become the foundation for *The Quiet Hour's* youth ministry MP3 (**Mission, Project + 3** players: Jesus, *The Quiet Hour*, and Me). Jeannie and Lonnie were with *It Is Written* from 1977 to 1981 before leaving to pastor the Paradise church in northern California.



*The Voice of Prophecy* is the second oldest Christian radio broadcast on the air today. Melashenko began his radio ministry in January 1989 and became the director in January 1993.



### Youth Department

**Guest Speaker ■ Sheldon Cooper** returns from Mountain View Conference Camp Meeting '05. Cooper pastors the New Brunswick and First Bilingual churches in New Jersey, and serves as the New Jersey Conference English evangelist. He will speak to the youth this year on the theme "I Can Do All Things."



### Junior Department

**Guest Speaker ■ Rachel Whitaker**, associate editor of *Guide* magazine, will be the featured speaker this week for the juniors and earliteens! Whitaker will be looking at the question "Who Ya Gonna Believe?" and discussing God's truths and Satan's lies. There will also be lots of games and activities. Bring a friend and come prepared to have fun.



### Shepherdess Meeting 4 p.m. ■ Room 10

Pastors' wives can join together for fellowship, with worship led by Jeannie Melashenko. She travels regularly with her husband, Lonnie, and has helped lead in evangelistic series in many places around the world.

### Evening Meeting ■ 7:15 p.m.

Once again attendees will hear the Lord speak to them through the words of **E. Lonnie Melashenko**. His many years of ministry and travel will give substance to his messages that will challenge listeners to "Tell Your World—Now!" about Jesus.

## Closing Sabbath

### Devotional Study ■ 6:30 a.m.

**Stuart Tyner** will be concluding his weeklong study on God's grace.

### Sabbath School ■ 9:15 a.m.

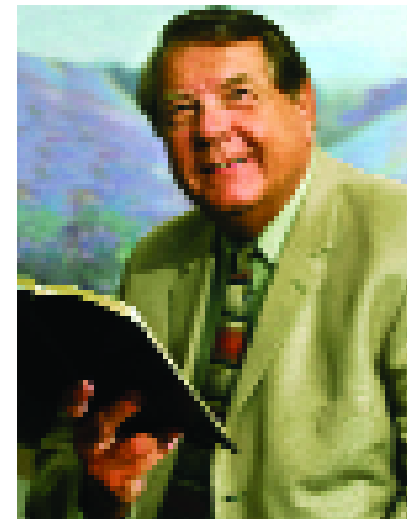
**Cheryl Jacko** will act as the Sabbath School superintendent. Jacko serves as principal of the Highland Adventist School in



Elkins, W.Va., and also as associate Superintendent of Schools for the Mountain View Conference. Her husband, Don, pastor of the Elkins/Parsons district, will lead in the lesson study. The day's mission emphasis will be on education in Mountain View.

### Worship the Lord ■ 11 a.m., 7 p.m.

Pastor **Ron Halvorsen, Sr.**, concludes his weekday presentations on Sabbath morning and evening. He will help attendees understand that Christian growth involves sharing one's faith in "your world now!" Come expecting your world to take on new dimensions as you embrace the principles that have helped millions of others engage their communities for Christ.



## Musical Concert

### Musical Concert ■ 2:30 p.m. King's Heralds

Twenty-nine men have been a part of the King's Heralds since it was founded in 1927. They've recorded more than 100 albums in 30 different languages and in a variety of musical styles, making them a favorite with audiences of all ages.

The King's Heralds have been regular guests on *It Is Written*. They have received 23 Silver Angel Awards for Excellence in Media, including six for Best Male Vocal Group, 14 for Best Album and a Best International Broadcast award for their own radio program *Sounds of Praise*. This group also received a Gold Angel Award for being the oldest continuous gospel quartet in America.





**Mountain View Conference Camp Meeting Schedule**  
**"Tell Your World—NOW!"**

Monday June 18	Tuesday June 19	Wednesday June 20	Thursday June 21	Friday June 22	Saturday June 23	Sunday June 24
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. <b>Registration</b>	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. <b>Registration</b>	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. <b>Registration</b>	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. <b>Registration</b>	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. <b>Registration</b>	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. <b>Registration</b>	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. <b>Registration</b>
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2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. <b>Session 8</b>	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. <b>Session 9</b>	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. <b>Session 10</b>	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. <b>Session 11</b>	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. <b>Session 12</b>	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. <b>Session 13</b>	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. <b>Session 14</b>
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# news

NEW JERSEY

## Welcome

This year's camp meeting is one you will not want to miss. There are many rich blessings available as we focus on sharing our precious Savior. The Camp Meeting Planning Committee has selected the theme "Tell It to Your World" in support of the theme for the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church "Tell the World." Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union president, will be the featured speaker for the English services starting Thursday evening June 28. Patzer is the one who was miraculously healed from stage 4 lymphatic cancer last year. You won't want to miss his powerful testimony and messages from the Word of God. Armando Miranda will be with us from the Seventh-day Adventist Church headquarters to share during the Spanish services, also starting Thursday evening. The spiritual food during this weekend, along with the health and evangelism training provided, have the potential of preparing all of us to be more effective witnesses for our Lord. I look forward to visiting with you during our convocation together.



—LeRoy Finck, President

## Tell It To Your World

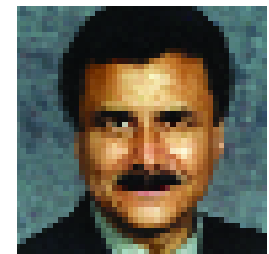
Tranquil Valley Retreat Center ■ June 28-July 1

### Speakers



**ENGLISH ■**  
**Jere D. Patzer, DMin,** is president of the North Pacific Union Conference. Born in Montana, he

earned his master's and doctorate from Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich. Patzer has worked in several conferences including New York, Pennsylvania, and Oregon. He has also authored four books: *Before You Burn the Rule Book*, *Bored Again Christian?*, *Everybody's Doing It*, and *The Road Ahead*. Patzer is married to Susan, an administrative assistant for the Institute of Ministry and Mission and director of Women's Ministries at the same union. The Patzer's three children—Darin, Troy, and Carissa—are all married with children.



**SPANISH ■**  
**Armando Miranda** was elected as a general vice president of the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist

Church during the 2000 General Conference Session in Toronto. Mexican-born, he is an ordained minister and holds a master's degree from Andrews University. In more than 20 years of church service, he has worked as a pastor, evangelist, and departmental director. He has also served as the president of the North Mexican Union Conference. Miranda and his wife, Rosa Alicia, have three adult children: Liz, Rosy, and Armando Jr.

To the delight of many attendees, the big tent is back!



## Seminars

**LeRoy Finck**, New Jersey Conference president, has served in California and Oregon and has helped establish churches in Russia, El Salvador, and Africa. Pastor Finck is a thoughtful leader who enjoys leading by consensus. A true man of God, this seminar presenter knows the Shepherd's voice.



**José Cortés** is conference executive secretary and evangelism director. He has a long and fruitful denominational career as pastor,



evangelist, writer, departmental director, and administrator. Cortés studied at Antillian College in Cuba and received a master's degree in pastoral ministry from Andrews University (Mich.). He also has a master's degree in family counseling and a doctorate in psychology from Carolina University.

**Jim Greene**, conference treasurer, has a wide range of experience working for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the financial field. He has served in various conferences, educational institutions, mission fields, and Adventist Book Centers. Most recently, he worked for the Rocky Mountain Conference.



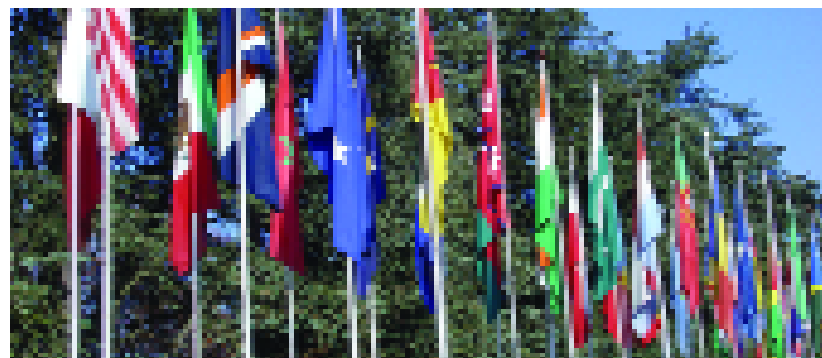
**Joel Soto** uses his God-given pastoral and leadership skills to equip lay evangelists and small groups in his Bridgeton, Cape May, and Panamericana Spanish churches. They are baptizing more than 100 souls per year.



**Mario Thorp** is pastor of the Edison and Long Branch churches. He is the former youth director and field secretary for the Costa Rica Mission in Central America. He is a powerful speaker and seminar presenter, and is passionate about evangelism.



**Bradley Galambos** is the conference Ministerial secretary, and Personal Ministries and Sabbath School director. Galambos has 35 years of ministry experience, including positions among the following conferences: Alaska, Arkansas-Louisiana, Chesapeake, Florida, Gulf States, Indiana, Michigan, and Texico.



## Special Features

**Garden of Prayer**  
*Thursday—Saturday, 7:30 p.m.*  
Come together and pray, share your testimonies, sing, and worship the Lord in the garden by Ellis Hall.



