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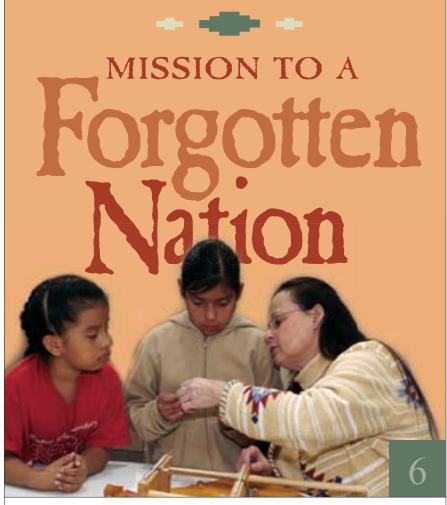
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# Birth of Buffalo

Signals Christ's Imminent Return

BY JERE PATZER

or years church leaders have been frustrated by the seeming lack of response to the gospel by our Native American brothers and sisters. Time, effort and considerable resources were expended with little return. Now that has radically changed. We are seeing large numbers of Natives joining the Adventist Church and preparing for Jesus' soon coming. Monte Church, director of Native ministries for the North Pacific and Canadian Union conferences, tells me:

- During the last 12 years the membership of Native people in the NPUC and Canada has phenomenally increased by more than 1,000 percent, from 320 to more than 4,000.
- Fourteen years ago we had two full-time workers for Native people in the NPUC and Canada. Today there are 34 full-time and two part-time workers.
- There are 36 Native churches (with a membership of at least 50 percent Native people) that meet every Sabbath.
- In the last 30 months four full-time and two lay Native pastors from other denominations have become Adventists and are now working full-time for the Adventist Church.



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

#### Two White Buffalo

Monte also tells me that a phenomenon has occurred that has made a profound impact on these people. For centuries the Sioux and the Cheyenne passed down a prophecy that the Creator God would come back to heal the sick, bring global peace and recreate this earth. The event that would immediately precede this second coming was the birth of a white buffalo. Now not one but two white buffalo have been born—one in Wisconsin and one in Minnesota. In response, many

Native Americans, he says, are predicting the soon coming of their Creator God!

#### Eskimo Prophet

Furthermore, Monte tells me that among the Eskimo people an ancient prophet named Maniilaq prophesied that God would return to Earth in much greater splendor than the northern lights. He taught that people around the world would see the event and that when He returned He would bring His people everlasting peace, life and health. Significantly, he also taught that the seventh-day Sabbath was to be set aside for worship.

#### Many More Noteworthy Trends

According to Monte, there are many other nature stories, legends and cultural teachings being taught among these people. And God is using them to prepare the honest-in-heart for the greatest event in history. Praise the Lord!

Two texts that are very familiar to Adventists come to mind: "And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28, KJV) and "After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands" (Revelation 7:9, KJV).

We would all do well to join our Native brothers and sisters in recognizing the signs of His imminent return. (See article beginning on page 6.) •



#### DidYou-Know?

- There are 472 Native American tribes in the North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) territory, nearly half of which are in Washington. Many of the tribes are small and live in townships or small geographical areas
- Approximately 7,750,000 Native Americans live in the United States and Canada. The blood quotient necessary to be considered a member of a tribe and receive benefits varies from tribe to tribe but the average is about one fourth.
- Three groups comprise Alaska's Native population: Eskimo, Inuit and Indian. The Eskimo population is found mostly in northwest Alaska, the Inuits are inland, and the Indians are in the southeastern part.
- Monte Church is the director of the Native Ministries department for both NPUC and Canada. This combined territory includes 64 percent of the Native population of both countries.
- The challenges of reaching Native people for the church are basically the same for both the Northwest and Canada. About one third of the Native population is dysfunctionally affected by alcoholism and other addictions. Another problem is a deep distrust of missionaries who come and go.
- There are 14 Native minicamp meetings every year. More than 4,000 people attended in 2004. The largest camp meeting is held in Port Hardy on Vancouver Island, British Columbia.



# Tools to Reach Native Americans and Canadians

ative New Day videos are the most effective tools available for Native evangelism. There were 42 baptisms in 2003 that came one way or another from viewing these videos. Nine of this award-winning, 20-video set have been completed, with the rest to be completed within the next two years.

A set of 30 Voice of Prophecy correspondence Bible studies have just been written by and for Native people.

