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The late-afternoon sun cast shadows in Lake Sacajawea Park, Longview, Wash., when Jeffrey L. Torretta captured this nature scene in November 1996. He used a tripod-mounted Nikon FM2 camera and Nikon 28mm lens, loaded with Fuji Velvia film.

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# Touching Lives, CHANGING DESTINIES

B Y J E R E D . P A T Z E R



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Sometimes it's the little things that make the biggest difference—a smile from a stranger, a whispered prayer, or an unexpected kindness. Often it's a series of small events that changes the world, not one monumental effort. And undoubtedly it's people that make institutions great, not bricks and mortar.

For nearly 20 years, I've been blessed to be able to serve on Adventist Health's Board of Directors, and throughout my tenure I've witnessed countless little things that, added up, have melted hearts, touched lives, and changed destinies.

Health care, like many other businesses in our country, has seen easier days. But despite the many challenges this industry faces, Adventist Health continues to be fiscally sound and to steadily move forward. Why?

I believe the answer lies in the organization's mission of Christ-centered service and its thousands of committed employees who rely on God (not only when making business decisions, but in their everyday interactions and practices.)

You see, at Adventist Health it's not about big business, it's about making a difference. It's not about building an empire, it's about saving a life. It's not about serving one's self, it's about serving others. At Adventist Health it really is all about mission.

This past year, two individuals employed at Walla Walla General Hospital—chaplain Walt Meske and nurse Becky Saranto—were the recipients of the facility's first annual Mission Achievement Awards. The program was instituted to bring special recognition to those who go beyond the call of duty to promote the distinctive mission of the facility and recognize that mission is of utmost importance at the hospital. And I can personally attest to the compassion that was demonstrated to our family during the loss of a loved one.

Adventist Health's mission is so pervasive that it brings many patients back to its hospitals, not only for health-related reasons, but also for employment. Such is the case with Glen Aus, a health care analyst at Adventist Medical Center, who decided he wanted to work for the Portland-based hospital after the kindness and caring he received during the traumatic loss of his son.

In the pages that follow you will read about many programs and services that are making a difference in people's lives. You'll discover how our Northwest hospitals are reaching out and making a big impact in their communities. And you'll better understand what a special ministry our health care institutions have—offering healing for the body, mind, and spirit. •

# Did You Know?



## Fun Facts

- The human stomach needs to make a new layer of mucus every two weeks or it will digest itself.
- A study of the Adventist lifestyle reveals that Adventists exercise an average of 50 percent more than their neighbors.
- According to a new study, people who said they had more positive views about aging lived an average of 7.6 years longer than those with negative views.
- A recent study found that people who drink more than five glasses of water each day are less likely to die from a heart attack than those who drink fewer than two glasses per day.

### A Hundred Years Ago...

- Ninety percent of US physicians had no college education. They attended medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press and government.
- Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were all available over the counter at corner drugstores.

Sources: American Journal of Epidemiology; Journal of Adventist Education; compiled sources

## Expanding Vocabulary

**be-nign** [bĭ-nĭn'] *adjective*

1. **kindly**: having a kind and gentle disposition or appearance
2. **not life-threatening**: not a threat to life or long-term health, especially by being non-cancerous

**ma-lig-nant** [mə-lĭg'nənt]

*adjective* 1. **wanting to do**

**evil**: full of hate and showing a desire to harm others

2. **MEDICINE likely to grow**

**or spread**: used to describe a

tumor that invades the tissue around it and may spread to other parts of the body

Source: Encarta.MSN.com

# WAITING FOR THE

# DOCTOR

The number of people waiting for more than seven days to see a doctor is increasing.

1997	.....	22%
1999	.....	25%
2001	.....	28%

Source: USAToday.com

# Elements of Caring

BY DONALD R. AMMON

*President & CEO, Adventist Health*

*W*hen it comes to community service, there is no simple solution—no pink pill that’s going to make poverty, hunger, illiteracy, and disease disappear. But by taking a unique approach to each challenge, Adventist Health is making a lot of small strides that we hope will add up to a giant step forward for our neighbors.

Much like the earth we all share, our communities are made up of many elements—each with special needs. For instance, kids often must cope with painful diseases long before they learn to read. Teens are faced with the challenge of choosing a career at a time when choosing the right friends is tough enough. Women struggle to fend off breast cancer and osteoporosis. And for seniors, it’s all about preventing heart disease and stroke.

In response, we have created solutions as unique as the problems presented. On the pages that follow, you will read about a mentoring program that exposes teens to a host of health care careers. A health fair designed for tots—and their teddy bears. Full-service retirement centers in Portland, Ore., and Walla Walla, Wash. And new medical technology that’s delivering even better results for those we serve. You will also discover that in keeping with our mission, we comforted the grieving, fed the hungry, and taught people how to live healthier lives all along the way.

For those who are interested in how these services translate to dollars, our 20 hospitals put more than \$1 billion back into our communities last year. Of that, more than \$430 million was directed to

the poor, while another \$640 million benefited the broader community.

Because we’re sure that you—like us—care more about the “what” than the “how much,” I invite you to read on to find out more about our many elements of service. •



Donald R. Ammon,  
President & CEO,  
Adventist Health

## FAST FACTS ABOUT ADVENTIST HEALTH

- Headquartered in Roseville, Calif.
- 20 hospitals in California, Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington
- 17 home care agencies offering home health, hospice, personal care, medical equipment, and infusion therapy services
- More than 17,200 employees
- More than 3,100 beds
- 115,453 admissions
- 396,765 emergency room visits
- 1,758,573 outpatient visits
- 245,773 home care visits
- 828 hospice patients

For more about the organization, visit [www.adventisthealth.org](http://www.adventisthealth.org)





CherryWood Village, located in Portland, Ore., offers a host of amenities in a beautiful setting for retirees.

# ALL THE Comforts of Home

BY PAULINE DEEB

The comfort of home is priceless. At Adventist Health, we know a retirement center must not only have the comforts of home, but the friendliness of a family.

That's why we're developing services to ensure that the needs of our seniors are met. Through joint ventures, Adventist Medical Center (AMC) is providing a premier retirement center for residents in Southeast Portland, and Walla Walla General Hospital (WWGH) is constructing a retirement facility to better serve seniors in its community.

## CherryWood Village

Cherry trees dot the campus of CherryWood Village retirement center. The \$37 million facility is located on the AMC campus, just east of the hospital and adjacent to the Sunnyside Seventh-day Adventist Church.

A joint venture between AMC and Generations LLC, the center is comprised of 340 units, including seven cottages, three independent living apartment buildings, one congregate care building, and an assisted living area.

A host of amenities are available to residents, including a library, bank, computer lab, chapel, art studio, ice cream shop, entertainment center, beauty shop, cafeteria and restaurant. An 18-hole putting golf course is also located on the premises.

*Pauline Deeb served as a summer intern at Adventist Health and is now a senior communication/English major at Union College in Lincoln, Neb.*

CherryWood's health club is another hot spot on campus. The 75-foot lap pool, Jacuzzi spa, workout room, and fitness classes ensure many active days for residents.

"It is an exceptional retirement center for senior citizens," said resident Marietta Hillenkamp. "The hospitality shown by the staff and their willingness to serve the residents makes this facility a special place to be."

## New Retirement Center in Walla Walla

In another joint venture with Generations LLC, WWGH will soon begin construction of a 250,000 square foot retirement center, which could be completed as early as June 2004.

Located on four and a half acres adjacent to WWGH's campus, the \$17.3 million facility will encompass nearly 192 units, comprised of assisted living apartments, independent living apartments and cottages.

Amenities will include a chapel, restaurant, health club and spa, computer room, library, and putting golf course. Free local transportation for residents will be provided.

"Our hospital family is looking forward to serving the residents of Walla Walla in this capacity," says Morre Dean, president and CEO of WWGH. "The new facility will enhance our mission of reaching out to the community and better serving their needs."

Updates regarding Walla Walla's new retirement center will appear in future editions of the GLEANER. •



On Sept. 4, 2002, Adventist Health hosted the North Pacific Union Executive Committee at CherryWood Village. Pictured are three delegates as they enjoy a tour of the retirement facility.

# Caring *for the* Ones You Love

BY HEATHER PRESTON WHEELER

*Heather Preston Wheeler is a communication specialist at Adventist Health.*

*A*t Adventist Health, we're always looking for new and innovative ways to fulfill our mission and make a difference in the lives around us. Our hospitals continuously add new technologies, the latest equipment and programs or services to combat disease and meet individuals' needs at every stage of life.

## *Caring for Health*

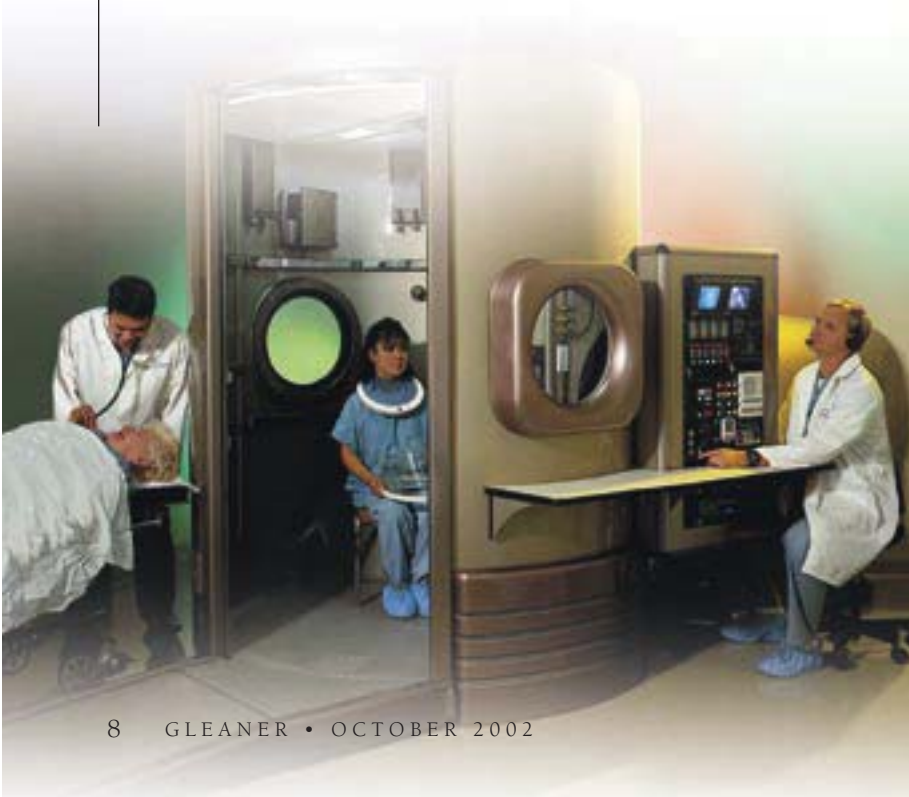
To fight heart disease, Walla Walla General Hospital's (WWGH) Chest Pain Center offers fast, effective diagnosis and treatment for individuals experiencing chest pain and related symptoms. The Center offers fast-track assessment for possible heart attack victims and houses state-of-the-art monitoring equipment.

Specially trained Advanced Cardiac Life Support staff is on duty 24-hours a day. The hospital also offers a host of other cardiac-related services, including a state-of-the-art ICU with advanced cardiac monitoring systems and a cardiac rehabilitation program that helps speed recovery after a heart attack or cardiac surgery.

The latest medical advancements, in the form of new equipment, enable medical staff to provide patients with the best possible care. Tillamook County General Hospital (TCGH), located on the Oregon coast, recently purchased a new R2 ImageChecker, a machine that uses Computer-Aided Detection (CAD) to double-check the results of standard, screening mammograms. The high-tech equipment digitizes the image on a mammogram and alerts radiologists to suspicious features that may be early indicators of breast cancer.

At Adventist Medical Center (AMC) in Portland, Ore., health care technology not only includes

Adventist Health facilities continually add advanced technologies, new equipment, and specialized services to better meet the health care needs of their communities.





high-tech equipment but also encompasses the Internet. A few clicks of a mouse is all it takes to discover how to achieve better health, thanks to the hospital's Online Wellness Center, which can be found at [www.adventisthealthnw.com](http://www.adventisthealthnw.com). The Center is a comprehensive health-improvement and educational resource where visitors can learn how to improve health, prevent disease, manage chronic problems, and obtain information on enhancing the quality of their lives.

### Caring for Women

Throughout Adventist Health's four-state service area, a host of programs, services, and activities are available to meet the special needs of women. At TCGH, a silent auction of donated quilted items raised nearly \$2,000 for breast cancer awareness and mammogram funding for women unable to afford the screening.

AMC recently hosted a health screening and information booth at the area's Race for a Cure. Not only was the hospital on hand the day of the race, but volunteers stayed by for the two-day women's health fair that followed, to offer free health screenings and educational information. In addition, AMC opened a new women's unit at the hospital in 2002.

This past year, WWGH also reached out to the women in its community through various programs and services, including a series of mid-life health education classes for women, covering a range of topics from headaches and depression to healthy holiday cooking.

### Caring for Hearts

Because ministering to the soul is just as important as healing the body, TCGH operates a thriving Bereavement Program for families who have lost loved ones.

"We believe the program provides strength and comfort to many hurting families," said Donna Bechthold, R.N., vice president of patient services at TCGH. "It offers a rare opportunity to connect with people on a deep and personal level and reach out to them at a time of intense need."

Earlier this year, the hospital held its first-ever training on the concepts and procedures of the Bereavement Program. The event drew a large number of employees willing to take time out of their busy lives to offer comfort to those in grief. As a result, many hurting families have been matched with bereavement team members committed to providing comfort and compassion to them for an entire year!

### Caring for Seniors

Adventist Health facilities strive to reach every segment of the population and provide wellness and abundant living for the entire community. So it's no surprise that many of our facilities have programs aimed specifically at meeting the needs of seniors.

