

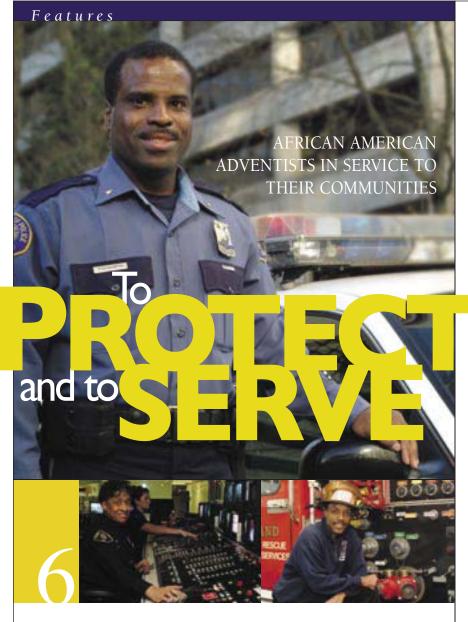
"Jod's voice thunders in marvelous ways; he does great things beyond our understanding.

He says to the snow, 'Fall on the earth,' and to the rain shower, 'Be a mighty downpour.' So that all men he has made may know his work, he stops every man from his labor."

JOB 37: 5-7 (NIV)

One of Mt. Rainier National Park's small water flows caught the attention of Robert L. Rouillard during a wintry jaunt through the park.

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AFRICANS AMERICANS

BY ALPHONSO MCCARTHY



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OR MORE THAN 77 YEARS, February has been designated black history month to honor and recognize the accomplishments of African Americans in the United States of America. During this month, the national black anthem is sung at the start of all major events. The words of this song remind us of our heritage and our journey from being free in Africa, slaves in America, emancipated by Lincoln, and our commitment to God and country.

While I appreciate the words of the national black anthem, there is another song that was written about the same time with a deeper meaning to me. The song titled, We've Come This Far By Faith, depicts the struggles that African Americans have fought through and the victories that they have accomplished by trusting in the Lord who gave them their source of strength.

As we celebrate black history month in 2003, there is no doubt that we have come this far by faith. For the past four years, the Office of Regional Affairs has observed black history month by celebrating the accomplishments of African Americans in the Northwest. In this month's issue of the GLEANER, we are focusing on areas of employment for African Americans who are members of the Seventh-day Adventist church. Some work in non-traditional areas which have not always been universally accepted or supported by our church.

This year we want to highlight several men and women who have served in law enforcement, correctional institutions, and fire fighting. They serve their communities with pride and distinction as members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. They give the highest professional service while maintaining their Christian faith and integrity. We see them as church officers on Sabbath morning,

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serving in God's remnant church. As ordinary men and women, they put their lives on the line every day to serve and protect the citizens of their communities. Their faith in God has helped them make a difference in the way they perform and relate to the stressful demands of the job. They, too, are waiting for the soon coming of Jesus when they will turn in their badges for a crown that will not fade away. •





While a majority of adults trust teachers and doctors to tell the truth, barely a quarter say they trust lawyers and stockbrokers for their honesty.

Fast Facts

- National gridlock: There were 3,951,000 miles of road in the year 2000 used by 221 million cars. On average, Seattle drivers waste 82 hours per year stuck in traffic congestion.
- Why workers change jobs: Workers who considered making a job change in the last six months said salary was their number one concern. Other factors were work duties, environment, and the boss.
- Work place changes since 9/11: The events of September 11 left an indelible mark on workplaces. Fifty-two percent of human resource professionals say their organizations have tightened security. Forty-three percent say employees have been more caring towards one another.

This month in History:

 On February 3, 1870, the 15th amendment to the U.S. Constitution guaranteeing African Americans voting rights becomes law.

Popcorn

Americans eat about four billion gallons of popped popcorn each year, with the average person munching about 15 gallons annually.

Source: U.S.A. Today Snapshots

WORD TO THE WISE:

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

PROVERBS 3:5,6. KJV

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AFRICAN AMERICAN ADVENTISTS IN SERVICE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES

screaming siren splits the silence.
Emergency lights flash red, amber, and blindingly white. Traffic slows to a stop and people dressed in blue or in bulky yellow suits quickly spring into action to put out a fire, save a life, or apprehend a suspect. All too often each of us has heard the siren, seen the lights, or needed the expert services of a paramedic. To protect and to serve are the words that police officers, firefighters, and correction officers live by. It is what drew them to their professions; it is the reason they do what they do.

Almost since the beginning of city, county, and state government in the Northwest and elsewhere, police and fire-fighting positions have been held by white males. Today, in spite of active recruiting of African Americans, Asians, Hispanics, and women, the rosters of these units are still mostly filled by white males. So it is something of a surprise to see a non white in the uniform of a civil

servant and even rarer to see a black Seventh-day Adventist as a police officer or a fire fighter.

Here we profile four Northwest African American Adventists who have made their careers in law enforcement and firefighting. They each see their jobs as a ministry, trying to make a difference in people's lives. These people serve their communities and their church.

The Assistant Chief of Police

Derrick Foxworth is the assistant chief of police for the city of Portland. A lifelong Pentecostal Christian he said, "From the first day that I decided to become a police officer, I said, 'Lord, I want to do Your will, I want to do Your work, and in doing so I want You to be manifested in everything that I do."

Derrick grew up in Portland, graduating from the University of Portland with a degree in marketing management in 1980. He was recruited by the police department and decided to become an

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BY RICHARD DOWER

officer, "to give back to the community that had given so much to me."

During his 21-and-a-half years on the Portland police force, Derrick has worked at many jobs starting as a patrol officer in a precinct. His experience includes service in the traffic division, in the narcotics division as an undercover officer, and as the public information officer for the police bureau. He was promoted to lieutenant in 1994.

In 1996 he was again promoted, this time to captain in 1996, and was assigned to head the tactical operation division which included the gang enforcement team, special emergency reaction team (SWAT), and the explosive disposal unit. Later, he was assigned to the Northeast Precinct as one of five precinct commanders for the city, serving there for five years.

In June, 2002, he was promoted as one of four assistant police chiefs and today serves as head of the operations branch overseeing the five precincts and the traffic division which employs 742 people out of the 1,200 officers assigned to the police bureau.

It was during his assignment at the Northeast Precinct that he met Linda Loiseau, an Adventist church member, through a mutual friend.

Derrick and Linda dated for two years before their wedding, December 8, 2002. During this time Linda introduced him to the Seventh-day Adventist Church and he started attending church. Together they talked about the doctrines and, he studied the Bible with Sharon Church Pastor Dwight Haynes.

When he made the decision to marry Linda he also made the decision to be baptized. "It seemed natural to want to keep going to church together, to continue to have Bible studies, to want to have that same belief in God, to become involved in the same things," Derrick said. "It was not a hard decision to make because I have always had a close relationship with God. I already believed in much of what the Adventist church believed."

The Sabbath was not a problem for Derrick. "There was a little bit of transition—getting accustomed to it. But when you read the Bible, it

Assistant police chief Derrick Foxworth greets Commander Rosanne Sizer, a colleague on the Portland Police Force.





As their friendship deepened, Linda shared her faith with Derrick, inviting him to church. Derrick was baptized several weeks before they were married.

makes it very clear on which day you are supposed to worship." Derrick was baptized on November 30, 2002.

The Corrections Officer

Patty Boyd sits at a long console filled with illuminated buttons. Her eyes scan a bank of small video monitors and her fingers push the appropriate buttons. She works in Central Control at the King County Department of Adult Detention and in the resident areas when assigned to them.

Working at Central Control she is responsible for the security of the perimeter doors making sure she knows who is coming in and who is leaving. She controls the movement of the elevators

and the doors, only operating them when she is sure of the identity of the people and where they want to go. She also monitors other emergencies and alerts the proper authorities.

"Today there was a fight between

"Today there was a fight between inmates on the tenth floor." Patty related. "What they did in Central Control was to program the elevators to go to other floors, to pick up people and send them to help where ever the situation was."

She has worked at the jail since 1981 and enjoys her job. Patty says having a love for people is one of the qualities needed to work at the jail. "There are many different personalities that come through the jail. When suspects are brought in they are extremely upset.

They are upset because they know they have committed what they are accused of, and other times they are upset because they know they didn't do it. They are ranting and raving and it requires a calming influence not to escalate them more than they are."

She says that her faith as an Adventist Christian contributes to her success on the job. She treats people like she would want to be treated if she were wearing their shoes. "People look at me and wonder how I can be hard and firm with the inmates. I can be firm, but when I speak with the inmates I don't speak in a demeaning way. I always address them with a Mr. or a Ms. I know that it is because of God's grace in my life that I've been able to work there such a long time."

The qualities that she uses at work, Patty puts to use at church as well serving as the head greeter and as the assistant head deaconess at the Emerald City Church. In the past she has served as the head deaconess but since her husband James is the head deacon, she smilingly says that one department head in the family is enough and she is happy in her roles.

A letter from an inmate sums up the work and service of Patty. In part, this person said, "Thank you for your words of encouragement and the love



Patty Boyd is a corrections officer for the King County Department of Adult Detention. She works at the Central Control, the command center for the building's security.

read the Bible, it makes it very clear what day you are supposed to worship."

"When you



Don Lewis is a City of Portland firefighter and paramedic with 24 years of seniority. His job is to drive the fire truck and operate the pumps which supply water to the firefighters.

of Christ that I see in you. God spoke through you when you told me to take it one day at a time and let the Holy Spirit be my guide."

The Fireman

He wears a smoke-stained yellow hardhat with a visor, drives a big red fire truck and is the envy of every kid who ever dreamed of being a fireman. Don Lewis is a firefighter and a paramedic serving with the Portland, Oregon, fire fighting force.

When they arrive at a fire, his first job is to get the pumps going so that the other firefighters can begin to fight the fire. Then he has only four minutes to get hooked up to a hydrant before the 600 gallon tank of water on the truck is used up.

A 24-year veteran firefighter, he enjoys going to work. He says, "I believe that the Lord has led in my decision to be a fire fighter, because I have the temperament to deal with death, dying, and emergencies."

Safety is a primary concern in firefighting and training is important to being safe on the job. "We are so well trained that whenever I jump on a rig, I don't think about it. I have a goal in mind and that is to do the best I can." he said.

"We were at this fire and it was so hot it started burning around my ears and my wrists. I started to think I might not get out so I said a prayer. One day I was doing chest compression and I prayed while I was doing that. While it is my faith in God that sustains me you must do some practical things, too. You must educate and train yourself then Jesus calls those things back to your mind when you need them."

Don Lewis not only serves residents of Portland as a firefighter but he also serves the members of the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church as the head elder.

"Being the head elder is being the under shepherd working with the pastor. It is my responsibility along with the pastor to help this little flock get from Egypt to the Heavenly Canaan. It is a spiritual journey and I have to lead by example. I've come to the conclusion that it is a shepherd/flock relationship and this makes me be more compassionate with the people. I've baptized folk, I've officiated at funerals, and I'm a part of everything that happens in the church."

Don is the president of the Northwest Adventist African American Local Elders Federation (NAAALEF.) The main focus of this association is to assist the local churches in evangelism. Last November they accepted the challenge from church leadership to work for a 10% increase in Regional membership for 2003.

Working on a rotating schedule of 24 hours on and 48 hours off, Don takes vacation days on Sabbath, trading shifts with people who want other days off, and says he doesn't have problems getting Sabbaths off.

Don is one of about 25 black firefighters in a force of 662 people and was a leader in establishing an apprenticeship program to help minorities and women get into the fire group. Recipient of several service awards, he has also participated in the Oregon Health Sciences University research program which studied the possibility of deploying heart defibrillators in the Portland area.

I know that it is because of God's grace in my life that I've been able to work there such a long time.



Don Lewis is a Sabbath school teacher in addition to his duties as head elder of the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church in Portland.



Vancouver, Wash. police detective Troy Price and his partner Ed Hewitt, both Christians, see their work as a ministry because they try to make a difference in people's lives.

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Committed to his God, his church, his community, and his job, Don believes in a practical religion and serves the people with whom he comes into contact.

