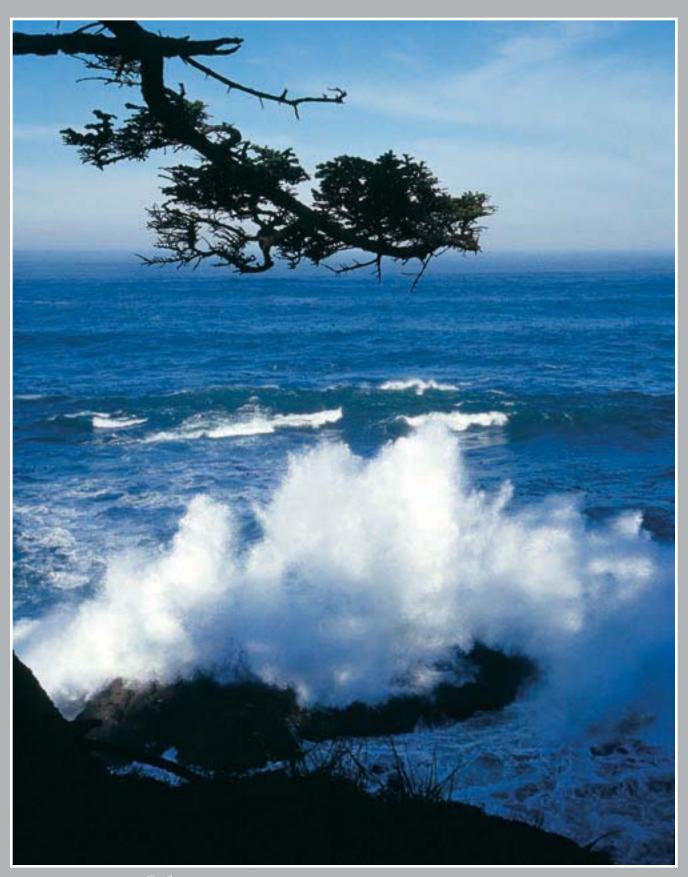
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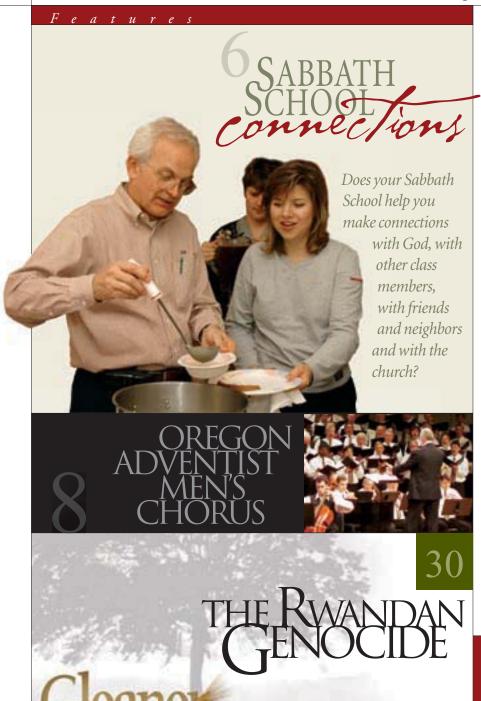
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## DIVATELY INSPIRED Jaska/h Jehools

#### JERE D. PATZER

y father vividly recalls what it was like growing up on the plains of North Dakota. His was one of the fortunate families to have electricity and therefore a radio, but no television or telephone.

The weekly schedule consisted of hard work and more hard work. But then when Sabbath came, it was indeed "a delight." After getting up early to milk the cows and feed the chickens, it was a 12-mile trip to the little old country church.

Sabbath School started promptly at 11 a.m. An integral part of each week's program was the mission story. The children sat attentively, boys on one side and the girls on the other, occasionally trying to catch the others' eyes.

After a not-so-vegetarian potluck, the divine worship service started at 1:00, which immediately transitioned into the prayer meeting and testimony time with a lot of hearty singing throughout. A little more fellowship, and they were off to evening chores.

A lot has changed since those days, much for the better. But then again, some things have stayed the same. Or at least they should. One of these is the concept of our divinely inspired Sabbath Schools, all 112,541 one of them around the world.

Four things have made our Sabbath Schools successful during the past 150 years that we now celebrate—four things that any good Sabbath school should still incorporate.

- 1. *Fellowship*. In an increasingly fragmented society, people need to be able to belong to a group. The Sabbath School, when properly constituted, effectively meets that basic human need today as it did back in North Dakota many years ago.
- 2. *Bible study*. We traditionally have been a people of the Bible and will continue to be as we study God's word together. The Sabbath School lesson, written by our best theologians and scholars, is developed over a careful and prayerful four-year process to cover our fundamental beliefs. No other denomination has an equivalent curriculum development.

- 3. Mission emphasis. Americans are now in the minority in our church, with 92 percent of the world membership living outside the North American Division. It is imperative that we not become a national church, as some denominations have, but instead stay connected as a world church. Therefore, regular mission emphasis is a requisite for any Sabbath School. And today's resources make it so easy. Quarterly Mission Spotlight videos are available through subscription. Quarterly Northwest Spotlight on Mission video or DVD programs are provided to your church compliments of the North Pacific Union Conference. Additionally, Walla Walla College student and short-term missionaries would be delighted to come and give a mission report.
- 4. *Outreach*. And finally no Sabbath School is complete without intentional outreach. First to our own children (somebody had great insight when he or she involved my 12-year-old father as Sabbath School secretary), and then to the community through invitations to the pastor's Bible study class or a small group.

So does all this mean that today's Sabbath Schools will look like the ones 150 years ago? Certainly not. With new media programs, new hymns and even new formats (some progressive churches now have the mission emphasis immediately preceding the worship service so all divisions can be present), there is no excuse not to be fresh, creative and exciting. But there are also certain God-given concepts that we really can't improve upon. You know, out of that little North Dakota Sabbath School, more than 30 of those children became denominational workers for the Lord.

If your Sabbath School isn't all that it could and should be, I encourage you to be a committee of one to pray and then work to make it so. We have an incredible heritage that we don't want to lose by default. After all, this Sabbath there will be 15,300,000 people around the world coming to Sabbath School. And we want them to be blessed just as my dad was back in that old country church.

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Jere D. Patzer, North
Pacific Union Conference
president, writes from
Vancouver, Washington.



Behind the Mus

### IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

Horatio G. Spafford was a successful attorney in Chicago, the father of four daughters, an active member of the Presbyterian Church and a loyal friend and supporter of D. L. Moody.

When Moody and his music associate, Ira Sankey, left for Great Britain for an evangelistic campaign, Spafford planned a family vacation to Europe so he could

assist in the Moody-Sankey meetings there.

In November 1873, Spafford, detained by urgent business, sent his family as scheduled on the SS Ville du Harve, planning to join them soon. Halfway across the Atlantic, the ship was struck by an English vessel and sank in 12 minutes. Though his wife was miraculously saved, all of Spafford's daughters drowned.

Later, Spafford stood hour after hour on the deck of the ship carrying him to rejoin his sorrowing wife in Cardiff, Wales. When the ship passed the approximate place where his precious daughters had drowned, Spafford received sustaining comfort from God that enabled him to write the words of this hymn: "When sorrows like sea billows roll...It is well with my soul."

Adapted from Kenneth W. Osbeck by Paul Lee Tan @Bible Communications, Inc. [www.tanbible.com]

"Swing Low, Sweet

Railroad where fugitive

slaves were welcome.

the Ohio River. To

reach this place,

### Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

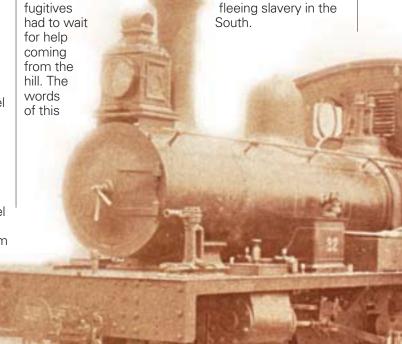
In the early 19th century, African Americans met in camp meetings and sang without any hymnbooks. Songs called "spiritual songs" were composed on the spot.

These "spirituals" are Christian songs with Biblical themes. The meanings of these songs, however, were often covert so that even at work slaves could sing secret messages. The codes of the first spirituals are often related with an escape to a free country. For example, a "home" is a safe place where everyone can live free. So, "home" can mean heaven, but it covertly means a sweet and free country, a haven for slaves.

The ways used by fugitives running to a free country were riding a "chariot" or a "train." The spirituals "The Gospel Train" and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" directly refer to the Underground Railroad, an informal organization that helped many slaves flee.

The words of "The Gospel Train," "she is coming... get onboard...there's room for many more." are a direct call to go away.

spiritual say, "I looked over Jordan and what did I see/ Chariot" refers to Ripley, a station of the Underground Coming for to carry me home/ A band of angels coming after me." A band This town is atop a hill by of angels would be these helpers taking with them those who were fleeing slavery in the South.



Source: www.negrospirituals.com

## SABBATH SCHOOL

BY RICHARD DOWER

DOES YOUR SABBATH SCHOOL help you make connections with God, with other class members, with friends and neighbors and with the church?

Harvey Corwin, Oregon Conference adult Sabbath School director, states that Sabbath School attendance has dramatically declined in the last two decades. However, we are seeing revitalization. He also says that the key to a fulfilling and dynamic Sabbath School is an interactive lesson study that energizes action outreach, fellowship, Bible Study and mission.

Kelly Meyer teaches an hour-long adult Sabbath School class in the Orchards Church in Vancouver, Washington. "Sabbath School is where we can share what the Lord has shown us in our study throughout the week," he says. "In Sabbath School we come together to talk about the things we have studied and also give life experiences that apply to the lesson. It is the real life experiences that help us to see God today, and through these experiences our faith is built."

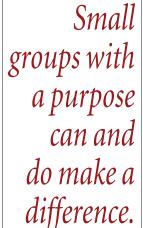
Listening to the thoughts and experiences of other members creates a bond of friendship that cements relationships to each other and to the church. Another component of the adult Sabbath School is outreach.

Several years ago Bud Griffitts' Sabbath School class in the Hermiston, Oregon, church wanted to do something significant as a class. After several weeks of thoughtful discussion, they came up with the idea to hold Bible studies in Stanfield, about five miles to the south. The problem was that they could not immediately find anyone with whom to study.

So one day Bud said to his wife, Lloydeene, "If we are going to do anything, we've got to go knocking on doors." Bud and Lloydeene went to Stanfield, found a block-long cul-de-sac and started knocking on doors. Amazingly they found six people interested in studying. Then the other Sabbath School class members went out and found another 14 people willing to study the Bible. Almost instantly

they had 20 studies going.

When the studies were finished the people were given a choice to either meet as a group, take another series of studies on their



own or they could take a break. Several decided that they would like to study as a group and arrangements were made to study on Sabbath mornings. The next problem was where to meet.

One of Bud's friends, a janitor at Stanfield Elementary, talked to the principal and got permission for them to use one of the school's modular classrooms. Bud found that on any given Sabbath there could be 15 people or there could be no one. It all depended on the day.

A little later, several of the Hermiston members who lived in Stanfield decided to join them for a prayer meeting, and the study time was changed from

Sabbath morning to Wednesday night.

As word got out of the success of this little group in Stanfield, members in Hermiston urged Bud to start a church. "We had no intention of starting a church," Bud said. "If a church was going to develop, we thought we ought to grow it rather than transplant one."

Then Kevin Wilfley, the Hermiston pastor at the time, told Bud that the North Pacific Union Conference would support the effort to plant a new church. "So we thought, well, we might as well start a church," he says. "So about three years ago, we joined together and rented a Presbyterian church."

The average attendance is about 70 every Sabbath, and a number of Hermiston members are supporting

the new church as are some recently baptized members, some not-yet-baptized people and others who are coming back to church after long absences. "There is quite a mixture of people who are coming,"

> Bud says. One of their challenges is providing a Sabbath School

> > Small groups allow people to feel like they belong, and food can be a welcoming feature of a group that meets in the evening.



and Kelly Meyer teach hour-long Sabbath School classes. It is in these classes that members become involved in fellowship and class ministries.

experience for the wide age range of children that attend.

The idea that a Sabbath School class can be the spark to plant a church is not limited to Stanfield. Sabbath School classes in Hayden and Clarkston have planted new churches in Idaho, as have classes in Yakima and Walla Walla in Washington. Small groups with a purpose can and do make a difference.

The leadership of the Kelso-Longview, Washington, church recognized that to meet the needs of its members there must be a variety of classes and activities. Not only does the church support traditional Sabbath School classes, it encourages so many different activities that it calls them Free Market Small Groups. New each quarter, these groups range from fellowship activities like a men's volleyball evening and Sunday horseback

riding to Bible study, marriage enrichment, Adventurers and Pathfinders for children, music groups, scrapbooking gettogethers and 20 other special interest activities.

These groups were not to be for nurture but for evangelism, says Dave Livermore, Kelso-Longview pastor. Every small group has non-members in it. The idea of these groups is to provide safe activities for members and friends alike.

He believes that the church's best days are just ahead due to Christian fellowship. "The world has gotten so weird, it knows no boundaries," Dave says. "People need to feel like they belong. The things we do as a church for fellowship are going to grow because they are safe, and people can come and feel that they belong. If they are a part of a small group, they become like family. They belong that day."

Sabbath School classes are a wonderful vehicle for connecting—connecting to God, connecting to His church and connecting through friendship to His people whomever and wherever they may be.

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor, writes from Vancouver, Washington.





## OREGON ADVENTIST MEN'S CHORUS

Connecting Through Fellowship and Music

THOUGH MANY HAVE BEEN blessed by the hearty music of the Oregon Adventist Men's Chorus (OAMC), few know its history or the impact it has had on the lives of the men involved in it.

"The men's chorus is not really about music. It is about ministry," says Lou Wildman, OAMC director. "It is the ministry that keeps us together. It is the ministry that fires us up. It is the ministry that nurtures us and to some degree nurtures the people who come to listen to what we have to say through music."

The OAMC began when David Schmidt, then the East Salem (Oregon) Church pastor, asked Lou to direct 16 men for the Easter service. David, who was on the music committee for Oregon Camp Meeting, then suggested that they bring their 16 men from Salem to sing a finale for the last Sabbath evening of camp meeting. "I don't think so," was Lou's reply. He felt that they needed at least 50 men to sing a fitting finale.