Another tool is in the planning stage. Scripts have been written for 52 half-hour radio programs showcasing the stories of Christian Native Americans and Canadians. The dramatic productions will feature professional Native voices. These programs will be produced in Abbottsford, British Columbia. •





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hate white people in my heart, and you two look white. I hate you in my heart!" announced the tribal elder as he stared at Saundra and Peter Trzinski where they sat amid 200 Native Americans at a feast in a Yakama\* longhouse.

"I knew right then that God had called us to know and reach these special people," Saundra says. These special people are the members of the Yakama Nation, a confederation of Native Americans living on the sovereign 1.4 million-acre Yakama Reservation in central Washington.

#### "This Is It!"

When Saundra and Peter saw their nest emptying in the 1990s, they decided to give back to God through service and ministry. They looked into overseas mission opportunities and received invitations for two-year assignments in Japan, China and Russia. But they wanted to make a longer commitment to the Lord's work, so they kept looking.

While attending camp meeting in their home state of Wisconsin, Saundra and Peter heard Monte Church, Northwest Native Ministries director, speak about the mission opportunities among the Native people of the Pacific Northwest and Canada. Saundra looked at Peter and said, "This is it!"

Monte told the Trzinskis about a small church in Wapato, Washington, where a group was concerned that no one was trying to spread Christ's love across the Yakama Reservation. "North America seemed to be a forgotten mission field," Saundra explains. "There are so many people in our own backyard, so to speak, that need to know the Lord."

Saundra and Peter quit their jobs and began at the Wapato Church as task-force workers, a half-salary position with the remainder of their support coming from their savings or local church members.

BY LAUREL ROGERS

Saundra began energizing the children's program into popular Kids for Christ meetings with crafts, a puppet ministry and other activities. "When Pete and I came here, the Native children would tell us that we wouldn't be here long. No one stays with them long," Saundra says.

Meanwhile, Peter got to know his congregation and began to visit members of the Native community. "Most Native Americans do not trust Anglos," Peter points out. "I met with Thomas BlackEagle, a Yakama Nation Christian minister, and he helped me to understand better the culture I was encountering. He said a 'short' term of service to the Yakama was 10 years, and to do any good it would take 20 years minimum." Suddenly, their mission was looking very long-term indeed.

#### Unlocking Hearts Through Culture

Understanding that trust was important, Saundra set about to learn as much as she could about the history and culture of the Yakama Nation while studying their native Sahaptin



Dean Kravig, All Nations Center program director, uses flash cards to tutor a young man.

language, which many tribe members don't even know. With Saundra providing cultural guidance, Peter began to steer his church to reach the Native people.

As the Hispanic portion of the Wapato church grew to about 95 percent, it became apparent that a new meeting space emphasizing Native culture was needed. "The two cultures just did not mix," Saundra observes. Peter and Saundra dreamed of building a church and community center



Saundra shows off a beautifully decorated baby board, which is displayed in the lobby of the All Nations Center.

dedicated to the Native people on the reservation, and soon that dream was a reality.

"To tell the truth, I still don't know how we raised all the money," Peter admits. When another trip was cancelled, Maranatha Volunteers International came at just the right time to help build the center. "God was in it for sure," says Peter. Thanks to donations from all over the country and countless hours of volunteer labor, the All Nations Center now stands debt-free.

Its schedule, however, is anything but free. Activities flood the calendar, including health, stop-smoking and exercise seminars, and weekly Alcoholics Anonymous speakers' meetings. In addition to providing a place for cultural gatherings like Native weddings, funerals and mini-powwows, the All Nations Center is a vibrant church body with weekly services. The center also offers after-school tutoring, cooking classes and intramural sports. "Basically we want to utilize this building seven days and nights a week," Saundra says.

The Trzinskis place special emphasis on the idea that the Natives and the Anglo members already worship the same Creator, though often in different ways. "There are so many beliefs that the people here have blended that I can go to a service and see some old Catholic symbols, Shaker bells being

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rung, Waashat (Native religion of the longhouse) songs being sung and a belief in a mighty God who will punish them if they don't live right," Peter explains. "They believe in God, just not in what Jesus Christ did for them."

The children's programs continue to pull especially

The children's programs continue to pull especially hard on Saundra's heart. Providing an active program for a growing group of children is always a challenge, but when the Yakama children smile, Saundra knows it's worth the effort. And yearly events such as a swimming party, Vacation Bible School and a summer day camp called Lakayxitlama (Seekers of Light) help the Native children have fun while feeling safe and welcome at the center.

"It's a haven. It's a home," Monte says. "Adults feel safe; children feel wanted."

#### Personal Discovery

Part of Saundra's innate ability to understand and connect with the Yakama people comes from her own Native heritage—she is part Chippewa and Cherokee herself. Growing up, she listened with rapt attention to mission stories and dreamed of one day being a missionary.