The Detective

Troy Price is a life-long Adventist. Born and raised in Chicago, he attended Chicago Seventh-day Adventist Academy from kindergarten through high school. He graduated from Tougaloo College in Jackson, Mississippi, with a degree in Psychology.

Today he is a detective in the Vancouver, Washington, police department assigned to the fraud, forgery, and internet crime unit. Troy and his partner Ed Hewitt are the only ones assigned there. Their job is to investigate everything that could be considered white collar crimes, like embezzlement, credit card fraud—anything from \$2,000 to \$800,000—and thefts.

"Regular patrol officers will go out and investigate crimes when people call in but if there is a protracted investigation they call us. If it meets our criteria then we will investigate it," he said. "Just yesterday I served a search warrant on a case where a guy has written about seven-to-eight hundred bad checks around the Vancouver-Portland metro area. We wrote the search warrant, executed it, and then searched the premises to document and process the contents."

Troy's duties include being a trainer for the State of Washington Criminal Justice Training Center. There he trains law enforcement officers on issues

relating to fraud, ID theft, writing search warrants, and working with informants.

Troy and his partner both share a Christian faith. He said, "In our office we have a plaque that quotes a New York City police captain from the early 1900s. He said, 'Remember, we work for God.' It's our motto. What ever happens during the day, when we go out to eat or when we go out on a search warrant, we stop and have a word of prayer. We say, 'God cover us, help us to go out and reach some people, make a change in some lives, and protect the public.' Then we are ready to go."

"As a Christian it is nice to have that assurance, that background, that faith. I don't have to look at all the people that are doing all those things. I don't have to wonder what is going on because I know what is going on and what is behind it. It's the sin problem manifesting itself in people's lives around the world and in our community. It's always going to be with us. No matter what anyone says, it's not getting better out there. The only thing that we can do is to constantly work to improve how we respond to the problems."

There are 3 black officers on the Vancouver police force of 187 people. Troy was voted Officer of the Year by his peers for 2002. "For me, having the respect of my peers is important so I go out and try to do a good job," he said. "It was nice to know that my work was appreciated."

Troy is a deacon at the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church in Portland. He feels that both jobs, his police job and his deacon job, are a ministry, helping to make a difference in people's lives. •

felt like I'd been dragged through a carwash of Brillo pads drenched in battery acid. Every part of my body ached, including the skin on my elbow where Tubba, a buddy of mine in fifth grade, said that humans have no feelings. A high fever, swollen throat, and itchy eyes all contributed to

my misery. My trip to Guam wasn't supposed to be like this. For nine months I had been anticipating the opportunity to speak at camp meeting in this tropical paradise. But when the plane landed, all I wanted was to sleep until the Second

Nevertheless, since the local church covered all expenses, I managed to grease up the throat with drugs and eke out a sermon that evening for

The following day I was scheduled to preach four times. That task felt as likely as the Red Sox winning the World Series. Still, I smiled when Pastor Nambu arrived early to escort me to Guam Adventist Academy.

"You feeling any better this morning?" he asked.

"Ugh" I groaned. "I feel like I have sandpaper lodged in my throat."

As we twisted up a mountain road, I rested my head against the window and closed my eyes. Suddenly we came around a corner and nearly crashed into a stranded motorist parked in the lane. Her old Ford Escort hissed like Old Faithful.

Pastor Nambu pulled over to offer the woman some help. When he stopped, I thought, We don't have time for this. Let's just get to camp meeting so I can preach my sermons. (Never mind that my sermons were all on the topic of how we are called to show the love of Jesus to people in need!) Let me get this day over with so I can go back to bed.

"Can we push your car off the road?" Pastor Nambu asked. "You're on a blind corner, and I'm afraid you might get hit."

isn't much of a shoulder here."

"I know, but you're on a blind corner and I'm afraid someone might nail you."

Reluctantly I helped them push the car to a safer spot. Just then another car stopped. I recognized the driver as an Adventist from the evening before.

"Can we give you a tow?" he asked.

"No," the woman replied. "I called my husband, and he's got a tow truck coming."

"Are you sure? I got a chain with me. I know there's a gas station about a half mile up the road."

"No, thanks a million anyway."

As I turned toward our car, the woman surprised me with a question. "Are all of you Seventh-day Adventists?"

"Yes!" I gleamed. "Are you an Adventist?"

> "No," she said. "But I can see you're

dressed like you're going to church. And I've been to the Adventist Clinic and find the people there to be the nicest folk on the island. When you stopped to help, I reckoned you were from that clinic."

As I turned to go, she said, "If I were to ever join a church, it would be yours, because Adventists are always helping people in need. God bless you!"

Jesus once said, "By this will all people know that you are genuine Seventh-day Adventist Christians that you love one another" (John 13: 35, my paraphrase). Mother Teresa put it like this: "The wire is you and me; the current is God. We have the power to let the current pass through us, use us, and produce the Light of the world—Jesus" (as quoted in *Becoming a* Contagious Christian, pp. 76, 77).

So go and be a wire of Jesus' love. How? The best way is not by preaching sermons. A better way is to live God's love. •

Karl Haffner is senior pastor of the Walla Walla College Adventist Church and writes from College Place, Wash.

ALASKA

NOME STUDENTS

Participate in Disaster Drill

November 6, 2002, was a normal Wednesday afternoon just like every other in Nome, Alaska, except for the bodies laying on the airport tarmac. Victims from a 747 crash littered the runway as rescue personnel rushed to assist them.

Perception shifts. One of the victims giggles as his injuries are assessed. In looking around one notices that no blood or gore is present, except for the make up applied to several victims to simulate bruises, lacerations, and other injuries.

This scene was part of a multi-victim disaster drill conducted each year by Nome's Emergency Medical Services (EMS), airport personnel, and the U.S. Department of Transportation workers.

Students at Nome Adventist School were asked by the EMS department to serve as victims for the drill in order to lend a feeling of authenticity by having living subjects instead of just mannequins.

Victims were assessed on the scene and then transported to a triage area by ambulance and fire personnel where their injuries were ranked by severity. Transport to the local hospital was carried out in ambulance, fire rescue rig, army truck, and in some cases even the back of a pick



Nome Adventist School student is transported via emergency pickup truck to make-shift triage center as part of multi-agency disaster drill at Nome, Alaska's, regional airport.

up truck. At Norton Sound Regional Hospital, students were further assessed by the hospital team where treatment was simulated and further transport decisions were made.

The students enjoyed the experience and wished they really could have been medevaced out to Anchorage,

except with no injuries so they could enjoy it! Student participants included Melissa Owens, Miles Roaer, Naomi Jorgensen, Arielle Jorgensen, Briana Rose, Michael Kralik, Cara Buie, and Susan Reddaway. •

Tami Burrell



Northern Outing

Golden Heart Christian School students pose in front of the rustic lodge used as the meeting place during their annual fall campout, under the direction of Barbara Quaile, grades 1–4 teacher, Oct. 11–13, 2002. Located in Fairbanks, Alaska, the school is the farthest north school in the North Pacific Union. The students enjoyed such amenities as propane for cooking and lodge lighting, wood stoves to keep the cabins warm, and an outhouse. There was no electricity or plumbing. On Sabbath afternoon the students packaged the dry ingredients for a soup mix to be distributed by the Fairbanks food bank.



Sacred Melodies

Harpist Sigorney Moore is one of nine harpists in the Northern Sunrise Harp Ensemble who presented *The Christmas Story* under the direction of Helen Norton at the Fairbanks Church. Eight-year-old Sigorney began playing at age four and performs all music by memory. The group is primarily made up of community members.

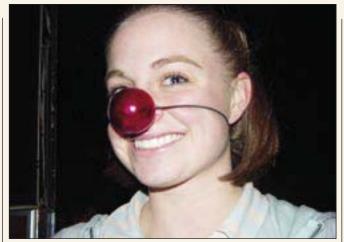
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THIRTY YEARS OF GIVING

To the Community

As the Gem State Academy bus pulled up in front of the school, academy students streamed from the cafeteria with a welcoming wave of enthusiasm for more than 30 children from the community. As children came off the bus, they were paired with academy students who had signed up to sponsor them. "The sign-up sheet filled in fast, as this has become an anticipated tradition," said Kristy Blevins, student association president.

This Christmas marked 30 years of this academy tradition of helping children from the community have a brighter Christmas. It started in 1972 with a phone call



Cindy Leno, Gem State senior, brings laughs to many children with her antics during the Adopt-A-Child Christmas party.

from then student association sponsor Ray Blue. Loretta Nichols from the Southwest Department of Health agreed to work with the school to identify children for sponsorship who might not otherwise have much

of a Christmas. Gem State Academy students and their families have been sponsoring children ever since thanks to Nichols. "The joy on the faces of the little ones, as Santa comes and they open gifts with their sponsor students, is what Christmas is really all about, said Jan Fautheree, Bible teacher and student association sponsor." While more than 1,500 children have been given a brighter Christmas over the years through this annual party, Gem State students and their families have also learned it is more blessed to give than receive. •

Debra McCarver

DESMOND & FRANCES DOSS

Impact the Community

The Cambridge Idaho Church hosted Medal of Honor recipient Desmond Doss and his wife Frances in Veteran's Day services during the weekend of Nov. 8–9. But the weekend was not enough to contain invitations for the Dosses, who also participated in special services with other area groups and schools.

During their Sabbath presentations at the church, the Dosses shared the story of the 83-year-old veteran's military experiences leading to his historic efforts during World War II. Doss received the Congressional Medal of Honor for saving the lives of 75 men from a bullet ridden escarpment in Okinawa. Just



Tom Penry, Donnelly Bible Church pastor, and Desmond Doss

prior to the Sabbath morning service, Dwayne Kluchesky, Cambridge pastor, received a phone call from Wilfred Fox, of Midvale, Idaho. Fox suggested that Doss may have been one of the soldiers who cared for him, and called Doss and other medics "angels that saved our lives."

During their stay, the Dosses also presented worship at the Canyon View Adventist School, helped the Donnelly Bible Church with a flag dedication, and gave a special presentation at the American Legion Hall in Cascade. On Veteran's Day, they were guest speakers at the Midvale School and attended a luncheon honoring local veterans. John Cook, Midvale High School teacher, showed his class the video of Doss who was featured on "This is Your Life" in 1959.

The Dosses made an impression on the communities they visited. A number of individuals purchased the book, *Desmond Doss: In God's Care.* •

Patti Kluchesky

Conference News

MONTANA CONFERENCE Holds First-ever Prayer Conference



Guest speakers Kevin Wilfley and Randy Maxwell.

The first conferencesponsored prayer conference in Montana was last fall, in Bozeman. Guest speakers, Kevin Wilfley and Randy Maxwell, inspired the 60 participants, representing 11 churches, with stories of answered prayer in their own lives, in their churches, and even around the world.

In addition to a special time of group prayer, participants learned how to start prayer ministries in their local churches, and how to keep their personal prayer life relevant, including "scripture praying" and praying with singing. A prayer service rounded out the weekend on Saturday night, with many participants requesting intercessory prayer.

Donna Wagner, Montana Conference prayer coordinator, says, "I would like to see prayer become a dynamic part of our church. I hope seminars like this will encourage people to go to prayer as naturally as they take their next breath." •

Debbie King

"My heart is overflowing with a good theme; I recite my composition concerning the King; My tongue is the pen of a ready writer." PSALM 45:1, NKJV



Two Ceremonies

Royanna Smith and Neil Diamond were married and baptized Sabbath, Oct. 19, 2002, at the Big Timber Church. This was the first marriage at the church in 24 years. Bill Smith, Big Timber pastor (left), performed both ceremonies.

MONTANA

MT. ELLIS ACADEMY Fosters Active Student Events



Males Order Brides

The Mt. Ellis class of 2003 staged the play "Males Order Brides" as a fundraiser. English teacher, Anita Strawn de Ojeda, producer, helped the students learn their parts.



Instrumental Performance

The band performs at the academy and in special appearances around the state.



Student Leadership

The Associated Student Body officers at Mt. Ellis for first semester were Jeff Clark, president; Kyra Eddy, vice president; Jason King, chaplain; Tisha Brown, treasurer; Tim Delinger, secretary; Ken Schrock, sergeant-at-arms.



Full Stage

The stage can barely contain the choir this school year, which is 48 strong under the leadership of Leisel Rogers.