WWGH recently established PrimeTime, a free program for those aged 50 and above, aimed at educating its participants and encouraging healthy lifestyles. PrimeTime members have access to a wide array of programs and events from educational lectures to support groups and social activities. In addition, free or discounted health screenings are available, including blood pressure, cholesterol, and diabetes checks, as well as mammograms and prostate exams. Members also enjoy the knowledge and skill of insurance advisors, who are apt guides through the maze of health insurance.

"This program is just another extension of our hospital's mission—keeping people healthy, happy, safe and informed," says Stan Ledington, director of Community Health Education for WWGH. "In addition to being a great resource, the program offers fun activities that center around health and fitness."

Wellspring, a respite center sponsored by TCGH and the Faith in Action Coalition, is another program meeting the needs of the elderly population. Designed for adults who suffer from memory loss and have cognitive or physical limitations that require direct supervision, the program offers local families eight respite days per month. A licensed nurse is on hand to manage medication and personal care, a home-cooked lunch is provided, a private room is accessible for naps, and an array of entertainment and activities are available to participants.

"The mission of Wellspring is to offer support and respite care to caregivers and provide an atmosphere of love, acceptance, and encouragement to care receivers," said Linda Heyne, Faith in Action and Wellspring program coordinator. "It is another way in which we can reach out to our community and demonstrate through caring and compassion that mission is the most important thing at Adventist Health." •



Tillamook County General Hospital's Wellspring program offers precious respite to caregivers and entertainment and socialization for area seniors.

# Caring *for* Kids *from* Car Seats *to* College



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ids. Their jam-splattered smiles disarm us. And their sticky hugs at the end of a busy workday put projects and deadlines in proper perspective.

They are undoubtedly what matters most to moms, dads, grandparents, and godmothers alike. Which is why Adventist Health offers a host of services tailored especially for the next generation.

It may seem counterintuitive, but when it comes to caring for kids, we don't start with kids—we start with parents.

Two mornings a week, 20 moms and dads gather at Walla Walla General Hospital (WWGH) with toddlers in tow for "TotSpot," a bilingual parent-education program offered in conjunction with the local community college.

While parenting is challenging under normal circumstances, it can be further complicated by childhood diseases such as diabetes. To

A participant in Walla Walla General Hospital's "Teddy Bear Care Fair" patiently waits for her stuffed friend to be examined.



## BY REGINA ERICKSON

*Regina Erickson is communication and public affairs manager for Adventist Health.*

help children and their parents cope with the complex regimens surrounding this ailment, WWGH recently introduced a “Diabetes Support Group for Kids.”

The popular, new service is as much about peer support as it is about education. Between monthly lectures on diet, skin care, and insulin injection techniques, the group finds time for picnics in the park and hanging out.

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associate hospitals  
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work experience.*

“It’s good for the kids to be together...to know that they’re not alone,” says Stan Ledington, director of Community Health Education at the hospital.

In another effort to ease fear of the unknown, WWGH hosts an annual “Teddy Bear Check-up.” While stuffed toys are being examined and ban-

daged, their young owners get better acquainted with the hospital by visiting various departments, meeting caregivers, and, of course, collecting prizes along the way.

Most children associate hospitals with broken bones and stitches, but several hospitals have given them another reason to visit—work experience. The teen volunteer program at Tillamook County General Hospital helps high school students in rural Oregon fulfill educational requirements, while learning about the importance of giving back to the community.

Each school year, dozens of teens hit the halls to deliver flowers, transport lab specimens, file reports, and lend support to patients, family members, and staff. During the past year, their efforts translated to nearly 700 hours of service.

“They come with such a positive energy,” says Jan Grosulak, director of Volunteer Services. “We’re always hoping to entice some to the health care profession.”

### *Adventist Medical Center*

In Portland, Ore., Adventist Medical Center (AMC) is equally clear about its intentions. To encourage teens to consider a career in health care, the hospital serves as one of only two medical posts in the “Explorers” program, a division of the Boy Scouts of America. Roughly 20 teens—both male and female—participate in the after-school program, which literally lets them set their own agenda.

Hot spots typically include the ER, physical therapy, and surgery. The Medical Explorers are also drawn to the high-tech world of radiology, and the morgue continues to be morbidly popular. At each elected destination, a physician or employee provides a brief lecture, followed by a question-and-answer session.

While it’s hard to know how many of these teens end up pursuing a health care career, AMC does its best to pique their interest. And many of them end up volunteering at the hospital, so the program is obviously doing something right. •

# Fresh Start

## Diggin' Dirt

**A** big chunk of the Adventist health message centers on what we eat. That's why I'm always interested in articles like the one in the *Seattle Times* that described an eating addiction of a woman in Mississippi.

According to the report, "Once Johnson tried hard to kick the habit. She took up smoking. She began eating laundry starch as a substitute. But the old craving still lingered."

Her addiction? Dirt. Yep, that's right, dirt.

The article reports, "Johnson has to have a daily fix of dirt, particularly her favorite, crunchy clay."

"I've tried to wean myself away from it," says Johnson as she displays her soil

source to visitors in her native Holmes County on the edge of the Mississippi Delta. "On a daily average, I'd say I'd eat a tablespoonful, just enough to get a taste in my mouth, like pinching tobacco."

The article quotes Dennis Frate, a medical anthropologist and program director of the University of Mississippi's Rural Health Research Program, an authority on dirt eating: "It's analogous to eating potato chips. A snack food is what it is."

Dr. Frate conducted a study in 1971 that found that one

out of four adult women in Holmes County ate dirt regularly. For some reason, however, the study also showed that very

few men eat dirt (Kathy Eyre, Oral History, 18 Dec. 1988, X).

As a pastor, I read this article with keen interest, because often we run out of food at church potlucks. Now I keep a shovel in my office. So there's always enough food—at least for the women.

Seriously, I doubt that you struggle with an obsession for dirt. But my guess is that you wrestle with some flavor of a food addiction—whether it's sugar, shrimp, or sherry. The Devil knows that one of the most effective avenues to the soul is through the mouth. That's why God offers so much counsel in His Word and the Spirit of Prophecy on what to eat and what to avoid. What a blessing our Church has received in the health message! As Adventists, we have no excuse for missing out on happiness and health.

Science confirms that there is a direct link between your food and your mood. "It may surprise some people to learn that many food constituents can actually affect the chemi-

cal composition of the brain," says Richard Wurtman of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Food & Mood, "Nutrition Action Health Letter," Sept. 1992, 1).

Frankly, I don't need some hotshot scientist to tell me that. He's preaching something I already know—if you eat six bags of chips, five hamburgers, four pounds of cheesecake, three loaded pizzas, two chocolate shakes, and a partridge in a pear tree, you won't think so clearly.

Out of love, God provides dietary guidelines for us to follow if we want to think and feel our best. He loaded up the Garden of Eden with everything we need to experience optimum health.

Again, modern science seconds God's motion. C. Everett Coop, former surgeon general of the United States, suggests the best menu is "a varietal diet rich in complex carbohydrates and protein obtained from whole grains, bean, peas, legumes and a selection of root vegetables. Daily servings of leafy vegetables, daily servings of fruit, a few nuts and 8-10 glasses of water."

The bottom line: Eat lots of stuff that grows in dirt. But that doesn't mean you have to eat the dirt! •

*Karl Haffner is senior pastor of the Walla Walla College Church in College Place, Wash.*





# ALASKA'S "GOSPEL ANGELS"

## *Wing Salvation to Frontiers*

**A**laska, more than any other U.S. state, is an "unreached territory" with regard to the Third Angels' Message.

Among Alaska's 225 indigenous villages, only about 10 have received more than a passing encounter with Adventism. The challenging task ahead calls for reaching people of more than seven different native language groups.

So far, the Alaska Conference has established a presence among three indigenous people groups, in 11 villages. But of these, only eight have regular or volunteer staff on site. These villages are far apart and inaccessible, except by air. But the Conference is beginning to receive offers from youth and Pathfinder groups in various parts of the U. S., who wish to reach out to these villages.

To help meet the challenges of unentered areas, Adventist World Aviation (AWA) and the Alaska Conference this year have entered into a partnership agreement to help improve the quality of life for these forgotten people, by sharing the Advent message with them.

A Church-supporting ministry located in Berrien Springs, Mich., AWA provides aviation and communications support to those serving the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of the forgotten peoples of the earth.

Aircraft may be the most effective means of transportation to reach these unreached



Pastor Lonnie and Melanie Wibberding, with sons Anthony, 3, and Jeremiah, 1, stand by the AWA Cessna 182 they use to fly among churches in Southeast Alaska.

people groups, in our backyard. AWA's airplane fleet in Alaska currently includes a Cessna 206 and a Cessna 182.

### *Cessna 206*

The Cessna 206, a 1976 six-place aircraft model, is being rebuilt to meet the transportation needs of those ministering to Alaska's native population. Structural work on the airframe and wings has been completed, and refurbishing of control surfaces continues. A factory-remanufactured engine has been installed, with an overhauled prop and accessories.

Final assembly, paint, interior work, and some additional avionics must be completed before launch, but soon it will be ready to provide transportation among the unreached people groups and villages of Alaska.

### *Cessna 182*

On May 11, a 1958 Cessna 182 was dedicated for God's mission in Alaska. A group of more than 50 people gathered at the Andrews University Airpark and surrounded the

*And the Good News about the Kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world.*

mission plane, as Dwight K. Nelson, senior pastor of the Pioneer Memorial Church, offered the dedicatory prayer.

In that prayer, Pastor Nelson

mentioned that the Cessna is a "mechanical angel that will join those angels of Revelation 14." As he concluded his prayer, he said, "For the great state of Alaska, we claim the promise that is inherent in the First Angel's Message, that the everlasting gospel will go to all the indigenous villages."

AWA missionary pilots Clifton Brooks and Andy Klein, with volunteer pilot John Payne, helped ferry the mission aircraft from Berrien Springs to Anchorage, Alaska.

### *You Can Help*

You too can help reach the 225 native villages in Alaska. Consider the following ways:

- Adopt a native village in Alaska.
- Serve as a volunteer teacher, doctor, nurse, Bible worker, or pastor.
- Donate an aircraft or ham radio gear to Adventist World Aviation.
- Become a prayer partner to help reach the unreached in Alaska.

"And the Good News about the Kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world." Will you partner with God to reach out to these unreached people groups, within our borders? Please join Pastor Nelson in praying that the Lord will use these "celestial messengers for an apocalyptic mission." •

*Jim Kincaid and Melchizedek Ponniah*

# PALMER CAMP MEETING

## Attracts Audience from Across Alaska



Walter Arties, evangelism director for the Voice of Prophecy, sings for Palmer, Alaska, Camp Meeting attendees.

**S**eventh-day Adventist church members from across Alaska gathered for the annual Palmer Camp Meeting, Aug. 6-10.

By its finale, Sabbath, attendance had grown to more than 800, nearly a quarter of total Alaska Conference membership. Guests from the lower-48 states joined members from far-away St. Lawrence Island, to the west, and Ketchikan, in southeast Alaska.

Dan Matthews, retired executive director of Faith for Today and host of Lifestyle Magazine, led attendees each evening to a deeper understanding of the Camp Meeting theme, "Knowing the Hour."

He encouraged his audience to "make payments on God's love for us, by treating each other with love." He also noted, "Theology is not theoretical. It's not intellectual. It is relational."

His wife, Betsy Matthews, treasurer of the Western Adventist Foundation, spoke each morning on the need for and advantages of having

well-prepared wills and trusts. Ken and Colleen Crawford of the Oregon Conference, senior pastoral couple at the Meadow Glade Church in Washington, each afternoon shared parenting suggestions.

Other presenters included Walter Arties, evangelism director for the Voice of Prophecy; David White, coordinator of the Health Certification Program for the Health Ministries of the North American Division; and Derris Krause, Human Resource Bureau chief for Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA).

A daily schedule of events for younger attendees provided active indoor meetings and outdoor activities, including swimming in the refreshing waters of Big Lake at Camp Tukuskoya, the Conference-operated youth camp that serves south-central Alaska. •

*Reported by John Kriegelstein*

Russ Johnson, Alaska Conference president, welcomes Palmer Camp Meeting attendees on opening night.



Odea Sigh, pastor in Fairbanks, Alaska, visits with singer Walter Arties.



More than 40 members of the newly organized Samoan Church Company sing for Sabbath services. The Company has more than 90 regular attendees and will soon conduct an evangelistic series.



Dan Matthews presents a message on the theme "Knowing the Hour."



Teens enjoy activities and engaging discussions in the youth department, directed by Melinda and Terry Pflugrad, Delta Junction Church pastoral couple.



Ken Crawford, senior pastor of the Meadow Glade, Wash., Adventist Church, delivers the Sabbath-morning message.



A Sabbath audience focuses on the Camp Meeting theme, "Knowing the Time."



Sana Downs, granddaughter of Pastor Wendell Downs of Wasilla, enjoys children's department activities during Palmer Camp Meeting.

Photography by Gary Waterhouse



## GEM STATE ADVENTIST ACADEMY Welcomes 142 Students

**G**em State Adventist Academy, a grade 9-12 day and boarding high school outside of Caldwell, Idaho, began classes this school year with 142 students, from eight states and five foreign countries.

Japan, Korea, Africa, Mexico, and Taiwan are all represented on the student body, as are the US states of Idaho, California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Utah, Tennessee, and Minnesota.

“I go to Gem State because, after going to a public school, Gem State Academy offers me a better learning experience, as well as a spiritual atmosphere,” says Ashley Camara, a student from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Although many students live on campus during the school year, some 100 students attend Gem State from the greater Treasure Valley, traveling up to an hour each way.



Gem State Adventist Academy this year welcomed 142 students, a strong turnout for the Caldwell, Idaho, Academy.

### Senior Survival

In one of their first activities this year, as a class, Gem State Adventist Academy seniors began a rite of passage that took them into the wilderness for problem-solving and team-building activities.