**International Food Fair**  
*Sunday, July 1, Noon*  
Church members are welcome to offer their homemade dishes for sale to raise funds for special projects.

**Parade of Nations**  
*Sunday, July 1, 6 p.m.*  
Come and celebrate your heritage. Wear traditional costumes and bring flags and other items to represent your home country. There will be music, fellowship, and fun.

## Youth Programs

**Laffit Cortés** is the conference's Youth, Children's, and Health Ministries director. He is passionate about helping youth who are going through difficult times. Cortés is organizing this year's activities for the young people.



**Family Summer Camp**  
*Sunday, June 24—Thursday, June 28 - Tranquil Valley Retreat Center*  
In addition to regular summer camp activities—sports, field trips, arts and crafts, canoeing, swimming, etc.—the conference pastoral staff have arranged for real family bonding. Through the theme, "Rebuilding the Family Alter," Christian counselor Julian Anderson Martin, MA, LLPC, of Indiana, will be available all week for special seminars and family

intervention meetings. He will be addressing some of the challenges of raising this generation, and providing positive ways to deal with family issues.

**Guest Speaker**  
**Derrick Cruz** is a 23-year-old Adventist collegiate from the Greater New York Conference who is studying theology at Atlantic Union College (Mass.). He is a servant of Jehovah who wants to move the young generation toward a greater purpose and eternal life. Cruz is serving his conference as a church planter, hired specifically by the Youth and Hispanic Ministries departments to plant the first young adult bilingual church in New York City.



**Seminar Presenter**  
**Julio Barillas**, executive chef and health instructor, studied at New York's Culinary Institute of America and has a bachelor's degree in Food Science Industry Management from New York University. He was part of the Hilton International



Corporation team and has trained many people in culinary skills. He also volunteered with the American Cancer Association by teaching a "Taking the Control" course. This year Barillas will be part of Family Summer Camp to teach nutrition, hydrotherapy, vegetarian cooking, and massage therapy. **Registration is required by June 1.** Contact Laffit Cortés at (609) 392-7131, ext. 215.

## Musicians

**Jorge Aguero**, conference Spanish Family Life director, also pastors the Paterson East Side, Paterson Temple, and Paterson South churches. He and his wife, Amalia, are coordinating the music for this year's camp meeting.



**ENGLISH CAMP MEETING**  
**Highest Praise** will return from New Jersey Camp Meeting '06. They are a group of 10 musicians and singers from across the eastern United States that provides special music at various venues throughout the country. Group member Wally Miladinov serves as their music director.

**SPANISH CAMP MEETING**  
**Ministerio AMA** is a ministry designed for aiding Spanish churches in providing worship services through the production of DVDs, CDs, live performances, and worship seminars. The ministry, based in Lyndhurst, was formed in 2004, the year it first became a part of New Jersey camp meetings. The worship and production team is composed of (left to right) Jorge Luis Aguero, Rocio Ramos, Amalia Aguero, Nelida Zambrano, and Samuel Aguero.



NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
MULTICULTURAL CAMP MEETING

## “Tell It To Your World”

Tranquil Valley Retreat Center  
Thursday, June 28–Sunday, July 1, 2007

### Thursday ■ June 28

5:30 p.m. Dinner  
7:30 Garden of Prayer  
8:00 Jere Patzer—English  
Armando Miranda—Spanish

### Friday ■ June 29

9:00 a.m. Julio Barillas—Spanish  
10:00 Mario Thorp—English  
Joel Soto—Spanish  
12:30 p.m. Lunch  
2:00 Cooking School—Julio Barillas  
5:30 Dinner  
7:30 Garden of Prayer  
8:00 Jere Patzer—English  
Armando Miranda—Spanish

### Sabbath ■ June 30

9:00 a.m. Sabbath School  
10:30 Music and Mission  
11:00 Jere Patzer—English  
Armando Miranda—Spanish  
12:30 p.m. Lunch  
2:00 Fellowship  
3:00 Concert—English & Spanish  
5:30 Dinner  
7:30 Garden of Prayer  
8:00 Social Activity  
ABC Open

### Sunday ■ July 1

9:00 a.m. LeRoy Finck—English  
Devotional  
José Cortés—Spanish  
Devotional  
Seminars  
10:00 International Food Fair  
12:00 p.m. Dinner  
4:00 Parade of Nations  
6:00 Coordinator: Efrain Duany

## Upcoming Conference Events

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1	Administrative Committee	10	Christian Lifestyle Seminar
4-6	NAD Training Discipleship Groups at TVRC	13	Mother's Day—ABC Closed
6	ABC Open, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Pathfinder Olympics	15	Administrative Committee Camp Meeting Planning
8	Administrative Committee Principals Council K-12 BOE Executive Committee	28	Memorial Day—Office/ABC Closed
		29	Administrative Committee

# Mission Ohio

OHIO CONFERENCE NEWSLETTER

## Touching Heaven— Changing Earth

### Mount Vernon Academy ■ June 10-16

### Speakers

**Ron Halvorsen, Sr.** ■ Friday, 7:30 p.m.,  
Sabbath, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. ■

Wouldn't it be nice to have a snapshot of Jesus in your wallet? Scripture gives snapshots of Jesus from eye-witnesses. Come and hear one of the church's premier evangelists describe Jesus in a way that will be imprinted in your mind forever.



**Chris Blake** ■ Sabbath, 9 a.m.,  
Monday-Thursday, 7:30 p.m.,  
Blake, professor at Union College in Nebraska, will present a series from his book *Swimming Against the Current*. God often calls us to swim



against the current of this life. Like the great salmon compelled to return to their origin, we struggle against the current to go upstream—scaling waterfalls—to get to the Great Source of life, rebirth, and hope. Blake's new book will be given free to the first 100 people to attend The Hoppers' concert on Sunday evening.

**Alden Thompson** ■ Tuesday-Friday,  
10:30 a.m. ■ Thompson, professor of theology at Walla Walla College (Wash.), will present “Pictures to Help Us Study the Bible: Avalanche, Pyramid, Castle, and Pie.” “Change” and “diversity” are frightening words for many devout believers. But with Jesus as our anchor and guide, we can discover in scripture the simple enduring principles that enable us to explore the Bible, without being afraid that our faith will collapse. Knowing what will never change can help us recognize the things that do, and we become more effective witnesses for God.



**Paula Reiter** ■ Monday 10:30 a.m.,  
Monday-Friday, 2:30 p.m. ■ Reiter is an office manager at Nedley Health Solutions and the Nedley Clinic in Ardmore, Okla. She regularly speaks for Dr. Nedley at Depression Recovery seminars, women's and ministerial retreats, and camp meetings.



## Experience Camp Mohaven

Wednesday, June 13, 2-6 p.m.

Take the whole family for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. Experience a hayride, nature walks, archery, horseback trail rides, crafts, canoeing and kayaking, pony rides, swimming, basketball, mountain biking, and more!

Enjoy a *free* chuck wagon supper at 5 p.m. at the camp lodge!





## Program



deepen self-giving service in God's world. Worship—a rhythm of grace and challenge that shapes the household of faith. Join fellow worshippers and be drawn into the presence of God. Reach new heights in your spiritual life through the daily worship gathering.

**Soul Café** ■ Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. ■ Begin the day by refreshing your soul through an encounter with God. This "Hour of Power" will give you opportunities to engage in an interactive group study over the Word of God. A daily experience that will be like freshly baked bread for the soul, served with the power of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. It will foster a deep, "thirst-quenching" connection with God!

**Life Keys** ■ Monday-Friday, 10:30 a.m. ■ There are moments when we catch a glimpse of God. It's not just His grace that's amazing. Maybe you've seen His awesome power like a cascading waterfall. Maybe you have sensed His sovereignty when faced with a difficult decision. At times like these, when we grasp all that makes God great, we naturally respond in worship.



**Life Line** ■ Monday-Friday, 2:30 p.m. ■ Weaving faith into life. Discover how to apply natural health principles toward restoring and maintaining a healthy mind and body. Learn how to help family and friends develop emotional health and overcome depression.

**Life Source** ■ Monday-Friday, 7:30 p.m. ■ Worship—sheer wonder at the beauty of God, gratitude for the gospel of Christ, and eagerness to

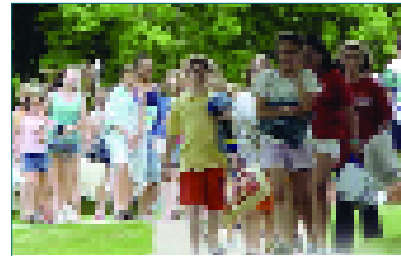
## Musicians



**The Hoppers** ■ Sunday, June 10 ■ The Hoppers consist of Claude and Connie Hopper, as well as their two sons, Mike and Dean, and Dean's wife, Kim. They have received numerous awards and enjoyed national recognition, including performing at the Religious Inaugural Celebration for President Ronald Reagan and appearing at the national rally to restore prayer in public schools. In a day when little emphasis is placed on the importance of the family unit, The Hoppers are the prime example of a prosperous family unit that has been blessed by God in many ways.