PACS VOLUNTEERS Serve Up Love Thanksgiving Style

hat was the best Thanksgiving I've ever had." "If we hadn't come here, our family would not have had a Thanksgiving." Those were just two of the comments heard last November as Portland Adventist Community Services (PACS) hosted community folks for Thanksgiving dinner.

In preparation for the event, PACS sent invitations to all surrounding Adventist churches and posted a notice on the reader board by the street. They soon had reservations for nearly 150.

The thrift shop racks were shoved to the walls and tables and chairs were set up. People from all over the Portland metro area brought food. Some stopped just long enough to unload while others



A child from the neighborhood who would not have had a Thanksgiving dinner, enjoyed the one prepared by the volunteers of PACS.

stayed to help. A volunteer crew decorated, prepared food, dished up plates, cleaned, and put the place back in order.

A volunteer came at

the last minute who spoke Spanish. When two Hispanic groups came to the dinner, he welcomed them, found seating for them, and made them comfortable.

One lady from the community saw the reader board and came in to ask if she could help. She was assigned the job of hostess. She loved every minute of it. "I've always dreamed of doing something like this," she said, "Now I will go to my daughter-in-law's where she is fixing dinner, but I will never forget how the Lord has blessed me today."

"This Thanksgiving experience will definitely be one of the highlights of my life, as far as Thanksgivings go," said Rhonda Whitney, executive director of Portland Adventist Community Services. "The wonderful spirit, camaraderie, and special time to share with others was incredible. This was one of the most relationship-building activities we have ever done as a community service agency."

Attendees and helpers felt the same and want to do it again next year. •

Rhonda Whitney



A young volunteer serves pumpkin pie to the attendees.



People from all over the Portland metro area brought food from their own kitchens to share with the people at the PACS Thanksgiving dinner.

BETTER LIFE TELEVISION

Gets a Better Station

After more than two years of planning and fundraising, Better Life Television, based in Grants Pass, Ore., is finally getting to spread its wings—thanks to a new studio expansion and some help from volunteers.

From Oct. 8–29, 2002, more than 70 volunteers from Maranatha Volunteers International, met in Grants Pass to help with a building expansion and remodeling project at the station. By the end of the three-week project, volunteers had added a 1,700 square foot studio, two offices, and converted the existing studio into management, production, and engineering offices.

Using volunteers helped reduce labor and overall costs for the expansion. The station came in contact with Maranatha through Ken Casper, Maranatha board member, and Owen and Neva MacPhee, Maranatha volunteers and members of the Grants Pass Church. After discussing the vision for the



The enlarged and refurbished studios will allow Better Life Television to serve most of Southern Oregon and Northern California, with a potential viewing audience of more than half a million people.

new studio, Casper and the MacPhees suggested that the station apply for project assistance through Maranatha. Once accepted, Maranatha coordinated all the volunteer labor for the project.

The new space will allow the station to continue growing to reach a larger audience. In October of 2001, Better Life Television became the first Three Angels Broadcasting Network (3ABN) commercial television station. They expect to begin transmitting to most of southern Oregon and Northern California soon, with a potential viewing audience of more than half a million people.

Better Life Television is a viewer-supported, non-profit organization working in cooperation with the Seventh-day Adventist Church.
The station is a downlink affiliate of 3ABN, producing local programming for the communities it serves. Better Life Television strives to provide for their viewers programs supporting a healthy and spiritual lifestyle.

Julie Z. Lee, Maranatha Volunteers International communications coordinator



Maranatha volunteers help with a building expansion and remodeling project at the Better Life Television station in Grants Pass.

SPRINGFIELD MEMBERS

Provide Thanksgiving Hospitality

The week before
Thanksgiving, members
of the Springfield Church
participated in a "guess whose
coming to dinner" event. Some
offered to be host homes, and
others signed up to be guests.
The guests did not know whose
house they were going to for
a Sabbath Thanksgiving feast.
They were given a slip of paper
with directions to someone's

home. The host house did not know who were to be their guests. They were only given the number of people to expect. In spite of some adventure in finding some of the destinations everyone had a surprising and wonderful time. •

Cheryl Whitsell

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COLUMBIA ACADEMY STUDENTS

Give the Gift of Life

Students at Columbia Adventist Academy (CAA) recently set a record for the highest percentage of eligible donors to volunteer to give blood. The American Red Cross requires that blood donors be at least 17 years old. David Allen, chairperson for CAA's biannual blood drive, challenged the juniors and seniors to have 100 percent participation of those eligible. As a result, one hundred percent of the junior class, and ninety percent of the senior class came to give blood.

"Never before has such a high percentage of eligible donors ever been involved in a blood drive in Clark County, and probably even in the entire state," declared Karen Werstein, of the American Red Cross. "We usually have five to ten percent of the general population that will volunteer to donate, and between 25 and 50 percent in a high school blood drive. That's why what you did at CAA is so incredible. You saved the lives of 111 people by your gift of life."

"Your students are a joy to work with. They smell better, act better, and talk better than do the general high school students. We can always count on Columbia Adventist Academy for a successful blood drive," said the blood drive supervisor.•

David Allen



Junior Lisa Locatis of Washougal joined in the record-breaking blood drive.



One hundred percent of the junior class and 90 percent of the senior class at Columbia Adventist Academy gave blood.



Newly baptized converts express appreciation for Bibles.

CLASSROOM B

Can One Sabbath School Class Make a Difference?

he atmosphere is charged in Classroom B. In just a few days the Medford Sabbath school class has raised \$26,000 for church buildings in India. Matched by Merlin and Jo Ann Fjarli, members of the class, and again by Maranatha Volunteers International, that amount will be multiplied to more than \$100,000 and will build between 10 and 25 church homes, depending on the needed size.

Already more than 25,000 people have been baptized in the three 50-village missions previously sponsored by Classroom B in just the past year. This pushes the South Andhra Section of the Southern Asia Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church over the mark to become the largest conference in the world field. Altogether, 100 church buildings are either built or in final stages of completion.

Enthusiasm is contagious
The children's Sabbath
school divisions in the
Medford church caught the

spirit, sponsoring an evening of film and fun, to raise money for Bibles printed in the Telegu language, netting \$504. The story doesn't stop there. A church member approached two members of Classroom B saying, "I have a check for \$1,000 in my pocket that I will give for Bibles if someone will match it." That night \$500 was pledged by five members present, the rest is coming, raising the number of Bibles inspired by the children to more than 1,300.

Prayer warriors

Members of the class have also pledged themselves to individually pray for one of the 50 villages asking God to pour out His Spirit in a most powerful way on:

 The Gospel Outreach Volunteers—Adventist Indian nationals who are paid a small stipend and are committed to live and work in the particular village for three years

- The pastors who hold evangelistic meetings in each village before the American teams arrive
- The 24 people from the U.S. making up the five evangelistic teams now holding evangelistic meetings in the Amalapuram area of the state of Andhra Pradesh, India.

"Never have I seen such results for the money spent," says Merlin, "I get more 'bang for the buck' from this than from anything I have ever done."

Please don't tell anyone in Classroom B that one Sabbath school class can't make a difference. •

Bruce Johnston



A new church building is a sanctuary that plays a vital role in holding these newly baptized converts, brought to Christ in an Indian village where before there were no Seventh-day Adventists.



Students from Columbia Adventist Academy, public school, and parents on the Appalachia 2002 Mission Trip in Somerset, Ky.

APPALACHIA Mission Trip 2002

he Appalachia 2002 Mission Trip quietly preached the gospel of the kingdom in Sommerset, Ky., to all who could see and hear. Twentyseven eager people including students from Columbia Adventist Academy and local public schools, caring parents, and one enthusiastic youth pastor heard the call and obeyed. Each person accepted Christ's commission to serve others, and was willing to contribute time, energy, and money to help with the project.

The CAA contingent merged with committed groups from Madison Academy and Georgia Cumberland Academy in Tennessee. The groups intermingled easily and took to each other in a short period of time, working as one for the benefit of all.

Everyone had the privilege of staying at the Galilean Home. The home is run by a benevolent Mennonite family who has blessed the lives of many less fortunate children—and the Appalachia Mission teams.

There were several job sites available, with a variety of tasks to choose from. Major tasks included putting up drywall, installing a furnace and associated duct work, and putting siding on a three-story house. Minor tasks included cleaning, patching, nailing, sealing, building, painting, and more cleaning. Amazing work was accomplished in the three short days there. •

Christina Hack, a junior at CAA

MEADOW GLADE Church Expansion

More than \$3.3 million dollars has already been raised in cash and pledges toward Meadow Glade church's \$3.8 million expansion program.

Since construction began in May 2002, an attractively landscaped parking lot extends from the east side of the church all the way to the Meadow Glade nursing home and a new roof covers the existing church and new addition.

When completed

The new church facility will add nearly 20,000 additional square feet and more than 51,000 square feet of newly-developed, off-street parking and landscaping. It will provide 11 new classrooms, bringing all of the children's divisions under one roof, and alleviating the need for adult Sabbath school classes from meeting in the sanctuary. It will also provide seven new offices; additional restrooms

on all three levels of the church; and a fireside chapel, seating more than 250 guests, which will be available for seminars, weddings, funerals, and evangelism. A much needed fellowship hall will be added, with a full kitchen, providing appropriate space for outreach, both to our church families and to our community. There will be a new library in the current fover; a new elevator accessible to all floors; and a covered portico attached to the open foyer/lobby, providing a welcoming environment for

The final touch

The sanctuary will receive a much-needed update, with a redesigned platform area and an expanded mother's room. "As we move forward with God's direction into the new century," says Ken Crawford, senior pastor "this vision can become the reality on which our future is built." •

Doris James



MILO STUDENTS PLAY IN THE RAIN

In the Falk Sport Court



The resilient flooring that has been installed in the Falk Sport Court will make it safer for the students. Left to right: Mike Taylor, Sport Court Representative; Bill Coach; Randy Bovee, Principal

few years ago, Esther Falk saw the need for a covered outdoor sport area where students could play sports outside and still be protected from the weather. Because of Oregon's weather, the court needed to have flooring installed that would allow students to play without slipping on the cement floor. In November, a brilliant new blue and green sport court flooring was installed, thanks to another gift from Falk.

Falk and her late husband Rollin have blessed Milo Adventist Academy with generosity and support. In the very beginning of the school, they saw a need for a building to house the music program, and thus the Falk Conservatory was built. Over the years, their children and grandchildren have attended Milo Adventist Academy and Falk has been actively involved.

Falk was honored on alumni weekend, Apr. 5, 2002, with a special dedication of The Falk Sport Court. •

Kay Dickey, Milo Academy development/marketing director



The Falk Sport Court was made possible by a gift from Esther Falk.

TILLAMOOK ADVENTIST SCHOOL

Puts On Thanksgiving Play

Just before Thanksgiving, 129 of the 130 Tillamook School students helped put on the play called "Harvest Festivals Through the Ages," written by their librarian, Mildred Thompson Olson.

The play traced the history of Harvest Festivals in Canaan, then Israel, Greece, Rome, Medieval England (The Reapers), Elizabethan England, Holland, and early America, in the Coopham Colony, in the Plymouth Colony, and in all the years that have followed in America.

While the students had very little experience speaking in public or with acting, they loved the rehearsals and really looked forward to presenting



A few of the students who put on the Thanksgiving play at the Tillamook Adventist School. Left to right, Front row: Cody Rittenbach, Zachary Bradburn, Autumn Josi and Sara Ayers; Middle Row: Charity Elrod, Carissa Shupp, Katelyn Jacob, Nasha VanDijken, Ashley Josi, Mallory Trost, Margot Ripley; back row: Ryan Turney, Jason Wetzel, Christopher Hanratty, Joel Widmer, Zachary Short, Todd Josi, Monica Hendricks.

the hour-long play to their families and the community.

Nearly 400 people came to see the play in the Tillamook Adventist School's (TAS) new gymnasium. Church members and parents helped with the music, video, PA system, programs, stage, props, and costuming. Students in the first and second grades memorized the scripture and spoke it in unison and the third and fourth graders presented the welcome.