During “Senior Survival,” they were confronted with scenarios that required them to think outside the box and

solve problems together, using ingenuity and resources at hand.

Terry Soule, Class sponsor and history teacher, said, “The purpose of Senior Survival is to teach seniors to work together in out-of-the-ordinary situations, be creative, and have fun as a class.” •

*Reported by Debra McCarver*

## GARDEN VALLEY ORGANIZES

**T**o God be the Glory – Great Things He Hath Done!” The words of the hymn rang through the recently completed sanctuary, as more than 70 members and guests participated in the formal organization of the Garden Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church, north of Boise, Idaho.

“Today is a Sabbath that will live forever in our minds—an incredible testimony of what God can do with ordinary laymen who fully consecrate their lives to Him, seek Him, turn from sin,

earnestly pray, and give God the Glory,” noted Dene Sue Ross, Sabbath school superintendent.

“The establishment of a Seventh-day Adventist Church in this dark Idaho county is the direct result of God’s providence and a long-awaited answer to the prayers of many who dreamed of sharing the ‘matchless charms of Christ’ with their friends and neighbors in Garden Valley.”

So it was that on Sabbath, July 27, after an inspiring sermon by Stephen McPherson,

Idaho Conference president, Don Klinger, Conference executive secretary, officiated in the organization of 53 charter members and delivered the charge to the new church. Pastor Dennis Parks offered a prayer of dedication.

When asked later to share the Garden Valley Church’s mission statement, Roger Essink, head elder, said, “We are here to establish a place of worship—a Sabbath memorial in this community; to preach the good news of Jesus Christ, what He has done in our lives, and His soon return; and to live as individuals who are fully committed to Christ

and ready to serve Him according to His will.”

In their continuing outreach effort to the community, members recently opened a series of DVD-illustrated evangelistic meetings, “Hope for the Homeland,” and are confidently looking to the future because of God’s leading in the past.

They admit that they once had doubts about their ability to carry out the mission of reaching their community, as laity “with no special training and limited funds.”

Now, however, says Ross, “Our hearts are thrilled at how faithfully the Lord has kept His word and abundantly blessed our efforts.” •

*Reported by Dene Sue Ross*



From the platform, founding members of the Garden Valley, Idaho, Church, lead the rest of the congregation in a vote for official organization.

### COLUMBIA FALLS VBS *Focuses on World Mission*

**W**ith the help of Adventist Development and Relief Agency's (ADRA's) "Adventures for Kids" program, children this summer were able to tour the world at the North Valley Adventist Church's vacation Bible school in Columbia Falls, Mont.

With their "tour guides" and "passports," the children visited four daily travel stations, representing different nations.

There they learned from instructors dressed authentically for the country represented, who told them about local practices, customs, religions, needs, and what ADRA is do-

ing to help.

At a "Bible Center" station, children traveled back in time to the days of the patriarchs and listened to Bible heroes and heroines dressed in Bible costumes.

They also learned how Jesus helped people in need before He preached to them.

At an "International Food" center, children received nutritious snacks, representative of the countries featured that day.

Making their way to the "Kids' Care" center, children were able to put into action the concepts of care and compassion they learned each day. They made "Huts of Hope"

coin banks and during the week saved extra change to give to ADRA at the end of the program.

Other activities included art projects of an international, Christ-related theme, and community service projects, including the donation and collection of food.

The children also viewed daily travel adventure videos, provided by ADRA, to help them visualize going into all the world and taking the gospel of hope to faraway lands. •

*Melissa Wallace*



Storytellers share information about foreign and Bible lands with vacation Bible school students in Columbia Falls, Mont.

### MT. ELLIS ACADEMY *Opens with 78 Students*

**M**t. Ellis Academy opened school this year on Aug. 18, with 78 students currently enrolled—representing an increase of several students from last year's initial enrollment.

"The school year's theme is living life like we are already in heaven," reports Juanita Starkebaum, administrative secretary. "We can all be prepared to go home with Jesus, as long as we are living the Christian life here and now. We are very thankful for all the students that chose to come to Mt. Ellis this year and look forward to a good year with

each one of them."

The inspiration for the Academy's Isaiah 40:30-31 motto, an eagle, sits motionless in the administration building, compelling each student to remember, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not be faint." •

*Juanita Starkebaum*

On Registration Day, Aug. 18, two new seniors, Erik Johnson and Britney Faulkingham, enroll, as Matt Vogele looks on, sharing advice about the registration process.



Justin and Tisha Brown, from Helena, Mont., sign up for Community Families, a program the Mt. Ellis Church instituted several years ago to help students make friends among area families.



The Academy's Annual Handshake was held outdoors this year, where Jon Burden, a junior from Kalispell, Mont., tries to find his shoes in a pile, during a get-acquainted "mixer game." The evening ended with an ice cream feed.



MONTANA



## PORTLAND ADVENTIST ACADEMY

*Welcomes New Staff*

**P**ortland Adventist Academy (PAA) has welcomed three new teachers to its staff, all of whom bring a combination of experience and Christian commitment.

Joan Oksenholt, a fifth-generation teacher, has been the principal at Lincoln City Adventist Junior Academy for 15 years and on their board for much longer.



She will now be teaching US History, English, and journalism classes at PAA.

She is married to Erling Oksenholt, a family practitioner and emergency room physician in Lincoln City. She has a married daughter, Kari, a social worker, and a son, Jon, a property developer. Joan is a graduate of Walla Walla College and George Fox University.

### Wayne Culmore

Wayne Culmore has been the principal of both Columbia Adventist Academy and Auburn Adventist Academy and dean of men and pastor/



chaplain in Adventist schools in both the United States and Canada. He will teach Bible classes at PAA.

Most recently, he served as vice president for Shared Healthcare Systems. His wife, Sylvia, is an administrative assistant. His son, James, is director of operations at Risk Management. His daughter, Julie, is director of marketing and corporate activities for Innovative Fitness.

### Les Zollbrecht

Les Zollbrecht, new PAA chaplain, Bible teacher, and public relations coordinator, has been the youth pastor at the Hood View Church for the past



two years and before that pastored in Australia and the United States.

He has spent six summers on the staff at Big Lake and is married to Marschelle, an occupational therapist. His father and a brother are both pastors. •

*Debby Melnychenko*



Phillip Miller, Hockinson Heights member and literature evangelist for Clark and Cowlitz counties, receives a trophy from Cecelia St. Clair, district director, for outstanding accomplishments—39,241 total pieces of literature distributed at the Cowlitz County Fair in years 2000, 2001, and 2002.

## LITERATURE EVANGELISTS

*Master Art of Fair Ministry*

**P**hilip Miller, literature evangelist for Cowlitz and Clark counties in Washington and member of the Hockinson Heights Adventist Church, recently received a trophy in recognition of three years of outstanding service.

With the encouragement and volunteer assistance of area churches, Miller represented the Seventh-day Adventist Church at the Cowlitz and Clark county fairs.

Two years ago, Miller distributed 6,112 pieces of literature at the Cowlitz fair; last year, he more than doubled that figure, to 14,055. This year, at the same fair, he tripled his original figure and distributed 19,074 pieces of Christian literature.

Cecelia St. Clair, district director, pays tribute to Miller's outstanding courage and urges all who are interested in learning more about literature evangelism in the Oregon Conference to contact her by

phone at (503) 887-4437 or, toll free, at (800) 887-4437.

Other literature evangelists who manned booths in the Oregon Conference territory this year were Delwin Brower, Cook, Jefferson, and Deschutes counties; Hugh Cowles, Linn and Benton counties and Oregon State Fair; Helen Fried, Oregon Camp Meeting booth; Sharon Pierce, Clatsop County; Jim Webb, Jackson and Lane counties; Dorene Sample with Phillip Miller, Clark County; and Cecelia St. Clair, Oregon State Fair.

New literature evangelists this year include Brian Coy, Eagle Point, Ore.; Moses Boney, Astoria, Ore.; and W.T. Kaiser, Portland, Ore. Wade Walker assists Dick Hoey with the Laurelwood Academy Magabook Program, while serving as a regular literature evangelist. •

*Reported by Cecelia St. Clair*

## CANBY PROPHECY SEMINAR *Leads to Baptisms*



From left, Dean Bayless, Kathryn Dikeman, and Pastor Steve Cromwell are shown at their June 8 baptismal service.

**K**athryn Dikeman and Dean Bayless have been baptized and received into membership in the Canby, Ore., Church, after attending a Bible prophecy seminar held at the local public school cafeteria.

The computer-illustrated seminar ran from March to June and was followed by an advanced seminar series.

Steve Cromwell, then local pastor, reported that 20 church members faithfully helped staff the meetings.

Dikeman was able to recapture her childhood Christian faith during the seminar, as her spiritual questions were

answered.

“I was able to tie together science and faith,” she said. “I have joined this church because it allows intellectual honesty.”

Bayless had never heard about the seventh-day Sabbath, until 10 years ago his mother began attending the Gladstone Park Adventist Church.

She told him at that time, “This is the right church.” The Prophecy seminar convinced him that she had been correct, and he testified: “From now on I’ll keep the Sabbath holy.” •

*Diana J. Harrold*

## WINNING DRILL TEAM

**T**he Rogue Valley Pathfinders’ Drill Team took first place in the Basic Drill Team Category at last year’s Pathfinder Fair, but this year competed in both Basic and Fancy categories—their first attempt in the more demanding category—and they made history.

For what is believed to be the first time in Pathfinder Fair history, two teams tied for first place—the Rogue Valley and Springfield teams.

The Rogue Valley drill team, led by Drillmaster Ginnie Kim, has nine members, ranging in age from 10 to 15 years: Ashley Summer-Coggins

(9th grade), Ryan Cool (7th grade), Jonathan Currier (9th grade), Stephanie Poteet (7th grade), Ryan Randahl (6th grade), Matthew Robertson (10th grade), Tyler Robertson (7th grade), Sarah Steahly (7th grade), and Jessica Wold (6th grade).

To prepare for the Fair, they practiced diligently every week for an hour before regular Pathfinder meetings. By marching, they learned discipline and the ability to focus, follow directions, and the importance of teamwork in the Body of Christ. •

*Susan Hall*





## PORTLAND LEARNING CENTER *Celebrates 10 Years of Ministry*

**W**hen Carl Parker of Portland, Ore., a counselor at Portland Community College, read about local inner-city students who were scoring two to three grade levels below their peers, he wondered if he could help.

So in 1985, he and his wife, Audre', established a tutorial program and formed an organization called Citizens Involved in Teaching Youth (CITY). Between 1985 and 1992, the organization provided 40,000 hours of tutorial services to more than 700 students who needed help in improving their math and reading skills.

In 1991, they started a little school with 13 students in grades one to five, in a rented house across from the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Then, with encouragement from the community and the assistance of Maranatha Volunteer International, American State Bank, and others, the Parkers started the

Community Learning Center in 1992.

In addition to providing educational services, the Center is able to teach Christian values. Days begin with worship, Bible is a part of the regular curriculum, and parents appreciate the Christian environment.

Besides the Center's educational dimension, results have come from its spiritual and health emphasis, and a Revelation seminar held by LeRoy Klein two years ago led to eight baptisms.

The Center has also held health fairs and seminars, hosting medical missionaries from as far away as Tennessee.

"As might be expected, finances have always been a pressing problem," says Parker. "The parents pay a modest tuition, and this is supplemented with fundraisers and donations. Recently, Pastor Walter Arties, of the Voice of Prophecy, released a new CD, and the proceeds will help the



Students at Portland Learning Center excel, as they set an intellectual and spiritual foundation for life ahead.

Center. In addition, another recording by some local artists will also benefit the program.

"There have been many satisfying experiences, especially in seeing youngsters develop their learning skills," he adds. "A student came three years ago who was behind in reading. In fact, she had been labeled 'special ed'. She was recently tested and placed on grade level. The mother was extremely pleased with what the Center has done for her daughter."

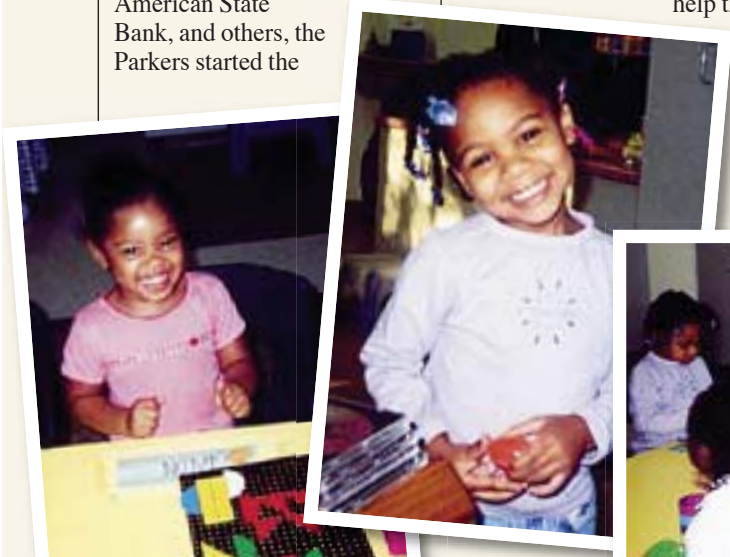
What of the future? Now, as the Center marks its 10th

anniversary, changes will take place. The educational emphasis of the Center for the next school year will shift to preschool through first grade.

"There is the strong possibility that the Center will return to its tutorial roots and assist elementary students who are behind in their basic skills," says Parker. "I believe that the need for supplementary educational services, such as tutoring, will increase in the future."

But basic to all of this is the ultimate vision for evangelism: "We want to reach people with the message of salvation. The plan is to also use health and wellness and religious programs to reach people for Christ." •

Morten Juberg



## PLEASANT HILL Hosts "Extreme" VBS



Skits each day featured characters of faith from Hebrews 11.