## Women's Tea

Thursday, June 14, Noon–2 p.m., Mount Vernon Academy Cafeteria ■ This special annual treat for the ladies is sure to please. This year the theme is "Springtime in My Garden." Enjoy lunch, designer decorations, free gifts, and an inspirational program put together by the Women's Ministries Department, led by director Lucy Cisneros. Tickets are free at the Information Center. Seating is limited and fills up quickly on a first-come, first-served basis. Childcare is provided.



## Activities for All Ages

Camp meetings are very special times for youth and children. There will be an exceptional quality program at Ohio Conference Camp Meeting '07, directed by dedicated and skilled staff. The careful balance of spiritual, social, and recreational programs will make it a delightful experience for our young people.

### Basketball Sports Camp

June 11-15, 8–10 a.m., Mount Vernon Elementary School (MVE) gym, for boys and girls ages 10-17. \$25 Fee; Register Monday, 8 a.m., MVE. Sponsored and conducted by Columbia Union College

### Experience Camp Mohaven

Wednesday, June 13, 2–6 p.m.

## Hispanic Camp Meeting

# "Adelante Jovenes"

## Mount Vernon Academy ■ June 8-9

Enjoy great preaching, singing, and delicious food. **José Rojas**, director of the Office of Volunteer Ministries for the North American Division, will be the featured speaker. Rojas is an accomplished musician and recording artist, and is also an author and a passionate preacher. Rojas serves as a member of The Alliance for Youth, the U.S. national organization founded by former Secretary of State Colin Powell. He has also assisted two United States presidents with domestic policy initiatives for humanitarian leadership.



This camp meeting marks the 100th anniversary of the beginning of the youth work for the Seventh-day Adventist Church. In 1907 the very first Youth Congress took place on the campus of Mount Vernon Academy. This year a special dedication service will take place at the center of campus at the monument that was dedicated to commemorate the 50th anniversary. A new plaque will be dedicated in Spanish to commemorate the event.

The singing group **Alabanza Pura** from Maryland will treat attendees to a concert on Sabbath afternoon.

## Ohio Camp Meeting 2007 Schedule

	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sabbath
<b>8 a.m.</b>		<b>Soul Café</b>					Sabbath School Chris Blake
		"Hour of Power" Small Group Bible Study					
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>		<b>Life Keys</b>					Worship Ron Halvorsen
		Paula Reiter	Alden Thompson				
<b>12 p.m.</b>					<b>Women's Tea</b>		
<b>2:30 p.m.</b>		<b>Life Line</b>		<b>Experience Camp Mohaven</b> 2-6 p.m. Free Chuck Wagon Supper	<b>Life Line</b>		<b>Sabbath Afternoon</b> Alden Thompson
		Paula Reiter			Paula Reiter		
<b>4 p.m.</b>						<b>ABC Sale</b> 4 p.m.	
<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Life Source</b>						
	Concert: The Hoppers	Chris Blake, Sun.-Thurs.				Ron Halvorsen	Ron Halvorsen

# 2007

June 28 - July 1  
Lakeside Friendship Get-a-Way  
Maumee Bay State Park  
Lake Erie

Canoing ... Swimming ... Beach Volley Ball  
Reading ... Jet-skiing ... Beach Walking  
Biking ... Sand Castle Construction ... Golf  
Birding ... Sailing ... Suntanning

Daily Devotionals  
Special Sabbath Programs

Plan now to attend the 2nd  
Lakeside Friendship Get-a-Way at  
Maumee Bay State Park on Lake Erie.

Ohio Conference Sponsored  
Everyone Welcome!

# Pennsylvania Pen

## Welcome

Camp meeting is more than just a time to fellowship with friends, enjoy inspiring music, and be impacted by practical and challenging seminars and worships. It is a time of making memories, sharing your life with others and growing in God. This year we come together again, this time for "Sharing Our Creator's Glory."

I invite you to make this a week you will never forget. Bring your family and friends. Learn new insights from the Bible in a small group setting. Share what God is doing in your life with a new friend. Pick up a hammer and help a needy family. Learn how to live a healthier life. Discover truths about dinosaurs. Enjoy a game of volleyball with young people after the evening seminar. Enjoy being a part of a family bound together because of Christ's love, grace, and soon return. Join me in praying for the Holy Spirit's refreshing presence at this year's camp meeting!



—Ray  
Hartwell,  
President

## Sharing Our Creator's Glory Blue Mountain Academy ■ June 15-23

### Worship

**Friday-Sabbath, June 15-16 ■ Clifford Goldstein** is the editor of the *Adult Sabbath School Quarterly* and a prolific author. He served as the editor for *Religious Liberty* magazine and as associate director for the North American Division Department of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty until 1999.



**Sabbath, June 16 ■ Kelly Mowrer**, sometimes called the "NET pianist," will join camp meeting for an inspiring concert of worship and praise. Mowrer works regularly with pastors Mark Finley and Doug Batchelor of 3ABN and appears regularly on the network.



**Friday-Sabbath, June 22-23 ■ Dan Smith** is senior pastor at the La Sierra University church in California and recent speaker for *Adventist Preaching*. Smith, formerly a pastor in Hinsdale, Ill., will share a worship series titled "Yea, God," proving that God is far better than even our best pictures of Him.



**Sabbath, June 23 ■ Amy Fitser**, a graduate of Blue Mountain Academy (BMA) in Hamburg, has been a soloist for 12 years. She regularly performs at churches, camp meetings, and other events. Fitser and her family are members of the BMA church, where her two little boys often join her in performing special music.





## Worship and Seminars

**Gaspar Colón, PhD**, is associate professor of religion at Columbia Union College in Takoma Park, Md., as well as director of the school's Center for Metropolitan Ministry. During his early morning study "Faith and Grace in a Changing World," Colón will review the life and ministry of Jesus for elements that must become part of the ministry of His "body" today. Colón's afternoon series will reveal strategies to help your church and personal witness truly transform your community.



**May-Ellen Colón, PhD**, is the assistant director of the Sabbath School and Personal Ministries Department for the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church. Colón will unpack biblically based principles in "Making the Sabbath Joyful." She will help answer the question, "How do we joyfully live the wonderful and right theology of the seventh-day Sabbath in real life?"



**Tom Cusack** will be presenting a study about the history, teachings, and biblical responses to the Roman Catholic Church. He will help attendees study the issues of authority, the papacy, tradition and scripture, the Eucharist, the Catholic Church in prophecy, end-time events, etc. Cusack pastors the Erie, Corry, and Lowville (in Wattsburg) churches.



**Elaine G. Kennedy, PhD**, will take attendees on an exploration in "Geology and Faith Grounded in Genesis." You can also join her weekday afternoons for "Dinosaurs: Bridging the Gap Between Science and Faith" as



she explores the data on dinosaurs. Dr. Kennedy works as a research scientist and adjunct professor of geology at Southwestern Adventist University (Texas).

**Larry Lichtenwalter**, senior pastor of the Village church in Berrien Springs, Mich., will do a presentation called "Everyday Apocalypse." He will show that Scripture's last book reveals Jesus Christ for our everyday life, not just for end times. In "Why I Love Jesus," Lichtenwalter will show that Revelation is about loving Jesus!



**Neil Nedley, MD**, is a full-time practicing physician in internal medicine at the Ardmore Institute of Health in Oklahoma. He is also the founder and CEO of Nedley Health Solutions and author of *Proof Positive: How to Reliably Combat Disease and Achieve Optimal Health through Nutrition and Lifestyle* and *Depression: The Way Out*. Dr. Nedley will share how to be set free from depression. His week-long series will focus on living healthfully—body, mind, and soul.



**Art Randall** is a licensed CPA who works as a Certified Financial Counselor with Crown Financial. He has more than 20 years experience in financial counseling. Learn what God expects you to know about how to manage His money in his seminar "Financial Secrets for Personal and Family Freedom." Private financial counseling sessions will be available by appointment.



**Phil and Sylvia Rosburg** will look at biblical principles for success and powerful ways of living a more joyful, grace-filled life in their series

"Relationships that Demonstrate our Creator's Glory." Phil is director of Family Ministries for the Carolina Conference. Sylvia is a physical therapist and an assistant in Family and Health Ministries.



**Lilly Tryon and Tamyra Horst** will present the seminar "Keys to a Successful Life Journey." They will discuss how to discover God's purpose and then fulfill it, even during our increasingly busy schedules. Lilly Tryon, MSN, RN, is Health Ministries director for the Pennsylvania Conference. Tamyra Horst is assistant to the president for communication.



**Dave Weigley**, a BMA graduate, is the president of the Columbia Union Conference. On Sunday, June 17, Weigley will reveal "Our Greatest Need." He will challenge attendees, disclosing that with our greatest need met, our lives will be changed. A vibrant, meaningful, and hopeful Christian life will be the result.



**Angie Weems**, conference Children's Ministries director and experienced educator and administrator, will compare the calling of Bezalel and other Bible characters with our calling as parents, teachers, and/or leaders. Her interactive seminar "The Lord Has Called You By Name" is designed to give attendees the opportunity to grow.

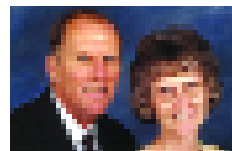


## Special Features

**Community Health Expo** ■ *Sunday, June 17, 1-5 p.m., BMA Gymnasium* ■ The Community Health Expo will include eight action-packed exhibits offering free screening for blood pressure, lung capacity, body fat analysis, Harvard step test, computerized health age appraisal, plus free anti-stress massages.