Students at TAS come from 16 different churches in the community. Thirty-one of the students come from Adventist homes. •

Shirley Thomas

ADVENTURE AND SERVICE

On Mission Trip to Mexico

A group of 26 Salem Central Church young people made up of the Salem Handbell Choir and Youth Chorus went on a California/New Mexico music-mission trip. Following are the experiences of two students.

Rachel

We arrived late at night at the Calexico Mission School and were welcomed by a convoy of roaches. Despite the unexpected encounters, we managed to get through the night. The next day was very warm, with added heat from our hard work around the school. We did some yard work, painting, and I helped with organizing textbooks. That evening we performed for the church near the school. The pastor and the people there were very kind and hospitable.

Ellen

The next day we went to Tijuana to work on a church. The church was a pitiful sight. Surrounded by run-down houses, its walls were old and painted yellow (apparently a long time ago). We set to work, painting with rollers and brushes, inside and outside. Authentic Mexican meals were provided for us in the sanctuary, because that was the only room in the church. In the afternoon, several boys came and helped paint over their own graffiti. At the end of the day we were paint-spattered and tired.

On our way home, a few hours after our lunch stop at the Olive Pit, a woman lost control of her car and clipped the end of one of our vans sending us crashing headfirst into the median and spinning a full 360 degrees. We safely came to a stop on the side of the road next to a steep, rocky embankment.

Immediately, two ambulances and a helicopter were on their way. They heard the words "15 passenger van" and assumed fatalities. As we waited for help to arrive we studied the skid marks and realized God's hand was the only thing that kept us from rolling downhill. Four of us were sent to the emergency room with minor pain, but were soon back with nothing more serious than bruises. Thankfully, we were near an Adventist church and were able to spend the night there.

We arrived safely at Salem Central to find that our church family had been praying for us. Two women in particular felt impressed to pray for us about the time of the accident. It was a dramatic end to a successful tour, but we returned home with a renewed sense of God's presence in our lives.

Rachel

I have learned many things since our trip. I have realized that God has a plan for all of us. He saved us for a reason and I've been reassured He has not forgotten me and that we have a big future ahead of us. I've also realized how precious friends are and how much we need each other, just as we need our music to keep us alive. •

Rachel Kim, Ellen Cockerham



Albany Church Women's Ministries Committee (from left), Coralie Cole, Judy Van Tassel, Dolores Wright, Joy Miller, and Louise Warren, alongside joy-filled boxes ready for shipping to needy children.

ALBANY CHURCH

Participates in Operation Shoebox

Women's Ministries members of the Albany Church invited local church members to imagine the child-like joy of boys and girls as they open presents on Christmas morning. Members were told, "Now imagine that joy magnified tenfold as a child who has never received a present, a child who has suffered because of war, natural disaster, poverty, illness, or neglect, receives a shoe box filled to overflowing with gifts."

To capture that joy, shoe box-sized plastic boxes were made available for church members to fill with small toys, school supplies, hygiene items, candy, items of clothing, hair clips, books, and much more. Labels were supplied to designate whether the box was suitable for a boy or girl from ages 2–4, 5–9, 10–11, or 12–14 years.

Initially, 60 boxes were placed on the Women's Ministries table. All were taken within minutes by members eager to fill them. More boxes were made available the following Sabbath. By the Nov. 23 deadline, 117 boxes were filled to overflowing and quickly sent on their way to bring joy to needy children in thirdworld countries for Christmas 2002. •

Joy Miller

COLE ORDAINE

In Pendleton Church

an Cole was ordained on Nov. 30, 2002, at the Pendleton, Ore., Church where he is an associate pastor. During the ceremony Dan's father, Paul Cole, pastor of the Albany, Ore., Church, gave the "Challenge to Ministry" sermon. He encouraged Dan in his commitment, as a fourthgeneration Adventist pastor, to share the gospel and care for God's people.

"It was very meaningful to have my father preach the ordination charge," Dan said. "He has inspired me with the way he loves people and is faithful to God and the church."

"Ordination is more than just a landmark in a pastor's life," says Max Torkelsen, Upper Columbia Conference president. "It's the church's recognition of a pastor's spiritual calling. To see so many of Dan's family there and see all the work the church put into the service and the reception is a real testimony to their support of Dan and his burden for ministry."

"We were blessed to have so many family members attend, even from significant distances," said Dan's wife Julene, "as well as church families from past church districts. The local church put



Dan and Julene Cole along with Michael and Krystin were given a special service in the Pendleton Church to ordain Dan as a minister of the gospel Church.

on a beautifully-decorated reception and we felt very loved and blessed."

Dan and Julene's pastoral experience began when Upper Columbia Conference

sponsored their seminary education at Andrews University immediately after college. While there, Dan served as the assistant pastor in Hartford, Michigan. After graduation they returned to the Upper Columbia Conference and became associate pastor of the East Wenatchee/Chelan district and later pastor of the Troy/Deary district. They are currently serving the Pendleton/Mission/Pilot Rock/Blue Mountain district as associate pastoral family. •

Jon Dalrymple, Upper Columbia Conference communication assistant

EPTIONAL EXPERIENC

For Academy Biology Students



Dewann Bach measures DNA with a micropipette, just one of the pieces of equipment loaned to UCA by Washington State University.

Upper Columbia Academy's advanced biology students recently had an unusual opportunity to simulate forensic studies with the latest of scientific equipment, thanks to the Howard Hughes Foundation and Washington State University.

"They loaned us all kinds of equipment that we could never afford—free of charge!" reports Gayle Haeger, UCA biology teacher. "Our students were able to work on the cutting edge of science." They fingerprinted DNA from a simulated crime scene, complete with sample DNA from several "suspects;" they used

gel electrophoresis to prepare their own samples and fragmented the DNA to identify the "criminal;" and they developed skills ranging from micro-pipetting (measuring millionths of a liter) to reading the finished gel separation of

UCA students learned that these processes are useful in finding birth parents, identifying disease organisms, evaluating the effectiveness of bone marrow transplants, testing human remains and much more. •

Cheri Corder, UCA director of outreach and communications

Otis Parks' pickup is headed for market loaded down with the Investment pumpkins and squash that were protected from the elements to reach



Otis Parks (right) set up a display in Troy, Idaho, to sell his Investment

And Investment Pumpkins

When church members take God as a project Partner, amazing things can happen. After Otis Parks, retired pastor of the Troy, Idaho, Church, returned from a seven-week mission trip to Africa last year, he was determined to grow some pumpkins and squash for Investment.

Because of a cool, wet Spring, Parks was unable to plant the squash until late June and thought, "these seeds will never mature before frost." But they had been dedicated for Investment, and his worries and doubts were immediately followed by a Bible text: "In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand, for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good" Ecc1. 11:6.

The seeds sprouted and the plants grew to three feet tall with leaves 14 inches across. But would they mature? The mornings of Aug. 3 and Sept. 8 brought frost. Other gardens in the area were completely wiped out. The Investment plants continued to prosper and grow, many to 30 lbs.: Hubbards, Bananas, Sweetmeats, and hybrids. Parks' wife, Ann, and Alina Arnold, a Soils Master student at University of Idaho, helped by watering and weeding when he was busy with other farm

The weight of the Investment pumpkins totaled 4,000 lbs and the squash came to 3,800 lbs. Sales to an area produce store totaled \$1,310. The root cellar still has 1,000 pounds. Miracle squash anyone? •

Elaine Drury

For Born

Pam Born was welcomed into the Tonasket Church on Sept. 26, 2002. The church doesn't have a baptistry, so after a special potluck lunch in her honor, family and friends

gathered at the Omak Church to witness her baptism by David Woodruff, pastor of both churches. •

Janet Aerni



PPER COLUMBI

TENTH ANNUAL

In Wenatchee Church

he Wenatchee Adventist church presented its annual "Brody Award" in a November church service. The first award was given to Elmer and Lila Brody in 1992 for their lifelong commitment to the Wenatchee community through the Adventist Community Service Center. It has evolved in the last ten



Cindy Phillippi helped found the Good Grief Center in Wenatchee.

years to include members of the community who have made a difference in the lives of those around them. This year two groups were recognized.

Cindy Phillippi was honored as one of the founders of The Good Grief Center. This community service focuses on the resolution of children's grief and extends to the surviving adult relatives, to help them support the healing process. They provide

programs for children of all ages, ranges from three to 18.

Also recognized, the Locomotive Ministry inspired by Rod and Gayle Lasher, members of the Wenatchee Church. After seeing an article about a homeless project that Upper Columbia Academy was doing, Gayle and Rod started a project in Wenatchee. Since October 2000 they've provided hot meals and sack lunches in the locomotive park every Sabbath afternoon. The



The Locomotive Ministry in Wenatchee was the brainchild of Rod and Gayle Lasher.

group that it serves varies. Today there are 4 committed teams that participate in the program. •

Kim Eastman

The Brody Award is given to members of the community who've made a difference in the lives of those around them.

YAKIMA TEACHER HONORE

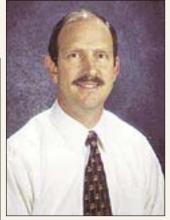
akima Adventist Christian School (YACS) is proud to announce that Phillip C. Engelman, ninth- and tenthgrade teacher, has been named as one of our nation's most influential educators and has been included in the publication Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2002. Engelman began his teaching career in 1980. Over the

past 22 years he has taught in Northern California, Rocky Mountain, Washington, and Upper Columbia conferences and at every grade level except kindergarten. This is Engelman's second year teaching ninth- and tenthgrade at YACS.

Engelman's favorite hobbies are backpacking and snow skiing, which he in-

tegrates into the classroom schedule. This year he is again sponsoring six weekly ski outings at White Pass. Engelman and his wife Kathy have three grown children and make their home in Yakima. •

Susan Bailey, Yakima Adventist Christian School Administrative Assistant



Phillip Engelman

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YES TO THE RESCUE Youth Emergency Services

Village Church youth are involved in community service and disaster response through their Youth **Emergency Services or YES** club. Eight young adult members of the College Place Village Church formed the first YES club in the Pacific Northwest in October 2001. Designed for academy- and college-age youth and young adults, YES clubs recruit, train, and mobilize young adults to participate in local Christian community service and provide disaster response during local earthquakes, floods, and wildfires. Since most of its members are over 18, the College Place YES team can also respond to national disasters.

Pastor Dan Solis, Village Church youth pastor, is the club's instructor as well as a National Disaster Response Consultant. Club director Debbie Nelson and members Becca Nelson, Crystal Nelson, Candace Nelson, Ryan Allen, Amanda Schippers, and Jay Peterson completed Step



From left: (front row) Crystal Nelson, Becca Nelson, Amanda Schippers; (back row) Ryan Allen, Jay Peterson, Candace Nelson, Debi Nelson; (not pictured) Ryan Mackin

Five training in August 2002, during the National Disaster Response Institute held at the College Place Village Church. In addition to YES club training, members also take classes from the Red Cross in basic life support and CPR. Certified Disaster Response team members can, in times of crisis, contact and act as liaison with various disaster relief agencies such as the Red

Cross, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the Salvation Army. Members can set up and draw from multi-agency warehouses and donation centers where items are collected and sorted. They can also recruit and train volunteers to help operate the warehouses. YES club team members work to create public awareness about resources needed at warehouses or

donation centers.

Last fall, YES club members participated in more than six local community service projects. Debi Nelson, club director, characterizes a typical YES club member as "an active agent for the improvement and welfare of the local community." The College Place YES club works in conjunction with the Upper Columbia Conference Disaster Response coordinator or Adventist Community Services director. Adventist Community Services sponsors the nationwide YES program. The club typically meets every other week and is currently engaged in several fundraising activities to purchase field uniforms.