**T**he Pleasant Hill Seventh-day Adventist Church in Oregon was transformed into a "10-foot mountain of faith" for vacation Bible school (VBS) students this summer.

One hundred seventy children registered for the "Faith Mountain: An Extreme Adventure with Jesus" VBS, where they were introduced to Jesus as a joyful, loving God. Half of the children came from non-Adventist homes, some having never been in a church before.

Each morning, the children sang joyful, upbeat Christian music in the sanctuary and were introduced to the Bible themes of the week: Abraham, Joseph, David, Moses and Jesus. "Cliff, the Goat" presented the lessons through skits that showed how the Bible characters climbed Faith Mountain in their relationships

with God.

The Bible stories were then reaffirmed in Bible Land, a room decorated to resemble a Bible times setting.

The children also enjoyed making daily crafts, which helped them complete their journey up Faith Mountain. To make sure they each had an "extreme adventure with Jesus," each day they were introduced to a new outdoor

activity.

They encountered rock-climbing, instruction in white water rafting, hay rides, and an air-filled, seven-element obstacle course.

It took 70 volunteer staff to make it all possible, and they are already excitedly talking about what can be done next year.

The VBS week ended with a Friday-evening vespers ceremony, which concluded with projection of the joyful, smiling face of Jesus above Faith Mountain.

Parents, moved to tears, were impressed with the emphasis placed on the joy to be found in spending time with Jesus each day.

Though the volunteers worked hard, they credit Jesus for the blessings each day.

Springfield members began holding annual VBS programs three years ago, with 50 children. Last year, attendance grew to 114, leading up to this year's 170, some of whom now attend from Portland, Ore., and Washington state. •

*Yvonne Karotko*



Attendance has tripled during the past three years at Pleasant Hill VBS.



## Faithful Landscapers

**A**fter 23 years of landscaping and maintaining the Gladstone Park Adventist Church grounds, Ervin and Vadah Dunn have retired. They were honored during a church potluck with a special cake and testimonies by friends and family. There, the Duns were given a certificate and a financial gift raised by members to help them install a cement patio they have been wanting. Both their sons, Robert and Daniel, attended the special potluck, with grandsons Jack and Andy of Oregon City, Ore. •

## CEDAR CREEK Baptism

**D**uring worship services at the Cedar Creek Church in Washington, members were blessed as Mindy Lorraine Nogle was baptized by Pastor Marty Jackson. Nogle's grandparents and other relatives attended the special service. •

*Miriam Kelly*



# COOKIE'S RETREAT CENTER

*Dedicated*

**S**abbath, Aug. 24, was a big day in the Upper Columbia Conference and North Pacific Union.

Polly's Place Ministries of the Northwest held a dedication ceremony for Cookie's Retreat Center, a Christ-centered healing retreat for women and children who are victims of domestic violence and related issues.

The program is patterned after the successful ministry, "Polly's Place," in Berrien Springs, Mich.

Cookie's Retreat Center was named for a caring grandmother and mother who gave generously to help start the program.

Women and children who use the Center will remain up to eight weeks in a family environment. They will take part in private and group counseling, educational workshops, and vocational training opportunities. They will also have



Shown, from left, are Mable Dunbar, founder of Polly's Place Ministries; Jessika Chapman from Walla Walla, Wash.; Jere Patzer, president of the North Pacific Union Conference; Kim Bryan, president of Polly's Place Ministries; and Max Torkelsen II, president of the Upper Columbia Conference, as they prepare to cut the ribbon at the dedication ceremony for Cookies Retreat Center.

access to legal and resource advocacy.

The ministry is non-profit, donation funded, with no charge to those who come to receive the safety and healing they need.

### Lay Support

Though Northwestern conferences and the North Pacific Union support the ministry, its viability will depend on lay-member support, as it saves lives and impacts the future by interrupting inter-generational

cycles of domestic violence.

### Pantries Full

Thanks to generous contributions during a food drive sponsored by Positive Life Radio, the pantry is stocked.

Adventist church members have furnished the house and provided bedding. Meanwhile, 14 Adventist women have already requested sanctuary at the Center.

Unfortunately, the Center is not allowed to open until one year's operational funds are in the bank—about \$200,000.

One donor has given \$100,000, challenging others to step forward with a matching amount. Given this level of support, directors of Cookie's Retreat Center are confident it will open.

More information is available by writing Cookies Retreat Center, PO Box 19471, Spokane WA 99219. •

# UMAPINE

*Celebrates 25 Years*

**F**ifty charter members planted a new Adventist Church in Umapine, Ore., in 1977, and on July 12 and 13, the now-90-member congregation celebrated its 25th anniversary.

The congregation serves the Umapine area in the Walla Walla Valley with weekly Sabbath school and church services, a vacation Bible school program (charter

members, in fact, launched the church through successful vacation Bible school ministry in the 1970s), and an organized Pathfinder youth club.

Members recently remodeled their church building, and former members who attended Friday vespers and Sabbath services were impressed by their work.

The vespers program featured Ed and Pam



Umapine, Ore., Church members celebrate their 25th anniversary.

Baumgartner, former Umapine members who accepted a call to mission service in Perú.

Marlo Fralick, who pastored the Milton/Umapine district

from 1975-1983, presented the Sabbath message. •

*Gene Dotolo*



Darlene Carlson created a patriotic quilt that won an award at last year's county fair.

## PATRIOTISM KEYS

*Troy Community Dinner*

**W**omen in the small Adventist church of Troy, Idaho, recently hosted 88 at their congregation's Annual Community Dinner. Coordinators and hostesses

chose a post-Sept. 11 patriotic theme and used prize-winning patriotic quilts (created by members Darlene Carlson and Alice Reiber) in their decor.

During the Dinner, "Lady Liberty" appeared, played by Cindy Chrowel, as Dixie Hunt led the audience in singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

Chrowel then shared a history of the Statue of Liberty that reminded the group of the great liberties enjoyed by Americans.

During the dinner, special tribute was paid to local business people and teachers, including a 92-year-old former educator. The dinner closed as the entire group sang "God Bless America."

As they left, many commented, "We just love to come to your church every year." •

*Elaine Drury*



Dixie Hunt stands with "Miss Liberty," Cindy Chrowel.

## CALIFORNIA YOUTHS

*Discover UCC "Mission Field"*

**F**ifteen youths and young adults from the Roseville Adventist Church in California discovered a worthy mission field this summer in the Upper Columbia Conference.

For seven of the past 10 years, youth groups from Roseville have given up approximately two weeks of work or school time to help other churches, schools, and youth camps.

The decision to focus on the Diamond Lake Church in Washington, this year, came after Judy Leeper, mission trip sponsor, spoke with Diamond Lake member Roberta Buck.

Leeper then made an appeal for funds at her home church in Roseville and was able to raise \$2,000 for construction supplies.

The team worked in the Diamond Lake area Aug. 2-11, preparing a drainage ditch beside the basement of the church, landscaping, doing



Katie Bullock, Angela Parvin, Erin Fa'Alafua, Charlie Black, Mike Bassett, Gabe Arruda, and Eric Sarazen prepare the drainage ditch.

concrete work, and painting a new church sign. They also staffed a week-long vacation Bible school program for Diamond Lake and Newport churches.

The team also did some work at the Pend Orielle Valley Adventist School in Oldtown, Idaho. Local members helped the youth enjoy their trip by providing horses and canoes for sightseeing. •

*Kathy Marson*

Eric Sarazen, Mark Dwyer, Ema Vakaloloma, and Stacie Rose made new kindergarten-age friends during vacation Bible school.



Roseville youths pose in front of the Diamond Lake Church sign they refurbished. Shown in back are Ema Vakaloloma, Bianca Ziegler, Eric Sarazen, Katie Bullock, Stacie Rose, Mark Gainer, Angela Parvin, Erin Fa'Alafua, Felisha Bullock, Sandeep Lall, and Mark Dwyer. In front are Charlie Black, Judy Leeper, Mike Bassett, Gabe Arrude, and Kevin Sarazen.





## MOSES LAKE *Enjoys New School Building*

Only six months after breaking ground for a new school in March 2001, Moses Lake, Wash., members were able to begin using their partially completed 40,000-square-foot building.

To make it all possible, they donated approximately 2,000 man-hours, working under project manager Vern Pflugrad, his assistant, Hugh Thomas, and Gary Morgan, Building Committee chairman.

The steel-structure building was designed by Shawn McCrary, Adventist owner of Tektoniks, a "Design-Build Firm." The school's upper floor remains unfinished, awaiting future expansion needs.

### Day Care

Brite Beginnings Day Care took occupancy Oct. 22, with attendance of up to 85 children per day. Previously licensed for only 40 children, in the new facility it now can accept up to 120.

Tammy Smith, Day Care director and kindergarten teacher, plans to take full advantage of the larger capacity. She has expanded the curriculum to provide a preschool program for three- and four-year-olds, offer care before and after school hours, and provide a summer program.

### Thirty-five Students

Meanwhile, 35 students in grades one through nine enjoyed a much-needed extra classroom, a library, and a computer lab not formerly available.

Teachers for the first school year in the new school were Ruben Artiga, principal and grades 7-9 teacher; Cheri Jenkins, grades 1-3; Cindy Myers, grades 4-6; and Florence Schaffer, administrative/resource teacher. •

*Reported by Judi Wentland*

Moses Lake, Wash., teachers and students gather in front of their new school building.



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## LIBERTY BY THE LAKE

"Butch" Otter (center), US Congressman for Idaho District #1, greets Diana Justice, North Pacific Union Conference Public Affairs and Religious Liberty (NPUC PARL) associate director, and her husband, Harry, at a July rally in Hayden Lake, Idaho. She gave Representative Otter a gift book and subscription to "Liberty Magazine," on behalf of NPUC PARL. •



UPPER COLUMBIA

# AUBURN ENROLLMENT

## Spurred by Scholarships



Jessica Russell and Rachel Rasco, both seniors, are enjoying AAA registration day.

About 300 students were registered at Auburn Adventist Academy (AAA) by Aug. 25, leading to expectations for

about 310 students this year, up from 305 at this time last year.

“When gauging enrollment success, the biggest blessing this year was with the number of low-income students Auburn was able to enroll,” says Brian Becker, director of recruitment.

The scholarship program “Pathways to Success,”

better known as Common Weal, allows AAA to recruit low-income students and offer an average of \$4,000 in scholarship funds to needy families.

Common Weal voted unanimously this February

to partner with AAA, adding it to its list of 19 sponsored academies.

Though AAA is one of the latest to join with Common Weal, it already has one of the highest number of Common Weal sponsorships.

AAA students this year come from as far away as Alaska, California, Canada,

Student Karina Kretschmer and Pastor Jay Coon tackle a registration line together.

Hawaii, Japan, Korea, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Peru, Taiwan, Texas, and Thailand. •

Brian Becker



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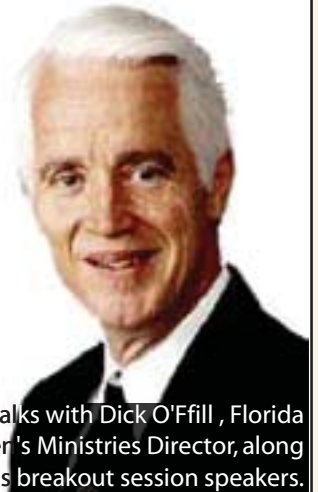
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## PSAA WELCOMES *New Technology, Journalism Staff*

**P**uget Sound Adventist Academy in Kirkland, Wash., has welcomed new technology director Vladimir Bokov and journalism teacher/advisor Kellie Tompkins.

### *Bokov*

Bokov's teachers in his native Russia repeatedly told him to forget his religion and place learning above all else, but he never gave up his faith.

Bokov went on to graduate from high school and later earned a B.A. degree from Andrews's University.

Russian schools operate Monday through Saturday, with exams on Saturday, but through creative scheduling and God's guiding power, Bokov was able to gain a high school education.

Because university-level studies were unheard of in the 1980s for anyone not adhering to communist principles, Bokov studied in an

*Lead me  
in Your truth  
and teach me,  
For You are  
the God of  
my salvation;  
On You I will  
wait all the day.*

*PSALM 25:5*

Andrews University extension program.

In 1989, the Adventist Church was allowed to open a publishing house in Russia, and because of his skill in English, he was employed as an editor/translator and later editor-in-chief.

After a short visit to America in 1995, he realized the great need for technology in Russia and

Kellie Tompkins

began working on "systems certification."

A series of seemingly miraculous events allowed him and his family to immigrate to the United States in September 2001.

As a teacher, he helps his students become comfortable in a world where everything is going digital—from professional photography to video production and editing.

He plans to incorporate Web page design and system networking, while helping PSAA staff include the latest technology in their teaching, at a highly competent level.

He feels his greatest challenge is to provide technical support and maintain the 80 computers on campus.

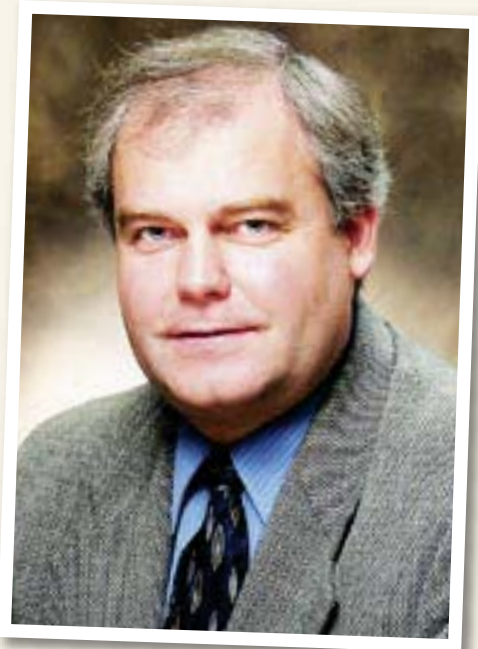
### *Kellie Tompkins*

Kellie Tompkins, a graduate of Michigan State University with a B.A. degree in journalism, brings her love of journalistic writing to PSAA.