**Depression Recovery Training** ■ *June 17-18* ■ Neil Nedley, MD, will help prepare participants to facilitate a Depression Recovery Program. Using a comprehensive approach, he applies his training, scientific knowledge, and experience to teach how to assist others in achieving optimal mental health. For more information and to register, call (888) 778-4445.

**Effective Tools for Health Ministry Training** ■ *June 15-17* ■ **Charles Cleveland, MPH**, and **Phoebe Cleveland, RN**, from Health Education Resources, will teach attendees how to use the health expo as an effective tool for making friends with the public.



For more information and to register, contact Lilly Tryon at ltryon@paconference.org or (610) 823-9385.

**Family Worship** ■ *Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.* ■ Whether you are young or old, or somewhere in between, you will be blessed by interactive presentations about creation. There will be living parables, music with the McCabe family, and much more during family worship's "God's Wonderful World," featuring Sergio Manente, leadership director at Blue Mountain Academy.

**Mission for Men** ■ *Tuesday and Thursday* ■ Do you enjoy swinging a hammer and helping people? This year's camp meeting features a mission project with Habitat for Humanity in Berks County. Men who are 18 years old and older are invited to contact Tamyra Horst for more information or to sign up: (610) 374-8331, ext. 236, or thorst@paconference.org.

**Senior Medicare Issues Seminar** ■ *Sunday, June 17, 1 p.m.* ■ Social security: what can it do for me? How does it work? What do I need to know about it? Medicare and

Medicaid—you can't wait until later to find out what you should have done. A representative from the Social Security Administration will present this informative seminar to guide you in making decisions for the future.

**Young Adult Worship** ■ Each evening at 7 p.m. young adults can enjoy **Brad Cassell**, pastor of the Fayetteville (Ga.) church. Cassell grew up in the Hershey area and pastored in several districts in Pennsylvania before moving to Georgia. His "Hall of Faith" seminar talks about people who "keep it real"—real people, dealing with real situations, with a real desire to serve God.

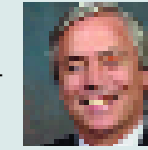


**Small Group Bible Study, Prayer, and Praise** ■ *Monday-Friday, 8:20 a.m.* ■ Join one of several small groups for Bible study, sharing, and prayer. Topics include relationships, a study of parables, Christ, and walking with God in modern America. Bring your Bible and a notebook for this interactive small group time.

## Hispanic Camp Meeting

**Sabbath, June 23 (in the Chapel)**

El invitado especial para el Campestre Hispano de este año será el pastor Rubén Ramos, quien es el Asistente del Presidente para los Ministerios Multilingües en la Union de Columbia. Anteriormente se desempeñaba como Coordinador Hispano de la Asociación de Potomac y ha servido al Señor mas de 24 años.



Rubén Ramos Daniel Scarone



Gaspar Colón

Habrà dos invitados para los tres seminarios de mañana y de tarde. El doctor Gaspar Colón, professor asociado de religion en Columbia Union College ubicado en Takoma Park, Md., y como director del Centro Escolar para el Ministerio Metropolitano.

El pastor Daniel Scarone es Asociado Ministerial y Coordinador de la Asociación de Michigan. Tambien es autor del libro evangelístico para el 2007 *Asalto a la mente*.



**Sharing Our Creator's Glory**  
 Potomac Camp Meeting - June 19-23, 2007

Monday June 18	Tuesday June 19	Wednesday June 20	Thursday June 21	Friday June 22	Saturday June 23
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For location of each of the sessions and additional events

# Potomac People

## Welcome

I am looking forward to my first Potomac Conference Camp Meeting. Some of my earliest and fondest memories of camp meeting include listening to stories by Adventist authors Josephine Cunnington Edwards and Eric B. Hare. That was quite awhile back, but as I have reviewed the schedules, there are some things that haven't changed. Camp meeting is a time for spiritual inspiration and fellowship. It is a time to pray together, to remember that the God of the universe has a special message for a special time, and to direct our focus on Jesus. It is a time to be reminded of our mission, that we are to be "salt" and "light."

This year's theme is "Watch, Ye Saints." The word "watch" for some conjures up an image of inactivity, but in the spiritual context it is active. It implies we are to watch and focus on Jesus, evidenced by how we portray His grace to others and wherever we live out our lives. Are you in need of spiritual renewal? Come and discover the blessings that await you.



—Bill Miller, President

## Watch, Ye Saints

Shenandoah Valley Academy ■ June 19-23

### Speakers

**Henry Wright** is senior pastor of the Community Praise Center in Alexandria, Va. A sought-after speaker and evangelist, both in the United States and throughout the world, Pastor Wright's pastoral ministry and teaching career have taken him to Kentucky, Mississippi, and Ohio. Pastor Wright has received numerous awards and recognition for pastoral leadership, preaching, and evangelism. He is married to Carol Wright, undertreasurer at the Columbia Union Conference. Wright will share timely messages during the evening worship services.



**Cheri Peters** is the founder of True Step Ministries, a faith-based, nonprofit organization. Its mission is to give troubled children dreams to work toward, to teach them to accept love into their lives, and to help them "fight for their recovery." Born to teenage addicts,



Peters was abused and unwanted, ending up on the streets of Los Angeles by age 13. That's where she stayed for the next 10 years, raised by addicts. By age 23, she found her way out of that life through an incredible encounter with God and a woman who encouraged her to fight for her recovery. Peters has authored two books, hosts a television program and a radio show, and is a sought-after speaker. She lives in Kuna, Idaho, with her husband, Brad, and daughter, Jaci.

**Charles Drake III**, PhD, is the executive secretary and vice president for administration for the Mid-America Union in Lincoln, Neb. He is also a sought-after



speaker who has preached at many large gatherings and conventions in the United States and throughout the world. Hearing the call to ministry early, he began preaching at the age of 12 and conducted his first evangelistic meeting when he was only 16. Drake and his wife, Crystal, have three adult children and seven grandchildren.

## Seminars

**Roots, Fruits, and Wings ■ Ivan Warden, PhD**, is an associate director in the Ellen G. White



Estate. Previously he served as a professor at Andrews University Theological Seminary (Mich.), as a pastor, and as the director of Urban Ministries and Community Services for the Southern California Conference. He will be extrapolating 19th century principles from White's writings and applying them to the 21st century.

**StepFast Program ■ Barbara Watson-Paille**, director of the StepFast Lifestyle



program, collaborates with leading experts in preventive medicine to present the Adventist health message in a clear, practical way. She is often featured on 3ABN. Learn practical instruction in vegan cooking and how to conduct a StepFast Lifestyle Seminar. Her "double blessing" feature empowers you and your seminar participants to make permanent lifestyle changes!

**The Adventist Health Message: Obsolete or Cutting-Edge? ■ John Kelly, Jr., MD, MPH**, assistant research professor for the Nutrition



Department at Loma Linda University School of Public Health (Calif.), has a passion for evidence-based lifestyle medicine. He is currently involved in a number of research trials in the United States and abroad.

Health reform principles have been a unique part of the church since its beginnings. With the spotlight on epidemiology, the Adventist health message is even more relevant today. Learn how to reclaim and refocus the role of health ministry in our evangelism.

**Family Life Issues ■ Jack and Edna Harris** are field representatives for the *Voice of Prophecy*. They previously worked for the North American Division Retirees Association. Jack has served as a church pastor, administrator, and conference president.



The Harris' seminars include: "Grief Management"—Why does a major loss leave us in a daze? "Living With an Unconverted Spouse"—What do you do when your Adventist companion is not converted? "The Second Time Around"—Is it possible to love again? Does the Bible support a second marriage? "Treasure, Trash, Trouble"—What's in the attic, basement, and garage? Learn how to get organized.

**Marriage: Roles and Expectations ■ Jim Brown** is the Nurture and Discipleship pastor at the Seabrook (Md.) church. His seminar is for married couples, and those considering marriage. Discover how to identify and fulfill your role and how to biblically respond to your spouse's role. Learn practical communication skills, how to deal with conflict and resolution, and the language of fighting fair.



**Forgive Us, as We Forgive ■ Gerry Fuentes** is associate pastor of the Takoma Park (Md.) church. He will teach that forgiveness is a gift from God, and is foundational to Christian faith and community. Learn how to experience the freedom of forgiveness.



**Wild at Heart ■ Joey Pollom** is pastor of the Manassas (Va.) church. God designed men to be dangerous, passionate, alive, and free. Simply look at the dreams and desires written in the heart of every boy: to be a

hero or a warrior, to live a life of adventure and risk. Sadly, most men abandon these dreams and desires. This seminar will give men permission to be what God designed them to be.



**New Technology for Pastors and Teachers ■ Todd Mace**, Information Systems director, will teach pastors and teachers about the new and improved Potomac Conference email system! Sessions are open to all skill levels. Choose a time that works for you.



**Using Technology for Ministry ■ Todd Mace** will discuss how we live in an age that is redefining communication. Learn how to utilize games, blogs, podcasts, social networking, and mobile devices to spread the gospel.

**The Life You Save May Be Your Own ■ Ron Goss**, Potomac Conference revivalist, will provide this soul-winning seminar. It will not only give you an awareness of the times in which we live, but will also equip and prepare you for the closing scenes.