If you are interested in starting a YES club in your church, contact Pastor Dan Solis at the College Place Village Church, Box 205 College Place, WA 99234. •

Carolyn Gaskell, Youth Advisory Committee member

PASTOR APPRECIATION

At Positive Life Radio

Recently Positive Life Radio, 104.9 FM in Spokane, Wash., held a pastor appreciation contest. Willard Santee, pastor of the Post Falls and Otis Orchards

churches, was astonished to be awarded the prize in a surprise presentation in December. "It left Pastor Santee speechless," according to one elder. As a winner of the contest, Santee and his wife, Joan, received a stay at the Coeur d'Alene Resort, and brunch as well. The staff of Spokane's Positive Life Radio wishes to thank all those who submitted their pastor appreciation cards! •

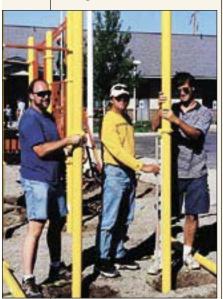
Crystle Rittenour, Post Falls Church communication leader

PRINCIPL IN ACTION Barn Party Raises Money for School

and Teacher

Spokane Valley Adventist School began the year with a new teacher, Danny Terry, substituting for Debby Pipkin who had surgery July 30 in an ongoing battle with cancer. Students, teachers, friends, and family have been praying on her behalf for the past two and a half years.

A fall barn party was planned as a fundraiser, complete with a jail, a dunk tank, an air-filled castle for younger children, radio-controlled cars to play with, games of skill, and more.



Exciting things are happening on the playground, too. Proceeds from an auction held last March were used to buy new playground equipment to replace the old wooden ones that blew over in a fierce windstorm. Principle engineers on the project were (from left) Don Ammon, Darrell Kittilstved and Kevin Stansberry. Their efforts were rewarded by smiling faces and happy yelps of excitement from children at the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Pat Frey, Spokane Valley School principal accepted a challenge to sacrifice his hair for the sake of his teacher, Pipkin. It probably seemed like a safe bet at the outset. After all, the \$1,000 price tag that his scalp carried had to be totally comprised of freewill donations above and beyond the amount raised by ticket sales. Terry would have his hair on the chopping block \$500 sooner and there was still a chance that the first sacrifice would be enough. Both lost their locks because of the crowd's generosity.

Stan Hudson, Valley Church pastor, pledged his mustache for another \$500 and the crowd met the challenge. Having never seen him without his trademark mustache, his wife, Cindy, had to have him pointed out to her. Indeed, Stan himself hadn't seen his upper lip in 28 years! Imagine what his kids thought when their mom brought home a stranger from the barn party!

Donations for the Pipkin family totaled more than \$2,000, and the Spokane Valley School was still able to raise plenty to support their school.

Enrollment up

School enrollment at the end of last year was a few students short of making the budget. Planning this year's budget required a minimum enrollment of 60 students in grades one through nine.



A remembrance program for 9/11 began with a flag-raising and prayer at the flagpole. Captain Gerald Anderson, fireman and member of the Valley Church, emphasized the HOPE we have in Jesus Christ and the plans He has for us (Jeremiah 29:11) amid the tragedy of those events. Afterward the students and teachers divided into small groups and prayed together. Each child was given a flag to place in the lawn next to the school. From left: Christine Porter and Cynthia Gobel.



From left: Pat Frey, Spokane Valley School principal, and Danny Terry, ninth- and tenth-grade teacher check out their newly-shaved heads after sacrificing their hair for a good cause.

"Hallelujah," exclaims Frey, "we have a wonderful student body with 63 students and 16 in the Kindergarten and Preschool programs."

Community involvement

The atmosphere at the Valley School is fun, loving, caring, but most of all Christcentered. The upper classmen with Terry's encouragement

and organization have been doing volunteer service work in the community. Rob Case Spokane Valley Church youth pastor, spends time each week in every classroom mentoring the students, talking about God with them, and organizing Week of Prayer. •

Kaycee and Lola Lile

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WASHINGTON MEN Stand Firm

Singing, praying, cheering, laughing, snoring. These were just a few of the sounds heard during the ninth annual Washington Conference Men's Convention, Nov. 15–17, 2002. Held at Sunset Lake Camp and Auburn Adventist Academy, the convention followed the theme "Standing Firm." Breakout sessions inspired the men to stand firm on family finances, to better understand the meaning of prayer, to learn more about the male identity, to be more balanced and avoid burnout, and how to mentor young men. Dads were again encouraged to bring their teenage and/or young adult sons and many responded.

Keynote speaker Dick O'Ffill, Florida Conference Men's Ministries Director, challenged the men to stand firm in their walk as

Christians, making their homes places of prayer, dealing with their televisions, and remembering to be kind to one another. Rudy Micelli, Christian recording artist, added his singing and personal testimony.

Paul Roberts from the Lummi Church stated, "I had not planned to come this time, but my brother talked me into it. I wanted him to go, so I went. As soon as the first meeting began, I realized how important it was for me to be there."

The challenge course at Sunset Lake provided a thrill for those who dared to participate. Many men kept their feet on the ground, cheering for those climbing from tree to tree on the ropes and cables. Others braved the climb up a tree to a high platform to be attached to a

cable, and then stepped off for the ride of their lives on the zip line.

"Our men's conventions are about encouraging one another on our journey to the kingdom," says Phil White, Washington Conference Men's Ministries director. "It's inspiring to see how men are brought closer to Jesus through this experience. That's why we do them year after year."

Plan now to have your voice be heard singing, praying, cheering, laughing or maybe even snoring with those who will attend the tenth annual Men's Convention. Nov. 14-16. •

Greg Reseck, a member of the Washington Conference Men's Ministries board



Brian Cladoosby of La Conner, Wash., enjoys the ride of his life on the zip line at Sunset Lake Camp.



Just some of the 100 men who attended the Washington Conference Men's Convention.

CEDARBROOK CHILDREN Learn Self-sufficiency

essons in self-sufficiency are being taught at Cedarbrook Adventist Christian School in Port Hadlock, Wash. Children there are initially learning how to raise and store their own food. Organic farming, with no chemical fertilizers or poisons of any kind, is used. A drip irrigation system was installed to conserve water. The class started by emphasizing the importance of the health message and how it relates to the Bible, then progressed to seeds, harvesting and storage of food.

A small, experimental garden was planted this year. Carol Klontz, Cedarbrook principal, heads up the class. John Gunning, an organic farmer from Port Townsend, Wash., has donated his time and talents as well to the project. The students are excited about learning to be farmers!

Archie Silcox, Sr., who was responsible for starting this organic garden at Cedarbrook and who had been teaching the children, died on Sept. 1. At the time of his death, he had been seeking donations of a tractor and a Howard Rotavator for the garden—items still needed for the project. Cedarbrook parents have determined to help keep Archie's dream alive by continuing the garden in future years. •

Reported by Sheri Proctor, Archie's daughter, who lives in Port Townsend, Wash.



Children in the Cedarbook school, (from left) Ivy Anderson, Elizabeth Proctor, Jobbie Goodrich, Joseph Krazewski, and Rian Shelton, display the seeds that they have started.



Archie Silcox, Sr., took the children on a field trip to inspect John Gunning's organic farm, Collingwood Farms, in Port Townsend, Wash.

WASHINGTON

WEST SEATTLE

Laymen Lead Series

"The work during end-times will be done by you and me—that is one of the purposes of these meetings."

Ray Foster, an elder of the West Seattle Church kicked off a series of meetings last fall, with "Jesus as God-The Divinity of Christ." For the next four Sabbaths, volunteers led three one-hour discussions each Sabbath at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The series included such topics as who Jesus is, how He leads the church, and how He works through the church. As Ului Teulilo, head elder, explained, "The main idea behind these meetings was to equip the church members with materials to be able to go out and witness." And, as Teulilo stated during the final meeting on witnessing, "The work during end-times will be done by you and me—that is one of the purposes of these meetings.'

As both a speaker and participant, Oscar Santana reported that these meetings affirmed that the prophecies God gave are being fulfilled.

Cindy White, church Bible worker, said she felt the "the meetings gave us a unity of purpose." The West Seattle Church heads into the



Peggy Cournoyer conducted a cooking demonstration as part of the series.

winter, a little stronger and wiser—knowing more about the Savior, His example, and His desire for His bride, the church. •

Lebryna Tamala



From left: Peggy Cournoyer, Cindy and David White, Ului Teulilo (the head elder who organized the meetings) Pastor Marvin and Sharon Humbert, Oscar Santana, Frances and Ray Foster presented the series in the West Seattle Church. Others who led out but are not pictured include Lebryna Tamala, Kosea Kalebu, and Dwight Wayne.

ference New

While Sue Pike, known to many students as "Mom," recuperated recently after major surgery, Auburn Adventist Academy students voiced how important she has become to them personally.



The students at Auburn Adventist Academy consider Sue Pike, pictured here with her husband Bud, their mom away from home because of her selfless, caring attitude.

Though Pike says she's "just a custodian," her importance to the academy transcends any job title that she would give herself.

When Auburn students were randomly asked to give oneword descriptions of Pike's character, and the terms hardworking, generous, giving, caring, selfless, and Mom came up repeatedly.

Pike lives by her own paraphrased interpretation of Mark 9:34–35. "... the first shall be last and the last shall be first." Some examples of her compassion include: buying flowers for students who are on sick list and calling to see how they're doing; feeding and making students who get sick during trips more comfortable; helping a student with a dislocated shoulder get dressed every morning; and inviting students who can't afford to attend Auburn to live in her home free-of-charge.

Student Evan Lima best summarizes Pike's impact on the campus: "... she is the most unselfish lady I know and she would do anything for us without even thinking twice."

Besides physical healing, Pike's recuperation has caused everyone to realize what a treasured part of the Auburn Adventist Academy family she is. •

Brian Becker, Auburn Adventist Academy Public Relations

Sharing at Christmastime



Monroe children brought the shoeboxes their families had filled, to be dedicated, before being sent to Operation Christmas Child

n a dedication ceremony recently, children of the Monroe Church brought treat-filled shoe boxes to the front of the church for Operation Christmas Child, while Alexandra Harvey, 11, sang, "Jesus Loves the Little Children." Dedication prayers were offered by Jenna Christensen, 4, Bryanna Clay, 11, and Jill Clay, project leader. Seventy-seven shoe boxes were assembled and donated to this project.

Operation Christmas Child is a project organized by Samaritan's Purse. It was founded in 1993 to provide Christmas gifts for children in war-torn Bosnia. Over the years the project has grown to provide more than six million children in more than 100 impoverished countries with shoe boxes packed with small toys and needed items.

Monroe Church members have experienced the joy of shopping adventures to fill shoe boxes with special gifts for children in need.

Other churches or individuals wishing more information about initiating such projects in their areas can contact Operation Christmas Child, PO Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607; (828) 262-1980; or go to www.samaritanspurse.org •

Debbie Beierle



After the Monroe Church family brought the filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child to church, the children prayed for the impoverished children who would receive them.

POSITIVE LIFE RADIO

Fundraising Helps Relieve Hunger in Cambodia

Positive Life Radio recently teamed up with Musicianaries International, Inc. (MII) to help raise money that will be used to purchase rice for needy people in the country of Cambodia.

Three concerts featuring Christian recording artist Bobby Michaels were held Nov. 21-23 in Walla Walla, Richland, and Wenatchee, Wash. Positive Life Radio also took pledges through their radio station network, and a group of Walla Walla College students also raised \$1,500 by going door-to-door in the community.

A total of \$39,240 was raised. With a cost of approximately \$250 for a ton of rice, this represents more than 300,000 lbs of rice enough to feed 1,800 needy families for an entire year. One hundred percent of the money raised will go towards purchasing rice. Overhead and transportation costs will be paid for by

"Positive Life Radio listeners really latched onto this project," says station program manager Don Godman. "I get goose bumps just thinking about how many hungry people will eat because of our generous listeners."

other means.

Over the past three years, Cambodia has been hit by a series of unusually bad periods of drought and flooding. Millions

of dollars worth of rice fields have been destroyed, and hundreds of thousands of Cambodians have been left homeless. In December Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen warned that his country is facing an estimated food

shortage of 88,000 tons of rice for next year.

In January Musicianaries will take the money it has collected up to that point to purchase and distribute the rice and share a message of hope in Cambodia.

Musicianaries International,

Inc., a not-for-profit organization, was founded in 1987 by Christian recording artist Bobby Michaels. To date, MII has provided concerts, Christian leadership training, and humanitarian food relief in more than 50 countries around the world.

> Positive Life Radio has a long-standing relationship with singer Bobby Michaels and MII. Last June, the radio station network raised \$4,500 towards MII's "Instrument Bank," a program that distributed musical instruments to Christians in Cuba.