She has worked as a reporter for the "Topeka Capital-Journal," served as a Michigan legislative reporter, and received the Kansas Pen

Women's award for freelance achievements. This summer, she taught a writing class at Washington Conference Camp Meeting.

Her goals are to pass along



Vladimir Bokov

to her students a love of investigative interviewing, writing, reporting, and creative page layout.

She believes that good, journalistic writing can benefit the Seventh-day Adventist Church and open many doors, no matter what career paths her students choose. She also serves as yearbook advisor.

Her two sons, Andrew and Daniel, are PSAA students, and her husband, Joel, serves as Washington Conference associate treasurer. •

Kathy Fridlund



# REFLECTIONS OF A *former* Student Missionary

Kim Unterseher writes from Walla Walla College, in College Place, Wash., excerpting highlights and transition points from her diary as a student missionary at Universidad Adventista de Centro America (UNADECA), in Costa Rica. This is the final installment of a four-part series on her experience.



### January 4

We have begun a new program here at UNADECA. I am now going to be teaching English to the first-, fourth-, and fifth-graders, as well as a college class.

### January 25

I love teaching the first-graders. Every afternoon, I am greeted with a hug and a kiss on the cheek, before we begin singing lots of songs. One of their favorites is "Jesus' Love Keeps Bubbling Over." I don't

think they understand what bubbling means, though, and when I try to explain it, the kids just stare at me blankly.

### March 2

An amazing breakthrough! As I was once again attempting to wash dishes in freezing cold, contaminated water, a cockroach was scurrying about my dishes. This time, instead of reaching for the Raid, I just let the cockroach be. As a matter of fact, it's still there.

you're not good at them. The hard part comes later, when you think of all the things you should have said. Saying good-bye to the kids was especially hard, but I swung them around for one last time, and we ate ice cream, so it was a little easier. I can't believe how much I am going to miss this place, this experience, and the people.

### March 23

I have actually never felt so relaxed and stress-free. I feel God led me here, and I know I have changed because of this experience. I am going to miss this place when I leave.

### May 19

Today, I went to get my exit visa and had to pay an unexpected \$41, which I did not have. Luckily, Janine Fetke, a student missionary from Monteverde, was there, and she loaned me some money. At the airport, crying, I lugged my huge suitcases, my Costa Rican-made guitar, and my camera, filled with memories, through security.

### April 21

I taught the lesson in Sabbath school this morning. I had the class that could barely speak any English, so we had to simplify the lesson to basically "God is love." So simple. Shouldn't Christianity be this way, too?

As I sat waiting for my plane, I apparently had a terrified look on my face, because several people asked if I was

### May 18

It's the night before I leave. Good-byes can be easy, if



Kim poses with one of her friends in Costa Rica.



okay, which I am not. I am terrified. Terrified to re-enter a society I may not relate to anymore. Scared to be in places that are time-orientated, but happy to be surrounded, once again, by people that understand where I come from.

Most of all, I feel sad to leave a place that has taught me so much. How to think for myself, to be open-minded, to speak Spanish, to relax. How to see that God has the ability to touch your heart even if you don't always reach out to Him.

### *Houston (almost home)*

I am surrounded by English-speakers, and it's so weird to be able to understand everyone's conversation. I feel as though I'm eavesdropping. I'm also watching people spend one fifth of my monthly

income in Costa Rica on one lousy meal! It seems a little outrageous to me.

### *Reflections*

I can remember leaving 10 months ago for Costa Rica as if it were yesterday. The smells, the good-byes, the preparation, and anxiety. As I am coming back, it seems so strange, as if I'm watching someone who looks like me returning from a long vacation.

I'm going home looking the same, and yet, everything is different. I realize it is over. I can't believe I had this opportunity. I can't believe how God has worked in my life and the lives of the people around me.

Since I've returned, people have asked me if I enjoyed being in Costa Rica. To all those people and to those wondering,



Students hold up signs with their names and messages so Kim will never forget them.

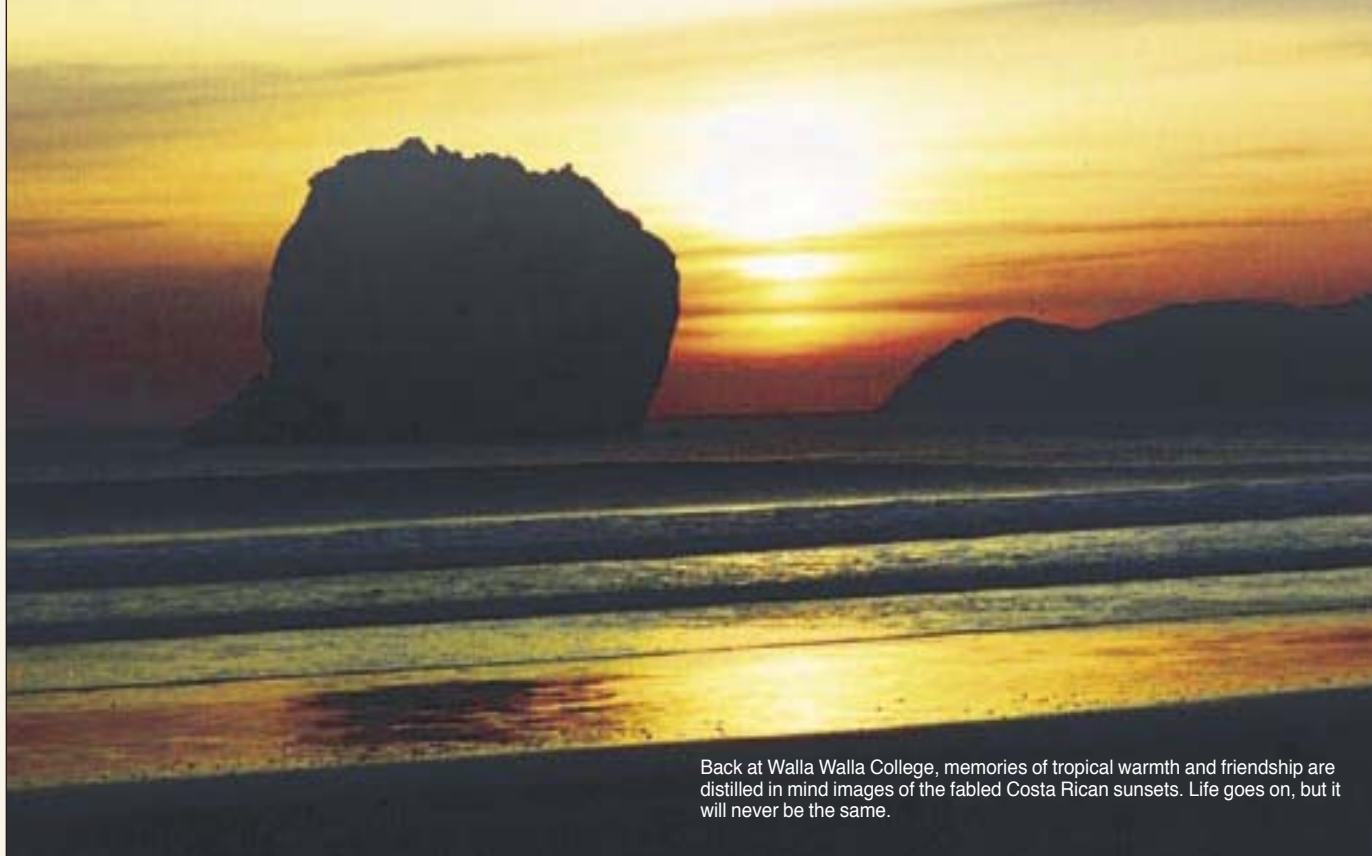
I can only nod and simply say, "If there was ever one right decision I made in my life, this was the one."

Thank you for all your prayers. There were many times when they were needed.

Not every day was an easy one, but looking back, every day brought me one step closer to my heavenly home.

*P.S. It is so cold here! •*

*Kim Unterseher*



Back at Walla Walla College, memories of tropical warmth and friendship are distilled in mind images of the fabled Costa Rican sunsets. Life goes on, but it will never be the same.

## NORTHWEST ADVENTISTS

*Urged To Enroll in Health Study*

**R**esearchers conducting a new Adventist Health Study are now recruiting church members in the North Pacific Union, giving Northwesterners their very first opportunity to be involved in a significant Adventist Health Study.

It is expected that more than 18,000 from the North Pacific Union Conference territory will participate in the Study.

Previous studies by Loma Linda University were restricted to California members; the new Study's overall goal is to recruit 125,000 church members across America—including 45,000 black Adventists.

Enrollment started in California early this year and during the next three years will progressively roll out to every conference. Funded by the National Institutes of Health and conducted by the Loma Linda University School of Public Health, the study will answer many questions relating to cancer, heart disease, and the quality of life.

Gary Fraser, M.D., the study's principal investigator, says, "Church members can help create history by belonging to the largest and most exciting study of its kind in America."

Adventists have been chosen for the study because of the diversity of their eating habits, their interest in health,



their willingness to fill out questionnaires, and the success of previous Adventist health studies, he said.

Terry Butler, DrPH, and Patti Herring, DrPH, directors

of recruitment, recognize the challenge of enrolling 125,000 members but are optimistic that the support of pastors and churches will make it possible.

"We have many black mem-

bers who are excited about the study, because discoveries will help greatly impact high cancer and heart disease deaths in blacks. The study is also a great opportunity to witness to the community," says Dr. Herring.

### *When to Enroll*

Enrollment of participants began in August in the Idaho and Upper Columbia conferences. Idaho enrollment continues through November; while Upper Columbia is open through October. Enrollment in Montana, Oregon, and Washington conferences begins this month and runs through February 2003. (Enrollment dates for Alaska members have yet to be determined.)

Study directors urge members to watch for promotional materials in their churches or to ask local pastors or health directors for information in conferences where enrollment is now taking place.

Those who may wish to participate but do not currently attend an Adventist church are urged to write Adventist Health Study, Loma Linda University, Evans Hall, Loma Linda, CA 92350, or phone (800) 247-1699 for more information. •

*Reported by Terry Butler*



## SEATTLE ADVENTIST WOMAN

*To be Honored*

**V**erla Rae Kwiram of Seattle is being honored this month by the Association of Adventist Women (AAW) for her contributions to church, profession, family, and community.

Kwiram and nine other Adventist women from across the nation will receive AAW's "Outstanding Achievement Award," during the 20th annual AAW Conference, in Portland, Ore., Oct. 17-20.

"Verla is a prime example of a woman dedicated to serving her family, community, and church. What makes her so

'above and beyond' is the way she does it—with stamina, humor, time commitment, and wisdom. Verla tackles hard issues with grace," says Helen Thompson Zolber of Walla Walla, Wash.

Shortly after their 1954 marriage and move from the West Coast to Boston, Verla and Alvin Kwiram began their lifetime of creating a supportive network for Adventist scholars. A group scattered around the country founded the Association of Adventist Forums (AAF) in 1964.

For more than 30 years

Kwiram has nurtured graduate students, minorities, and young people in the Green Lake Church in Seattle. In addition to roles in children's Sabbath schools, Kwiram—an astute businesswoman who manages the family real estate holdings—has also served as treasurer and church board member.

An unofficial church hostess, most Sabbaths she organizes a potluck meal for 30 or more.

"Quite simply, Verla cares about the women, men, and children in this world who



Verla Rae Kwiram

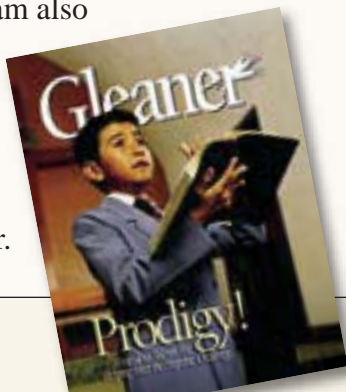
need love and encouragement. Doing the work that lies closest to her, she has created a life of achievement," says Karla K. Walters, one of Kwiram's early "adopted" graduate students. •

Patricia Benton

## REMEMBER NOÉ?

*Want to See Him Preach?*

Then let your pastor or head elder know you want to watch the November "Northwest Spotlight on Mission" DVD program in your church. Every pastor receives a copy, and the coming edition features exciting footage of Noé Ortiz, the youngest public evangelist in the North Pacific Union. The short program also features inspirational video clips of other "Adventists in Action." Your pastor or head elder will receive their copy in early November.



## ACN SCHEDULES

*Young Video Producers' Festival*

**A**dventist Communication Network (ACN) has announced creation of SONscreen Film Festival, an event that will give recognition to talented, young (29 years and younger) Christian video producers.

The SONscreen Film Festival this year is being scheduled simultaneously with the Society of Adventist Communicators (SAC) Convention, to be held Oct. 10-13 in Ontario, Calif. Awards totaling up to \$6,000 in cash will be presented, including separate prizes for

excellence in Film, Audio, and Graphics.

There is no cost requirement or registration fee associated with submitting works to the Festival. ACN encourages all up-and-coming young Christian producers from elementary school to university to participate.

More information is available at the ACN Web site, [www.acn.info](http://www.acn.info), or by phoning 800-ACN-1119. Information is also available in the Communication departments of Adventist colleges and universities. •

*Family*  
**B I R T H S**

**BRENTON**—Mikayla R. Y. Brenton was born July 29 to Douglas E. and Tiffany (Miyade) Brenton, Vancouver, Wash.

**DAVIS**—Zyla Michelle Davis was born Aug. 21 to Benjamin and Darlene Davis, Klamath Falls, Ore.

**JONES**—Stephen Davidson Jones was born Feb. 13 to Don and Clarice (Davidson) Jones, Boise, Idaho.

**MADDEN**—Rebecca Carin Madden was born June 3 to Matt and Christy (Lynch) Madden, Garden Valley, Idaho.

**MATHISON**—Sydney Ray Mathison was born Jan. 29 to Marty and Tami Mathison, Grandview, Wash.

**MILLER**—Marko George-Chris Miller was born April 18 to Everett and Alethea (Morris) Miller, Graham, Wash.

**MUNDALL**—G. Enoch Mundall was born July 24 to Erik and Phoebe (Peungsatit) Mundall, Connell, Wash.

**PANOSSIAN**—Valerie Nicole Panossian was born to David and Teresa (Graham) Panossian, Klamath Falls, Ore.

**ROGERS**—Rylie Peyton Rogers and Caeden Russell Rogers were born Aug. 7 to Tony and Laurel (Smith) Rogers, Milwaukie, Ore.