After calling all over the conference, they ended up with 112 men and a small orchestra. After their last song, Lou felt a hand on his arm and heard a voice say, "I'm Alf Birch. Can we do lunch?" At the time, Alf was the Oregon Conference president. Alf wanted a men's chorus to sing and inspire at all the camp meetings.

Since the chorus members also wanted to continue their music, David and Lou decided in February 1995 to have a festival for the men's chorus and invite men from all over the Oregon Conference to sing. More than 100 men came to the Sunnyside Church in Portland, and that

first festival was so successful that it became a tradition each May.

Why a men's chorus? "There is something about a men's chorus that attracts people," says Connie Lysinger, OAMC assistant director. "It's a powerful sound that is unique. I think that people really like the way men's chorus music gets right in your face." She explains that Lou works hard to get the members to sing with emotion and connect with the text. "When they are into the text and it resonates with the people, it is a moment when we are all connected—the singers and the audience," she says.

Lou agrees. "When a group of men steps out onto the platform with the pre-announced objective of telling the Gospel story in music, it makes a powerful testimony before they even open their mouths," he says.

Ralph Stathem, a chorus member and volunteer, finds camaraderie as well as ministry in the chorus. "There is a real impact that happens to the guys when they get together and work," he says. "It is hard to get a group of guys to get together and talk. If you get a workbee on the roof of a house, then guys talk. The same thing happens with the men's chorus."

The musical group is a ministry to its members as well as to its audiences. Steve Chapman, owner of a Medford non-emergency medical transportation company, left the church for 26 years. When he finally decided to come back, a friend told him that a men's chorus was being formed. "Music has always been a big thing in my life, and I knew that for my spiritual walk I

BY RICHARD DOWER



Every May, the Oregon Adventist Men's Chorus gives two concerts as part of their annual festival.

needed to be involved with a choir or quartet," he explains. "As I got involved in the OAMC, I never dreamed that it would be such a blessing to be a part of a big group."

Steve has now been a member of OAMC for nine years. He continues to thrill in being part of God's commission to spread the Gospel. "Every year we sing to glorify God and touch people's hearts, and in the process it touches my heart," he says.

The chorus has also involved dozens of instrumentalists during its 10 years, including strings, brass, percussion, piano and organ accompanists. "We have been blessed with the best accompanists that this denomination has to offer," says Lou. "It is a great honor for a guy like me to be able to work with musicians of this caliber. They bring no small amount of our success to the table."

The Oregon Adventist Men's Chorus traveled to Tanzania to sing during the *Africa for Christ* evangelistic campaign that was broadcast by satellite to all of Africa.



As the reputation of OAMC has grown, so has its list of yearly performances. The group has been asked to sing at the Africa for Christ crusade in Tanzania, led by Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union Conference president. They sang at the 2000 General Conference session in Toronto and at the Adventist-laymen's Services and Industries international convention in Sacramento in 2001. Travel is expensive, and the chorus appreciates the donors who support these trips.

As OAMC celebrates its 10-year history, Steve sums up well what the chorus continues to mean to its members: "There is a special fellowship when I sing with this group. We have men coming together to worship and that is what it is all about. Singing is about worship."

Editor's note: This year's festival concert will be held May 8 at Skyview High School



Lou Wildman, OAMC director, started the chorus for Oregon Conference Camp Meeting. Ten years later, the group continues to sing, fellowship, travel and minister to each other and their audiences.



In October 2003, Del Delker sang with OAMC during a concert celebrating the OAMC's first decade.

in Vancouver, Washington, at 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. For more information and free tickets, call Orchards Church, (360) 892-2925. Listen to the OAMC online at www. GLEANERonline.org/audio/ OAMC

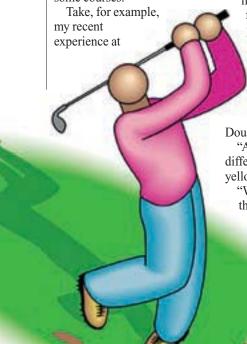
Richard Dower, GLEANER editor, writes from Vancouver, Washington.



# Youth

Someday when I'm so rich that Bill Gates hits me up for a loan, I'm going to buy a thousand acres of land. Then I'll hire some groundskeepers to follow me as I whack a golf ball 72 times. The gardeners behind me will be charged with the task of building a golf course around my errant shots. I figure that's the only way I will ever hit a round of par golf. With my severe slice, I reckon the course would be a perfect circle.

My stubborn slice notwithstanding, I am obsessive about golf. I can't get enough of the sport. There's only one thing about golf that I detest. That's the snooty attitude that prevails at some courses.



### The First Church of Hackers

Crosswater Country Club in Sunriver, Oregon. It's ranked as one of the best golf courses in the world. And they're not shy about reminding visitors of that fact.

While hacking I noticed lateral hazards that were marked by both red and yellow stakes. Having never seen

markings like that, my friend Doug asked the club pro for an explanation.

The pro's jaw dropped. Incredulously he sneered, "How long have you been playing golf?"

"About 30 years," Doug replied.

"And you don't know the difference between the red and yellow stakes?"

"Well, not when you have them marking the same lateral hazard." "Well," the pro huffed, "what's your handicap?"

Doug told him and asked, "Could you just answer my question?"

"A question that silly I'll have my understudy answer."

A kid whipped out a manual as thick as the Portland Yellow Pages and mumbled an explanation. I have forgotten his answer, but I will never forget that feeling of being shamed and excluded from "the club." I felt like Homer Simpson on a date with Britney Spears.

Unfortunately, that elitist attitude is not confined to country clubs. Sometimes it even creeps into the church.

"I've been head elder for 22 years in this church, and nobody else is qualified to take over."

"Our church caters to the culturally elite."

"We can't trust the youth group to plan the worship service."

Now consider the blunt words of James, the brother of Jesus: "If a man enters your church wearing an expensive suit, and a street person wearing rags comes in right after him, and you say to the man in the suit, 'Sit here, sir; this is the best seat in the house!' and either ignore the street person or say, 'Better sit here in the back row,' haven't you segregated God's children and proved that you are judges who can't be trusted?

"Listen, dear friends. Isn't it clear by now that God operates quite differently? He chose the world's down-and-out as the kingdom's first citizens, with full rights and privileges. This kingdom is promised to anyone who loves God" (James 2:2–7, *The Message*).

God calls his church to include all people. Rich and poor, black and white, crabby and happy—these are the folk who make up God's church. And until we accept all people, we're nothing more than a country club playing church.

I rejoice to look around the North Pacific Union and see churches and Sabbath School classes being intentional about including all people. Whether you're talking about free-market groups in Kelso or church plants in Seattle, we honor God when we throw open the church doors for everyone to join the community. So open your arms and embrace every sinner. Carve out a place in your youth group for anyone to feel safe. Simply put, make unconditional acceptance par for the course.

Karl Haffner, Walla Walla College Church pastor, writes from College Place, Washington.

### NORTH PACIFICATION IN E W S

### Hope Channel Launches Web Site

### with Broadband Video

Last December, the Adventist Television Network launched the Hope Channel, a 24/7 broadcast designed to reach people searching for Bible truth and the real meaning of life.

Now the Hope Channel has hit the cyber world with streaming video on its new Web site, www.hopetv.org, putting the virtue back into virtual, so to speak, and making it accessible to the masses.

As an outreach effort, it's a new approach by the General Conference. While they've long utilized the technology for transmission of select programs and satellite evangelism events, this is their first official full-time television channel.

The programs selected so far have been chosen for their global perspective, diversity and ability to present God's Word with a fresh approach that's appealing to both a spiritually inquisitive public and Adventists.

In addition to such classics as It Is Written, Faith for Today, The Quiet Hour and Voice of Prophecy, the Hope Channel has a catchy medley of programs like Faith Factor, Sabbath School University and Mind the Gap.

Programs are produced by Adventist churches, colleges, hospitals and institutions, as well as other sources and some programming will undoubtedly come from the Northwest. Footsteps of Paul takes viewers, with host Tony Moore, on a journey through the ancient ruins of familiar Bible sites, weaving in the Scripture's distinctive teachings on such topics as the Sabbath, death and Christ's second coming.

Faith Alive is a devotional series by Mark Finley and Shawn Boonstra of It Is Written that features spiritual vignettes designed to add interest to personal and family worship. Mark Finley also has a new series, Faith Against Odds, which premiered recently.

A new program called *Cliff Goldstein Live!* tackles many of the difficult and controversial issues people face today. Goldstein, a well-known author and speaker, discusses today's vital questions with leading writers, theologians, philosophers, artists and newsmakers.

Other shows explore God's connection with this world through tranquil scenes and meditative music from around the world. We have a feeling you'll like it. So go online. Check it out. And then, tell a friend....or maybe a hundred. •

Lori-Anne Charlton





It was a thrill for "new" Adventist pastors to meet Bill Tucker of The Quiet Hour. From left: Tony Budzik, Catholic; James Catcheway, Pentecostal; Bill Tucker; Tom Bales, Community Baptist; and Herb Desarlias, Pentecostal.

### Converted Pastors

### Attend Evangelistic Convention

The number of other Northwest denominations' pastors becoming Adventists has been increasing recently. Four of these pastors, including three Native Americans, were invited to attend a pastor's evangelism workshop in Simi Valley, Calif., along with the Native Northwest ministerial group.

It was a fun, educational and inspirational time that gave these new pastors a great one-on-one experience with Adventist pastors and North American Division ministerial officers. These pastors have been God's men all along, and their love for God's word and their dedication to follow it was refreshing.

Some of these pastors have gone through some

very stressful repercussions with family and their former parishioners because of becoming "sabbatarians." They are thrilled over the working organization of the church and impressed with the care the church gives its pastors.

Though all four have become Adventists in just the past 24 months, two are already employed by conferences. Another has retired but still preaches regularly in Adventist churches, while the fourth is preparing for full-time ministry. •

Monte Church, North Pacific/ Canada Native Ministries director

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## Northwest Teams Target Philippines for Christ

Northwest teams joined others from around the world in the *Philippines for Christ* evangelistic series during the last two weeks of March. Through the efforts of the Global Evangelism organization directed by Robert Folkenberg, teams from as far away as the Czech Republic targeted 47 different meeting sites throughout metro Manila, reaching a total of 7,000 people each night.

Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) president, spoke at the largest site, the Cuneta Astrodome, a

More than 1,700 new converts were baptized on the final Sabbath. Fifty pastors, including many from the Northwest, baptized candidates in the pool adjacent to the Astrodome, while speaker Jere Patzer presided.

professional basketball arena near Manila's harbor, where attendance averaged between two and three thousand each night.

Three other NPUC staff members, Alphonso McCarthy, Kara McGhee and Sue Patzer, each gave nightly meetings at one of the 46 outlying sites.

Lowell Blankenship, an Edmonds (Wash.) Church member, coordinated a SAGE (Seniors in Action for God with Excellence) team, which presented meetings at seven different sites.

John Loor Jr., Montana Conference president, and his conference team of Myron and Candace Iseminger, David Prest and Ledado Ang, covered four different meeting sites. Youth director Larry Unterseher coordinated another site where Mt. Ellis Academy students Anna Berg, Kyra and Laif Eddy, Crystal Leanza, John Loor III, Elizabeth Neuharth, Shar-A-Lee Smith and Hannah Wiegand shared speaking and support duties.

Walla Walla College's vice president, Victor Brown, led a group of nine students,

> Jaci Cress, Erin Griffin, Danielle Henry, Amy Mutherspaugh,

Sue Patzer leads an impromptu prayer circle following the baptism of one who attended her meetings

after his wife had

prayed for him for

over 20 years.



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Risha Opp, Brandon Richards, Matthew Swena, John Wachenich and Ryan Waring, who helped provide music and ministry for various sites.

Meeting topics were presented in English, with Filipino pastors and members serving as Tagalog translators. Northwest team members enjoyed getting to know the unique characteristics of the multisyllabic Tagalog language.

On the final Sabbath, March 27, more than 10,000 members and baptismal candidates from nearly all 47 sites crowded into the Astrodome for Sabbath School and church services featuring musical groups from the Adventist University of the Philippines (formerly Philippine Union College) and other area churches.

The highlight of this experience, however,

Montana Conference president

John Loor Jr. readies a young

baptismal candidate. Ten

Northwest pastors stayed

in the pool for nearly

Sabbath to help

of candidates.

baptize hundreds

two hours on the final

followed the morning services, when more than 1,700 new believers were baptized into Adventist church membership in the pool adjacent to the Astrodome. Including the final baptism, more than 2,100 new members are the



Jere Patzer spoke each evening at the main Astrodome site while Genes Villanueva translated into the Tagalog language.

results of the Holy Spirit working not only through this Philippines for Christ series but through hundreds of

personal contacts and local meetings by Filipino pastors and lay members. The daily

schedule for Northwest team members was often challenging. After morning group meetings, speakers and their support teams worked

to prepare the night's topic. After lunch at the nearby Manila

Sanitarium and Hospital cafeteria. afternoons were filled with

preparation for the daily trip to the meeting site. With the nightmarish Manila traffic, many speakers and teams had to leave by 2 or 3 p.m. in order to get to their meeting sites in time to set up for the 7 o'clock start. Meetings ended by 9 p.m., and the long, hot journey back to the hotel would commence.

Despite the grueling schedule, Northwest teams were excited to be part of this special event. Little by little over the two-week series, they learned stories that made this trip unforgettable. There was the translator for one of the SAGE group meetings who had been a member of the Philippine equivalent of the Secret Service until baptized just a year ago; the wife who had prayed for her ex-military husband for more than 20 years and was able to see him baptized on the final Sabbath; the former Catholic priest who made his commitment; and the list continued to grow. The changed

Walla Walla College musical groups were in high demand throughout the series. Here, the Messengers male quartet sings for the San Lorenzo company Sabbath School.

lives, the growing friendships, made the long roundtrips each night not so grievous.

"This has been a wonderful experience," said Lowell. "Our SAGE group has often done church building projects, but this focus on evangelism has made a lasting impression on us and hopefully on our Filipino brothers and sisters.'

While the final Sabbath of celebration and baptism was indeed a high point, Patzer remembers as well a less public meeting earlier in the final week when he and several others baptized more than 60 inmates at a Manila area prison. "One fellow," he recalls, "wanted to go under several times, as if to be sure that all those sins were really washed away! It will be wonderful when we can all meet together on the Sea of Glass, regardless of our backgrounds, and sing praises in unison to the One who has made eternity possible." •

Steve Vistaunet, North Pacific *Union assistant to the president* for communication

### ALASKA



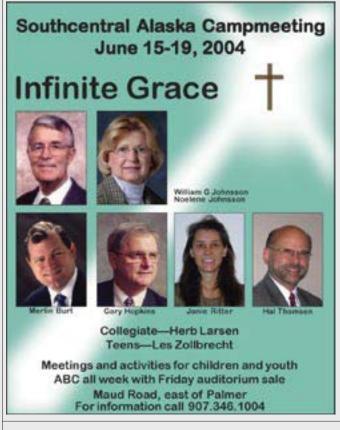
Anchorage CHIP participants enjoy a healthy banquet at the close of February's month-long coronary health improvement program.