**Ezekiel: Revelation's Second Key ■ Bob Banks** pastors two churches in Virginia. After the Book of Daniel, Ezekiel is the most important scripture for interpreting the prophecies of Revelation. He will reveal how this neglected book explains the meaning of such topics as the role of the land of Israel and the temple, the seal of God, righteousness by faith, the culmination of the great controversy, and other last day issues. Study guides will be provided.



**Meeting the "Left Behind" Issues ■ Ron Rogers**, a Potomac Conference evangelist, will define the greatest obstacle in evangelical America: to understanding the three angels' messages. It is the teaching of "a secret rapture followed by seven years of tribulation and the rise of the antichrist." He will enable laypeople to present the truth regarding the end times in a clear and convincing manner. Bring your Bible, *Early Writings*, and *The Great Controversy*.



**SVA ... It's Better** Administration will answer such questions as, "Should you consider sending your child to Shenandoah Valley Academy?" Spirituality is their number one objective. Seniors can graduate and enter college as a sophomore. They offer sufficient student aid so that any Adventist student can attend. Through the Partial Dorm Program, freshmen and sophomores can be home nearly every weekend.



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[www.pcsda.org/campmeeting.asp](http://www.pcsda.org/campmeeting.asp)

## Adult Schedule

DATE	8:00-10:00 AM	10:00-11:00 AM	11:00-12:00 PM	12:00-1:00 PM	1:00-2:00 PM	2:00-3:00 PM	3:00-4:00 PM	4:00-5:00 PM	5:00-6:00 PM
8/10-11	SVA ... It's Better								
8/12-13	Meeting the "Left Behind" Issues								
8/14-15	New Technology for Pastors and Teachers								
8/17-18	Using Technology for Ministry								
8/19-20	The Life You Save May Be Your Own								
8/21-22	Ezekiel: Revelation's Second Key								
8/23-24	Marriage: Roles and Expectations								
8/26-27	Forgive Us, as We Forgive								
8/28-29	Wild at Heart								
8/30-31	StepFast Program								

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## Musicians

**Valor**, a group of committed Christian young men based near Huntsville, Ala., enjoy a full-time music ministry performing across the United States and Canada, as well as Europe. Their sound is a unique blend of contemporary Christian and southern gospel. Valor consists of (left to right) David Kennamer, Jr., Benjamin Dixon, and John Laws. Kennamer, the group's bass, has consistently awed audiences and the music industry with his more-than-five-octave vocal range. The group has opened for Larnelle Harris, Sandy Patti, and 4Him. Don't miss this awesome vocal group and expect to be blessed!



2007 CAMP MEETING—YOUNG ADULT, YOUTH, AND CHILDREN'S SCHEDULE

Division/Location	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Camp Day One (ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS)</b> VENUE I (Male - 2nd) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) Leader: Mike Roberts Assistant: Mike Rogers VENUE II (3-4 yrs) VENUE III (5-6 yrs) VENUE IV (7-8 yrs) VENUE V (9-10 yrs)	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm
<b>Wednesday (9-10 yrs) (ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS)</b> VENUE I (11-12 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) VENUE II (13-14 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) VENUE III (15-16 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) VENUE IV (17-18 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS)	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm
<b>Thursday (19-21 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS)</b> VENUE I (22-24 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) VENUE II (25-27 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) VENUE III (28-30 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) VENUE IV (31-33 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS)	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm
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<b>Saturday (49-51 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS)</b> VENUE I (52-54 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) VENUE II (55-57 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) VENUE III (58-60 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS) VENUE IV (61-63 yrs) (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS)	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm	7:00-8:00 am 8:00-9:00 am 9:00-10:00 am 10:00-11:00 am 11:00-12:00 pm

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Jesus is Our Servant Leader

One of the most incredible stories about Jesus occurred in the upper room with His disciples (John 13). When Jesus started to wash the feet of the disciples, they were not sure how to respond. Finally Peter protested. How could Jesus, God's only Son—God Himself—take on the role of a servant and wash his feet? First he asked, and then he insisted that Jesus not do this. When Jesus explained that Peter could have no part with Him unless He washed his feet, Peter was all for it. Jesus is our highest example of a servant leader.

Finding opportunities to serve others is a passion we seek to cultivate at Blue Mountain Academy (BMA). Each year we dedicate two school days to providing service to the community. Students clean, file, scrape, paint, and interact with young and old.

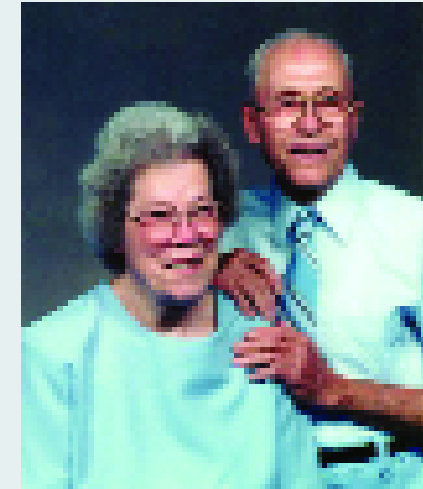
On a recent weekend, each of our tour groups—Aerial Aires, La Sonnette, and Bel Canto—spent several hours assisting businesses in Carnegie, Pa. They then performed a free concert for the community at the Andrew Carnegie Music Hall. It was a first, combining a performance tour with a service opportunity, and we plan to continue the practice.

During spring break, 58 students participated in mission trips to Brazil or Ecuador. During these service experiences, our students are challenged to serve as Jesus did. The question we want them to answer is, "How can I add value to the people I serve?" Jesus said in Mark 10:43-45, "... whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve ..." We have no greater example of adding value to others than Jesus himself. Adding value to others. Learn it at BMA, experience it for eternity.



Spencer R. Hannah  
Principal

Mourning Their Passing: Harold and Virginia Shobe



Anyone who has spent any time at Blue Mountain Academy will remember Harold and Virginia Shobe (pictured), faithful members of the BMA church. Harold and Virginia moved to Hamburg in 1958 so that their children could attend the academy. In the years that followed, their five children and four of their grandchildren attended the school.

Harold and Virginia were faithful members and volunteers at the church, the academy, and the elementary school. They gave of their time, their means, and their multiple talents. Last May, Virginia passed away after a fall. The Shobes had been married nearly 64 years, and the loss for Harold was enormous. He continued to attend church and enjoy his family and friends as long as he could; however, his loneliness for his life's companion was evident.

On February 23, Harold "Grandpa" Shobe passed to his rest at home, surrounded by his loving family. We praise the Lord for the influence of Harold and Virginia on the BMA community. Their faithfulness to God and to each other was exemplary.

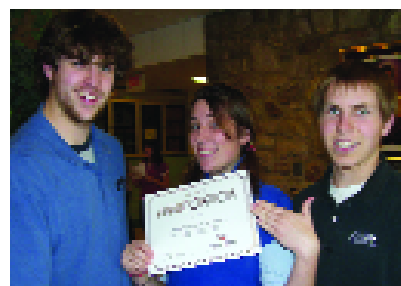


## Students, Staff, Community Give Gift of Life

At a time when the blood supply was running seriously low in the area, BMA held a blood drive that netted 32 units. This was the fifth year that the school has held a blood drive on campus.

The Miller-Keystone Blood Center, which supplies blood for hospitals in Berks and Lehigh counties in Pennsylvania, and as far away as Hackettstown, N.J., are always grateful for BMA's response.

Not only do needy patients benefit from the donation, but also the young people are being educated about the importance of contributing to a healthy blood supply. The response is encouraging, as all shapes, sizes, and ages roll up their sleeves and steel themselves for the "prick," many for the first time. We hope that early education will make blood donation a habit for our healthy, Christian young people.



Seniors (left to right) Steven Dawson, Brittani Bissell, and Ryan Peters were among those students who donated blood.

## Golf Produces High-Tech Swing at BMA

Every spring BMA alumni sponsor a golf tournament at a nearby course. It is a time to visit with old friends and compete for prizes, as well as make donations to enhance the school's educational program. The proceeds from the 2005 and 2006 tournaments were used recently to purchase a SMART Technologies system for the math/physics classroom.

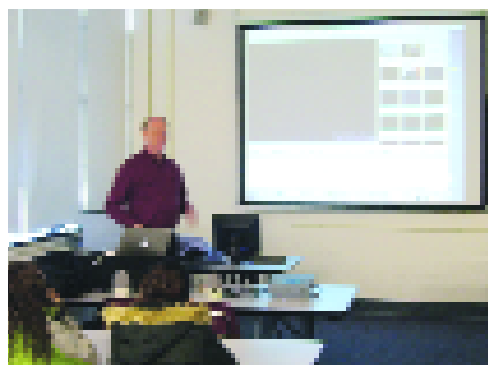
SMART Boards are electronic white boards that provide touch-screen computer control, allowing the instructor to access a computer and the Internet for live class presentations. Theoretically, this electronic board replaces the traditional chalkboard, and several departments at BMA have installed them.

For the math/physics department, however, the loss of the chalkboards is not an option. Sometimes nothing beats a chalkboard for developing concepts and equations. There are problems in pre-calculus and physics that more than fill the three existing slate boards. It is necessary to see the entire problem and to be able to erase or modify the calcium carbonate errors.