**SEARCH**—Makina Denée Search was born May 30 to Thomas and Shannon (Summers) Search, Christmas Valley, Ore.

*Family*  
**W E D D I N G S**

**CARTER**—Julie Rau, Tony Carter, April 6, Seattle. They now make their home in Kent, Wash.

**CULLINGS**—Bonnie Rae Twigg, Cliff Cullings, Aug. 25, 2001, Moses Lake, Wash. They now make their home in Veradale, Wash.

**DICKERSON**—Heather Schermann, Joel Dickerson, June 9, Walla Walla, Wash. They now make their home in College Place, Wash.

**FRICKLE**—Nicole D. Norton, Eric J. Fricke, May 26, Spokane, Wash. They now make their home in Post Falls, Idaho.

**GLADDEN**—Rachel Butler, Matthew Gladden, July 5, Salem, Ore. They now make their home in McMinnville, Ore.

**GRECIAN**—Julie L. Kieper, Scott Grecian, July 27, Walla Walla, Wash. They now make their home in Tonganoxie, Kan.

**HANSON**—Lydia Kim, Timothy Hanson, May 26, College Place, Wash. They now make their home in Walla Walla, Wash.

**HARDIN**—Jennifer Gabel, Brian Hardin, Aug. 4, Chehalis, Wash. They now make their home in Yakima, Wash.

**HERNANDEZ**—Jill Nicole Lambertson, Jonathan Hernández, Aug. 11, Brewster, Wash. They now make their home in Walla Walla, Wash.

**HESGARD**—Erin Huston, Tim Hespard, May 12, Cherry Valley, Calif. They now make their home in Benicia, Calif.

**HOWARD**—Denise Whittemore, Matthew Howard, Aug. 18, Klamath Falls, Ore., where they now make their home.

**KIRK**—Catherine St. Clair, John Kirk, June 23, Brewster, Wash., where they now make their home.

**LEBLANC**—Jennifer Cheri Slawson, Jonathan Jacques Cornelius LeBlanc, Aug. 18, Tillamook, Ore. They now make their home in Lacombe, Alb., Canada.

**MARTIN**—Melody Priest, Greg Martin, March 17, Moreno Valley, Calif.

**ROBINSON**—Erinn N. Marshall, Kyle E. Robinson, May 18, Brush Prairie, Wash. They now make their home in Woodland, Wash.

**SANFORD**—Jessica Sheidler, Shawn Sanford, May 26, Gladstone, Ore. They now make their home in Vancouver, Wash.

**VORIES**—Amy L. Vixie, Monte R. Vories, June 22, Walla Walla, Wash. They now make their home in Milton-Freewater, Ore.

**WEBER**—Lori Paulsen, Tim Weber, April 27, Meridian, Idaho. They now make their home in Boise, Idaho.

**WHITSON**—Brenda Weber, Jason Whitson, June 9, Boise, Idaho, where they now make their home.

**WIEDEMANN**—Amanda Nicole Thorp, Martin John Wiedemann, Aug. 4, Monterey Bay, Calif. They now make their home in Tillamook, Ore.

**WOLK**—Rosa Nilda Bejarano, Jeremy David Wolk, June 30, Monterey Bay, Calif. They now make their home in Angwin, Calif.

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**A T R E S T**

**BAKER**—Marion (Tom), 63, born Sept. 15, 1938; died July 31, Portland, Ore.; Surviving: wife, Karen Baker, Portland; daughter, Virginia Birdsell, Portland; son, Roy Baker, Ariz.; five grandchildren.

**BENHAM**—Steven L., 71, born June 17, 1931, New Pine Creek, Ore.; died Aug. 2, Ephrata, Wash.; Surviving: wife, Kim Ann Benham, Ephrata; son, Darrell Benham, Marysville, Wash.; brother, Bill Benham, Gresham, Ore.; five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren.

**BROCK**—Walton, 96, born Sept. 4, 1905, Tekoa, Wash.; died June 18, Milton-Freewater, Ore.; Surviving: wife, Harriet Brock, Milton-Freewater; daughter, Janice Carolson, Portland, Ore.; son, George Brock, Walla Walla, Wash.; two grandchildren, one great-grandchild.

**BRUCE**—Marcus M., 91, born Oct. 1, 1910, Coal City, Ill.; died July 28, Portland, Ore.; Surviving: daughter, Eleanor Campbell, St. Helens, Ore.; two grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren.

**BUCHANAN**—Darlene June, 70, born June 23, 1931, Vancouver, Wash.; died April 21, Portland, Ore.; Surviving: husband, Loren Buchanan, Portland, Ore.; daughters, Laura Buchanan Geil, Kathy Grinstead, and Karen Logue; sisters, Frances Rilea and Marilynne Smith; brothers, Marvin, Michael, and William Davis; eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild.

**CHADWICK**—Teddy Robert, 72, born Aug. 16, 1929, Ottumwa, Iowa; died Aug. 6, College Place, Wash.; Surviving: wife, Marie Chadwick, College Place; sons, David Chadwick, Gaston, Ore.; Larry Chadwick, Chandler, Ariz.; Rob Chadwick, Albuquerque, N.M.; sisters, Patricia Carrel, Sedona, Ariz.; Rita Chadwick, Mena, Ark.; Bonnie Duckworth, Woodenville, Wash.; Violet Griffin, Cottonwood, Ariz.; Donna Koehn, Cottage Grove, Ore.; brothers, Everett Chadwick, Mena, Ark.; Henry and Steve Chadwick, both of Eagletown, Okla.

**CLIFTON**—Lucy, 58, born Nov. 14, 1943, Davenport, Iowa; died May 30, Middleton, Idaho; Surviving: husband, Forest Clifton; daughter, Julie Earl, Palmer, Alaska; son, Eric Reed, Winnemucca, Nev.; mother, Theora Ruckle, Greenleaf, Idaho; brothers, Dan Love, Jamison, Ala.; David and Jim Love, both of Anaheim, Calif.; Joe Love, Salt Lake City, Utah.

**CRANE**—Donald, 82, born Nov. 24, 1919, Hemet, Calif.; died July 20, Salem, Ore.; Surviving: wife, Florence Crane, Salem; daughter, Debbie Nielsen, Salem; son, Dennis Crane, Yakima, Wash.; eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild.

**DICKEY**—Verna M., 81, born Sept. 28, 1920, Huron, S.D.; died June 28, Yoncalla, Ore.; Surviving: husband, Delbert Dickey, Yoncalla; daughter, Kathie Yost, St. Helena, Calif.; son, Mike Dickey, Yoncalla; brother, Earl Laursen, Pulaski, Tenn.; nine grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren.

**ELLIS**—Thomas Preston, 72, born Jan. 31, 1930, St. Paul, Minn.; died July 6, Portland, Ore.; Surviving: wife, Dorothy Ellis, Portland; daughter, Karen Ellis, Independence, Ore.; sons, Brad Ellis, Gresham, Ore.; Troy Ellis, Portland; brother, Jim Ellis, Salem, Ore.

**FALSTAD-BACON-ROCKWELL**—Elsie Jannett, 73, born June, 1929, Beach, N.D.; died Aug. 10, Portland, Ore.; Surviving: daughters, Susie Fisher, Mitchell, Ore.; Debbie Perkins, Portland; son, Dennis Bacon, Portland; sisters, Rosalie Epperson, Portland; Evelynne Klocko, Lead, S.D.; Rosemarie Rexin, Willamina, Ore.; brothers, Russel Hoffman, Los Gatos, Calif.; William Hoffman, Jr., Westlake Village, Calif.

**FISHER**—Harriet E. Flaiz, 84, born Jan. 8, 1918, Battle Creek, Mich.; died July 15, College Place, Wash.; Surviving: husband, Willard C. Fisher; sons, Deo F. Fisher, James R. Fisher, and Willard C. Fisher, Jr.; seven grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren.

**FISK**—Mary L., 79, born March 5, 1923, Almira, Wash.; died June 28, Walla Walla, Wash.; Surviving: husband, Howard Fisk, Walla Walla; daughters, Sandra Garcia, Yakima, Wash.; Lynda Sloan, Salem, Ore.; son, Rodney Fisk, Phoenix, Ariz.; sister, Neva Ralph, Spokane, Wash.; brothers, Lawrence Murbach, Lynwood, Wash.; Lynn Murbach, Bayview, Idaho; five grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren.

**FREEMYER**—Lyle W., 90, born Jan. 5, 1912, St. Frances, Neb.; died Aug. 13, Lincoln City, Ore.; Surviving: son, Jim Wallace, Fayetteville, N.C.; one grandchild.

**GILES**—Ellen Marie, 55, born Oct. 16, 1946, Huntington Station, N.Y.; died June 24, Skamania, Wash.; Surviving: husband, David Giles, Forest Grove, Ore.; sons, Matthew Giles, Vernonia, Ore.; Timothy Giles, Tumblex Ridge, B.C.; father, Stanley Tworzanski, Kamiah, Idaho; sisters, Bonnie Harter, Veradale, Wash.; Karen Loesch, Spokane, Wash.; brother, Dean Tworzanski, Chehalis, Wash.

**GRIFFIN**—John W., 88, born March 9, 1914, Anacortes, Wash.; died July 2, Portland, Ore.; Surviving: wife, Ruby Griffin, Portland; daughter, Jeanne Roberts, Cleburne, Texas; son, John W. Griffin, Portland; sisters, Naomi Thornton Cochran, College Place, Wash.; Anita Hall, Pasco, Wash.; seven grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren. For 31 years, Griffin served the Adventist church in financial capacities as a treasurer, auditor, and a loss-control director, in the Alaska, Idaho, and Montana conferences and the North Pacific Union Conference office.

**HALL**—Hazel Eileen, 77, born Nov. 16, 1925, Tonasket, Wash.; died May 24, Chewelah, Wash.; Surviving: husband, Stanley Hall; daughters, Della Hall, Maui, Hawaii; Yvonne Hall, Palmer, Alaska; Patricia Tucker, Dillingham, Alaska; sons, Daniel Hall, Palmer; Ray and Roger Hall,



*Family*  
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both of Milton-Freewater, Ore.; sister, Donna Harris, Oregon; brother, David Michaels, Omak, Wash.; 18 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren.

**HARRIS**—Gordon, 75, born Oct. 5, 1925, Washington, D.C.; died Dec. 8, 2001, Redding, Calif.; Surviving: wife, Nan Harris, Redding; daughter, Pat VanDenburgh, Walla Walla, Wash.; son, Bryan Harris, Renton, Wash. Harris served the denomination for more than 40 years, first as a pastor in the Idaho Conference, then as a manager of many Adventist Book Centers (ABCs) and an ABC consultant at the Review & Herald Publishing Association.

**HOFFMAN**—Margaret A., 49, born Jan. 6, 1953, Alaska; died July 28, Medford, Ore.

**JOHNSON**—Laura A., 89, born April 19, 1913; Bellevue, Wash.; died July 16, Newport, Wash.; Surviving: daughters, Elsie Smith, Elk, Wash.; Louise VanBlaricom, Ocean Shores, Wash.; son, Harold Smith, Priest River, Idaho; brother, Allan Scott, Oldtown, Idaho; 28 grandchildren, 76 great-grandchildren, 50 great-great grandchildren.

**JORGENSEN**—Joseph A., 91, born Feb. 14, 1911, Anoka, Minn.; died Aug. 2, Grants Pass, Ore.; Surviving: daughter, LaVella Jorgensen, Grants Pass; sisters, Esther Castle and Mabel Crouch, both of Grandview, Wash.; Vivian Nord, Spokane, Wash.; brother, Walter Jorgensen, Fortuna, Calif.; two grandchildren.

**MAYBERRY**—Lloyd G., 88, born Nov. 11, 1914, Portland, Ore.; died July 7, Salem, Ore.; Surviving: daughter, DeAnne Mayberry, Portland.

**MITTLEIDER**—Marie, 83, born Jan. 18, 1919, Victor, Mont.; died July 16, Boise, Idaho; Surviving: husband Emil

Mittleider; daughters, Helen Boyd, Keene, Texas; Eloise Gatchet, Calhoun, Ga.; son, Merle Mittleider, Lynwood, Wash.; sisters, Mildred Hamilton and Florence Mathews, both of Salmon, Idaho; brother, Charles Goodman, Salmon.

**OSBORNE**—Federick "Fred" W., 87, born Oct. 25, 1914, Weaverville, N.C.; died Aug. 8, Yakima, Wash.; Surviving: wife, Dorothy Osborne, Yakima; daughter, Judy Hart, Oak Glen, Calif.; son, Mike Osborne, Yakima; sister, Josephine Osborne, Weaverville; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren.

**PHILLIPS**—Lola F., 81, born Oct. 29, 1921, Pond Creek, Okla.; died July 17, Eagle Point, Ore.; Surviving: husband, Reinhart Phillips, Eagle Point; daughters, Sharon Ashker, Penny Phillips, and Donna Whacter, all of Eagle Point; sons, K. Phillips, Eagle Point; David Wayland, Enumclaw, Wash.; 13 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren.

**POMMIER**—Agnes F., 94, born April 27, 1908, Chisholm, Minn.; died Aug. 10, Sweet Home, Ore.; Surviving: sisters, Emma Kinzel and Pauline Succio, both of Chisholm; four grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, 12 great-great-grandchildren.