### Anchorage Churches Promote CHIP

The Coronary Health Improvement Project (CHIP) once again helped approximately 50 Anchorage residents start a healthier lifestyle during February. Participants lost a combined total of 222.5 pounds, and those needing to gain weight were able to do that. LDL (bad) cholesterol levels dropped an average of 15 percent, and blood sugars began to normalize. Participants had fun each evening, not only learning healthful information and sampling delicious foods new to most of the participants, but joining in group exercise with the help of the Beach Boys and other upbeat musical groups.

CHIP does not "cookie stamp" all participants into the same mold because each person attends for their own reason. When they complete the course they have the information necessary to achieve "health by choice, not by chance." Some people attend CHIP to learn how to lower cholesterol levels, while others want to reverse type II diabetes, lose or gain weight, start a regular exercise program, or just have a support system for positive changes already started. The "CHIP lifestyle" is the lifestyle that will make any person healthier. Sixteen CHIP alumni returned and brought new participants while refreshing their own knowledge. •

Annie Heusser, CHIP co-director



### Signing Choir Performs for Palmer Rotarians

Palmer Rotarians were visibly touched by a performance of the Matanuska Valley Adventist School (MVAS) signing choir on March 18.

Neil Biloff, pastor and member of the Rotary Club, invited the students to perform at the club's weekly luncheon. The students signed to Ray Boltz's "You Will Always Be a Child in my Eyes." Biloff was fined for "blatantly promoting" the children from his own church school, but the fine was

quickly waived as the children were such "angels."

The children learn American Sign Language on Fridays as part of their regular curriculum. They have performed several times at the Palmer Church. They recently performed "Bow the Knee" with the church choir, a performance that left the congregation silent and in tears. •

Dorothy L. Johnson, Palmer Church communication leader

The signing choir from the Matanuska Valley Adventist School performed for the Palmer Rotary Club.



### IDAHO

### Members Celebrate with Flames

### at Meridian Mortgage Burning

With match in hand, Tim Gray, pastor, along with Ed Doherty, head elder, and Les Sevison, treasurer, set ablaze the Meridian (Idaho) Church's mortgage papers on Feb. 7. This 110-member church managed to pay off the \$180,000 mortgage in just seven and a half years.

Gray asked the congregation to share some of their memories regarding the building of the new church. Chris Schaffer recalled the concern over whether or not the church would receive its occupancy permit in time for the NET '96 meetings. The city issued the permit late on Friday afternoon, just hours before the meetings were to begin.

Several other members recalled the physical building of the church, working together to pound nails (and fingers!) to put up that first wall. Help with the

construction also came from members of other Adventist churches in the area and Gem State Adventist Academy students.

One of the younger members, Rachel Sevison, who was 10 years old at the time and is now a junior at Gem State Adventist Academy, recalled that, in addition to helping raise walls and pound nails, all of the kids climbed down into the crawlspace and went from one end of the building to the other. Their names are still inscribed on the support beams under the floor.

Also participating in the mortgage burning were Irene Willis, Pat Britzius and Sherry Bolender, members of the building fund-raising committee, and Linda Sevison, co-treasurer. •

Linda Sevison, Meridian Church communication leader

th wall. Help with the

Pat Britzius, Sherry Bolender, Irene Willis, Tim Gray, Ed Doherty, Les

Sevison and Linda Sevision watch as the mortgage is burned.





From left: Jessie Michel, Michael Dewey and Leah Davy helped with crafts at the Ken Cox crusade.

### Youth Spread Gospel Seeds Throughout Entire Town

A crisp afternoon breeze greeted students from Gem State Adventist Academy and nine youth groups as they prepared to reach all the homes, businesses and churches in New Plymouth, Idaho, in a single afternoon with the 27 fundamental beliefs of the Adventist Church.

They used a new, eighttract series called "Gospel Seed Information Packs" to introduce Adventist beliefs in a condensed form on the back of eye-catching "money" in various denominations.

"Placing our full message in every home is, in fact, an entire evangelistic effort in its own right," said Skip Johnson, New Plymouth Church pastor. "People are introduced to our complete message in their homes at their own pace." Church contact information was also included.

The literature also invited residents to an evangelistic series in Ontario presented by evangelist Ken Cox. Gem State students played an integral role in the Cox series as members from the Gem State Special Ops team taught the children's meetings.

"This year our mission emphasis is local," said Kameron DeVasher, Gem State Academy pastor. "We believe, as stated in Acts 1, that meeting the physical and spiritual needs of the people around us is important, and Gem State Academy is a place to train disciples for Christ to do that." •

Debbie McCarver, GSAA GLEANER correspondent

### The Gospel Road Comes to Fort Belknap

he temperature was below zero, and a bitterly cold, northeast wind was blowing snow into deep drifts on Friday, Feb. 6, much like the preceding two weeks on Montana's Fort Belknap Reservation. But something was different that night as the sound of country gospel music radiated from a little white church on a hill.

Different indeed, the Gospel Road seminar was under way in the Fort Belknap Church as Brian Bechthold and his wife.

Denise, from Alberta, Canada, began the first of 20 nightly meetings. By the third night it was evident that God truly was going to do something special for His Native American people. Eight visitors were in attendance that night, and from that point forward, the number of visitors grew to up to 14 per night.

Each night, the opening songs were projected on the wall with pictures of Native Americans. Jim Jenkins, Fort Belknap pastor, then led a



Neona Abbott, evangelist Brian Bechthold, Gail Ereaux and Fort Belknap's pastor, Jim Jenkins, voted Ereaux into membership after her baptism.

Bible search, and, after special music, Brian presented the message for the night. Often the closing prayer emphasized the many needs that people were dealing with in their lives.

Gail Ereaux, partly Tlingit, was baptized after one meeting and received a letter of encouragement from Tlingit members in Alaska. Five people made their decision for Jesus following an appeal at the final meeting. More than 40 people attended church the following Sabbath, and two were baptized. •

Jim P. Jenkins, Fort Belknap pastor

### "He is Lord"

Montana Camp Meeting June 16-19, 2004 Mount Ellis Academy



### Featured Speaker: Miroslav M. Kis, Ph.D., Professor of Ethics and Chair of Theology and

Christian Philosophy at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary

#### Seminar Speakers:

Kevin Wilfley "Reaching out to your Neighbors"



Willie Oliver "Marriage and Family\* (Also the speaker for the youth)



#### Other Speakers:

Lee Gugliotto - Seminar: "How to Study the Bible"

Vernon Bretsch - "Voice of Prophecy and Discover Bible School"

There will be programs for children and youth, ABC auditorium sale and much more.

To make reservations for rooms or camping spaces call 406-587-3101, or write to Montana Conference, 175 Canyon View Road, Bozeman, MT 59715

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### OREGON

### Milo Holds Prayer Conference

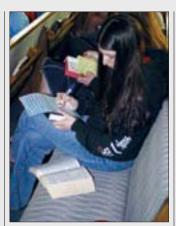
to Connect with God

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m he\ Milo\ Adventist}$ Academy prayer conference is one of the most anticipated events of the school year. About 60 students from around the conference responded to the invitation to visit the Milo campus for this year's conference. Some came earnestly seeking a spiritual experience that would change their lives. Whatever their reasons for coming, however, people left the prayer conference with a different view of God. "An old school friend of mine came only to see her old friends, but she left with a fire for God burning in her heart," said Katie Currier, Milo sophomore.

This year's student week of prayer set the tone for the prayer conference. Students had enjoyed shorter school days, fellowship with friends, and a spiritual uplift throughout

Danny Celaya stocks food shelves at the Canyonville Community Center.





Brittany Leidig writes her love letter from God.

the week. "I loved the nightly meetings and getting together for the song services," stated Natasha Knobloch, a sophomore. "It revitalized a spiritual atmosphere."

Each day of the week of prayer had a different theme such as praise songs, Bible studies, prayer journaling and daily devotions. Each daily topic tied in with the theme for the prayer conference, "Connecting with God." Wednesday's topic was service, and classes were cancelled for the day so students could participate in Neighbor Day. Despite heavy rains and a power outage, spirits of Milo students were not dampened. Cheerfully, they went out into the community to do some handson service for God by helping their neighbors.

The prayer conference had a terrific impact on many people.

Sophomore Ellen Andrieux said, "The prayer conference encouraged me to start doing more daily devotions."

Sarah Sexton agreed. "Now I make time for more quiet time with God," she said.

"I really wanted kids to spend time with God and to see Him in a different way," said Carl Wilkens, Milo Academy Church pastor. And he was pleased with the outcome. God's hand worked in the prayer conference and formed it to what He wanted it to



Eli Ditmore and Kristin Jones chop and stack wood on Neighbor Day.

become. Hearts were changed as a result. God's goals were accomplished, and in the end, that is all that really matters. •

Summer Coggins, MAA sophomore



### OREGON



### Locker Room Remodeled

as Senior Project

Mark Dearing and Trevor Wart, Portland Adventist Academy (PAA) seniors, designed, raised money for and remodeled the PAA locker room as their senior project. Dearing and Wart said that they wanted to do something for their school that would benefit students after they leave.

Dearing, who, through his work with the Portland Trailblazers organization, had seen the inside of a professional locker room, knew that PAA's locker room could be improved if he and Wart brought change themselves. They wrote letters to all PAA basketball team alumni requesting donations

for new lockers and soon had the needed money.

The young men chose gold paint and navy carpet to reflect PAA's school colors. Dearing's father, a cabinetmaker, set up the saw cuts for the first locker, and then Dearing and Wart cut the pieces from wood they had selected, assembled the lockers and spray-finished the cabinets on site. Gale Crosby, PAA principal, advised on the carpet installation, but the two students did the actual installation.

Both Dearing and Wart plan on going to college after graduation and feel that the experience they gained in completing every part of the project will help them as they finalize their plans for life. Wart is seriously considering physical therapy as a career while Dearing is thinking of a career in business law.

They both want to go to a college that offers a basketball program. •

Dan Patchin, PAA GLEANER correspondent

Mark Dearing and Trevor Wart built these lockers for their senior project.



### OREGON

## The Perfect Mate Described

by Columbia Seniors

Columbia Adventist
Academy seniors have been studying what makes a great marriage in their marriage and family class. When they were asked to write about their ideal spouse, almost every student mentioned the importance of finding a Christian mate.

"I want to be able to talk about deep spiritual things with my husband, to study with him and pray together," described Brittany Prahl. "I want my partner and I to be active in the church and God's ministry."

Her classmate, Crystal Kandoll, sees Jesus as the best example for marriage. "It is Christ who gave us the ability to love, and He showed us what love truly is. Therefore the relationship absolutely must be based around Him," she explained.

This value for Christ-centered marriage was held by the young men as well. "The perfect wife is a wife that will always uplift you and will make your life more complete," said Chase Hendrickson. "No relationship is complete without God."

"I want most of all a friend who loves God and loves me almost as much," Brett Maynor said. "I need to see God in her so there is always an assurance that there is a



These students from CAA's marriage and family class wrote essays about what makes a great marriage.

God and He gave me this woman to love as I love Him."

Perhaps what these young people are holding as most valuable could challenge husbands and wives to have a deeper spiritual connection that sets an example for the youth to follow. •

David Allen, CAA marriage and family life teacher

### LAA Celebrates Freedom

### with Special Chapel Program

Freedom. It's something we all have but seldom take the time to truly appreciate. Livingstone Adventist Academy students did just that on Feb. 20 during their Freedom Chapel put on by the school choir and drama club to celebrate Black History Month and all freedom fighters.

The choir sang several spiritual songs including, "Go Down Moses," "Every time I Feel the Spirit," and "Order My Steps." The drama

club wrote and performed monologues of various activists or individuals who were oppressed by the lack of their own freedom. Characters portrayed included Rosa Parks, Anne Frank, Susan B. Anthony, Martin Luther King Jr., Jews who suffered through

the Holocaust, and a woman from Afghanistan.

As dire as the circumstances of these people were, no hardship was greater than that of the last character, Jesus Christ. Jesus fought and died for undeniably the greatest freedom—the gift of eternal life. That is true freedom.

their message outside of the school, performing at area churches throughout the month of March. "It is a true blessing to see these students understand the importance of what these famous people did in the name of freedom and, more importantly, what Jesus did for us and continues to do for us every day," said Barbara Livesay, Livingstone principal. •

The students then shared

Bryndle Fleming, LAA junior



Members of the LAA drama club gave monologues of various individuals who were oppressed by their personal lack of freedom.

### Gladstone Camp Meeting July 13-17, 2004

### God's Grace ...

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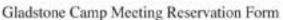
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Your 2004 campsite may be reserved for the 2005 camp meeting at check in Sun. July 11 through July 15. Friday the 16th, all remaining sites will be reserved on a first come basis. Cash or check payment due at time of reservation. WE CANNOT AC-CEPT CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS.

For more information: 503-652-2225 Ext. 461

### Radio Ministry Impacts Community

The radio ministry of the Upper Columbia Conference is making a wonderful community impact, according to a recent ratings report.

Radio stations receive periodic ratings figures, similar to the Neilsen TV ratings, from a statistical research company, Arbitron, which calls hundreds of people in each market every quarter and asks them to keep a diary of their radio listening habits. These, in turn, become ratings reports for radio stations. Here is an overview of a recent report on KEEH-FM (104.9 FM) in Spokane, a Positive Life Radio affiliate:

As a Seventh-day Adventist "inspirational/adult contempory" music station, KEEH is ranked in the upper third in the Spokane market. Considered a large market, Spokane ranks 94th among the top 100 U.S. cities by population.

KEEH has a little more than 20,000 different listeners age 12 and above in any typical week. A high percentage of these listeners are non-



Advertising signs for KEEH-FM are strategically placed for maximum viewing.

Adventist, and a reasonable number claim no religious faith. The listener's average time spent listening was a little more than six hours per week. Positive Life Radio is truly the only church many listeners regularly "attend."

Statistician George Barna has done some fascinating research into the behavior of Americans, and more specifically, Christians. His Web site, www.barna.org, states that a high percentage of Christian radio listeners are actually non-Protestant. Listener-funded KEEH's audience is 10 percent Catholics and 15 percent non-Christians or athiests.