But technology has caught up to the slate boards in the form of a SMART Technologies Sympodium. The Sympodium is a full-size computer display with a special pen. It sits quietly beside the computer and links it

to the video projector, allowing the same access to the computer and Internet as does a SMART Board. Live, online presentations can be made without losing the traditional chalkboards, giving the best of both worlds in presenting information.

Money raised from the golf tournament covered the purchase of the complete system: Sympodium, Dell computer, NEC video projector, and the very large screen to project the images. We can now show videos and DVD's, as well as all the useful calculators found on the Internet, and the venerable TI-86 graphing calculator used in math and physics classes.—Cary Corbin



Dave Sherwin, technology professor at Andrews University (Mich.), uses the new SMART Technologies Sympodium during his Career Day presentation.

## Coming EVENTS

### May

- 4 La Sonnette Ensemble, 7:30 p.m.
- 5 Sylvan Singers, 7 p.m.  
Band Concert, 8 p.m.
- 6 Aerial Aires Home Show
- 6-7 Academy Days
- 9 SA Spring Picnic
- 12 Youth Church
- 17-18 Senior Final Exams
- 20-23 Senior Class Trip
- 24 Second Semester Ends
- 25 Consecration, 8 p.m.
- 26 Baccalaureate, 11 a.m.
- 27 Commencement, 10 a.m.

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## Students Inducted Into Honor Societies

To the delight of parents, family, and friends, 44 Columbia Union College (CUC) students were recently selected for membership into the Alpha Chi and Phi Eta Sigma honor societies. The induction ceremony for the 2007-08 academic year was held last month.

"I'm proud of the students. You don't casually become a member of one of these societies," said Selma Chajj Mastrapa, associate director for the Center for Learning Resources. "You have to be intentional about it and put forth effort and discipline."

Phi Eta Sigma is the national honor society for freshman, and Alpha Chi is for juniors and seniors. Both societies require dedication to academics. During the inductions, Mastrapa reminded students of the qualities they should embody as members, such as an unimpeachable character, a healthy body, and a well-disciplined mind.

"These ceremonies help act as a catalyst to encourage students to move forward in scholarship and spirituality," said Fitzroy Thomas, director of the center and co-sponsor of the event.

CUC chemistry professor Melvin Roberts gave the keynote address and shared a few personal experiences with the students. He encouraged them to seek God's guidance in everything that they do, using Proverbs 3:5-6 to illustrate his point.

"Mr. Robert's speech was really invigorating," said Phi Eta Sigma vice president John Allen, freshman health fitness major. "It made me think about my future. I feel that I can do anything with God's help, and that I can learn from others and teach others as well."

The honors induction program occurs every school year, during the spring semester.—Alexis Goring



Bryan Dent, a freshman business major, accepts the invitation into Phi Eta Sigma from Selma Chajj Mastrapa in the presence of Academic Dean Robert Young.



New Alpha Chi member Tybee Wall, a Political Studies/Pre-Law major, accepts her membership certificate from Selma Chajj Mastrapa, assistant director for the Center for Learning Resources.

## New Online Giving Method Established

You know all that stuff in the closet or garage you've wanted to sell on eBay? Here is one more good reason to do it. Columbia Union College, in partnership with MissionFish—a service of the Points of Light Foundation—has become a participant in the charitable giving online marketplace. Through this partnership, friends, alumni, and constituents can donate a percentage of their sales from online auctions directly to CUC.

"This partnership provides donors with an alternative to traditional giving to assist their alma mater in producing unrestricted, consistent revenues to strengthen the quality of education at the college," said Bryan Zervos, director of development for the Office of Advancement.

MissionFish was created in 2003 and works as an online giving tool to accept and process donations from individuals who sell items through eBay Inc. This new venture will benefit current students and assist with the mission of the college. The donations can be set up at the time a seller creates a new auction.

"This service adds to our ability to accept and process gifts of any kind," said Leroy Gain, a strong supporter of CUC's new venture and member of the college's Founders and Visionaries Society. "It works for everyone who has used eBay to sell items, and those who haven't. We hope this will encourage people to take advantage of this convenient process."—Marketing & Communication Staff

## Artwork Unveiled in Richards Hall

The Department of Religion recently unveiled two paintings by artist Jeremy Satterlund for display in the H.M.S. Richards Hall lobby. The two, 10-foot paintings on canvas are titled "Hovering Above" and "Moving Upon." Classified as abstract expressionism, the paintings depict two interpretations of the same act described in Genesis 1:2, when God first moved upon the void in the act of creation. "These incredible gifts are the result of passion—passion for beauty, passion for reflection, and passion for the interaction of life, culture, and theology," said CUC president Randal Wisbey, DMin. Religion professor and department chair Zdravko Plantak, PhD, commissioned the large abstract works during an in-class discussion with the artist. He hopes the paintings "challenge the viewer to develop deeper understandings of the interplay between mind, body, and spirit." The paintings were made possible through the generous support of private donors—including college professors, administrators, and students—Adventist HealthCare, and friends of the department.—PR Staff



Zdravko Plantak, PhD (left), religion professor and department chair, and artist Jeremy Satterlund pose by "Hovering Above."

## Chef Crowned at Cooking Competition

Down-home macaroni and cheese, collard greens, deep fried portabella mushrooms, and peach cobbler was the winning combination for CUC's executive chef Gregory Davis (pictured) as he secured a third-round victory of "K.O. in the Kitchen," an annual culinary cooking competition. The event was hosted in CUC's dining hall. Students and faculty members stood armed with gray cafeteria trays and red ballots to vote for their favorite vegetarian or vegan meal. Davis competed against chefs from nearby

Bowie State University, Howard University, and Cathedral College. This recent win guarantees Davis a spot in the final competition. "The event was a great opportunity for faculty, students, and staff to enjoy the food and be with each other," said attendee Marilyn Riley, executive assistant to the president. "It was great fun to comment back and forth over the food." Davis has won many awards but feels that this CUC victory was special. "The remarks from students were very humbling and overwhelming," said Davis, who won the competition by more than 60 votes—



Executive chef Gregory Davis answers questions from CUC staff members Arlene Harris and Annaka Dorsett (far right) about his winning meal.

from a total of 283. "It felt great to witness such school pride. I felt like the victory was not just mine, but ours." In addition to his duties at CUC, Davis is the district executive chef for Campus Services at Sodexo, Inc., the sponsor of the CUC event and the leading food and facilities management services company in North America. Davis manages a total of 10 schools.—Candace Hamilton

## CALENDAR

- May**
- 7 Summer Session I Begins
  - 10 Last Day to Enter Classes
  - 21 Success Night, School of Graduate and Professional Studies, Takoma Park, Md.
  - 22 Success Night, School of Graduate and Professional Studies, Gaithersburg, Md.
  - 28 Memorial Day—No Classes
- June**
- 4 Summer Session II Begins

**CORRECTION:** The academic counselor and student pictured in the February 2007 issue of *The Gateway* were not engaged in a drug and alcohol counseling session. We regret any misconceptions.

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## NOTICIAS

### Potomac abre sede de ministerios

La Asociación de Potomac adquirió una propiedad de tres acres de tierra en Temple Hills, Md. El centro de entrenamiento y producciones evangelísticas funcionará como sede de ministerios hispanos. Líderes y pastores hispanos, movidos por el lema "Haciendo discípulos y entrenándolos para el servicio" se comprometieron a usar el centro para entrenar un poderoso ejército de hermanos deseando cumplir fielmente la misión que Jesús encomendó. El edificio con capacidad para 240, incluirá los ministerios de asistencia del segundo advenimiento,



ministerios radiales, ministerio de colportores hispanos y evangelismo, y ministerios de jóvenes (PCJovenes.com).—José Esposito y Rubén Ramos

### Pennsylvania reporta 80 bautismos

El pastor Gabriel Montalvo alaba a Dios por el trabajo realizado en sus iglesias: Philadelphia II Hispana, Grace Hispana en Chester, y Lehigh Valley Hispana en Allentown. Cada iglesia mostró significativo crecimiento en el 2006.

Lehigh Valley tuvo 12 bautismos y cuatro profesiones de fe. Grace Hispana, la menor de las tres, tuvo siete bautismos, y la Philadelphia II Hispana terminó el año con 32 bautismos y dos añadidos por profesión de fe. Juntas agregaron 58 nuevos feligreses. Para este año, la Philadelphia II Hispana ha tenido seis bautismos más y la Grace Hispana dio la bienvenida a siete más, incluyendo cinco jóvenes. El distrito inició además un nuevo grupo en Norristown.

El grupo Emmanuel Mission de Reading, Pa., condujo recientemente una cruzada evangelística, donde 19 almas fueron agregadas al reino a través del bautismo. El evangelista y pastor jubilado Rubén Duany presentó la verdad del evangelio, tocando la vida de los presentes. Entre los bautizados había un pastor luterano de 30 años y un ministro de la Iglesia de Dios, ambos convencidos del sábado y otras verdades.—Tamyra Horst y Miriam Vega-Vargas

### La obra en Chesapeake crece

La compañía hispana de Salisbury, Md. (en la foto), fue organizada y está siendo dirigida por Marcos Schwantes, un empleado de la Review and Herald, en Hagerstown, Md. La congregación actualmente está adorando en la Iglesia de Dios de Profecía localizada en el 605 College Street.