**SAUFL**—Irine M. Carlson, 86, born Dec. 30, 1915, Jamestown, N.Y.; died Aug. 7, Portland, Ore.; Surviving: daughters, Jorine Rollins and Judy Saufl Jay; sisters, Beatrice Ham, Beryl Lathrop, and Laura Sundin; brother, Frank Carlson; three grandchildren.

**SCHORNSTEIN**—Elverna, 91, born April 16, 1910, Ruthven, Iowa; died Aug. 18, Springfield, Ore.; Surviving: daughter, Arlis Ferguson, Springfield; son, Richard Schornstein, Springfield; 15 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren.

**SHARP**—Pearl L., 89, born April 21, 1913, Clyde, Kan.; died Aug. 10, College Place, Wash.; Surviving: husband, Leslie "Bud" Sharp, College Place; daughter, Lois Taucher, Wolf Point, Mont.; son, Larry Sneed, Haymarket, Va.; brother, Harold Fuller, Walla Walla, Wash.

**SMITH**—Robert G., 86, born Aug. 9, 1915, Iola, Kan.; died Aug. 6, Centralia, Wash.; Surviving: wife, Esther Smith, Centralia; daughter, Carol Young, Rochester, Wash.; son, James Smith, Sacramento, Calif.; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**SNOW**—Robert Thurman, 70, born Nov. 19, 1932, Sheridan, Ore.; died July 31, Gresham, Ore.; Surviving: wife, Jan Peckham Snow; son, Don Snow; sister, Dorothy Hailey; four grandchildren.

**STENTZEL**—Keith Duane, 45, born Aug. 28, 1956, Spokane, Wash.; died July 29, College Place, Wash.; Surviving: daughter Alecia Stentzel; son, Eric Stentzel; parents, Loren and Ruth Stentzel, Lewiston, Idaho; brother, Martin Stentzel, Calif.

**STENTZEL**—Janine Faye, 46, born July 13, 1955, Brewster, Wash.; died Aug. 7, 2001, Moses Lake, Wash.; Surviving: daughter Alecia Stentzel; son, Eric Stentzel; father, Wilmer Wysong, Valdosta, Ga.; brother, Dennis Wysong, Oceanside, Calif.; sister, Carol Hardin, Brewster, Wash.

**STOREY**—Florence (Correction): Due to incorrect information received at the GLEANER, a notice for Mrs. Storey in the September issue stated that she was survived by her husband, Dale Storey. In fact, Florence's husband, Walter Storey, preceded her in death in 1988. Dale Franklin is the husband of her daughter, Darleene

Franklin. Apologies for any confusion this may have caused.

**VALENTINE**—Michael W., 81, born Oct. 15, 1920, Bartlesville, Okla.; died July 11, Vancouver, Wash.; Surviving: wife, Hazel Valentine, Battle Ground, Wash.; daughters, Cindy Kielman, Battle Ground; Lynn Molinari, Vancouver, Wash.; Cathy Valentine, Colo.; brother, James Valentine, Mo.; five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren.

**VISTAUNET**—Joan K., 81, born June 10, 1921, Medford, Ore.; died Aug. 6, Gladstone, Ore.; Surviving: husband, Sigurd Vistaunet, Gladstone; sons, Loren Vistaunet, Cleveland, Tenn.; John Vistaunet, Marysville, Wash.; Steven Vistaunet, Boring, Ore.; brother, Bruce Johnston, Medford, Ore.; seven grandchildren.

**WILLEY**—Mary Gerling, 78, born May 23, 1924; died June 9, Loma Linda, Calif.; Surviving: daughters, Linda Engeberg and Marcia Koos Mortenson; sons, John D. Willey and T. Joe Willey; nine grandchildren.

**WILLIAMS**—Maizie W., 91, born Dec. 2, 1910, Herron, S.D.; died May 20, Brewster, Wash.; Surviving: daughter, Loretta Gonzales, Seattle; son, Robert Williams, Brewster; sister, Ruth Grosboll, Wichita, Kan.

**WOODS**—Theodore "Ted," 82, born Jan. 17, 1920, Lakeview, Ore.; died July 27, Caldwell, Idaho; Surviving: wife, May Woods, Boise, Idaho; daughter, Bunny Wilson, Boise; son, David Woods, Pierce, Idaho; brothers, James Woods, Custer, Mont.; Rodney Woods, Portland, Ore.

*Family*  
**M I L E S T O N E S**

### Anderson 50th

Fred and Donna Anderson recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with friends and relatives on their ranch near Enterprise, Ore.

The Andersons have three children: Fred Anderson, III, of Puyallup, Wash.; Dianne Prlain of Sherwood, Ore.; and Sheila Campbell of Spangle, Wash. They have four grandchildren.

The Andersons met while in school in Angwin, Calif., and were married there. They are active members of the Enterprise Church.

### Bishop 95th

Harper Bishop, believed to be the oldest living alumnus of Auburn Adventist Academy, recently celebrated his 95th birthday.

He was born at home in Harper, Wash., May 11, 1907, to a mother who was a charter member of the first Adventist church organized in Kitsap County. Harper's family later donated land on which the first Adventist church school in the County opened.

The family moved to Auburn, Wash., in 1921 so Harper and

his brother Lance could attend Auburn Adventist Academy.

For the past 62 years, Harper has made his main home in Bremerton and has been an active member of the Bremerton Adventist congregation. He worked at the Naval Shipyard as a hoist and portable crane and liquid fuel pump operator—work that in 1950 led to severe work-related spinal injuries.

He and his Canadian wife of 19 years, Hazel, look forward to Adventist camp meetings at Auburn and Adventist retirees' events.

### Bunker 80th

Dean Bunker of Willow, Alaska, celebrated his 80th birthday on July 28, at a potluck dinner with family and friends at the Willow Community Center.

Mazie, his wife of 61 years, their five children and their spouses, 15 grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren joined in the celebration.

Dean and Mazie moved to Willow in 1960 to homestead, and Dean and one of their sons became school bus contractors in 1962, a business

they continue today. Dean and Mazie also remain active in commercial set-net fishing, a summertime occupation they took up in 1964.

They are active charter members of the Sunshine Seventh-day Adventist Church.

### *Chalker 60th*

Byron and Paloma Chalker celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary June 14, hosted by their children, Byron Chalker, Jr., Ronald Chalker, and Donna Chalker Ruckgaber.



Byron and Paloma have lived in the Collegedale, Tenn., community for the past 30 years, where Byron has been associated with McKee Foods Corp.

### *Hopmann 50th*

Robert Ellsworth Hopmann and Barbara Lu Warner, of Garibaldi, Ore., were married at the Montavilla Seventh-day Adventist Church in Portland, Ore., Sept. 20, 1952, and last month celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Bob, a laboratory technologist, received his degree from Walla Walla College (WWC) in 1951; Barbara received her R.N. and B.S. degrees in nursing from WWC in 1953.

For most of their professional years, they lived and worked in the Greater Portland/Vancouver area and were employed for

several years at Adventist Medical Center.

They had three children: Steven Mark Hopmann, a Vancouver dentist; Synda Lu, of Troutdale, Ore.; and Kara Lynn, now deceased; nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Now settled on the Oregon Coast, they love the sea and sea-related hobbies and plan to take a Caribbean cruise next month.

### *Huffman 60th*

Robert R. Huffman and Betty J. (Taylor) Huffman were married Feb. 27, 1942, at Toas, N.M. Both were born in Blanca, Colo., and moved to the Northwest early in marriage.

They have one daughter, Viola Sayles, and two grandchildren, Derek and Diana Sayles, of Nampa, Idaho. In addition to Colorado, they lived in California, Oregon, and Alaska, and are now retired in Orofino, Idaho.

Both love the outdoors, traveling, and Maranatha



Volunteer building trips. For their 60th anniversary, they took a trip to the Oregon Coast.

They have 15 foster children, and several elderly residents have shared their home.

### *Johnson 64th*

Leigh, 93, and Alice Johnson, 84, of Haines, Ore., were

married Aug. 5, 1938, in the Burns, Ore., courthouse and recently celebrated their 64th anniversary. They are members of the Baker City Adventist Church.

They first ranched in the Burns area, then logged, dairy farmed, and purchased a store in the Willamette Valley. Later



they returned to ranching at Bend, before moving to Hood River, Ore., where they owned and operated a grocery store for many years.

The Johnsons have four children—daughter Carol Johnson of Haines and sons Bill of Tillamook, Ore., Dan of Salem, Ore., and Bo of Portland, Ore. Their family also includes 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

### *Latham 60th*

Fellow members of the Myrtle Creek, Ore., congregation hosted a potluck in the park for Ethel and Roy



Latham, to help them celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary.

Roy and Ethel met in the early 1940s, while she helped her aunt operate a boarding house where Roy was living. She discovered that she and Roy shared common cousins, because of the marriage of her Aunt Ethel to Roy's uncle. Roy's and Ethel's romance blossomed, and they married in May of the year they met.

They have one daughter, in Milpitas, Calif.

### *Paddock 98th*

Friends and family of Mildred Angell Paddock recently gathered to help her celebrate her 98th birthday.

She was born in Victory, Wis., July 15, 1904, and married Fred Paddock in 1929. They lived on a farm in Baraboo, Wis., until they moved to Nordland, Wash., in 1941, joining relatives on the tiny island.

Fred passed away in November 1967.

She taught for many years in a one-room school on her property. She now enjoys reading, 3ABN television, playing dominos with her great-grandchildren, piano, flowers, and friends.

Mildred lives in the home of her son Harlan, whose wife, Stella, is her care provider.

### *Pooley 80th*

Beulah Hope Pooley celebrated her 80th birthday, April 6, during a special Sabbath dinner with close friends and family, at the home of her daughter.

She was taken at a later date to her favorite restaurant, with her husband, George, and son and wife, Burt and Charla Pooley, of Antioch, Calif., daughter and husband, Kitty and Daniel Dunn, and her only grandson, Andrew, of Oregon City, Ore.



M I L E S T O N E S

**Sieck 50th**

Bill and Jan Sieck enjoyed a Fourth-of-July dinner, hosted by their daughter and husband, the Duane Corwins, to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

Bill and Jan met in April 1952, when Jan moved from St. Helena, Calif., to work at Forest Glen Hospital in Canyonville, Ore., and Bill was building a home in Canyonville for Walter and AlleBelle Corwin.

They married July 18 in the Walter Corwins' home, the same year they met.

**Stephens 90th**

Alice Wesley Stephens, born July 30, 1912, celebrated her 90th birthday with family and friends at an open house at Wesley Park, Goodnoe Hills, Wash., where she has lived for 70 years.

She and Arthur Wesley married in 1930 and during their 33 years of marriage, they had five children: Frank, George, Andy, Vada Dolph, and Gladys Wesley. She joined the Adventist church in Goldendale, Wash., in 1963.

Sixteen years after Arthur's death, she met and married Elry Stephens, resulting in 23 years of happy marriage, until his death just days before her 90th birthday.

**Tanner 50th**

Lew and Frieda Tanner celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, June 23, at the Springfield, Ore., Adventist Church, where they are members. They met at a Dale Carnegie Class for Effective Speaking and were married on June 22, 1952.

Lew was a mechanical engineer in aerospace and manufacturing companies for many years. Frieda was a registered nurse. They have two children—Jeanne Henriksen of Pleasant Hill, Ore., and Carol Tanner of Glendale, Calif.—and two grandchildren. They love Oregon and enjoy making visual aids for children around the world.

**Wallen 90th**

Sigrid Linnea (Johnson) Wallen celebrated her 90th birthday, May 12, at her daughter's home in Renton, Wash. Four of her children attended, with many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

She was born in Manistique, Mich., in 1912 of Swedish immigrant parents. At age 19 she visited her sister in Oregon and met her husband-to-be. They married soon thereafter and settled in Roseburg, where she joined the Seventh-day

Adventist Church.

For the past 15 years she has lived in Bend, Ore., but recently moved to Renton, to be near two of her daughters.

**Worden 50th**

Paul and Bonnie Worden, of College Place, Wash., were married Aug. 24, 1952 in Bellingham, Wash., and have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Paul graduated from Walla Walla College in 1955 and worked for the US Food and Drug Administration until retiring in 1986.

Bonnie received her licensed practical nursing degree in 1955, but remained a stay-at-home mother until the children reached high school age. She then became director of food service at Highland View Academy in Hagerstown, Md.

They have four children: Renee Mackin, Walla Walla, Wash.; Elaine Smith, Hagerstown; Duane Worden, Portland, Ore.; and Brian Worden, Hagerstown. They also have four grandchildren.

**York 60th**

Herb and Violet York of Arlington, Wash, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with their family in Sisters, Ore., Aug. 2. They were married Sept. 9, 1942, in Dickinson,

N.D., before moving to a small house in Arlington, Wash.

The arrival of three children—Linda, Sharon, and Herbert—made it necessary for them move to their larger, current home, built on acreage at the top of a hill, where the couple has lived for 47 years.

A timber worker, Herb eventually bought his own



lumber mill; as the children grew older, Violet took a job at a local grocery store. She retired in 1982 to help rear the couple's grandchildren; Herb retired in 1986. Many of the couple's children, five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren live nearby.



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**IDAHO**

**Archeology Presentations**

The John Day, Ore., Adventist congregation will host Douglas Clark, Walla Walla College theology professor, on Oct. 19, as he presents a three-part, illustrated presentation, "The Bible and Archeology:

How People Lived in Bible Times."

Held at the John Day Adventist Church, 110 Valley View Drive, the Sabbath-afternoon presentations are scheduled from 1-2:15, 2:30-3:45, and following a potluck supper, 4:45-5:45. More information is available by phoning Pastor Rod Bieber at (541) 575-2099.