Thanks to the Lord's blessing the recent listener-supported More Power to Ya' project, KEEH now has one of the five strongest FM signals of any station in Spokane.

Throughout the year, KEEH invites pastors from many Protestant denominations to come into the studio to record daily "Good News

Bible Verses." Staff members enjoy many non-Adventist friendships through contacts in the community generated by this radio ministry.

While music preferences differ from person to person, the radio ministries of Upper Columbia Conference are breaking down walls and generating goodwill in the communities they serve. •

Darin Patzer, KEEH manager

### Church Plant Yields

### First Fruits

Les and Jennifer Ove were the first newly baptized converts of the lay members' church plant at Athol, Idaho. Retired pastor Ed Card, also known as the "Bible Preacher," officiated at their outdoor baptism in Lake Pend Oreille on June 14, 2003.

Les Ove called his dad, Leif, one Sabbath morning and asked directions to the church, much to his father's surprise and joy. Les had been out of prison on parole and working as a roofer four years.

The Oves had been watching some of evangelist Doug Batchelor's videos, and a few days after going to church, Les again called his dad, this time for Bible studies.

Following their baptism, the Oves have suffered an auto

accident and a home fire, but their faith is not diminished.

The Oves have four sons: Aleric, 18 months; Isaiah, 3; Kieron, 4; and Uriah, 8. •

Ann Thomas, Athol Church communication leader

### Conference News IIII



Dr. Jan Paulsen
President of the
General Conference of
Seventh-day Adventists



Shawn Boonstra
Associate Speaker
of the *It Is Written*television ministry



Joe Pearles International singer of easy listening country gospel music



**Seminars** 

Health, Family Life, Personal Evangelism (outreach), Religious Liberty and the 777 commitment program.

#### Sabbath Afternoon

Dr. Jan Paulsen will give a special presentation and an exciting report on the expansion of the Adventist Church around the globe.

#### **Children and Youth**

There will be inspiring programs for Children and Youth beginning Friday night and continuing through Sabbath evening.

#### **Meals and Reservations**

To purchase meal tickets for the cafeteria call (509) 527-2732. For dorm room reservations please call (509) 527-2531. For RV reservations call (509) 838-2761.

#### Congreso Hispano

Viernes, Sábado y Domingo, del 20-22 de Junio, Walla Walla Valley Academy, College Place, Washington

Upper Columbia Conference

### Camp Meeting 2004

Walla Walla College Campus - June 18 and 19, 2004 - College Place, Washington

### Special Service Celebrates Children

The Richland (Wash.) Church holds children in high esteem and celebrated the importance of the children in their congregation by having a special Children's Sabbath service.

The highlight of the service was the baptism of Brian Kostoff, a lifelong Richland member who worked diligently to complete his



Brian and Jo Kostoff play a piano duet for the offeratory on Children's Sabbath.

baptismal studies so that he could be baptized before his 12th birthday. He told the congregation that he was almost a teenager and wanted to be ready to meet the challenges of his teenage years with a solid foundation in Jesus. It was a powerful testimony to the faith Kostoff has in Jesus and a reminder of Jesus' love and compassion for His children, as was the sermon by Ed Gienger, interim pastor.

Children's ministries leader Keeni Mitchell provided an overview of the number of children and families involved in each of the children's ministries, including the children's clubs and Sabbath School departments. Particularly noted were the opportunities being developed to involve children in community outreach projects and the growth in the children's clubs and classes. •

Anita Lebold



Kids led the congregational singing on Children's Sabbath.



Brian Kostoff's baptism by Ed Gienger was a special part of Children's Sabbath.



### Goldendale Awards Scholarships to 12th Graders

Goldendale (Wash.) Church awarded \$200 scholarships to its graduating seniors in a special presentation. Ron Turner, Upper Columbia Academy recruitment director, was the guest speaker and explained why Christian education is so important.

This year's recipients are, from left: Sterling Bravo, Lori Froehlich, Courtney Bridgefarmer, Leah Winkler and Amy Schwitzgoebel. See the whole story at www.gleaneronline.org. •

Elaine Kubler, Goldendale Church communication leader

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### Spanish Congregation Celebrates

New Church

More than 100 people came to celebrate the formation of the North Cascade Spanish Church in Burlington, Wash., in April. This fast growing congregation was formed into a company just over a year ago and has now officially joined the sisterhood of churches in the Washington Conference.

North Cascade Spanish Church, under pastoral direction of Manuel Cabral, has grown to more than 60 members. The church, which meets in the Skagit Adventist School, is reaching out to the many Spanish-speaking people coming into the area to find work. A number of evangelistic meetings have been held and many more outreach programs are planned.

During the organization program to form the church, John Freedman, Washington Conference president, reminded the members that everything that is done in the church is to be all about



North Cascade members sign the charter for the new congregation.

Jesus. No matter what is done by their church, it must have Jesus as the focus. Freedman challenged them to never forget about Jesus' business of winning souls and to think about possibly even planting a new church in the future.

Ramon Canals, in his first official function as the new North Pacific Union Conference's Spanish coordinator, congratulated the new church and challenged them to continue to grow to become a significant force for Jesus.

Look for many other exciting things to happen, not only in this new church but in all the Spanish churches throughout the Washington Conference. •

Doug Bing, Washington Conference Spanish coordinator

### Slowing Down the Fast and the Curious

More than 100 public high school students and 40 volunteer adult staff members spent March 5-7 at Sunset Lake Camp for the annual Washington Conference public high school retreat. This year's theme, "The Fast and the Curious," spoke to the many stressors like loneliness, grades, relationships and money facing public high school students and the need to slow down and focus on what really matters most—their relationship with God.

The schedule was packed with fun ways to connect with God and friends. Weekend programming included activities on camp equipment,

spiritual programs, interactive games and social "down time." Impact Praise Group and Walla Walla College Praise Band teamed up with Washington Conference youth pastors for music, drama and other programs.

Vincent Dehm, a California youth pastor, had two key questions that he asked the students: "If you were to lose your life today, are you confident that you would spend forever with Jesus when He returns?" and "Where are you with God?"

Music and Christian fellowship were two of the highlights of this special weekend retreat.



Many attendees were not Adventists but came because Adventist friends from public school invited them.

"I've been waiting for this all year because I love hanging out with my friends and getting to talk about Jesus," said one senior.

So, from tie-dye to late night games and the crux of it all—accepting Jesus Christ—these high school students had a blast. The fast and the curious realized that it's okay to slow down and turn your eyes toward the One who matters most. •

Tara VinCross, Washington Conference youth ministries associate director

## Washington Camp Meeting 2004 Dorm Fire Forces Major Changes

amp meeting each year is a wonderful conference-wide family reunion. It is a time to catch up with friends and family from throughout the conference and the Pacific Northwest. Each year, the Washington Conference family comes together for a wonderful 10-day spiritual feast. New memories are made and old ones are relived.

Imagine, however, planning for a family reunion and then suddenly your home burns down just a few months before the big day. Such was the problem facing the Washington Conference executive committee since the Auburn Adventist Academy girls' dormitory, which houses many camp meeting employees and speakers each year, was destroyed by fire last fall. As they reviewed this major problem, the executive committee voted the following:

- To cancel the 10-day camp meeting for 2004 at Auburn Adventist Academy due to safety concerns because of the construction of the girls' dorm and construction at Buena Vista Elementary, which is also on the campus.
- To return to a 10-day camp meeting in 2005 at the academy as previously planned. The dates for that meeting will be June 16–25, 2005.

Some of the main issues facing the committee as they made the decision were:

· The safety of visitors during major construction at two large sites during camp

meeting. There were major liability issues involved with this much construction with so many people in a concentrated space. The expense of stopping construction for safety during camp meeting as well as delays that it would cause would add tremendously to the project in both time and expense.

• Camp meeting 2004 was in the budget for this year, but the additional expense of housing and security would have caused more than a \$70,000 overrun in expenses in a year when the budget is balanced with little room for extra expenses.

It was additionally voted by the committee that in 2004 several one-day spiritual convocations will be held throughout the conference in place of this year's camp meeting. One is planned at Auburn Adventist Academy on June 19, and a second will be June 26 at a location to be announced.

The camping and housing reservations that have been made will be carried over for 2005 unless those making the reservations would like to cancel them and have their deposit returned.

This was a hard decision faced by the conference executive committee. However, out of the ashes, a new girls' dorm will arise and we all look forward to 2005 when we will celebrate camp meeting with a brand new dorm. •

Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president



With the help of his friend Clarence, Scruffy the Clown from Promise Players Ministry told the story of how God intervenes in our lives.

### Conference Hosts Adventurer Fun

✓ome one! Come all! See Scruffy the Clown, play games, win prizes, eat snacks and look at the crafts other clubs have made. It will certainly be an evening to remember!"

And that it was.

It was a Saturday night filled with fun on March 20 when more than 100 Adventurer kids, club directors and parents gathered for the first Washington Conference Adventurer Fun Fair at Buena Vista Elementary gym in Auburn, Wash. Scruffy the Clown from Promise Players Ministry in Bothell, Wash., shared illusions, puppetry and ventriloquism, all with a focus on Jesus. The illusions were so well done that even the parents were looking at one another asking, "How did he do that?"

After the worship and show time, clubs displayed their projects from this year. Kids touched still-gooey

peanut butter bird treats, played handmade instruments and gazed at picture boards showing the outings of other Adventurer clubs.

As soon as the call was made for games, kids quickly dashed in every direction to try bowling, fishing, hoop tossing, jump roping and other exciting games and to see if they could win prizes. Scruffy stayed to make balloon animals with the help of a leader from the Bonney Lake club, whose specialty was making flying slugs.

When the end came, parents had a hard time getting their kids to leave. Kids left with new toys, candy and, even more than that, an understanding that Jesus is in everything we do, especially having fun. •

Tara VinCross, Washington Conference youth ministries associate director

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## Sequim Churches Pull Together to Benefit Dying Member

The Richmond family, members of the Sequim (Wash.) Church, received the kind of news on Oct. 23 that no one wants to hear—Ken Richmond, 43, had brain cancer. For his wife, Jay, and daughters, Cynthia, 9, and Heather, 7, their lives would never be the same.



The musicians shared the stage with young children clapping and jumping to the rhythms.

Before one emergency procedure, Jay was told Ken would likely be paralyzed—if he lived at all. God spared Ken's life and gave him the strength and balance to walk for weeks afterward. Ken prayed to see Cynthia's 10th birthday and to spend one more Christmas with his family, and God said yes.

Meanwhile, a vision of a silent auction to benefit the Richmonds popped into the head of another Sequim member, as if God had planned the entire event and was now showing it to her. And she said yes.

Members of other community churches helped by distributing flyers, creating a dollar-matching program

and loaning their facilities for the event. More than 45 businesses and organizations donated items for the auction, and a local newspaper reporter wrote a full story about this community coming together to benefit this family. The small community of Sequim raised thousands of dollars for the Richmonds.

Ken slipped into the waiting arms of Jesus on March 1 to await the resurrection morning. And, like the special silent auction held for his family, his memorial service included many people from his community. •

Maureen Dowling, Sequim Church communication leader



Ken Richmond, a member of the Sequim (Wash.) Church, was surrounded and supported by loving family and friends when he was dying of brain cancer.



Local musicians from various backgrounds donated their time and

### "It is through the social relations that Christianity comes in contact with the world." ELLEN G. WHITE



August 27 - 29, 2004 - Hyak Lodge, Snoqualmie Pass. Contact the Washington Conference Young Adult Dept at: 425.481.7171 x 3233 OR youngadults@wc.npuc.org

August 27 - 20, Tim and Andrea Madding will present a seminar, especially for young adults, revealing the difference between a successful relationship and one that fails.

Experience a Christ-centered weekend for couples longing to build a stronger connection. Come energize and deepen the bonds of your relationship. Through seminars and private sharing, you can celebrate each other and your future together. If you're married, engaged, in a serious dating relationship, or just want to learn more, this seminar has important information for you.

## New Things are Developing at Walla Walla College

Shutterbugs can now make a career out of their talent at Walla Walla College (WWC). A photography minor was recently added to the technology department's options, and a new photojournalism concentration for communication majors will be offered beginning fall quarter of 2004.

A survey of incoming students during College Days last spring indicated much interest in photojournalism, prompting the new concentration. Several corresponding new courses have been created, including advanced photojournalism, directed photojournalism project and newspaper staff photographer practicum.



In the technology department, the photography minor was also created to meet demand, and the curriculum draws from existing courses with an interdisciplinary approach. Students take

"It gives students a whole lot of options and improves their employability," says Nancy Semotiuk, associate professor of communication, of the new additions. Semotiuk will teach all communication-based classes for photojournalism.

classes that help them develop visual skills that extend beyond the mechanics of photography.

"We're requiring classes like drawing and video because I have the basic viewpoint that composition is composition is composition," says Shane Hinshaw, assistant professor of graphics. "If we have those universal concepts in place, we can only strengthen that by looking at it from a variety of disciplines." The next step, he says, is to develop more specific course offerings, such as studio lighting, composition theory and digital photography. These additions could come within the next two years, according to Hinshaw. •

Tara Jeske

### Faithful Stewards

It isn't every day college students have leftover money. Near the end of fall quarter, Barbara Anderson, sophomore biology major, realized she had not even come close to spending the minimum of \$462 that would be charged to her cafeteria account for the quarter.

Rather than stock up on cases of Snapple she didn't need or want, she wanted to use the money to help people who might not have enough to eat, such as people at the Farm Labor Homes for migrant farm workers, where she had spent time with a family for a class project.

Phil Levine, executive chef with Sodexho Food Services at Walla Walla College, supported the idea, and gave Anderson and fellow sophomore Toby McCandless, Spanish and theology double major, permission to post sign-up sheets in the cafeteria for students who wanted to use their remaining money to buy food for residents of the Farm Labor Homes.

Levine even arranged for Sodexho to donate about \$150 worth of dry goods, such as pasta and beans. The Sodexho Foundation has a program that supports innovative programs that fight hunger in the United States. The foundation encourages and supports their employees' service toward hunger-related initiatives in their local communities.

Anderson and McCandless raised about \$600 with less than 24 hours' notice, with nine people donating their remaining cafeteria account balances. They bought fruits, vegetables, oatmeal and 25pound bags of rice and beans, among other food supplies. They divided the food into 120 portions, one for each family, and delivered the food on the same December Sabbath the Spanish Club was delivering donated toys to children at the Farm Labor Homes.