The road to Saundra's mission was a long one, winding through nursing school, an unhappy

marriage, a divorce and becoming a single parent. But through her trials, God was helping prepare Saundra for the special mission He had for her. "I love working with the Native people here. Being with them has taught me so much about myself—where my craftiness comes from and some of my personality traits," she explains.

Peter, on the other hand, is automatically a "tribe of one" on the reservation with his 100-percent Polish heritage. Raised a Catholic, he felt God's calling at a very young age and asked to go to the seminary after he completed eighth grade. His parents refused.

"Life got pretty bad after that," Peter admits. "I know that a call to be a Catholic priest was not what God wanted, but I also know He wanted to use me in a lot more powerful way. When I was told no, I went astray." As he ran from God, Peter found temporary solace in alcohol, drugs and a gang.

But when Peter again heard that still, small voice, he responded, sorrowful of his past and ready to pursue a better path. "When God called, He also gave me a new heart," Peter says.

#### Challenges and Dreams

With Saundra by his side, Peter has put that new heart to good use. The more Peter and Saundra learn about the Yakama Indians, the more





A "circle up" closes the activities at day camp.

most of the people on the Yakama Reservation are living in a developing country within American borders. "It's hard to believe this exists in the United States, but the 'Land of Plenty' is spiritually forgotten," she says.

The conditions in which many Natives live make the ministry of the All Nations Center very costly. The Natives first need roofs over their heads as well as what most of us consider basic necessities: electricity, phones, running water and, most of all, heat. More than half of the people don't have transportation, making it impossible for many to come to the center for meetings and events.

Food is served at all the center's community events to ensure that they are helping to meet the physical needs of the Native community while reaffirming the Native social custom of sharing a meal.



From its decor to its programs, the All Nations Center is designed to be a haven and home for the Yakama people.

Unfortunately, task force salaries don't go very far with the high cost of living on the reservation, and since they arrived in 1998, Saundra and Peter have gradually depleted all of their savings and retirement funds. Though Peter became the full-time pastor of the All Nations Center and the nearby Zillah Church, Saundra had no choice but to return to work as a civil engineering technician for the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, while still trying to invest every spare moment into her Native work.

She recently took a leap of faith and resigned her engineering job to be the half-time All Nations secretary. "We have enough funds to keep her in the position for three months," says Peter. "After that, God will have to provide." Awaiting God's provision has been an active walk of faith for Saundra and Peter throughout their many years in the Yakima Valley.

They now dream of establishing a similar center in White Swan and additional Branch Sabbath Schools further into the reservation. "We have lots of ideas, but it takes so much capital," Peter says.

Meanwhile, Saundra has designed and continues to maintain the center's Web site (www.



In addition to pastoring two churches, Peter helps tutor Native children at the All Nations Center.

allnationscenter.org) and has created an online storefront (www.allnationsstore.com) so the Natives can sell their crafts directly to the public for a fair price.

And the All Nations Center continues to grow. Nearly 40 people have been baptized in the past 14 months, including the vice chair of the Yakama General Council.

This hard work and personal investment doesn't come without struggle and sacrifice. Their marriage has been stretched by busy schedules and endless work. "Saundra needs her husband to be as kind, forgiving and loving to her as he is to his church members and pre-Adventists," Peter confesses. Though they both miss their children and grandchildren, who are thousands of miles away in Wisconsin, being together in service has helped Saundra and Peter get to know each other even better.

Despite the challenges, their sense of mission is unchanged. Just as the Apostle Paul became all things to all people so that by all possible means he might save some (1 Corinthians 9:22), Saundra and Peter have transformed themselves with God's help into beloved friends among the Native people. The word Yakama means "growing family," and growing the family of Christ to include these special people remains the Trzinskis primary mission to this forgotten nation. •

\*The Yakama Nation has reclaimed the correct spelling of its Native name, although the surrounding town and valley continue to be known as Yakima.

Laurel Rogers, GLEANER copy editor, writes from Milwaukie, Oregon.

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henever and wherever disaster strikes in the Northwest and around the nation, Adventist Community Services Disaster Response (ACSDR) is there to help.

Disaster response is an integral part of the national and local Adventist Community Services (ACS) program. Each union and most conferences within the United States have a disaster response coordinator, as do many ACS federations and local churches. In addition, many church members are trained and certified in several aspects of disaster preparedness and response.

#### Disaster Partners

The fact that disaster response is part of the larger nationwide ACS organization with comprehensive training requirements for its volunteers is important for the program's acceptance by emergency management professionals, other volunteer organizations and government agencies. The North American Division (NAD) ACS has a formal agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to provide specific relief services during a disaster.