La congregación hispana de Washington-Spencerville, liderada por el Pastor Juan Sicalo, fue recientemente organizada como iglesia. El servicio de dedicación fue dirigido por el presidente de la Asociación de Chesapeake, Robert Vandeman, quien presidió, asistido por Ramón Chow (intérprete), tesoro; Eduardo Muñoz, tesorero asociado; y el Pastor Sicalo. La congregación se reúne en el 2100 Spencerville Road, Spencerville, Md.

La convocatoria hispana de la Asociación de Chesapeake tomará lugar del 28 al 30 de septiembre. Los feligreses de habla hispana se congregarán en el Campamento y Centro de Retiro de Mt. Aetna, Hagerstown, Md., para compañerismo, adoración y estar mejor equipados como discípulos. Para información, comuníquese con Chow al (410) 995-1910, extensión 16.

### Nueva iglesia en Ohio

El Pastor Oscar Rodríguez y su familia ayudaron a la Iglesia Parkwood de Toledo en la organización de un núcleo de hispanos para establecer una iglesia en Leipsic, Ohio—la Emmanuel Mission Hispana. Libny H. Dubreuze, padre, director de ministerios multiculturales de la Asociación de Allegheny Oeste y Mikel Moore, pastor de la Iglesia de Parkwood, también colaboraron en este esfuerzo.

Los feligreses de la congregación de Leipsic han estado adorando juntos por varios meses. Recientemente, durante un servicio sabático, el Pastor Rodríguez condujo a su nueva grey en una dedicación especial. El Pastor Moore dirigió una oración por el grupo que hizo voto de alcanzar a otros hispanos del condado.



## Vienna presenta la primera iglesia joven

La Iglesia Hispana de Viena, Va., recientemente realizó su primera Iglesia Joven mensual con la ayuda del grupo UMinistries de la Iglesia Hispana de Silver Springs, Md. El tema del evento fue “Cuando se trata de Dios, ¿dónde estás tú?”

Más de 150 jóvenes de la Asociación de Potomac asistieron a tres sesiones generales. El orador invitado Willy Ramos (en la foto), expandillero rescatado y predicador de la Florida, invitó a los participantes a auto-examinarse y evaluar qué lugar ocupa Dios en sus vidas. Los animó a luchar por lo que creen. Los seminarios de la tarde trataron sobre cómo ser un cristiano tranquilo, cómo tomar buenas decisiones, y el sexo. El Grupo de Alabanza Escape de Michigan, dirigió la música.

Varios adolescentes respondieron al llamado de entregar sus vidas a Dios. Los primeros dos bautismos que resultaron de este evento tomaron lugar recientemente en la Iglesia Hispana de Silver Spring, donde dos adolescentes del grupo de UMinistries de la iglesia fueron bautizados. UMinistries es una iglesia semanal juvenil y un ministerio de alcance que inició hace más de un año, dirigidos por el Pastor Sam Moreno.

Para información de futuros eventos comuníquese con Lisa Arias, Iglesia Hispana de Vienna al (703) 629-4073 o con el Pastor Moreno al (240) 643-7320.—*Sam Moreno*



## Potomac presenta el séptimo congreso de mujeres

Bajo el lema “Creadas para triunfar” más de 700 mujeres de toda la Asociación de Potomac se reunieron recientemente en Ocean City, Md., para el séptimo congreso anual de ministerios para mujeres hispanas. Las asistentes fueron inspiradas con mensajes vibrantes y verdades reveladas por la predicadora invitada Felisa Rando, evangelista internacional.

El objetivo del retiro fue el crecimiento espiritual, así como el desarrollo físico y mental. El énfasis este año fue sobre la salud física. Muchos profesionales de la salud vinieron para educar a las asistentes, incluyendo a Daisy de León, PhD, profesora asociada de fisiología y farmacología de la escuela de medicina en la Universidad de Loma Linda, California; María Di Francisco, psicóloga de práctica privada en Reading, Pa., y muchas otras. Alrededor de 80 mujeres jóvenes participaron en seminarios diseñados exclusivamente para su edad.



La tarde del sábado fue coronada con cuatro bautismos en la piscina del hotel. —*Norita Ramos*

Cuatro asistentes al congreso de mujeres hispanas de la Asociación de Potomac fueron bautizadas en la piscina del hotel el sábado en la tarde.

**PROXIMOS EVENTOS:** Noviembre 16-18  
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## Take Time for a Heart Checkup

I was recently re-reading *The Story of Redemption* by Ellen G. White. The first several chapters lay out so clearly the simplicity of God’s desires for us. On page 24 the author states, “This tree was especially designed of God to be the pledge of their obedience, faith, and love to Him.” These attributes—obedience, faith, and love—all flow from one place, our heart. He wants our heart. He could have created Adam and Eve to love Him without any choice in the matter. Instead, He created free moral agents, and, in so doing, gave each one of us the power to choose the owner of our heart.

My challenge to each one of us is to truly give Him our heart. It is easy to give Him other “things” as a substitute. These substitutes take many forms. Some may give Him their career, others their money, and still others their fame. These are all wonderful gifts and can be a tremendous blessing to His work, but none of these gifts satisfy His one desire—our heart. Pause right now for a “heart checkup.” Are you giving Him what He really wants?



**Brian Kittleson**  
Principal

## NEWS

### National Honor Society Inducts New Members

The Spencerville Adventist Academy (SAA) Chapter of the National Honor Society held its induction ceremony recently and inducted 12 new members. This brings the total membership for SAA’s chapter to 38, over a quarter of our total high school population. To be eligible for membership, students must display the appropriate qualities of scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

Congratulations to our new members: Steven Blondo, Richardson Chatham, Daniel Czajkowski, Sarah Dodge, Jaime Jacobson, Alicia Jencks, Areum Kim, Evan Knott, Vanessa Lezeau, Stacy-Ann Marsden, Jennifer Mendez, and Kaitlin Yingling!—*Heidi Wetmore*

### SAA Hosts Academy Day



Potential high school students experience life at SAA during its annual Academy Day.

Sixty-eight potential high school students recently spent a day at Spencerville Adventist Academy during their annual Academy Day. The students participated in a variety of activities planned to give them an idea of what high school life is like at SAA. During the special day, the visitors participated in worship, tours, had the opportunity to try out for scholarships, and got acquainted with new friends. After lunch they were treated to a gymnastics program, as well as performances by the choir, band, bells, and drama. The day was capped off by a basketball game between current SAA students and guests. We look forward to welcoming the new students next school year.



The addition of 12 new members in SAA’s National Honor Society brings the total to 38.



## Students Wage War on HIV/Aids

Spencerville Adventist Academy's High School Student Council recently started the Spencerville Penny War, which functioned as both a fund-raiser and a contest between classes. Each class tried to see who could collect the most money in pennies, with each penny worth one point. Quarters, nickels, and dimes canceled out the pennies and added a level of strategy to the game. If a student placed coins other than pennies in the container of another class, it would take points away from the penny points. A class wins the Penny War either by having the most points or by raising the most money.

SAA partnered with Hope For Humanity with funds going to benefit the Maluti Adventist Hospital in Lesotho. About the size of Maryland, Lesotho is a kingdom located in South Africa with a population of 2 million people. Lesotho has been devastated by the HIV/AIDS epidemic. The disease affects about 23 percent of the population that is more than 15

years of age. Profits from the Penny War will go to help Maluti Adventist Hospital with its AIDS intervention projects, Wellness Center project, and Impoverished Children's Fund.

In addition to collecting coins for the projects, students at SAA had special assemblies with speakers representing Maluti Hospital. Speakers included Allan Handysides, Maluti's former medical director and current Health Ministries director for the Seventh-day Adventist Church; Pastor Richard Nystrom, a Peace Corps volunteer who worked at the hospital; and Maitland DiPinto, director of Hope For Humanity. A video about Maluti, Lesotho, and the Penny War was produced for the school.

The thousands of coins collected for the Penny War were taken to a bank in Burtonsville, Md., for counting. Counting the coins took all day! The results of the Penny War were revealed the next day. The total raised was \$1,275.51—including 81,813 pennies!

The first prize was awarded to the class with the most number of pennies *after* subtracting the value of the other coins that were in their bottle. This distinction went to the junior class. Second prize was awarded to the class with the most pennies *plus* the value of the other coins in their bottle. This distinction went to the sophomore class.

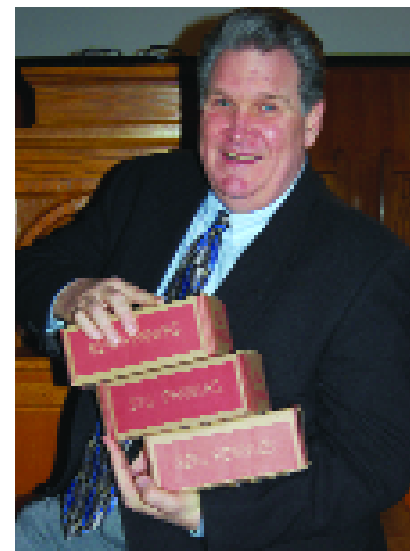
DiPinto announced to the student body that the money raised would be matched dollar for dollar with other monies available from Hope For Humanity, and that \$2,551.02 would be given to Maluti Adventist Hospital for a special new fund to be established to assist impoverished children.