They implemented the plan again at the end of winter quarter. Advanced warning enabled more people to participate. Approximately \$840 was raised.

"We were really excited about it," says Anderson, "because people always have so much money left on their accounts. A lot of people, to meet their minimum, buy things they wouldn't really need or want. We thought this would be a really good way to use that money and help people who really need it." •

Tara Jeske, WWC GLEANER correspondent

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#### INDIA

### Lending Helping Hands in India

Giffard Memorial Hospital (GMH), a Seventh-day Adventist facility located in the village of Nuzvid, Andhra Pradesh, India, was once a thriving medical compound. Built in 1925, it was renowned for its quality of care and its dynamic nursing school. In recent years, however, GMH spiraled downward and faced imminent closure.

In an effort to rescue the aged institution, Adventist Health International (AHI) accepted GMH, along with 11 other Adventist Indian hospitals, into its program last year. AHI is a non-profit organization established to provide management and technical assistance to churchowned hospitals in developing countries.

Adventist Health Pitches In
Headquartered in Roseville,
Calif., Adventist Health is one
of eight major contributors to
AHI, thanks to the efforts of
AHI vice president Rodney
Applegate. Formerly an
executive with Adventist
Health, Applegate retired as
CEO of Walla Walla General
Hospital in southeastern
Washington in June 1999. He
now focuses his attention on
AHI efforts in India.

Working closely with Applegate, Larry Dodds, Adventist Health senior vice president, serves on the AHI board of directors. During a July 2003 devotional, Applegate spoke of severe hospital needs in India, and Adventist Health corporate leadership and hospitals gave a \$16,000 offering.

Applegate spoke again in
October at an Adventist
Health leadership
meeting. Charles
Denham, a doctor and
Christian consultant
in attendance,
was touched by
Applegate's
comments and

Marvin Stiles (left) and Kevin Roberts (right) enjoyed the beautiful, fragrant garlands they received as gifts when they arrived in the faith-based mission of Adventist Health. As a result, he and his wife, Betsy, sent AHI a \$25,000 donation.

More funds were raised in Southern California. Then Richard H. Hart, president of AHI, secured a matching donation from the oldest Adventist church-sponsored social action ministry, Ingathering: Hope for Humanity.

In all, the India project brought in \$110,000—worth more than \$1 million in Indian currency.

A Mission Trip to India In early

> February 2004, two Adventist Health employees joined Applegate on a mission trip to offer muchneeded professional assistance to GMH. Kevin Roberts, chief operations officer and chief nursing officer at South Coast Medical Center

in Laguna Beach, Calif., and Marvin Stiles, corporate senior analyst at Adventist Health in Roseville, traveled to Bombay and then on to the remote, poverty-stricken village of Nuzvid.

"When we arrived, an entourage met us bearing gifts of ornate Indian garlands,"



Built in 1925, Giffard Memorial Hospital is known by many as simply "The SDA."

### H e a l t hNews

This is the male ward at GMH-no pretty pictures, privacy curtains, bedside tables or patient call-lights here. Very few electrical features exist anywhere in the hospital.

frequent the stairwell. Very few electrical fixtures exist, and there is no emergency generator. None of the



bookkeeping system complete with ledgers, pencils and handwritten invoices—by installing a computerized accounting system. He also trained the staff.

"I was impressed by how clever they are," said Stiles. "They took to the computers quickly. We taught them improved methods of handling cash, too, since most bills are paid with cash."

As a patient care executive and an experienced operations consultant, Roberts focused on improving clinical and

Marvin Stiles and Rodney Applegate pose with Daniel Kalapala and his wife. Known as "Pastor Daniel" because of his training and background, Kalapala is the administrator of GMH.

Roberts shared. "They fed us and treated us like royalty. The Hindus know Rodney well and think of him as a god. He reminded them often that Jesus is the Source of Powerthe God who heals."

Sorting Through Challenges

The three travelers spent the first few days sorting through the challenges at hand. On the second floor of the four-story medical building, they found about 50 semi-functional hospital beds, circa 1940, with crank handles and worn out mattresses. The first floor houses ancillary and business services. The uninhabitable third floor is a graveyard for antiquated equipment donated by other well-meaning organizations. A nursing school occupies the fourth floor, as do many students, since monkeys destroyed their dormitory roof.

The open-air facility has no heating or air conditioning. Mosquitoes buzz about the rooms, bee nests hang from the eaves and monkeys

employees had been paid in more than three months.

"The hospital staff—more than 150 employees—were caring for only three or four patients when we arrived," Roberts reported. "With virtually no census and no money, the hospital was suffering a monumental financial crisis."

The Team Pitches In

With less than two weeks to accomplish as much as possible, the trio got right to work. Funds sent from AHI were used to pay off immediate debt. Stiles improved upon an antiquated administrative functions. He interviewed medical staff, hospital leaders and community representatives in order to make valuable recommendations. Together, the men delivered intensive training and advised the leadership team.

Two major diseases prevail in Nuzvid—HIV and diabetes. "We met with a vendor that proposed grant money to help with an HIV study," Roberts explained. "Also, I designed a business plan to develop a diabetes management program at the clinic. I offered to continue consulting from afar to help put these plans in motion."

Devotion in the Face of Calamity

In stark contrast to the dilapidated conditions and the mountain of unpaid debt, an inspiring attitude prevails. "The staff has a trust in God that most of us only read about," Roberts exclaimed. "They come to work, even though they aren't always paid. They support the hospital administration. They are extensions of the church's ministry."

Roberts described how the nurses worship together before every shift. "They sing and pray with the patients and with each other," he said. "I saw Jesus in their faces."

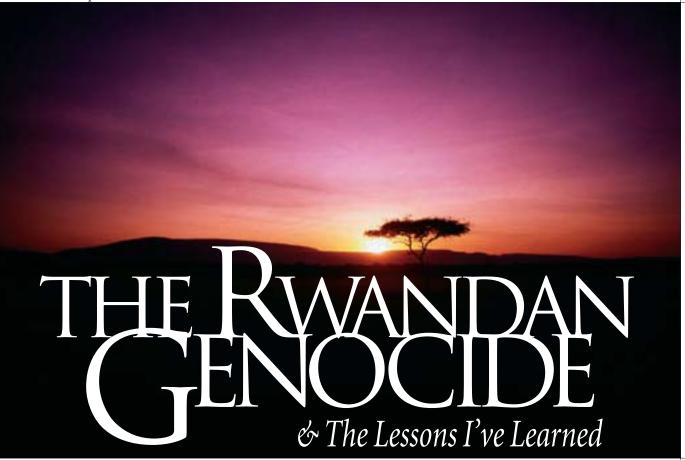
There's More Work to Do

GMH isn't out of the woods yet. There is a great need for physicians. "If the hospital could recruit a foreign-trained physician to work there for just three short months, that physician would bring in enough patients and income to equal a locally-trained physician for a year," Roberts pointed out. "And the more specialized a doctor is, the more utility he has to the institution and the reputation of the hospital."

Cash contributions are urgently needed as well. "Turning a hospital around is intensive, time consuming and expensive," said Hart. "India presents some of the most difficult management challenges in the world. AHI sincerely appreciates having Adventist Health as a major partner. We are grateful for the funding, and we are delighted that Adventist Health is providing personnel who are willing to go to India." •

Karen Haley-Clark

Perspective



Editor's note: Ten years ago about 800,000 people lost their lives in Rwanda when Hutu extremists methodically murdered Tutsis and sympathetic Hutus in a terrible time of genocide. Carl Wilkens, a 1981 graduate of Walla Walla College, and his wife Teresa, also a WWC graduate, were in Rwanda at the time. Because of his firsthand knowledge and thoughtful responses to questions, he has been interviewed for Public Television's Frontline program as well as National Public Radio programs.

WE TOOK OUR THREE children to Rwanda with us in 1990 so I could serve as the ADRA director for Rwanda. We had served in Africa for six years already—four at Lower Gwelo Secondary School in Zimbabwe and two at Yuka Hospital in Zambia, one of the most isolated hospitals we still operate.

For the first six months, we were building primary schools and operating health clinics in Rwanda. When a civil war began there in October 1990, we added refugee camp work to our assignment. Before the three-year war ended, Rwanda had more than 900,000 people displaced from their homes.

Thirty years earlier there had been great unrest in the country resulting in many Tutsis being killed or fleeing the country.

They had been trying unsuccessfully to come back by peaceable means but, in October 1990, they invaded the country by force. When a cease-fire was agreed upon after three miserable years of war, we were all optimistic for peace with a stable government that would represent all groups. But the negotiations kept stalling.

When Rwanda's president was returning from negotiations in Tanzania on April 6, 1994, a missile shot down his plane before it reached the airport eight miles from our house. Within 45 minutes, we heard gunfire around our house. Gangs of militia were checking identity cards and systematically killing anyone who was Tutsi or was suspected of aiding or harboring Tutsis. We had two Tutsis in our home.

Initially we were stuck in our home trying to keep our family safe, including my parents who were with us at the time. On the ham radio we heard of the slaughter at the other mission stations. Neighbors were being killed all around us by organized teams working with lists. It was like wildfire, unbelievable in scope.

We could have died the second night, but our Hutu neighbors stood outside our fence and told the machete-armed gang, "These people have nothing to do with politics, nothing to do with what's going on. They're not Belgian," they explained (initial rumors had the Belgians involved in the assassination). "When we're sick and need to go to the hospital, they take us. Their kids play with our kids." Simple acts of past kindness took on great significance

BY CARL WILKENS

as our neighbors risked their own safety to convince the killers to pass over our home.

After two days, a cease-fire was brokered between the extremist Hutu government who had set themselves up when the president was killed and the Rwanda Patriotic Front (RPF). All foreigners had 72 hours to leave the country. I entrusted my family to my dad's care and sent them south to Burundi with a long convoy of Americans, Canadians and Germans.

Initially U.S. intelligence figured the violence would be over in a few days, but the killing lasted for 100 days. During that time I was attempting to keep food and supplies moving to several groups of orphans around Kigali.

An anger that I did not even recognize was growing inside as I was surrounded by incredible violence and senseless butchering. I can best explain how God lead me through that anger through one of our volunteers, Angelique, who had a shrapnel wound from an earlier bombing.

Each evening I changed bandages and gave penicillin shots in my neighborhood. I always went to Angelique's home last and, although I didn't pray at every stop I made, I always prayed at Angelique's home. She often had visitors, both civilian and military, a typical African custom. After two weeks of treatment, she was making great progress the last time I saw her, just before RPF soldiers swept though our neighborhood on July 3 and ended the genocide for us.

I was shocked several days later when Angelique's elderly mother met me at my gate with the news that Angelique was dead. No explanation.

I asked a Tutsi co-worker who had survived the genocide to try and find out how Angelique died. In just a few minutes my friend figured out that this Angelique was the "infamous Angelique" (who I had never heard anything about) that was responsible for making the death list in our area. She no doubt had the blood of hundreds of people on her hands.

Then, like a switch flipped on in my mind, a flashback came to me of a woman in army fatigues who had really hassled me at a barrier near my home many weeks earlier. I thought of all the military visitors she had, and it all came together. My anger toward the killers began to melt as I saw them as God's

children too, hopeless slaves to Satan, lost "lambs" (though they surely did not look like lambs) that the Shepherd was tirelessly seeking. Meeting Angelique reinforced what an incredible Messiah we have.

There were many times when I was sure I was going to be killed. I tried bargaining with God, saying, "Lord, I stayed here because I felt you wanted me to. Teresa and I prayed, and we both felt comfortable with that decision. So now Your job is to keep me alive." God never gave me peace with that kind of deal making.

The truth is that, at the bottom of it all, I was scared to death that if I were killed I would be lost. Eventually, after failing to get assurance from God regarding my physical life, I dug deeper in the Bible and really discovered His gift, His Grace. I can't tell you how that set me free!

It was so good to be able to talk with Teresa every day by ham radio. She taught and showed me so much. It wasn't just her uncomplaining way of caring for our three small children in cramped quarters and

Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler And from the perilous pestilence. He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler.

PSALMS 91:3-4 (NKJV)

finding her way alone to the embassy to reach me by radio, hoping I was still alive. As amazing as all that was, her greatest gift to me (and our kids) was her willingness to let go. When so much of our culture says you have to hang on to what you love most, she was willing to trust Jesus and let go.

You know, there is no doubt in my mind that what we went through was a preview of the time of trouble—horrible beyond imagining and happening so suddenly. It came so clear to me amidst the destroyed buildings and burned homes that it is relationships that will last—not construction projects and programs.

It also became so clear that nobody but God really knows what is in someone's heart. There were Hutus who had not seemed very strong in the church before the genocide, and yet they risked their lives to protect Tutsi church members. There were others who appeared to be faithful church members, but they joined right in with the killers, turned on friends and even family, and callously butchered them.

The genocide made it very clear that the devil is completely capable of controlling apparently "good people" like puppets. When he needs them to only slash tires, he's not going to have them slash throats. But when he wants them to slash throats, those who have not submitted their lives 100 percent to Jesus will find themselves powerless to resist. The enemy will use them however he wishes.

Each time we ignore the right, each time we choose to do nothing, a conditioning process is taking place, and we are being numbed, dulled and prepared for Satanic slavery. Genocide is not some freak of nature that happens without warning. It begins with a well calculated, step-by-step conditioning process.

I will never be the same, and I never want to be the same. By God's power, I want to live a life that says nobody is less important than anyone else. Every choice I make is significant. Just as someone once said, "We make our choices, then our choices make us."

Note: Hear Carl Wilkens on *Issues and Interviews* at 4 p.m. Pacific Time, Sabbath, May 1, 2004.

Carl Wilkens, Milo Adventist Academy Church pastor as told to Richard Dower, GLEANER editor.

#### COOK 90th

Othol Cook celebrated his 90th birthday Feb. 14, 2004, at a dinner party with his family and friends at the Winston (Ore.) Church where he is a charter member. Othol was born Feb. 12, 1914, in Oakland near Sutherlin, Ore., where he grew up with his two sisters Elva and Leola.

the list of family members. It should have read: The Davis family includes Lala and Perk Tonning of Kern, Wash., Maurene and Harold Wilson of Boise, Idaho, Charles and Pat Davis of Milton Freewater, Ore., 10 grandchildren, 20 greatgrandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

If you confess with your mouth the
Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God
has raised Him from the dead, you will be
saved. For with the heart one believes
unto righteousness, and with the mouth
confession is made unto salvation.
ROMANS 10:9-10 [NKJV]

Othol met his wife of 63 years, Dixie Waddington, while attending Laurelwood Academy. They were married Aug. 25, 1940, in Yakima, Wash. He attended Walla Walla College for a short time before becoming a logger. The couple lived near Sutherlin for awhile before moving to Roseburg, Ore., where they lived for 38 years until moving to Winston.