ACS coordinates with a variety of other faith-based and non-government organizations, such as the Red Cross, Salvation Army and Mennonite Disaster Service, through membership in National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD). This ensures that timely, effective and necessary services are available to disaster victims, their families and communities.

ACSDR volunteers are responsible for and are recognized experts in:

- Emergency distribution of relief supplies, such as drinking water, groceries and clothing.
- Warehouse operations where volunteers sort, package and store donated goods for distribution.
- Donation coordination centers where donors can ascertain the real needs of disaster victims and donate goods.
- Crisis response counseling, which can help provide victims, their relatives and neighbors with an opportunity to ask questions, talk informally about their situation or request prayer.

Local ACS volunteers provide or assist with other services such as mass feeding and sheltering during local emergencies and disasters.

#### Here Come the Adventists!

"Oh good, here come the Adventists!" exclaimed a local emergency manager in Texas as his community organized to respond to devastation caused by a hurricane. He and emergency managers and responders around the country know, respect and rely on the relief efforts of ACSDR. At Ground Zero on Sept. 11, 2001, the Adventist disaster van was one of the first on the scene. During Hurricane Irene, ACSDR provided organized warehousing and distribution of donated relief supplies.

These reports are wonderful and inspiring, but what about here in Northwest conferences and local churches?

#### Alaska Conference

Adventists in Alaska, where 10 major disasters have occurred in the last few years, have sought to establish working relationships with their city, borough,

state and federal (FEMA) disaster response organizations. Conference ASC director Jim Kincaid is chairman of the state VOAD, and several Alaska pastors are involved in disaster and relief organizations.

"A sustained role in this arena helps to give our churches an opportunity to have an impact on the community for God," Jim notes.

Many other Alaska church members volunteer with the Red Cross and are trained for ACS Disaster Response.

#### Idaho Conference

Idaho Conference divides its disaster preparedness and response activities into three regions: Eastern Idaho, Treasure Valley and Eastern Oregon. Idaho disaster response leader and volunteer trainer Betty Soule reports that leaders and volunteers throughout the region are ACS trained and a number have additional training through the Oregon VOAD.

For several years the Idaho VOAD has held its annual meeting at Camp IdaHaven, the conference youth camp. Betty says, "The blue waters, the clean air, the green firs and the vegetarian food found at the camp cause peace to settle upon all the attendees." Idaho VOAD will hold its fourth annual meeting there in October.

#### Montana Conference

Montana Conference ACS director David Prest wears many hats. As is typical in many conferences, staff must balance a number of programs and ministries, and lay leaders and local church members need to take an active leadership role, which, as David notes, is really the way it should be.

The challenge in the smaller conferences especially is to develop a trained and active cadre of disaster response volunteers in small congregations scattered over a vast landscape. Montana is blessed to have a number of trained disaster volunteers around the state, but many more are needed to provide the level of response and care necessary.

#### Oregon Conference

In the Oregon Conference, each local church chooses a church disaster/safety coordinator who is a member of the local church board and whose duties range from forming a local church disaster response team to ensuring the safety of church premises and attendees. During a disaster, the coordinator represents the local church to community responders, makes decisions and leads out in response plans.

The conference's community services department and risk management office offer training specifically for the local church disaster/safety coordinator at least annually. The conference also offers an incentive package for local churches to lower their property insurance if they participate in disaster-preparedness activities.

#### Upper Columbia Conference

Two disaster coordinators, Sharon Elliott of Orofino, Idaho, and Donna Hutchcroft of Moses Lake, Washington, serve the "Inland Empire" of the Upper Columbia Conference, which stretches into parts of three states. Betty Soule, Idaho disaster response trainer, says that Donna "hops on her motorcycle and goes where she is needed." Recently Donna and other representatives from the NPUC area attended an Adventist disaster response summit in Louisville, Kentucky, convened by Sung Kwon, NAD ASC executive director. They participated in the planning for reorganization of the program to allow for greater coordination at the union and conference level and to update training materials.

Dan Solis, associate pastor of the Village Church in College Place, Wash., is the NAD disaster response consultant for the NPUC. He is a master trainer who certifies those who complete ACSDR training.

#### Washington Conference

Gill Bahnsen and Gerald Hudgens are full-time AmeriCorp volunteers serving the Washington Conference as disaster response specialists. Their duties include volunteer recruitment and the development of disaster plans for Adventist churches and schools.

Their marketing plan targets three or four churches in each ACS federation every two months, and they have trained more than 200 church members in the ACS Disaster Response program to date.