**OREGON**

**Vespers Concert**

Carl & Audre' Parker and Friends (various local musicians) will present a vespers concert, Oct. 12 at 5:30 p.m., in recognition of the Portland, Ore., Community Learning Center's 10-year anniversary. The event will be held at the

Sunnyside Adventist Church, 10501 SE Market, in Portland. An offering will be received.

**Beaverton CHIP**

A complete series of CHIP (Coronary Health Improvement Project) seminars will be held at the Beaverton, Ore., Adventist Church, Oct. 20 to Nov. 14. The CHIP program is designed for those



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who wish to treat or avoid heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, high cholesterol, arthritis, or obesity. More information is available by phoning (503) 646-3233.

## Arctic Life Video

A new travelogue, "In the Shadow of the Polar Bear of Northern Canada," by videographer Neil Pestes will be shown on big screen for vespers Saturday, Oct. 26, at 5 p.m. in the Hood View Adventist Church, Boring, Ore. There is no admission charge. Pestes and his wife, Ruth, traveled to the Hudson Bay area of Canada last November to shoot the footage from tundra buggy and helicopter. The film will also show other wildlife, such as the arctic fox and snowy owl, and spectacular northern lights footage.

## Laurelwood Alumni

Laurelwood Academy Alumni Weekend is scheduled for Oct. 11 and 12. Classes of '52, '62, '72, '82, and '92 will be honored and will help put on the weekend's programs. Midday potlucks will be served. A children's program is planned for 9:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3-5 p.m.

The Alumni Association wishes to contact the following members of the Class of 1952, addresses unknown: Ila May Goulard-Giles, Bill Holmes, Naomi Hutches, Gladys Casy-Munson, James Page, Donald Parker, Darwin Pearson, Lois Rowell, Joy (Anna) Sheehan, Melvin Smith, Sue Taber, and Zoe Breckenridge-Weiss. The Association also wishes to contact the following Class of 1967 members: Tara Chaffee, Steve Christenson, Roberta Stoddard-Earll, Darrell Ensign, and Steve Grasser.

All information or questions should be directed to Penny by phone, at (503) 647-5868.

## Military Honored

The Tillamook, Ore., Adventist Church, at 2610 1st St., is hosting a military service, honoring veterans and those on active duty, and their families, Nov. 8, at 7 p.m. Key presenters include George Ulloa, from the Oregon Conference; Barbra Bigger, wife of the head chaplain of the Navy Reserve in the United States; Pathfinders, and veterans of the congregation. A reception will follow. All are welcome. More in-

formation is available by phone or email from Roberta Grunder, (503) 842-4696, robmilgo@oregoncoast.com.

## English/Russian Evangelism

A New Beginnings evangelistic series, in both English and Russian, will be held Oct. 4 (Friday) through Nov. 2 (Saturday), Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 7-8:30 p.m., at the Tabernacle Adventist Church in downtown Portland, 26 Condor Way, off Barber Blvd. More information is available by phoning (503) 223-0623.

## Friday Services

As part of the Salem Central Church's "Catch the Vision" theme for this fall, members are launching Friday-evening worship services and Sabbath schools, beginning at 7 p.m. Featured events and speakers next month for the Friday-evening services are, Nov. 1, Thomas Jackson; Nov. 8, Morris Venden; Nov. 15, Roland Hegstad; Nov. 22 and 29, Thanksgiving musicals. More information is available by phoning (503) 264-4626.

## North Valley Dedication

The North Valley Adventist congregation in Merlin, Ore., invites all to attend its dedication ceremonies, Friday evening and all day Sabbath, Dec. 13-14. Highlights include an inspirational Friday-evening concert. The Sabbath worship message will be presented by Don Livesay, Oregon Conference president. After a potluck luncheon, former North Valley pastors will share historical highlights, as part of the afternoon's dedication service. More information is available by phoning Willard Regester, M.D., at (541) 846-1172.

## Singles Events

The Oregon Conference Singles Fall Spiritual Retreat will be held Nov. 1-3 at Camp WiNeMa on the Oregon Coast, just north of Lincoln City. This year's speaker is Malcolm Maxwell. October events include Vespers at Sunnyside Church in Portland (Oct. 11); Sabbath in Lincoln City (Oct. 12); and Beaverton Church's Singles Weekend (Oct. 18-19). More information about these and other coming events are available at Web site [www.orsingles.org](http://www.orsingles.org), email [singlesevents@juno.com](mailto:singlesevents@juno.com), phone (503) 654-6054, option 4.

## Stone Tower Evangelism

The Stone Tower Church in Portland, Ore., will host a Prophecy Seminar with guest speaker Steve Cook, Oct. 18-Nov. 23, on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Wednesday evenings, 7 p.m. Alternate sessions for those unable to attend evenings will be held Monday-Thursday, each week, 12:15-1:15 p.m. The church is located at 3010 NE Holladay; more information is available by phoning the church office at (503) 232-6018.

## Sunnyside Events

The Sunnyside Adventist Church in Portland, Ore., is hosting several special events this month, leading off with Russian art historian Alexey Sergeev, on Sabbath, Oct. 12, 2:30 p.m. A scholar at the Hermitage Museum of Art and Cultural History in St. Petersburg, he will speak on Jesus and the role of religious culture in Russian fine art. On Sabbath, Oct. 19, violinist Jaime Jorge will present a sacred concert at 7 p.m. On Oct. 26, beginning at 4 p.m., Tom Tavasci will lead a Brass Choir Festival.

## Theology Seminar

Alden Thompson, Walla Walla College professor of theology, with Professor George Knight of Andrews University, will present a seminar, "Ellen White: Asset or Liability?," Nov. 8-10, at the Sunnyside Adventist Church, 10501 SE Market Street, in Portland, Ore. Sessions will convene Friday evening at 7:30, Sabbath afternoon at 3 p.m., and Sunday at 10 a.m. The seminar is part of the Institute of Bible, Church & Culture, an outreach program of the Walla Walla College School of Theology.

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### Van Pelt in Pendleton

Women's Ministry of the Pendleton, Ore., Adventist Church will hold its 10th annual outreach event, Thursday, Oct. 24, beginning at 6 p.m.

Presented as "High Tea with Nancy Van Pelt," in the Little Vert Auditorium, SW 4th and Dorion, the tea-and-finger-fooods reception will feature remarks by well-known seminar speaker Van Pelt, a Certified Family Life Educator and author of 22 books. In her evening presentation, "The Incredible Worth of a Woman," she will offer seven strategies for building better self worth.

Beginning the next day (Friday, Oct. 27), Van Pelt will present a 10-hour weekend series, "Highly Effective Marriage Seminar" at the local church, 1401 SW Goodwin Place.

More information is available by phoning Norma at (541) 276-7937 or Marilyn at (541) 276-7123.

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### Issaquah Evangelism

Revelation Now, an evangelistic series featuring Jac and 'dena Colón and hosted by members of the Snoqualmie Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church, opens Oct. 25 at 7:15 p.m. in the Beaver Lake Middle School Commons, 25025 SE 32nd Street, Issaquah, Wash. All are welcome and urged to invite friends and relatives.

## WORLD CHURCH

### ACN Schedule

Adventist Communication Network (ACN) this month will feature Sabbath services by satellite from the La Mesa Church with pastor Larry McGill. Scheduled weekly topics, beginning Oct. 5, are titled "Holiness," "Almighty God," "He Knows Your Name," and "God's Righteousness Revealed."

NET 2002 begins Oct. 18 and continues through Nov. 17, with evangelistic presentations every night except Mondays' and Thursdays'. An additional program is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 21. All 90-minute broadcasts begin at 7:30 p.m., Eastern Time.

### Adventist Dietetics

The Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Association will hold its 48th Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, Penn., Oct. 18 and 19. The meeting site, Loews Hotel, is located at 1200 Market Street.

The meetings are open to all registered Adventist dietitians, diet technicians, and other nutrition-related professionals and their spouses. More information is available on Internet at [www.sdada.org](http://www.sdada.org) or by contacting Evelyn Kissinger, 1825 Boardwalk, St. Joseph, MI 49085, email [evelynk@andrews.edu](mailto:evelynk@andrews.edu). The theme, "Today's Dietitian, Opportunities and Challenges," will be keynoted by Gwen Foster, Philadelphia's Health Czar.



## I N T E R A C T I O N

**Pastoral Miscount**

We enjoyed the article "The Countdown Is On!" in the September GLEANER. It is inspiring to find out what is happening around the North Pacific Union Conference. The Holy Spirit is being poured out as never before, and I believe we are witnessing a lay people revival as never before.

We at Estacada are having a tremendous response as we go door to door. We can hardly wait for the meetings to start to see the blessings that God has in store.

We did notice one error in an otherwise fine article. The paragraph under Oregon mentions that Canby and Molalla are losing their pastor. It should read that Canby and Estacada are losing their pastor. The pastor has assisted us in many ways, and we will really miss him and his wife, but they have done a good job of nurturing us. It is time for us to stand on our own.

We always enjoy the GLEANER and hope you keep up the good work.

Wesley and Debbie Clark—  
ESTACADA, ORE.

*Editorial Response: In her research for the article, author Kirsten Torkelsen received information that we now realize reflects former—not current—Church district boundaries. We regret not reflecting this change.*

**Elusive Willey**

I'm guessing you have had some response regarding the article "Whatever Happened to the Class of 1957." I thought it was very well written and agree heartily with what Joe had to

say. (I graduated from UCA in 1958.)

The person in the picture that you have labeled as being Joe Willey was not a member of the class of '57 and never did attend UCA. His name is Bud Harvey and is married to the woman on his right. However, only those who know the author would know the difference. Unfortunately, Joe isn't in the picture.

We look forward to receiving the GLEANER each month. You are all doing a great job!

Carol Lynn Woodbury,  
Secretary—OFFICE OF THE  
PRESIDENT, UPPER COLUMBIA  
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**Elusive Willey II**

Your article by T. Joe Willey concerning the camaraderie and friendships made and maintained during and after academy years was especially interesting, because I was (and am) a loner in the public schools of Southern California. There are many friends, especially since becoming a Seventh-day Adventist, but no close ones.

Your sidebar states that Joe received a Ph.D. from the University of Southern California in Berkeley. USC is located in Los Angeles, while the Berkeley school is the University of California at Berkeley. No big deal, unless

Mr. Willey attends the wrong class reunion.

Harold P. Mortz—ROGUE  
RIVER, ORE.

**Child Preachers**

It was a thrill to see the story about Noé Ortiz in the September GLEANER. It brought back wonderful memories of my years as Sabbath school director in the former Far Eastern Division and at the General Conference, when we started the Child/Teen Preacher Program. More than 12,000 young evangelists around the world, age 3-19, won thousands of people to Christ. And many of them became ministers when they grew up.

Nine former child preachers who finished their ministerial training but did not receive calls because their local conferences lacked the budget to hire them, were recently brought to the Central California Conference by the Conference president, George Johnson, once ministerial director in the Far Eastern Division. He told me he thinks they will be responsible for possibly half the baptisms in his Conference. Our young people are truly an army for God!

Robert Grady—BOTHELL, WASH.

**Steady and Strong**

How we enjoy the GLEANER! Thanks for all the work you and the staff put into it.... It is now so sharp and professional, yet the content is the steady, strong, spiritual inspiration and news that we have depended on for so many years.

Ellen Butler—GRAND RONDE,  
ORE.

**Education Feature**

Just a quick note to let you know I think you did a great job on the August issue of the GLEANER. Having almost an entire focus on Christian education took a lot of work and planning on the part of your staff, but also a lot of support from administration and many others.

I just wanted you to know that it is much appreciated, because some of us know from personal experience that the blessings of our schools to the Church at large are just endless, and are measureless because they cover so many facets of life.

Keep up the good work....

Jack Harris—PORTLAND, ORE.

**ID Please!**

Your August GLEANER has a lovely family picture on the cover to illustrate your title, "It Takes a Team." They look so familiar that I feel I should know them, or who they are, at least. But I've hunted the GLEANER through and cannot find a single identification anywhere. Why? Please would you identify them for me?

Alberta Ainsworth—HAINES,  
ORE.

*Editorial Response: What better way to insure careful reading than leaving out the names! No, seriously, as in most magazines today, persons on covers represent one of three things: (1) Themselves as newsmakers, (2) A concept or idea that transcends their individuality; (3) Both themselves and a transcending ideal. Our August cover falls into the second category: the group represents teamwork in Christian education.*

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Daylight Saving Time	Oct. 4	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 25
<b>ALASKA CONFERENCE</b>				
Anchorage	7:21	6:59	6:38	6:17
Fairbanks	7:08	6:43	6:18	5:53
Juneau	6:23	6:03	5:44	5:26
Ketchikan	6:14	5:56	5:39	5:23
<b>IDAHO CONFERENCE</b>				
Boise, ID	7:20	7:08	6:57	6:46
La Grande, OR	6:45	6:32	6:20	6:09
Pocatello, ID	7:06	6:54	6:42	6:32
<b>MONTANA CONFERENCE</b>				
Billings	6:49	6:36	6:23	6:11
Havre	6:52	6:37	6:24	6:11
Helena	7:02	6:49	6:36	6:24
Miles City	6:37	6:24	6:11	5:59
Missoula	7:10	6:56	6:43	6:31
<b>OREGON CONFERENCE</b>				
Coos Bay	6:53	6:41	6:29	6:18
Medford	6:48	6:36	6:25	6:14
Portland	6:45	6:32	6:20	6:08
<b>UPPER COLUMBIA</b>				
Pendleton, OR	6:30	6:17	6:04	5:53
Spokane, WA	6:23	6:09	5:56	5:43
Walla Walla, WA	6:28	6:14	6:02	5:50
Wenatchee, WA	6:35	6:21	6:08	5:56
Yakima, WA	6:36	6:23	6:10	5:58
<b>WASHINGTON CONFERENCE</b>				
Bellingham	6:43	6:28	6:15	6:02
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