The Cook family includes Lynda and David Hardwick of Caldwell, Idaho, Gayle and Roger Knauff of Grants Pass, Ore., Harry and Sandra Cook of Winston, 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

#### DAVIS 90th Correction

The Davis 90th notice in the April issue omitted a name in

### GIENGER 50th Correction

The Gienger 50th notice in the March issue omitted a name in the list of family members. It should have read: The Gienger family includes Dean and Carol Gienger of Santa Rosa, Calif., Lynae and Jim Moor of Battle Ground, Wash., LoAnn and Kevin Ayers of Pasco, Wash., Lon and Shelly Gienger of Easton, Wash., and 15 grandchildren.

### KING 98th

Roberta (Hildebrand) King celebrated her 98th birthday March 4, 2004, with her University Park Church family in Portland. Ore.

Born in Sumpter, Ore., Roberta moved to California with her parents when she was eight. Two years after her father died,



they moved to Montana. When she was old enough to be on her own, Roberta returned to Oregon. When H.M.S. Richards came to Portland for an evangelistic series, she gave her heart to Christ and was baptized. She took on a leadership position in the children's divisions of the St. John's Church, which later became the University Park Church. Generations of children have gone through one of her Sabbath Schools there or participated in her Pathfinder club during the 60 years she was involved with them.

The King family includes Ted and Linda King of Mineral Wells, Texas, Patti and Ralph Perrin of Redlands, Calif., 5 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

### MATTERN and SCHROEDER Share 100th

Peggy (Collins) Orlando Mattern was born in Carlin, Ark., on Jan. 18, 1904. Claude Schroeder was born on the same day in Hartford, Ky. They are friends and were both members of the Yakima (Wash.) Church for 50 years until Peggy went to help plant the Yakima Fairview Church.

In the 1920s, Peggy traveled to the Yakima Valley by train to visit relatives. She decided to stay, working in warehouses and restaurants and caring for disabled adults. She still lives in her own home where she tends her garden and loves to go fishing.

Peggy's family includes daughter Beulah (deceased), Frank and Lucille Orlando and Paul and Carmen Orlando, all of Yakima, 22 grandchildren, 53 great-grandchildren and 6 greatgreat grandchildren.

Claude moved to Yakima in 1943, picking fruit and selling musical instruments door-to-door before joining a logging crew as cook. Later he became chef for the old downtown Chinook Hotel.



Claude's family includes his wife, Zineta (Digman), Glenn (deceased), Wendell and Jean Schroeder of Vancouver, Wash., Russell and Harriet Schroeder of Tacoma, Wash., Cynthia Roady of Yakima, 18 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great grandchildren.





**ANDERSON**—Brennen Kohl was born Feb. 27, 2004, to Arthur and Deanna (Johnson) Anderson, Vancouver, Wash.

ANDERSON—Isaac Bodi was born Jan. 7, 2004, to Dennis and Kim (Applegate) Anderson, College Place, Wash.

**BENNETT**—Noah William Scott was born Nov. 24, 2003, to David and Kim (Nichols) Bennett, Vancouver, Wash.

**CARTER**—Elleri Chamelle was born Sept. 25, 2003, to Steven and Jill (Leavens) Carter, Battle Ground, Wash.

**CHILDERS**—Marideth Ann was born Jan. 29, 2004, to Chris and Malaika (Roberts) Childers, Vancouver, Wash.

**CHRISTIANSEN**—Oliver James was born Feb. 17, 2004, to Jim and Christine (Pyne) Christiansen, Puyallup, Wash.

**DAVIS**—Ethan Allan was born Jan. 16, 2004, to Richard and Heather (Hanan) Davis, Walla Walla, Wash.

**DODDS**—Emma Jane was born Aug. 4, 2003, to Greg and Amy (Shawler) Dodds, Walla Walla, Wash.

**FOOTE**—Ros Alyne Mae was born Dec. 19, 2003, to Joseph and Jenifer (Michaelis) Foote, Spokane, Wash.

FOWLER—Dylan James was born Feb. 18, 2004, to Trent and Tara (Hickman) Fowler, Walla Walla, Wash

**GULLICKSON**—Abby R. was born Feb. 2, 2004, to Jeff and Holly (Fritz) Gullickson, Centralia, Wash.

**JOHNSON**—Kyle Evan was born Dec. 29, 2003, to Kelvin and Terry (Danielson) Johnson, McMinnville, Ore. **MADDEN**—Madelyn Elizabeth was born Nov. 20, 2003, to Matt and Christy (Lynch) Madden, Garden Valley, Idaho.

**PARKER**—Tyler Allen was born Nov. 14, 2003, to Dwight and Trisha (Messenger) Parker, Yucaipa, Calif.

RONDEAU—Jaden Christopher was born Jan. 21, 2004, to Chris and Ericka (Weekly) Rondeau, Roseburg, Ore.

**SCHUON**—Erica M. was born Feb. 21, 2004, to Joshua and Crystal (Trethewey) Schuon, Centralia, Wash

**SCRUGGS**—Savannah Nicole was born June 23, 2003, to Miles and Nicole (Garcia) Scruggs, College Place, Wash.

**STOCKMAN**—Lacey M. was born March 1, 2004, to Shawn and Jeanie (Michalec) Stockman, Walla Walla, Wash.

**VORNHOLT-JONES**—Carl Luther Ericson was born Oct. 19, 2003, to Scott and Laura (Lee) Vornholt-Jones, Spokane, Wash.

**WERNER**—Keenan Michael was born Nov. 21, 2003, to Casey and Heidi (Lee) Werner, Walla Walla, Wash.

**WHITSELL**—Sarah Elizabeth was born Feb. 14, 2004, to Don and Elizabeth (Butler) Whitsell, Eugene, Ore.

**WICKLUND**—Brendan Anthony was born Jan. 21, 2004, to Dennis and Bonnie (Bennett) Wicklund, Walla Walla, Wash.

**ZANGER**—Genevieve F. was born Feb. 29, 2004, to Thorin and Jane (Gainza) Zanger, College Place, Wash.

### A T R E S T

**ALBRECHT**—Walter, 85; born July 11, 1918, Pollock, S.D.; died Feb. 2, 2004, Eagle, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Virginia (Cox); sons, Lyle, Union, Ore., Max and Keith, both of Boise, Idaho; daughter, Diana Meckling, Boise; 9 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

ANDERSON—Lee F., 67; born Oct. 25, 1936, Detroit, Mich.; died Feb. 29, 2004, Portland, Ore. Surviving: wife, Beverly (Smith), Boring, Ore.; daughters, Laurie Berning, Sandy, Ore., Julie Wahlin, Welches, Ore.; sister, Sandra Spencer, Horse Shoe, N.C.; 5 grandchildren.

ANDERSON—Tenna (Litvin), 92; born Sept. 6, 1911, Killdeer, N.D.; died Feb. 6, 2004, Weiser, Idaho. Surviving: son, Gerald, Conway, Ark.; stepson, Frank, Weiser; daughter, Juanita, Weiser, Idaho; sister, Lillian Thomas, Lodi, Calif., Anna Krassin, Breckenridge, Minn.; 4 grandchildren.

**BAKKE**—Arnold, 88; born July 29, 1915, Bison, S.D.; died Feb. 15, 2004, Sandy, Ore. Surviving:

wife, Carol (Tupper); sons, Harlan, Sandy, David, Phoenix, Ariz.; daughters, Mary Scott, Dayville, Ore., Linda Joice, Sandy; 5 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

BENDER—Shirley C. (Pond), 77; born Oct. 26, 1926, Elkpoint, S.D.; died Feb. 23, 2004, Springfield, Ore. Surviving: sons, Lauren and Miron, both of Swisshome, Ore., M. Jay, Springfield; daughter, Lois Ramos, Florence, Ore.; brothers, Evan Pond, Sparks, Nev., George Pond, Richland, Wash.; sister, Opal Heckenlively, Sparks, Nev.

BURROWS—Nancy, 65, born June 22, 1938, Milwaukee, Wis.; died March 11, 2004, Pendleton, Ore. Surviving: sons, William, Stratford, Pa., John, Pendleton, Ore.; daughters, Virginia Morris and Carol Murphy, both of Pendleton, Ore.; 5 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren.

**COFFEEN**—H. Virginia (Lee), 82; born May 13, 1921, Edgewood, Ind.; died Feb. 23, 2004, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: hus-

band, Willis; sons, Jonathan and Nathanael, both of Walla Walla; 4 grandchildren.

**CRAIG**—John E., 77; born April 29, 1926, Harrah, Wash.; died Feb. 25, 2004, Lincoln City, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Anita (Craig) Adams, Santa Clara, Calif.; stepdaughters, Cloraine (Chrestensen) Locke, Spokane, Wash., Mercele (Chrestensen) Rambow, Madras. Ore., Annette (Chrestensen) Vaughn, Coweta, Okla., Eileen (Chrestensen) Petz, Ponderosa, N.M.; brother, Bruce, Portland, Ore.; sister, Bethel Wilson, LaCenter, Wash.; 13 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

**CUMBO**—Virgil E., 86; born Sept. 23, 1917, Monroe, Ore.; died Feb. 28, 2004, Sun City, Ariz. Surviving: wife, Florence (Robinson), East Wenatchee, Wash.; son, Roger W., East Wenatchee; daughter, Linda Ravassipour, Portland, Ore.; brother, Everett, Evergreen, Colo., Harold, Silver Spring, Md.; sister, Marie Marshall, Cottonwood, Idaho; 5 grandchildren.

**CUMMINGS**—Della (Moy), 96; born Sept. 18, 1907, Great Falls, Mont.; died Nov. 14, 2003, Pilot Rock, Ore. Surviving: daughters, Jean Perkins, Pendleton, Ore., Carolyn Erice, Pilot Rock, Grace Jordan, Weston Ore.; sister, Mable Vance, Wenatchee, Wash.; 7 grand-children, 14 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

**CURRY**—Dorothy (Stewart), 71; born Sept. 27, 1932, Milton Freewater, Ore.; died Nov. 24, 2003, Richland, Ore. Surviving: husband, C. L., Boardman, Ore.; sons, Richard L., Lewiston, Idaho, Michael L., Aurora, Ore.; mother, Margaret (Rogers) Stewart, Boardman; sister, Geraldine "Gerry" James, Boardman; 3 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

DRAKE—Douglas E., 76; born July 22, 1927, Troy, Idaho; died Feb. 22, 2004, Nampa, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Roberta "Bobbie" (Barnhurst); daughters, Bobbe Nesbit, Northridge, Calif., Jeri Kellerman, Riverside, Calif.; 4 grandchildren.

### A T R E S T

**DOWNING**—Denny L., 46; born March 9, 1957, Roseburg, Ore.; died March 6, 2004, Amity, Ore. Surviving: parents, Corbett and Patti (Honeyman) Downing, Amity; brother, Steve, Portland, Ore.; sister, Cammie DeRaeve, Amity.

FAITH—Barbara G. (Nordyke), 76; born June 27, 1927, Yakima, Wash.; died Feb. 22, 2004, Selah, Wash. Surviving: husband, William, Yakima, Wash.; son, Eric, Yakima; daughter, Kristina Carr, Yakima; 2 grandchildren.

FISHER—Williard C., 89; born Aug. 19, 1914, Takoma Park, Md.; died Jan. 14, 2004, Hermiston, Ore. Surviving: sons, Willard C. Jr., Whitefish, Mont., James R., Berrien Springs, Mich., Deo F., Hermiston, Ore.; 7 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

**FULTON**—Robert D., 90; born Dec. 14, 1913, Portland, Ore.; died Feb. 6, 2004, Portland. Surviving: wife, Arleen (Egger), Gladstone, Ore.; son, Alan, Salem, Ore.; daughter, Ann Larrabee, Sandy, Ore.; 4 grandchildren.

GIARDE—Jerald "Jerry," 41; born Jan. 18, 1963, Walla Walla, Wash.; died March 7, 2004, Milton Freewater, Ore. Surviving: parents, Paul and June (Anderson) Giarde, College Place, Wash.; brother, Raymond, College Place, Wash.; sister, Paulette Riggle, Sebastopol, Calif.

GIFFORD—Heather L. (Hull), 48; born Feb. 24, 1955, Vernon, British Columbia, Canada; died June 5, 2003, Portland, Ore. Surviving: husband, Greg; daughter, Trissa, Portland, Ore; brothers, Royce Hull, Armstrong, British Columbia, Douglas Hull, Vernon, British Columbia; sister, Laurisse Maniscalco, Carmichael, Calif.

GISSEL—Lillian B. (Algee), 84; born April 16, 1919, Belding, Mich.; died Feb. 21, 2004, Meridian, Idaho. Surviving: daughter, Lois Egland, Boise, Idaho; 3 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

HALL—Grace (West), 95; born Jan. 24, 1908, Cle Elum, Wash.; died Oct. 24, 2003, Puyallup, Wash. Surviving: son, Jack, Puyallup, Wash.; 3 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren.

HINTHORNE—Mavis (Smick), 77; born July 21, 1926, Endicott, Wash.; died Oct. 14, 2003, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. Surviving: son, Kevin, Alta Loma, Calif.; brothers, Derald Smick, Ephrata, Wash., Lorrell Smick, Brush Prairie, Wash.; 2 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

JONES—Annie (Blabey), 97; born Nov. 30, 1906, Dauthin, Manitoba, Canada; died Feb. 4, 2004, Mossyrock, Wash. Surviving: sons, Ross, Mossyrock, Irwin, Milwaukie, Ore.; brothers, Ray Blabey, Dauphin, Manitoba, Canada, Neil Blabey, Hazelton, British Columbia, Canada, Stan Blabey, Rosedale, British Columbia; sisters, Ethel F. Heilser, Horse Shoe, N.C., Myrtle Neufeld, Lewiston, N.Y., Alma Reimche, Lacombe, Alberta, Canada, Lois Thompson, Abbotsford, British Columbia; 4 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

KELLN—David, 100; born Oct. 20, 1903, Unterdorf, Saratov Province, Russia; died March 2, 2004, Monroe, Wash. Surviving: wife, Margaret (Nichals); sons, Norman, Spokane, Wash., Merwin, Pasco, Wash., Wayne, Granite Falls, Wash.; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

KUHLMAN—Teri L. (Haughey), 44; born Aug. 2, 1959, Escondido, Calif.; died Jan. 29, 2004, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, Curtis; son, Spencer, Walla Walla; parents, Richard and Marolyn Haughey, Escondido, Calif.; brothers, Richard, Palos Verdes Estates, Calif., Todd Petrik, Sacramento, Calif.; sisters, Kristi McGee, Poway, Calif., Lenae, Escondido, Calif.