Already the project's influence is starting to spread. The Chesapeake Conference and North American Division are considering it a model for other schools in Maryland,



Sophomore class members (left to right) Steven Blondo, Vanessa Lezeau, and Natasha Allen with some of the money their class collected in the Penny War.

Delaware, and across the United States and Canada. Plans are already underway to make the Penny War an annual Student Council activity at SAA.—Cassie Tetz ('08)



Maitland DiPinto, director of Hope For Humanity, was happy to receive the Penny War donation for the Maluti Adventist Hospital in South Africa.

## CALENDAR

### May

- 12 Acro-Squad Home Show  
Strawberry Festival
- 20 SAA Constituency Meeting
- 28 Memorial Day—No School
- 29 Eighth Grade Graduation
- 30 Last Day of School

### June

- 3 Senior Graduation

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## Students, Staff, Volunteers Blessed by Mexico Trip



Senior Valerie Moseley gives the children's story during one Sabbath of the Mexico mission trip.

During spring break, 40 students and seven staff from Shenandoah Valley Academy (SVA) were joined by four Tennessee public school students, their pastor, and 15 adults on an international adventure. The group traveled to the tropical city of Papantla in the state of Vera Cruz, Mexico.

During the eight-day trip, the students assisted the attending health professionals with medical, dental, and chiropractic services. They also joined adults in visiting homes, schools, and prisons to provide personal, educational, and spiritual ministry to the local people.

Other students worked on teams assisted by the local residents to roof two unfinished churches and build another church. Other students helped to build more than 30 pews for area churches.

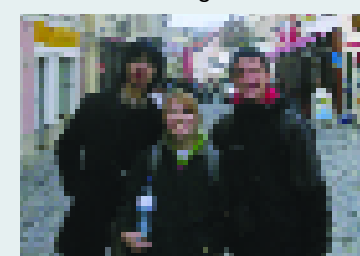
On both Sabbaths while in Papantla, and on four nights during the week, seniors Sean Smith, Jonathan Bryan, David Ramsdale, and Caleb Norris preached sermons. Other students directed a VBS program for two churches. Children and adults from the local community flooded the events. Everyone was blessed—those served, as well as those who served.

## Music Department Travels Europe

Would you enjoy visiting the birthplace of Mozart, walking across a 600-year-old stone bridge, and visiting famous scenes from the movie *The Sound of Music*? The SVA Music Department experienced this and much more during their spring break trip to Europe.

For 11 days, 15 students from the SVA choir toured through Austria and the Czech Republic, visiting famous historical sites in Vienna, Prague, and Salzburg. Highlights of the trip included a concert by the Czech Philharmonic, walking through ancient salt mines, singing in several cathedrals, and enjoying Sabbath worship with local Adventists in Prague.

SVA senior Sean Hsu especially enjoyed the performance by the philharmonic, where the students got to sit behind the performers. "Watching the conductor from the perspective of the musicians, we could observe cues and other gestures that normally would not be



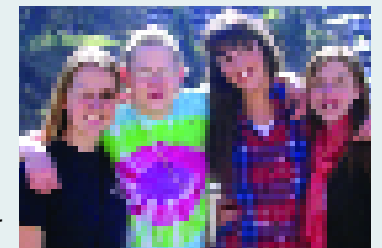
visible to the audience," he fondly remembers.

Students (left to right) Sean Hsu, Joanna Taylor, and Michael Pichette pause during their walk in an Austrian town.

Senior Heather Blackburn has visited Europe three times with SVA. She commented, "Traveling helps history come alive."

SVA music teacher Tim Rumsey helped organize the tour. "Hopefully this trip and others like it will help our students live richer and fuller lives.

That is what an education at SVA is all about," he said.



Students (left to right) Heather Blackburn, Caitlyn Carney, Lisa Pichette, and Jera Wile enjoy the mountains in Fussen, Germany.

**CORRECTION:** The dates for alumni weekend were incorrectly printed in the April issue of *Happenings*. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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News you can use from Takoma Academy

### Fulfilling Duties of Sharing Christ

It has been a good year, and soon we will bid farewell to 72 seniors. The greatest desire of the Takoma Academy (TA) staff is for each student to catch a "glimpse" of the Jesus each of us knows, and to make the decision to accept Him totally into their lives. What an awesome responsibility. Satan is busy attacking the divinity of Jesus Christ, and it will only continue to get worse. We need to make sure that Jesus is presented positively, and to encourage students to develop a *relationship* with Him. Evangelism *must* begin at home and continue through school. This will assure that our church remains strong and anxious for Jesus to come.



C. Dunbar Henri  
Principal



### Tae Kwan Do Teaches Respect

TA students are fortunate to have Anthony Medley, co-associate pastor of the Capital Hill church in Washington, D.C., leading out in a very special class every Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday. Students learn principles of control and respect by learning Tae Kwon Do from a Christian perspective. Students may also receive physical education credit for taking this course.

### Graduation Lineup Planned

Graduation weekend this year will be full of blessings. The Consecration Service on June 1 will start at 7 p.m. at Sligo church in Takoma Park, Md. Senior class pastor Josh Limerick will consecrate the class to the glory of God. A dedication to the parents will follow.

The Baccalaureate Service will be held on Sabbath, June 2, at Sligo church. This year's speaker will be the outgoing president of Columbia Union College, Randal Wisbey, PhD (right). Wisbey's tenure at CUC includes serving as the school's chaplain and associate pastor of Sligo. Wisbey and his wife, Deanna, are the parents of graduating senior Alexander Wisbey.



On June 3, at 10 a.m. in the J.P. Laurence Auditorium, is the Commencement Service. Guest speaker will be Charles D. Brooks (left), speaker emeritus and former speaker/director for the *Breath of Life* television ministry, and retired field secretary for the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church. Brooks has baptized more than 14,000 souls, with thousands more dedicating their lives to Christ as he spoke.

Brooks has two children, and his two grandchildren are TA graduates: Bradley ('98) and Brandon Tramel ('02).

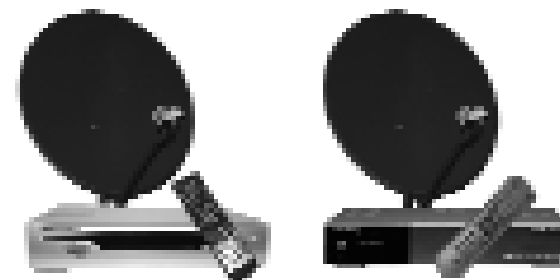
### Calendar

- May**
- Apr 29-** Senior Class Trip
  - May 4**
  - 10** Junior/Senior Banquet
  - 11, 12** "Crash Landing" Summit
  - 17** *Pride and Prejudice* Drama Program 7 p.m.—*Tickets Required*
  - 20** *Pride and Prejudice* Drama Program 4 p.m.—*Tickets Required*
  - 21** Board/Staff Appreciation Dinner, 6-9 p.m.
  - 24** Spring Music Department Concert
  - 25** Student Council Spring Picnic  
End of Year Dedication Service, 7 p.m.
  - 30, 31** Semester Exams
- June**
- 1** Last Day of School
  - 1-3** Graduation Weekend

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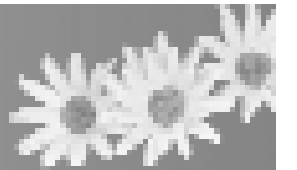
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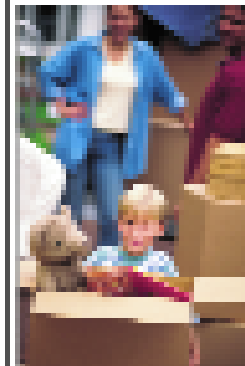
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When "Someone" is You

My grandson is passionate about ice hockey. His parents do not need to bribe him to watch a hockey game or nag him to go play street hockey with the neighborhood boys. They wish he was equally passionate about cleaning his room and practicing the piano, but I guess a 7-year-old boy will be a 7-year-old boy.



WHAT ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT?

Monte Sahlin, who wrote this column for years, is passionate about urban ministry. Just ask him about a big city in our union, and he can pull out charts and tables to tell you about their needs. Our union president, Dave Weigley, is passionate about public evangelism. He still loves to conduct meetings and just finished one in West Virginia.

I have come to believe that one's passion could be discovered by the words "I think someone should ... ." Let me explain: For years I felt that more Adventists should be involved in community organizations. I found a website that lists the volunteer organizations in Howard County, Maryland (where I live), and discovered scores of organizations that were looking for help. I am now that "someone" and serve on the board of the Howard County Community Action Council.

Some members of the Spencerville church in Silver Spring, Md., felt that "someone" should help the homeless in Washington, D.C., have a good lunch. They now serve sack lunches on Sabbath. While delivering lunches, one of the teenage volunteers noticed the need for warm clothing and felt that "someone" should make scarves and caps to give the homeless during the winter. She decided that "someone" could be her, so she invited the women in the church to attend knitting sessions and the "Keep in Stitches" program was born.

It is amazing to see what happens when a person thinks "someone should ... ." catches the vision, and discovers their passion. I believe the Holy Spirit plants those "someone should ... ." ideas into the minds of those He is calling to do that very assignment. Of course, our first thought is that *someone else* should do the task. But the next time you think "someone should ... ." I challenge you to listen to God's voice speaking to you, accept the assignment, and see what God will do through you. Trust me, it's exciting and rewarding to discover that the "someone" is really you.

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