Positive Life Radio is an outreach and training ministry of WWC. Each year dozens of college students

gain practical experience in audio production, office management, public relations, engineering, and announcing, at the station.

Positive Life Radio is heard live on independently owned station affiliates in Wenatchee 89.9 FM, Spokane 104.9 FM, Yakima 91.1 FM, Walla Walla and Tri-Cities 91.3 FM, Lewiston/Clarkson 105.5 FM, and Moscow/ Pullman 95.3 FM. The station can also be heard on the Internet at http: //www.plr.org/. •

KGTS-FM, located on the top floor of the administration building since its first broadcast in 1963, will soon be broadcasting from new facilities in the Canaday Technology Center building.

Bradley Nelson

WALLA WALLA GENERAL HOSPITAL

Helps Patients Get to Sleep

Walla Walla General Hospital recently opened a Sleep Lab designed to assist physicians with diagnosing a broad variety of sleep disorders. The goal of the new program is to provide a quality service that will monitor and evaluate patients for sleep disturbances and offer effective diagnosis and treatment. The new lab has two fully equipped stations for the monitoring and evaluation of patients, who will be paired with their primary care physicians for treatment.

Adventist Medical Center Receives Award from the United Way

Adventist Medical
Center recently received
the United Way's Cascade
award for its successful 2001
employee campaign. The
prestigious award is given
to organizations that meet or
exceed participation goals
associated with various
fundraising endeavors. In
addition, honored facilities
must meet ten of the United
Way's 14 criteria associated
with the award. The Portland,

The new lab has two fully equipped stations for the monitoring and evaluation of patients, who will be paired with their primary care physicians for treatment.

Oregon-based hospital's October 2001 employee campaign exceeded its goal of \$220,000 with a generous \$322,000 in contributions!

Northwest Hospitals Hold Health Fairs

Patriotism filled the air at Tillamook County's Huckleberry Health Fair, "Red, White and Blue, This Fair's For You." Tillamook County General Hospital hosted several booths at the annual event, including a Personal Care area where visitors received free foot massages, blood pressure checks and more. In addition, the hospital provided a booth for fairgoers to receive first aid care for minor injuries and cool water to keep participants properly hydrated.

Walla Walla General Hospital held its fifth annual Diabetes Fair on hospital grounds. The popular event offered a variety of activities such as workshops, booths by diabetes management vendors, glucose checks, blood pressure screenings and much more. There were also plenty of prizes handed out including a nutrition consult, dinner for two and gift certificates to the hospital's gift shop.

Adventist Medical Center Raises Money for the Heart

Adventist Medical Center recently hosted a heart/lung walk drawing 170 participants. The second annual event raised nearly \$10,000 for the hospital's Cardiopulmonary Rehab Patient Scholarship Fund. The monies are available to assist those who would otherwise not be able to receive care. At any given time, between 20 and 25 patients rely on the assistance provided through the scholarship fund for their care.

Heather Preston Wheeler, Adventist Health GLEANER correspondent



Dropping In

Walla Walla General Hospital's new MRI was "dropped" through the hospital's roof and placed in its new home. Thanks to the new equipment, the facility now offers MRI services 24 hours a day.

I EW LEWS ON CHRISTIAN

state service. This movement is a departure from the earlier traditional view of not considering professions such as law enforcement and fire prevention as appropriate for church members. The rationales for the traditional views are many. They include: not being in a profession that might result in taking the life of a person, avoiding occupations that necessitate working on the Sabbath and the notion that we should not be seen as "part of the world." While we have

traditionally rendered services in health

the Sabbath hours, the church has been

and some human service fields over

In recent decades there has been a

growing trend toward Seventh-day

Adventists entering civil courts and

more cautious in other professional areas of human and civil service.

Yet Adventists must continue to find contemporary ways to honor the biblical injunctions not to kill and not to work on the Sabbath while embracing the fact that human suffering and the need for aid are our responsibility. Human suffering does not stop at sundown on Friday and resume again at sundown on Saturday. To protect and to provide safety for others is a twenty-four hour seven-day-a-week reality.

Advancements in technology, the breaking down of barriers to previously "closed" professions for women and minorities, and sociological changes in communities have opened the access for service in areas that were previously avoided by traditional Christians in the

Our civic responsibility should reflect the value of "...to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and the opening of the prison to them that are bound" (Isa. 61:1) and "... defend the poor and fatherless; do justice to the afflicted and needy..." (Ps. 82:3-4).

The Bible predicted that conditions will get worse before the Lord returns. There was a time when tent meetings were held in New York City. They were successful and without incident. By the early seventies, although tent meetings continued, armed guards or ushers were needed to protect the offerings. What happened on September 11th needs no explanation to illustrate the times we are living in.



EDITOR'S NOTE

From time to time the GLEANER prints articles with individual opinion or comment on these Perspective pages. This month's Perspective by Dr. Standley Gellineau is related to the profiles of four Adventists featured on pp. 6-10, who work to protect and serve their communities while remaining active leaders in their churches. In doing so, they face some of the same issues as did Daniel and Joseph, civil servants of old. One issue raised is that of Sabbath-observance. While the church has addressed guidelines for health care and food service workers, guidelines for other essential community services are less specific. A study commission appointed by officers of the General Conference presented a report to the 1985 General Conference session which recommended that church members employed in areas of essential community service "should carefully review biblical principles of Sabbathkeeping and in that light examine the type of activity, environment, requirements of the job, and personal motives before committing themselves to working on the Sabbath. They should ask of the Lord, as did Paul on the Damascus road, 'Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?' When this attitude of faith prevails ... the Lord will lead the believer to discern His will and supply strength and wisdom to follow it." We invite your comments to gleaner@npuc.org as you read and reflect on these articles.

JOBS

This reflects the changing conditions in metropolitan areas and our need to meet those challenges. So when we consider persons in fire prevention and law enforcement becoming members of our congregations, we should ponder several pertinent questions before rushing to judgment.

- Can a Christian function successfully in non-traditional settings such as law enforcement or fire protection?
- Can they maintain Christian values and actions?
- Can one be "In the world and not of the world?"
- Can one exemplify Christian role models in such environments?
- What was Christ's purpose and mission in life?

With these questions in mind, reread the profiles featured earlier in this GLEANER of those who are serving in civil servant capacities. Where would we have been if it weren't for the courage, dedication and bravery of fire/police men and women, which reflected Christian values in action on 9/11. Remember, Christ had one mission in life—He lived to serve others. If this was his mission what should be ours? •

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Lincoln City MIAs

If you know an address or phone number for any of these church members, please call the Lincoln City Church, (541) 994-6096, as soon as possible. Douglas Abraham; Terry, Cheyenne and Denver Ashley; Patricia Christiansen; Jennifer Chriswell; Jan Gettis; Shirley Hervig; William Moutria; Jerry and Brandi Stevens; Thomas and Cynthia Stover; Ken, Johanna, Kent, and Fawn Swanbeck; Celia and Ersun Warncke; Clarence Sr. and Clarence Jr. White.

Singles Events

The Oregon Conference Singles' Ministries is planning to participate in the following events this month: Feb. 8, 4–10:00 p.m., night skiing at Mt. Hood Meadows; Feb. 14, 7:00 p.m., Vespers at Sunnyside Church; Feb. 15, 6:00 p.m., volleyball at Tualatin Valley Jr. Academy; Feb. 22, 12:30 p.m., potluck and afternoon activity at Beaverton Church; Feb. 28–Mar. 2, Beaverton Singles retreat at Cannon Beach. For more information call (503) 654-6054; singlesevents@juno.com. You may also visit the website at www.orsingles.org.

Grants Pass Missing

Members of the Grants Pass Church are seeking the whereabouts of these fellow members: Marie Gerstmar, Jennifer Yelle, Jason Ruppel, Tina Wytcherley, Stacy Kaske, and Robert Lopez. Please contact the Grants Pass Church, 1360 NE 9th Street, Grants Pass, OR 97526, e-mail gpsda@internetcds.com.

Health Retreat

NEWSTART Healthcare Clinic in Seattle, Washington is offering their annual Spring 10-day Live-in, Lifestyle Retreat Apr. 27–May 7. It will be held at The Heritage Health Foundation, located in Poulsbo, Wash. For more information call (206) 935-5696.

Albany Missing

Albany church members are seeking the location of Rene Summers and

Linda Wyatt. If you can help, contact the Albany Church, 3085 Grand Prairie Rd. SE, Albany, OR 97321-5805; (503) 928-9555.

Special Concert

A variety program featuring internationally-known humorist/musician Bert Wells along with baritone Carl Parker is being presented, Feb. 22, at 7:00 p.m., in the Central Valley Christian School, 2.5 miles west of I-5 on Hwy. 34. Kirsten Story Williams, the Park children Zachery and Ariana, and the Danielson Sisters will all be together for a fun-filled Saturday night of singing and piano playing along with some guitar and humor. A freewill offering will be taken

In Times Like These Bible Seminar

Melvyn Hayden, pastor of the Pisgah Church in Bryans Road, Md., will present "Exploring what God's People Need to Make it in These End Times" on Friday, Mar. 8, at 7:00 p.m. and Sabbath Mar. 9, at 3:00 p.m. at the Stone Tower Church, 3010 NE Holladay, Portland, OR. For information call (503) 232-6018.

Canyonville Missing

The Canyonville Church would like to hear from or about the following members: Sandy, David, and Robert Burrows; Jennifer Caro; Beryl Ann Crison; Nona, Tiara, and Toma Deavers; Laura Gray; Melissa Guillen; Jerry Hawkins; Teresa Hawkins; Wendy Herrera; Kelly King; Tim Ketzner; Danielle Miller; Virginia Norris; Penny Pratte; Mike Quade; Cozetta Ray; Jamie Stewart; Stephanie Taylor; Rebekah Thao; Daryl and Trudy Wentland; Wayne and Phyllis Wood. Please contact them at P.O. Box 826, Canyonville, Ore. 97417.

PACS Annual Constituency Meeting

In conjunction with first quarter board meeting PACS annual constituency meeting will be held Monday, Mar. 10, 6:00 p.m., at Portland Adventist Community Services, 11020 NE Halsey, Portland, OR 97220. Please join them as they make plans for the future. Information: (503) 252-8500.

SAGE Event

SAGE Oregon is sponsoring a sacred concert Mar. 15, at 4:00 p.m., in the beautiful Forest Grove Spanish Church, 4021 19th Ave., Forest Grove, OR. The program will feature the Rogers pipe organ with Marla Danielson at the console, together with other instrumental and vocal music. This is your opportunity to visit this impressive new church facility. All SAGE members, and those eligible to be SAGE members (Adventists 50 years of age and older) are invited. Bring sandwiches, salad, and cookies for a light supper in the fellowship hall following the concert. An offering will be taken to cover expenses. Please contact Richard Schwartz, (503) 628-0986; rdschwartzes@cs.com, if you plan to attend.

Woodburn Celebrates 25 Years

Woodburn church is celebrating its 25th year in their church, **Mar. 15.** They are planning to have charter members responsible for Sabbath school and church with a potluck following church. If you or anyone you know was a member in 1982 or when the church was a company, please contact Myrna Wagner at (503) 981-3258; mlwagner@oregonbest.com.

UPPER COLUMBIA

Hermiston Missing

Hermiston Church is looking for the following missing members: Linda Age, Roger Age, Barbara Aguilera, Joy Ball, Flora Boullester, Wilma Brugger, Pam Butler, Wendy Carel, Tom Carlson, Judy Carter, Scott Colcord, Elsie Collins, Kimbra Cook, Linda Cupps, Anthony Davis, Brenda Edwards, David Eveland, Diane Eveland, Lyndon Eveland, Steven Eveland, Lisa Fincher, Kelly Foley, Kenneth Forbes, Andrew Fotos, Chris Frederickson,

Patricia Gaede, Lynette Gardener, Sally Gauthier, Sheila Hedrick, Mary A. Helfer, Michael Helfer, Frances L. Hempel, Amanda Hill, Carla Lamont, Kevin Lips, David Larson, Lorri Larson, Clarice Maxwell, Evelyn Miller, George Miller, Ron Miller, Sharon Mills, Misty Mills, Merlin Moore Jr., Robert Morley, Gladys Morrison, Crystal Moulton, Virgina Oakes, Ruth Ortiz, Mary Ann Osterkamp, Caroline Peterson, Kenda Peterson, Rachel Phillips, Marvin Powell, Kevin Renshaw, Dillard Robertson, Pamela Sager, Rigoberto Sanchez, Monte Schiller, Rosemary Searle, Mary L. Selrinik, Cindy Shipley, Kevin Smith, Anthony Stephens, Donna Stephens, Sonja Stuart, Yvonne Thrasher, Lyzette Vargas, Krista Virgil, Brian Wagner, John Wagner and Freida Wehr. If you know the whereabouts of anyone listed please contact the Hermiston Church, PO Box 272, Hermiston, OR 97838.