LOGANBILL—Tad, 36; born Dec. 17, 1966, Portland, Ore.; died Oct. 13, 2003, Seattle, Wash. Surviving: wife, Jen (Logan), Salem, Ore.; father, Dean, Salem; mother, Esther (Aimes), Santa Rosa, Calif.; brother, Ken, Issaquah, Wash.; sister, Kristin, Pengrove, Calif.

**MITCHELL**—Richard Alonzo, 79; born April 8, 1924, Wenatchee,

Wash.; died Feb. 28, 2004, Sandpoint, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Esther (Haupt) Paulson, Reno, Nev.; sister, Rose Hackney, Athol, Idaho.

MUNRO—Bruce V., 83; born Dec. 8, 1920, Mt. Vernon, Wash.; died March 19, 2004, Sedro Woolley, Wash. Surviving: wife, Patricia (Weller) Beldin; son, Bruce Jr., Snohomish, Wash.; daughters, Susie Sewell, Aliso Viejo, Calif., Marla Heath, Bellingham, Wash., Deanna Rabieh, West Columbia, S.C., Janet Anderson, Everson, Wash., Julie Dawson, Mt. Vernon, Wash.; son, Marc Medeiros, Wildomar, Calif.; stepsons, Mike Beldin, Anacortes, Wash., Jim Beldin, Germantown, Tenn., Dan Beldin, Sedro Woolley, Wash.; sisters, Atlantis Hickey, Riverside, Calif., Erma Flaiban, El Cajon, Calif., Kathleen Erickson, Stayton, Ore.; 25 grandchildren and 10 greatgrandchildren.

NORRIS—Deborah, 55; born Oct. 16, 1948, Seattle, Wash.; died Feb. 27, 2004, Bellevue, Wash.

PADDOCK—Mildred (Angell), 99; born July 15, 1904, Victory, Wis.; died March 9, 2004, Nordland, Wash. Surviving: son, Harlan T., Nordland; 5 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and 4 greatgreat grandchildren.

PEARSON—Edward S., 75; born Feb. 3, 1928, York, Neb.; died Dec. 26, 2003, Palm Springs, Calif.; Surviving: wife, Betty (Swihart), Port Orchard, Wash.; son, David, Lacey, Wash.; daughters, Sheri Burgess and Rebecca Rogers, both of Shelton, Wash.; 7 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

PINCKARD—Cherrie (De Haven), 54; born Aug. 15, 1949, Bremerton, Wash.; died Feb. 25, 2004, Seattle, Wash. Surviving: husband, Lamar, Shelton, Wash.; mother, Jeane (Haight) De Haven, Sequim, Wash.; brother, Greg De Haven, Portland, Ore.

ROCKNEY—Mark G. 55; born Jan. 4, 1948, Portland, Ore.; died Dec. 10, 2003, Georgetown, Calif.; Surviving: wife, Cindy (Vipond); daughter, Heather, St. Helena, Calif.; son, Greg, Georgetown; father, Merton and stepmother, Hortensia (Sampera) Sardina Rockney, West Linn, Ore.; sisters, Mary Davidson, Aumsville, Ore., Madeleine Reed, Warrenton, Ore., Cindy Holland, Anchorage, Alaska, Karen Larimore, Colton, Ore.; Margie Entrikin, Astoria, Ore.; stepbrothers, Roger Sardina, Miami, Fla., Ernie Sardina, Molalla, Ore., Luis Sardina, Seaside, Ore.

SANADA—Walter W., 90; born July 31, 1913, Selma, Calif.; died Dec. 28, 2003, Burley, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Michi (Anzai); sons, Neil, Burley, Donald, Milwaukee, Wis.; daughter, Marilyn Rosmann, Harlan, Iowa.

SHELDON—Walter C., 91; born Dec. 21, 1912, Victor, Colo.; died Feb. 27, 2004, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: sons, Robert, Federal Way, Wash., Richard, Redlands, Calif., Nasar, Balikpopin, Indonesia; stepson, Allan Roth, College Place, Wash., Richard Roth, Yountville, Calif.; brother, Thomas, Northern Calif.; 12 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and 1 greatgreat-grandchild.

**SPENCER**—Herbert H., 97; born March 13, 1907, Fairfield, Wash.; died March 13, 2004, Milton Freewater, Ore. Surviving: wife, Merle (Counsell).

**STARR**—Lloyd M., 90; born Sept. 8, 1913, Bell Fountain, Ore.; died Jan. 30, 2004, Gresham, Ore. Surviving: wife, Lyrl (Walter) Pryor, Gladstone, Ore.; sons, Loren, Chase, Mich., Elwood, Warrenton, Ore.; stepsons, Roger Pryor, Yakima, Wash.; Robert Pryor, Vancouver, Wash.; stepdaughters, Marleen Lizer, Clackamas, Ore., Doris Riehle, Santa Marie, Calif., Dorothy Stellner, Elko, Nev., Barbara Cooper, Medford, Ore.; 6 grandchildren and 12 step-grandchildren.

**UPTAIN**—B. Harold, 89; born April 14, 1914, Hartman, Ariz.; died July 8, 2003, Spokane, Wash. Surviving: wife, Alice (Schmuck); daughters, Ardith Javan, Glendale, Calif., Cathy Fritz, Mead, Wash.; 4 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

**WALSH**—Rebekah Fae, 17; born May 4, 1986, Hillsboro, Ore.; died Jan. 26, 2004, Gaston, Ore. Surviving: parents, Michael and Cherry (Rowell) Walsh; brother, Cody, Gaston, Ore.; grandparents, Harold and La Lonnie (Lange) Rowell, Gaston, Ore., James and Janet (Weber) Walsh, Alderlake, Wash.; great-grandmothers, Betty (McClain) Lange, Boring, Ore., Violet (Shula) Weber, Puyallup, Wash.; great-greatgrandmother, Agness (Beamer) Carr Lange, Boring, Ore.

way—Ella (Meske) Baker, 77; born Nov. 17, 1926, Dodge, N.D.; died Feb. 18, 2004, Tillamook, Ore. Surviving: husband, Claris Way; daughters, Lucille Baker,

Spokane, Wash., Lolly Myers, Mt. Laurel, N.J.; sons, Casey Baker and Don Baker, Prineville, Ore.; brothers, Walter Meske, Walla Walla, Wash., Wilford Meske, Monroe, Wash., sisters, Alma Stein, Wenatchee, Wash., Alice Davis, Boise, Idaho, Wilma O'Day, Aberdeen, Wash., Leona Baker, Olympia, Wash., Lillian Meske, Seattle, Wash., Alvina Plourd, Snohomish, Wash., Lavena Meske, Seattle, Rosemary Williams, Skykomish, Wash.

**WEEKLY**—Ronald "Rollie," 44; born Oct. 28, 1959, Roseburg, Ore.; died Nov. 23, 2004, Dry Creek, Ore. Surviving: wife, Jackie (Marlega); son, Ryan,

Lawton, Okla.; daughter, Ericka Rondeau, Roseburg, Ore.; parents, Wayne and Loretta (Barkhurst) Weekly, Glide, Ore.; brothers, Allan, Glide, Todd, Dry Creek; grandfather, Ray Barkhurst, Bend, Ore.; 1 grandchild.

**WILLIAMS**—Ruby L. (Hampton) Hutzel, 95; born July 5, 1908, Hot Springs, Ark; died Feb. 11, 2004, Camas, Wash. Surviving: daughter, VonCeile (Hutzel) Clarneau, Fairbanks, Alaska; 5 grandchil-

**woods**—Charlotte E.(Clements), 99; born Aug. 28, 1904, Halls Summit, Kan.; died Feb. 5, 2004, Springfield, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Jennie Boyer, Creswell, Ore.; son, Charles, Bend, Ore.;

brother, Walter Clements, Springfield, Ore.; sister, Gertrude Biby, Southern Calif.

**ZELKA**—Theodore L., 76; born April 3, 1927, Madison, Wis.; died March 2, 2004, Roseburg, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Dawn Hainey, Arlington, Wash., Janice Husted, Beverly Jenkins and Pammy Lynch, all of Walla Walla, Wash.; 7 grandchildren.

**ZIEGLER**—Elizabeth A. (Schauss), 51; born May 17, 1952, Minneapolis, Minn.; died Feb. 4, 2004, Oakland, Ore. Surviving: husband, Rudy; son, Abraham, San Diego, Calif.; daughters, Jessica, San Diego, Calif., Emily, Fresno,



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#### **Offerings**

May 1—Local Church Budget; May 8—World Budget: Disaster and Famine Relief; May 15-Local Church Budget; May 22-Local Conference Advance; May 29—Spring Mission Appeal; June 5—Local Church Budget.

#### **Special Days**

May 1—Community Services Sabbath; May 8—Youth Sabbath; June 5—Women's Ministries Emphasis Day.

#### **Adventist Amateur Radio** "Hamfest"

**Aug. 5–8** marks the dates for the annual Northwest Adventist Amateur Radio Association (NAARA) "Hamfest." At the Adventist campground at Hope, British Columbia. This get-together features activities that will interest the whole family, such as a visit to the Minter Gardens. Even if you're not a ham but have an interest in radio communication, you are welcome. An operating ham station will be set

up in the camp lodge. Camp Hope features superb food, comfortable rooms and camping and RV facilities. For registration information, go to the NAARA Web site at: www.naara. org or contact Keith Carlin, N7ACW, at keithcarlin@msn.com or (360) 886-1108.

#### WWC

#### **Calendar of Events**

May 8, 15—Pirates of Penzance, 9 p.m., Village Hall; May 9, 13, 16— Pirates of Penzance, 8 p.m., Village Hall; May 15—Evensong, 7:30 p.m., College Church Sanctuary; May 22—Spring Choral Concert, 7:30 p.m., College Church Sanctuary; May 27—Orchestra Concert, 7:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center Auditorium; June 2—Music History Recital, 7:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center Auditorium.

#### IDAHO

#### **Long Creek Church Centennial**

Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 3–5, our Centennial Plus Celebration will be from Friday evening through Sunday evening. We would like to

hear from all those who may have had a connection with the Long Creek Church. For more information, please contact centennialplus@yahoo. com or write to the Centennial Plus Committee, P.O. Box 448, Long Creek, OR 97856.

#### OREGON

#### **Men's Chorus Annual Festival Concert**

Invite friends, neighbors or coworkers to come with you to the Oregon Adventist Men's Chorus benefit concert Sabbath, May 8, at 3:30 or 7:30 p.m., Skyview High School auditorium, 1300 NW 139th Street, Vancouver, Wash. Call to reserve required free tickets at (360) 892-2925; www.oamc.org.

#### **His Song Chorale at Roseburg, Cave Junction**

His Song Chorale will be in sacred concert May 8, 11 a.m., at the Roseburg Church, 1109 NW Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Ore., and at the Cave Junction Church at 7 p.m., 265 Old Stage Rd., Cave Junction, Ore. His Song is a chorale of six couples from the Grants Pass area. This is their 10th anniversary year of singing together, filling the soul, healing the heart and lifting the spirit.

#### **Woodburn Missing**

The Woodburn Community Church is looking for addresses for the following people: Anna E. Foster, Jeanette Gibson, Vera Grayson, David Jacobson, Joann Jones, Brend H. Lee, Kathleen K. Lilly, Russel J. Lilly, Harvey L. Lonsway, Sandra J. Mort, David Nicolet, Jason L. Nicolet, Linda D. Nolan, Gabriela Sawtelle, Mary Smart, Sandra J. Steeley and Denise A. Wilson. Please contact the church clerk at (503) 981-6216 or rondebrown@canby.com.

#### **Milo Academy Concert Schedule**

May 8—8:45 p.m., the Chamber Singers and Wind Ensemble will be in concert at Milo Academy, Days Creek, Ore., (541) 825-3200; May 14—7 p.m., the Wind Ensemble will be in concert at the Bend Church, 541 NE DeKalb Ave., Ore., (541) 382-5991; May 15—the Wind Ensemble



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will be presenting the church service in the Madras Church, 51 SE Buff, Madras, Ore., (541) 475-3475; May 15—7 p.m., the Wind Ensemble will be in concert at the Klamath Falls Church, 1735 Main St., Klamath Falls, Ore., (541) 882-2466; May 22—4 p.m., the Chamber Singers and Wind Ensemble will be in concert at Milo Academy, Days Creek, Ore., (541) 825-3200.

#### **Making Relationships** Work

On Sabbath, May 15, Harvey and Kathy Corwin, Oregon Conference's Sabbath School and family ministries co-directors, will present Making Relationships Work. All are invited to attend this seminar on love and intimacy that will begin at the 11:00 a.m. service with the topic "Love Takes Time." After the Mexican haystack potluck at 12:30, the seminar will continue at 2:00 p.m. with "Anger and Forgiveness" and "Conflict Management." Riverside Church, 463 N Shepherd Rd., Washougal, Wash. For more information, call (360) 835-3114.

#### **Story Hour in Silverton**

"Children's Bible Story Hour" for all children featuring characterbuilding stories, nature, crafts and Nest family animated New Testament videos, starts on May 16 and continues on Sundays 3-4:30 p.m. at the Silverton Church, 1159 Oak Street, Silverton, Ore. Invite your neighbors. Register at the door. For information, call Mary Dybdahl at (503) 871-1807.

#### **Missing Hockinson/ Amboy Members**

The Amboy and Hockinson Heights churches are seeking information on the following members: Linda Altman, Sue Anderson, Gail and Kylene Couron, Chandra Detmar, Ron and Leilani Jordan, Josephine Hallock, Nellie Kester, Gary Kimberling, Heather LeFever and Nikki Ogle. Please contact (360) 254-3822 with any information.

#### **Marriage Seminar in Silverton**

Why do some marriages succeed while many others fail? Although marriage can be difficult, it has the potential to become one of the most gratifying experiences in your life. Find out how you can make a good marriage better by attending the Love Takes Time seminar at the Silverton Church, 1159 Oak St, Silverton, Ore., starting May 20 and running for eight weeks every Thursday 7–9 p.m. For reservations, call Enid at (503) 873-1445.

#### **Oregon Conference Church Missing**

The Oregon Conference is looking for addresses for the following people: Monica V. Myers, Jodi Oedell, Jeromy G. Oelschlager, Lynette M. Paddock, Joseph Parent M.D., Laura J. Patton, Terry L. Pierce, Winona K. Poublon, Daniel S. Priest, Debra R. Priest, Rose Reichardt, Paul and Tenaia Rexius, Sharon R. Riley, Jeannetten Robart, Cynthis L. Robinson, Marlene L. Robinson, Judith L. Robison, David Roe, Derrick Roeske, Daniel Roloff, Meagan Ronningen, Berta and Harold Roscher, Roy M. Rusch, Brandon D. Rush, Dana L. Schisler, Brian Schnackenberg, Eung B and Kui M. Shin, Ina Slama, Mona Smith, Bernadine Staab, Meribeth K. Stambaugh, Shannon Starr, Rhonda Stempel, Patti Sterling, Jody Stevens, Rhonda Stevens, Alan Stoops, Marilyn C. Strode, Warren F. Strode, Christy Swales and Jason Swales. Please contact membership clerk at (503) 652-2225 ext. 461 or maryjane.zollbrecht@oc.npuc.org if you have addresses for any of these people.

#### **Singles Ministry Events**

May 22—bring some food and join in the Beaverton Church Sabbath potluck; in the afternoon we will be going to sing at a local facility. In the evening we will be going to Josette's house for vespers, light potluck supper and games (bring your favorite table game). For more information, call Michelle at (503) 646-9828 or the hotline at (503) 654-6054 opt. 4. Or visit www.beavertonsda.com and follow the prompts to the singles section. For additional OCSM activities and information, call the singles' hotline (above), visit www.orsingles.org or e-mail info@orsingles.org.

#### **Finding Time for What Matters Most**

Harvey and Kathy Corwin will present a time-management seminar on June 5 at 10:45 a.m. at the Springfield Church, 1630 N 12th St., Springfield, Ore.; (541) 746-8263. Have you ever felt emotionally spent? If so, you're not alone. As Christians we're not exempt from the emotional emptying stress causes. Eighty-five percent of Christians admit they do the major portion of their praying on the run.

#### **New Camp Meeting for Spiritual Growth**

Warner Mountain Camp Meeting, sponsored by Lakeview, Ore., and Alturas and Cedarville, Calif., churches, will be held Friday, June 25 and Sabbath, June 26, at the Lassen Creek National Camp Ground just a few miles south of the Oregon State Line off of US 395. Speakers include Scott LeMert from the Oregon Conference, Elder Dunnevant from the Northern California Conference, and Jim Buller, a Central California Conference teacher for the youth program. Bring your RV or a tent and chairs, and enjoy the spiritual feast. For more information and directions, call Bruce Blum at (530) 279-6191 or George White at (541) 664-3099 or (541) 947-3798.

#### UPPER COLUMBIA

#### **Prophecy Seminar in Spokane Valley**

Brian McMahon's Amazing Facts Prophecy Seminar continues through May 22 at the Spokane Valley Church, 1601 S Sullivan Rd. Meetings are Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 7:15 p.m. It's not too late to bring your friends! For more information, call (509) 926-5866.



#### **Kay Kuzma Featured Speaker in Hermiston**

Kay Kuzma is coming to the Hermiston (Ore.) Church May 7-9. On Friday evening at 7 p.m., she will present "Ten Traits of Successful Families." Sabbath morning she will speak on "Creating Love." At 6:30 p.m. we will have an open forum where Kuzma will answer the community/audience marriage and family questions. Sunday at 12:30 p.m. is the third annual Mothers' Day Luncheon, organized by the Hermiston Church and the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce. Kuzma will be the featured speaker. This is primarily a community recreational ministry, but if someone wants to come, tickets must be ordered by May 4. For more information, contact Linda Cornwell at (541) 567-8333 or dlcornwell@hotmail.com.

#### **Family Outdoor Adventures and eXtreme Camps**

Awesome Outdoor Adventures held away from MiVoden and designed for the wild at heart are directed by wilderness enthusiast and expert, Doug Brown. These are ideal for those who long for personal renewal and have an unquenchable desire to go places few people ever get to go and experience what only those who are willing to challenge the limits get to see. Choose God and choose adventure. The two go hand in hand! Camp Mivoden eXtreme Camps (ages 13–16): CMX Summer Snow, June 20-27; CMX White H<sub>2</sub>0, June 27–July 4; CMX Rock Climbing, July 11–18. Family Outdoor Adventures: Wilderness Horse Camp, Aug. **1–8** or **Aug. 8–15**, Gospel Hump Wilderness, Elk City, Idaho; Parent/ Child High Alpine Trek, Aug. 15-**22,** Mt. Assiniboine Provincial Park, Radium, British Columbia. Register online at www.mivoden. com or call (509) 838-2761.

#### **Post Falls Missing**

Information about the following missing members is sought: Diana Briggs, Tina Coleman, Shannon Early, Cody Griffin, Wanna Hendershott, Carol Hubs, Marian Johnson, Darrell and Patrica Kron, Michael Levins, Mark Palmer, Connie Psau, Peter Sevey, Dawn Sinclair, Edger Snoddy, Terri Snoddy, Man Steenblock, Nadine Thompson, Kurt Turman, Renee Walker, R. C. Watson, Kenneth and Peggy Weimer, Robert White and Donna Wood. Please contact Raymond Judge, church clerk, at

(208) 773-3680 or 510 W 15th Ave, Post Falls, ID 83854.

#### **Goldendale Homecoming**

The Goldendale Church is planning a special homecoming celebration **Aug. 6–7.** Come back and enjoy time together with wonderful music and a "Mission and Miracles" theme for Sabbath, Watch for more info! For information, e-mail goldendalechurchhome coming2004@yahoo.com.

#### WASHINGTON

#### **Sequim Missing**

The Sequim Church is looking for addresses for the following people: Jeannine Barrell, Brett Burfitt, Thelma Clark, Curtis Daniel, Julie Davis, Kimberly Gusy, Vicki Lamb, Mary and Micheal Langford, Jared Langford, Melissa Nankiville, Sharon Patterson, Robert and Kathleen Prentice, and Kori Ripley. Please contact Miriam Rasco at (360) 681-3087 or rasco@olypen.com.

#### WORLD CHURCH

#### **Young Professionals Annual Retreat**

The Young Professionals Ministry (YPM) is hosting their fourth annual Whistler Ski Retreat May 5-10 in Whistler, B.C., Canada. YPM was founded in 1997 to develop a fun environment where young adults can interact, build new friendships and establish a stronger connection with God. The retreat is open to all young adults in North America (ages 20-40). Manuel Silva from Victoria, B.C., will speak on "Is God a Terrorist?" To register visit the YPM Web site at www.yp4him.org or contact Heidi Domke at info@yp4him.org. The retreat includes five nights of accommodations and all meals. Space is limited.

#### **Maranatha Family Project**

Take your family on a mission adventure with Maranatha Volunteers International June 17-27. Coordinated by Steve Case, Piece of the Pie Ministries president, volunteers will work at DayStar Adventist Academy in Castle Valley, Utah, doing construction, renovation, painting and maintenance. This family project is open to volunteers of all ages (minors must be accompanied by an adult) and families of all sizes. For information, contact Mary Barnett at mbarnett@maranatha. org or (916) 920-1900, or go to www.maranatha.org.

# **TIPS FOR AUTHORS**

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In order to deal with it, we do not open each e-mail individually but simply select whole sections that look suspicious and delete them all at once. Anything

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#### **Jewish Evangelism**

Interested in reaching your family, friends and coworkers? Jesus empowers—Shalom Learning Center equips. June 24–27 and Aug. 26–Sept. 2. For registration and information, call (954) 499-9102.

# **National Retirees Convocation**

Adventist retirees from across North America are headed for Columbia Union College for their annual convocation July 28-Aug. 1. Featured speaker will be Lowell C. Cooper, General Conference vice president. Other speakers include Charles Bradford, retired North American Division president; G. Edward Reid; Peter Bath, Sligo Church pastor; William Johnsson, Adventist Review editor; and James Nix, E. G. White Estate director. There will be a variety of seminars including one by DeWitt Williams on senior health issues. The National Retirees Association president, Jack Harris, urges all retirees to quickly send in their applications to be assured of comfortable rooms and attendance at all activities. Application forms and information are included in the latest issue of Reflections, or you may call Norman Yergen or his secretary, Elisa, at (301) 891-4133 or write to him at Columbia Union College, 7600 Flower Ave., Takoma Park, MD 20912. Jack Harris may be reached at (503) 255-8565 or hjackharris@cs.com.

#### **SONscreen Film Festival**

The SONscreen Film Festival in conjunction with the Society of Adventist Communicators (SAC) is proud to showcase the best of the best in young adult and professional Adventist/Christian filmmaking talent. Entries are now being accepted and venue information is coming soon participate and spread the word. Free SONscreen III Festival poster available. Contact Stacia Dulan. SONscreen Festival producer, at Stacia.Dulan@nad.adventist.org with your mailing address and school, church or organization affiliation to get yours. For more info visit www.sonscreen.info/attendthefest.

# **Alumni Reunion for Cypress Gardens**

Cypress Gardens and Country Haven Academy 2004 Alumni and Friends Weekend, **July 23–25.** Do you ever think about the "scenery ever changing" and "sunsets ever glowing"? Join us for a reunion of alumni and friends of the school that's been known by both names. For more information, visit www. alumni-news.com, call Donna Mustard at (206) 579-8022, or e-mail info@alumni-news.com.

# Camp Wawona 75-Year Reunion

Central California Conference's Camp Wawona's 75th reunion will be held **Sept. 10–12.** For information and reservations, contact Karen Bergh at (559) 683-0290 or campwawonares@sti.net. If you are unable to attend, please send your name, address, phone number and years you attended Camp Wawona to hgardner@cccsda.org.

# **Grand Rapids Celebrates 100th**

Grand Rapids Jr. Academy (Michigan) celebrates its 100th birthday and alumni homecoming Oct. 1–3. For more information and to R.S.V.P., contact (877) 261-6353 or brice@misda.org or visit www.grja.org. Please come enjoy a wonderful weekend!

#### Pine Forge Academy's Alumni Weekend

Pine Forge Academy's Alumni Weekend, **September 3–5, 2004.** The weekend features an alumni career fair, Friday vespers with Phyllis Pelote Edmonds ('64), and Sabbath services with Charles Cheatham ('54). Awards program honoring former NPFAAA presidents and Peter McGalleria. Classes to be honored are: '54, '64, '74, '79, '84, '94, '99 and '04. Visit www.pfaalumni.org.

#### **Sunset Table**

| Daylight          | May     | May   | May      | May   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Saving Time       | 7       | 14    | 21       | 28    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| ALASKA CONFERENCE |         |       |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anchorage         | 10:22   | 10:40 | 10:57    | 11:13 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fairbanks         | 10:43   | 11:07 | 11:32    | 11:56 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Juneau            | 9:02    | 9:17  | 9:32     | 9:44  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ketchikan         | 8:36    | 8:49  | 9:01 9:1 |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Boise             | 8:55    | 9:03  | 9:10     | 9:17  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| La Grande         | 8:07    | 8:15  | 8:23     | 8:30  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pocatello         | 8:38    | 8:45  | 8:53     | 8:59  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| MONTANA CO        |         |       |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Billings          | 8:30    | 8:38  | 8:46     | 8:54  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Havre             | 8:43    | 8:52  | 9:01     | 9:09  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Helena            | 8:46    | 8:55  | 9:03     | 9:11  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Miles City        | 8:21    | 8:30  | 8:38     | 8:45  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Missoula          | 8:55    | 9:04  | 9:12     | 9:19  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Coos Bay          | 8:26    | 8:34  | 8:40     | 8:48  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medford           | 8:18    | 8:26  | 8:33     | 8:39  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Portland          | 8:26    | 8:34  | 8:42     | 8:49  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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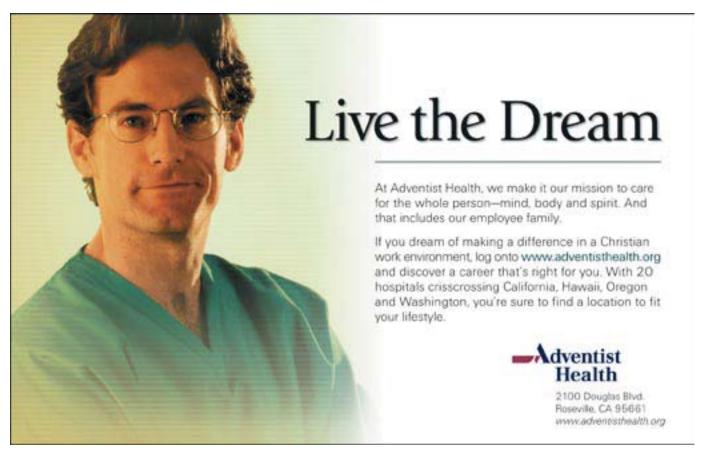
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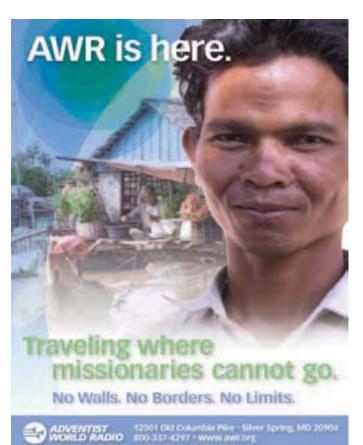
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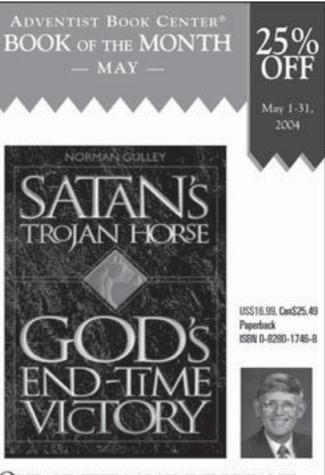
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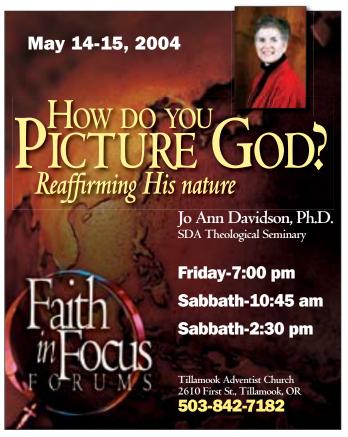
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