WASHINGTON

Seattle Area Theology Seminar

Walla Walla College Theology Professor Pedrito Maynard-Reid will present a seminar "Wholistic Evangelism: Pondering the Possibilities" on Feb. 7, 7:30 p.m. and Sabbath, Feb. 8, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m., and 2:30 p.m. in the Bellevue Church at 15 140th Ave. NE, Bellevue, Wash. Maynard-Reid has presented and published widely on evangelism involving all aspects of life. Everyone is invited to come, listen, and participate. This seminar is sponsored by the Institute of Bible, Church & Culture, an outreach program of the WWC School of Theology, www.wwc.edu/ibcc.

Seattle Area Concerts

The Walla Walla College *I Cantori* choral ensemble and Wall Walla College Orchestra will tour the Seattle area in February. On Sabbath, **Feb. 8** at 11:00 a.m. they will be at the Greenlake Church for the worship service and at

4:00 p.m. at the Kirkland Church for Evensong. On Sunday, Feb. 9 at 10:00 a.m. they will be at the Capitol Hill Pilgrim Congregational Church for the worship service.

WORLD CHURCH

Paradise Valley School of Nursing

Former students, faculty, and friends are invited to attend the PVSN alumni weekend, Feb 28-Mar. 2, honoring the classes of 1943, 1953, 1958, and 1963 at Paradise Valley Hospital in San Diego. If you are not receiving PVSN newsletter please contact Clariece Schaffner (619) 723-1974, e-mail nschaffner@cox.net; or Joan Peterson (541) 474-2931; ipeterso@cdsnet.net.

Spring Alumni Meetings

Canadian University College/ Parkview Adventist Academy Alumni Association welcomes all alumni and friends to attend a CUC/PAA evening of food, news, reminiscing, and fellowship: Mar. 25, Portland, Ore.; Mar. 26, Walla Walla, Wash. For information contact the advancement office, (800) 661-8129 (press 8); alumni@cauc.ca.

New Web Site

Check out this new web site, sponsored by the Oregon Conference Family Ministries Department, that's packed with helps for marriage, family and the church: www.lovetakestime.com. You will find resources such as: abuse awareness, anger, communication, family, parenting, premarital, health, relationships, retirement, and much more.

3ABN Live

Three Angels Broadcasting Network (3ABN) will feature the following guests and topics live on Thursdays, 6-8:00 p.m., PT. Feb 6, Kay Kuzma; Feb. 13, Southern University on location; Feb, 20, Cheri Peters, True Step Ministry; Feb. 27, Howard Lyman, "Mad Cow in a Mad World."

We'd like to help you get 3ABN on cable in your area. Call (618) 627-4651, ext 3116.

Johnson 50th

Melvin and Alma Johnson, of Aumsville, Ore., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by repeating their vows in Salem, Ore., with Pastor Arthur Nelson, Alma's brother, who also officiated at their wedding. Their children and grandchildren then hosted a reception in their honor with music and personal tributes by each one.



Melvin married Alma Nelson June 29, 1952, in Coquille, Ore. Melvin was in educational work in the Oregon Conference for 11 years, and in pastoral work in the Upper Columbia and Oregon conferences for 27 years. They served as missionaries in Tanzania, Africa, for 5 years. Alma worked for an insurance company and was a secretary at Portland Adventist Hospital for 12 years. Though retired in 1993, they both remain active in church work, and will be pastoring the Lawai, Hawaii, Church for the next year.

The Johnson family includes: Douglas and Joanne Johnson,

Lana and Wesley Jones, Ralle and Kristie Johnson, and 8 grandchildren.

Logan 60th

Bill and Millie Logan of College Place, Wash., celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Sept. 29, 2002, with a reception hosted by their children and grandchildren at the College Place Village Church where they are active members.

Bill married Millie Bovee on Sept. 26, 1942, in Phoenix, Ala., Bill was in Army Infantry Officers School in Fort Benning, Ga., at the time. After his service overseas, Bill was, among other things, Harris Pine Mills plant manager in Cicero, Ind., for 22 years. Millie was employed in a physician's office and was a nursing home activities director while living in Cicero. Since their retirement in 1982 they have been living in College Place where they are active volunteers.

The Logan family includes: Pat and Veda Logan and two grandchildren.

Meidinger 60th

Lee and Mary Meidinger, of College Place, Wash., celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary, Aug. 31, 2002, with a reception hosted by their children at the Country Estates Mobile Home Clubhouse in College Place. They are members of the College Place Village Church.

Lee married Mary Weatherby Aug. 11, 1942, in Compton, Calif., and has been a pastor in Arkansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, South Dakota, Walla Walla, Dayton, Spokane, Moses

Lake, and Stateline, Wash. Mary had a 22-year career as a social worker.

The Meidinger family includes: Dennis and Pam Meidinger, Snoqualmie, Wash; Don and Cathy Meidinger, Battleground, Wash.; Dan and Carol Meidinger, Nipomo, Calif.; Duane and Margie Meidinger, College Place; 8 grandchildren, and a greatgrandchild. A son, Daryl, died in Vietnam in 1969.

Reiber 50th

Robert F. and Marian Reiber. of Woodland, Wash., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sabbath, July 6, 2002, with a potluck luncheon and reception hosted by their children and their new Woodland Church family.

Robert married Marian Smith July 3, 1952, in Ketchikan, Alaska, and they spent their first two years in the service at Camp Pickett, Va. They began their denominational work at the Navajo Mission School, Holbrook, Ariz. The majority of their career has been in the Upper Columbia Conference where Bob was the ABC manager and Marian assistant treasurer for the trust department. For the last 11 years Marian was Adventist Media Center trust department director, and Bob a trust officer there.

The Reiber family includes: Gary and Grace Reiber, Walla Walla, Wash.; Susanne and Douglas Sharp, Port Orchard, Wash.; David and Kelly Reiber, Kailua, Hawaii; and 7 grandchildren.

Family BIRTHS

AT REST

BADKER—Hanna Kaydin was born Nov. 22, 2002, to Ryan and Jamie (Reeder) Badker, Klamath Falls, Ore.

BIVENS—Alec Spencer was born Nov. 12, 2002, to Randy and Tami (Nashland) Bivens, Tillamook, Ore.

BIVENS—Cristian Andrew was born Nov. 12, 2002, to Randy and Tami (Nashland) Bivens, Tillamook, Ore.

BODNAR—Elliot Thomas was born Oct. 16, 2002, to S. Alan and Juline (Schultz) Bodnar, Portland, Ore.

DEBOER—Jordan Michelle was born Oct. 9, 2002, to Brian and Michelle (Brown) DeBoer, Arlington, Wash.

DONATO — Taylor D. was born Dec. 4, 2002, to Miven and Amy (Mummert) Donato, Medford, Ore.

MOLLER—Gabriel Joseph was born Dec. 18, 2002, to Richard and April Moller Hermiston Ore.

MORAUSKE—Trenten Izak was born Dec. 11, 2002, to Tim and Rhonda (Staddon) Morauske, Eagle, Idaho.

MORAUSKE—Natalya Noel was born Dec. 11, 2002, to Tim and Rhonda (Staddon) Morauske, Eagle, Idaho.

MUELLER—Dustin K. was born Dec. 5, 2002, to Rodney and Sheri (Mack) Mueller, Gresham, Ore.

PIERCE—Evan Thomas was born Nov. 12, 2002, to Trent and Laura (Constantinescu) Pierce, Durham, N.C.

SCOTT—Shilo Gail was born Oct. 25, 2002, to Cary and EllenRose (Albacete) Scott. Gresham. Ore.

NUSSBAUM—Rebecca Day, Ashley

Nussbaum, Nov. 29, 2002, Eagle Point,

Ore., where they now make their home.

THORNBERG-Lisa Ann Pomerenke,

Derick Mark Thornberg, Sept. 14, 2002,

Vancouver, Wash. They now make their

HASKIN - Marilyn Elaine Stroh, Gary

Allen Haskin, July 14, 2002, Salem, Ore.,

WOLF—Kathryn Dikeman, Troy Wolf,

Nov. 3, 2002, Portland, Ore. They now

where they now make their home.

make their home in Canby, Ore.

home in Eagle Creek, Ore.

BELKO—Boris B., 67, born Nov. 1, 1934, Brooklyn, N.Y.; died Oct. 23, 2002, Palm Springs, Calif. Surviving: wife, Debbie Belko, Palm Springs; daughters, Bobbi Belko, Chico, Calif.; Kresha Britton, Riverside, Calif.; Marian Wagner, Redlands, Calif.; sons, Bret Belko, Fountain Hills, Ariz.; Lloyd Claycomb, Denver. Colo.

CONKLIN—Vesta M., 91, born July 19, 1911, Walterville, Ore.; died Oct. 28, 2002, Springfield, Ore. Surviving: husband, George Conklin, Springfield; daughters, Sharon Moore, Las Vegas, Nev.; Eunice Webb, Springfield; 4 grand-children, 18 great-grandchildren, 5 great great-grandchildren.

CROSS—Bonnie Jeanine, 73, born July 16, 1929, Riverside, Calif.; died Nov. 20, 2002, Lacey, Wash. Surviving: daughter, Kathy Cross, Lacey, Wash., sister, Jearleen Cohens, Yakima, Wash.; 2 grandchildren.

DYBDAHL—Ruth (Bastin), 83, born Nov. 24, 1919, Richmond, Calif.; died Nov. 26, 2002, Mt. Angel, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Mardi Guthrie, Fort Lewis, Wash.; sons, Curtis Dybdahl, Hubbard, Ore.; Eric Dybdahl, Seattle, Wash.; Lane Dybdahl, Long Meadow, Mass.; brother, Theodore Bastin, Richmond, Calif.; 9 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren.

GEIGLE—Alma (Walcker), 83, born Mar. 3, 1919, Turtle Lake, N.D.; died Mar. 25, 2002, Everett, Wash. Surviving: husband, Ruben Geigle, Lynwood, Wash.; sons, Dick Geigle, Edmonds, Wash.; Ray Geigle, Portland, Ore.; Ron Geigle, Arlington, Va.; brother, Elmer E. Walcker, Chelan, Wash.; 5 grandchildren, 2 greatgrandchildren.

HARDER—Olivia Cleoma, 93, born May 14, 1909, Hooker, Okla.; died Dec. 12, 2002, College Place, Wash. Surviving: brother, Frederick Harder, Azle, Texas.

HAWLEY—Robert L., Sr., 99, born Jan.

12, 1903, Sioux Falls, S.D., died Dec. 18, 2002, Clackamas, Ore. Surviving: wife, Edna Hawley, Clackamas; daughter, Kathryn Hawley, Clackamas; son, Bob Hawley Jr., Mt. Angel, Ore.; sisters, Maurine Anderson, Sioux Falls; Jeanette Reed, Canyonville, Ore.

HENDERSON—Kenneth P., 85, born Feb. 26, 1917, Spokane, Wash.; died Nov. 13, 2002, Brewster, Wash. Surviving: wife, Enid Henderson, Brewster; daughter, Janice Lane, Sacramento, Calif.; sons, Dick Henderson, Rockford, Ill.; Kenneth Henderson, Sacramento; Larry Henderson, Rockford; sister, Florence Back. O'Fallon. Ill.

HUSTED—Edgar R., 83, born Dec. 9, 1918, Blue Mound, Kan.; died Aug. 22, 2002, Lebanon, Ore. Surviving: wife, Carrol Husted, Lebanon; daughter, Ann Tuttle, Vancouver, Wash.; son, Raithby Husted, Burleson, Texas; 9 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren.

HUSTON—M. Katherine, born Oct. 10, 1913, Hartsbasin, Colo.; died Nov. 9, 2002, Auburn, Wash. Surviving: daughter, Mary Kobberstad, Auburn; sons, Joe Huston, Yakima, Wash.; Larry Huston, Honolulu, Hawaii; 7 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren.

HUTSON—Edith Helen (Aerni), 92, born Jan. 5, 1910, Trout Lake, Wash.; died Dec. 19, 2002, College Place, Wash. Surviving: daughters, Marilyn Hancock, Wilsonville, Ore.; Carolyn Harris, Grand Terrace, Calif.; Yvonne Hutson, College Place; Reitha Parks, College Place; Robbe Schwarz, Walla Walla, Wash.; brothers, Dan and Ted Aerni, both of Vancouver, Wash., and Delbert Aerni; sisters, Maye North, College Place; Penny Samuels, Trout Lake.

JAEGER—John F., 76, born Mar. 1, 1926, Oakland, Calif.; died Oct. 2, 2002, Fairfield, Wash. Surviving: wife, Lila Jaeger, Fairfield; daughters, Diane Berry,

WEDDINGS

BODI—Eva Ticala, Keith Bodi, Sept. 29, 2002, Gresham, Ore. They now make their home in Fairview, Ore.

CORNELL—Blanche Johnson, Duane Cornell, Nov. 17, 2002, Springfield, Ore., where they now make their home.

DALRYMPLE—Karrina Wetter, Gordon Dalrymple, Nov. 3, 2002, Salem, Ore. They now make their home in Keiser,

ERICKSON—Janne Maria Batista Silva, Delmer Erickson, Dec. 29, 2002. They now make their home in Recife, Brazil.

CHRISTENSEN—Debra Bredall, Mark Christensen, Oct. 28, 2001, Boring Ore. They now make their home in Beaverton, Ore.

MUELLER—Sheri Mack, Rodney Mueller, Nov. 23, 2002, Boring, Ore. They now make their home in Gresham, Ore.



A T R E S T

La Pine, Ore.; Cynthia Jaeger, Spokane, Wash.; Sarah McVay, Loon Lake, Wash.; Radene Pierce, Corpus Christi, Texas; Julie Sackett, Erie, Colo.; son, Jeffrey Wilson, Wenatchee, Wash.; 11 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren.

JENSEN—Alma, 91, born July 16, 1911, Kassel, Germany; died Oct. 20, 2002, Bend, Ore. Surviving: sons, Heinz Hohmann, Leavenworth, Wash.; Klaus and Kurt Hohmann both of Bend; 7 grand-children, 10 great-grandchildren.

JOHNSON—Eden E. (Kautz), 82, born April 5, 1920, Portland, Ore.; died July 27, 2002, Portland. Surviving: husband, Joseph Johnson, Portland; daughters, Anne Martinez and Marilyn Olsen, both of Portland; Alahi Rickman, Lincoln City, Ore.; sons, David R. P. Johnson, Fairview, Ore.; Joseph E., Michael, Shawn O., and Timothy Johnson all of Portland; Stephen Johnson, Salem, Ore.; brother Lois Kautz, Texas; 19 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren

JOHNSON—Eula O. (Dickerson), 79, born Mar. 7, 1923, Rufe, Okla.; died Nov. 28, 2002, College Place, Wash. Surviving: daughter, Suzie Childs, Santa Cruz, Calif.; sons Dean and Doug Johnson both of College Place; brother, Everett Dickerson, Clarkston, Wash.; Joe Dickerson, College Place.

LAOLAGI—Fialuma Taiutu (Niu), 72, born Apr. 30, 1930, Apia, Western Samoa; died, Sept. 23, 2002, Salem, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Fiona Powell, Fairfield, Calif.; sons, John and Robert Angus both of Salem; sister, Avasa Levi, Salem; Merita Rimoni, Auckland, New Zealand; brother, Iosua Niu, Wellington, New Zealand; Salomno Niu, Syndey, Australia

LONO—Franko R., 82, born June 4, 1920, Yuma, Ariz.; died Nov. 12, 2002, Orchards, Wash. Surviving: daughter, Stella Lono, Brush Prairie, Wash.; sons, Rick Lono, Milwaukee, Ore.; Roy Lono, Portland, Ore.; 1 grandchild.

LORREN—Vivian Holly (Etherton), 94, born Dec. 13, 1907, Carbondale, Ill.; died, Dec. 5, 2002, Auburn, Wash. Surviving: daughters, Patricia Parmele, Neb.; Sharon Smith, Wash.; sons, Larry Cordell Lorren, Calif.; Thomas Alton Lorren, Jr, Texas; 8 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren.

LOSEY—Jimmie D., 76, born Sept. 21, 1926, Bassano, Alberta, Canada; died, Nov. 30 2002, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Martha Losey, College Place, Wash.; daughter, Susan Losey, College Place; son, Larry Losey, Harpswell, Maine; sisters, Helen Lund, Seattle, Wash.; Bonnie Wesslen, Grand Terrace, Calif.; Geraldine Woods, Sequim, Wash.; brother, Frank Losey, Oregon City, Ore.; 4 grandchildren.

MCGARVEY—Milda S., 89, born Feb. 16, 1913, Salem, Ore.; died Oct. 30, 2002, Lincoln City, Ore. Surviving, daughters, Betty Schaak, Lincoln City; Donna Lee Stinson, Turner, Ore.; son, Tim McGarvey, Atlanta, Ga.; 12 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, 6 great greatgrandchildren.

MCLAIN—Alyene B., 84, born July 4, 1918, LaPlatta, N.M.; died Nov. 2, 2002 Portland, Ore. Surviving: son, Lyn McLain, Oregon City, Ore.; 2 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren.

NOGLE—Norma L., 74, born Sept. 12, 1928, White Salmon, Wash.; died Dec. 11, 2002, Sandy, Ore. Surviving: husband, Malcom Nogle, Sandy; sons, Daniel Nogle, Lake Stevens, Wash.; Monte Nogel, Woodland, Wash.; 6 grandchildren.

ROTH—Virginia (Butler), 86, born May 27, 1916, Springfield, Mass.; died Nov. 25, 2002, Ardmore, Okla. Surviving: sons, D. Allan Roth, College Place, Wash.; Don Roth, Ardmore, Okla.; Ray Roth, Colfax, Calif.; Richard Roth, Napa, Calif.; sister, Alberta Hageman, Berrien Springs, Md.; brother, Bill Butler, Yountville, Calif.; 6 grandchildren. She served the church at the General Conference, Pacific Union Conference, Northern California Conference, Nevada-Utah Conference, Monterey Bay Academy, Mountain View Academy, St. Helena Hospital and Loma Linda Hospital.

SHANKEL—Allene (Miller) Ray, 100, born Sept. 18, 1902, Milton, Ore.; died Dec. 11, 2002, Costa Mesa, Calif. Surviving: daughter, Dorothy Smith, Newport Beach, Calif.; son, Stanley Ray, Kirkland, Wash.; 5 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren.

SMITH—James C. "Bud," 96, born Nov. 21, 1905, Milton-Freewater, Ore.; died Nov. 15, 2002, College Place, Wash. Surviving: wife, Jeanne Smith, College Place; daughters, Cheryle Dietz, Milton-Freewater; Carole Sproed, Pendleton, Ore.; son, Dean "Jack" Smith, Chico, Calif.; sister, Elsie Garvin, Yakima, Wash.

SMUCK—Helen J., 83, born June 11, 1918, Massillon, Ohio; died June 3, 2002, Keizer, Ore. Surviving: daughters, Gay Clark, Salem, Ore.; Joy Frey, Cannon Beach, Ore.; Faith Gilliland, Sandy, Ore.; 13 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; 6 great great-grandchildren.

THIESEN—Emilia J., 91, born Jan. 30, 1911, Bowden, N.D.; died Nov. 27, 2002, College Place, Wash. Surviving: sisters, Ruby Agnew, Tumwater, Wash.; Lenora Collins, Olympia, Wash.; Lillian Hall-White. Rock Island. Wash.

VANAUKEN—John "Jack," 80, born Aug. 3, 1922; died Dec. 23, 2002, Albany, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Michelle VanAuken, Mich.

WEINAND—Cora Amanda (Olson), 90, born Sept. 13, 1912, Ray, N.D.; died Oct. 3, 2002, Sandpoint, Idaho. Surviving: daughters, Colleen Aberle, Deer Park; Nyla Hodge, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; Ann Schnibbe, Portland, Ore.; son, Jim Weinand, Sandpoint, Idaho; 7 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren

WILBUR—Carol, D. (Allen), 62, born Oct. 31, 1940, San Diego, Calif.; died Nov. 28, 2002, Bend, Ore. Surviving: sister, Darlene DeVargas, Arnold, Calif.; brother, George Allen, Coarse Gold, Calif. "Come now,
and let us reason
together," says
the Lord, "though
your sins are like
scarlet, they shall
be as white as snow;
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like crimson, they
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Thank You Ed Schwisow

I read Ed's farewell article in the December *GLEANER* with a lump in my throat. He has been a part of my life through the pages of the *GLEANER* for 25 years and losing his touch brings sadness to our home.

Many thanks for the expertise and innovation that have become the hallmark of the *GLEANER* through Ed's guidance. He has kept our union paper the envy of other unions. Most importantly he has given us a paper that we enjoy reading and are proud to pass along to our non-Adventist friends.

It has been a privilege to get acquainted with Ed on different projects related to his work with the *GLEANER*. And learning of his fine musical talent was a real delight. Jim and I wish you the best, Ed, in your future plans. May God continue to richly bless your influence through the use of your pen.

Carolyn McHan—EUGENE, ORE.

Editorial response: All of us here on the GLEANER staff wish Ed the very best as he moves on to other pursuits. RD

Coffee Table Book?

My wife and I moved to Portland in November 1999. Not long after, we began receiving copies of the *GLEANER*. My favorite part of the *GLEANER* is the photo on the inside cover of each issue. Have you considered publishing a coffee table photo book of these images? No commentary needed—the photos speak for themselves and to the genius of a Master Creator. Notes could be included in the back. The market for such a book could include the millions of Adventists, as well as photo enthusiasts around the world, ABCs, hospital gift shops, and others, such as Powell's Books, would make great partners, and proceeds could go to support ADRA, Adventist education, etc.

Whether or not such a project seems feasible, do continue with the fantastic images. One of these days I'll get around to sending in a few of mine.

W. Jason Mashak—PORTLAND, ORE.

Announcino Photo contest Winners



As usual the GLEANER had many fine submissions for the 2003 Nature Photography Contest, adjudicated in December, 2002.

We would like to extend our congratulations to the following photographers for their excellent work which will be published in 2003 issues: Brent Bergherm, College Place, Wash.; Bryce Casebolt, Milton, Wash.; Willard Colburn, Eugene, Ore.; Heather Graham, East Wenatchee, Wash.; Palmer Halvorson, Vancouver, Wash.; Gary Haynes, Gresham, Ore.; Clinton Hunt, Cheney, Wash.; Ralph Pieuser, Molalla, Ore.; Robert Rouillard, University Place, Wash.; Albert Russell, Lebanon, Ore.; Jeffrey L. Torretta, La Grande, Ore.

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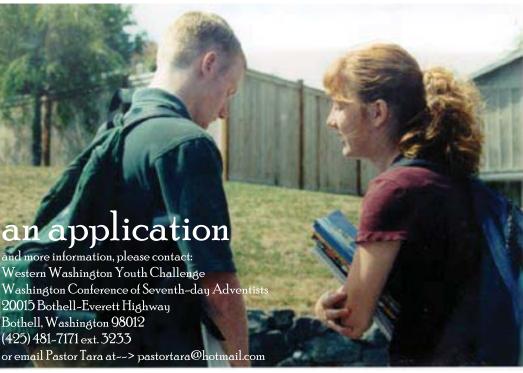
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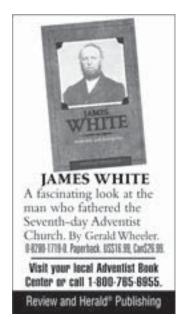
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