#### Get Involved!

Your local ACS needs you. Every church should have individuals who are trained to respond to emergencies and disasters. Talk to your church ACS leader. Who is your church's disaster coordinator? There isn't one? There's your chance to participate!



Many conferences sponsor disaster response vans that serve as mobile kitchens, offices or distribution centers.

Find out about natural and manmade hazards in your community. Take advantage of local Red Cross first aid and disaster-related classes. Check into Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training offered by many local emergency preparedness agencies.

And enroll in the ACSDR training program. Your ACS leader can help you locate the next and nearest training session. Note the announcement in this issue of the GLEANER regarding the NAD ACS Disaster Response Training Institute to be held at the Gladstone (Ore.) Conference Center in September.

The enthusiasm apparent in the many people involved in disaster preparedness and response is framed with an urgent plea for involvement by local churches and most particularly by every church member. Who knows when the opportunity will arise to help a neighbor—or perhaps our own family—in need because of the uncertainties of this world? •

Dennis Olson, North Pacific Union Conference disaster response director

# Yout Everyone in the family

adored the lovable ball of slobber and fur that my cousin, Rick, adopted. "And his name shall be Shazzer," Rick pronounced, "for this dog will grow strong and mighty.

It didn't take long for the prophecy to be fulfilled. In a matter of weeks, the animal was as big as a Volkswagon. Only he was much dumber.

"What kind of dog is he?" I asked.

"I'm not sure," Rick replied, "but I think he's part St. Bernard, part German shepherd, part great Dane, and part Hugh Hefner as well."

"Hefner?" That was a new one on me.

"That's because he's got a serious impulse control disorder. He can't keep his paws to himself. No matter how homely a dog in the neighborhood, Shazzer is obsessed with pursuing the relationship. The neighbors are ticked because my dog insists that he should be the father of all nations. I should have named him Abraham."

To curb Shazzer's insatiable appetite for female pooches, Rick installed an invisible fence. By burying wires around the perimeter of the property and attaching an electronic collar to the dog, Shazzer got shocked if he attempted to leave the yard. Now mind you, Shazzer still enjoyed five acres of freedom within the boundaries, but even that was too restrictive for him.

Whenever Shazzer noticed a girl dog sauntering down the street, his thighs quivered. Only now, he had to weigh the benefits against the costs. He knew the benefits of relational conquest all too well—but there was pain involved in crossing the fence.

*I'd love to pursue that* relationship, the mutt was clearly thinking, but there's

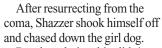
the girl of my dreams. But is it really worth it? Cocking his head at an angle almost parallel to the ground, Shazzer concluded, Yeah, it's worth it. So Shazzer built up steam, ...he's part St. galloping at Mach 10 toward Bernard, part the fence.

a cost to crossing that fence.

Maybe if I get a good running

start I can blast through that

shock zone and then I'll nab



But the relationship didn't last.

None of Shazzer's relationships lasted. He always returned home because there was no better place than his doghouse and no better master than Rick. But soon he'd forget and go through the whole electrifying ordeal the next time some old poodle pranced by. Not once was the fling worth it, but Shazzer never learned.

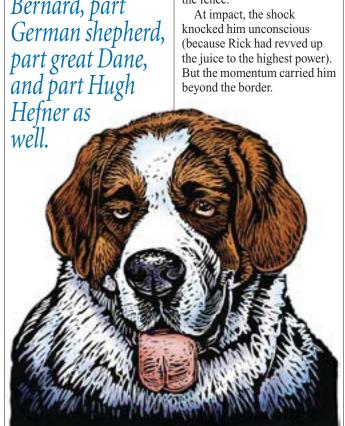
Only a dog, right?

Not so fast, cowboy. God designed each of us to live within certain boundaries. Blow by His fences—whether it's in the area of sex, drugs, drinking, honesty, etc.—and you will experience consequences that leave you disappointed and disillusioned. The Psalmist writes, "The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul. The decrees of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple" (Psalm 19:7, NLT).

That's why God gives you rules. He loves you too much to make you grope through life in darkness. So He provides guidelines in His Word that illuminate the pathway to joy and life. Follow His counsel, and you can avert disillusionment and enjoy security, refuge and peace. Isn't God great?

What else would you expect from man's best Friend? •

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



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# Polly's Place Opens in Seattle

Polly's Place Ministries dedicated a new healing center for battered women and children on Sunday, June 20.

The Seattle-area house, which can shelter a maximum of eight women and children, joins Cookie's Retreat in Spokane, Wash., as the second such Adventist-run shelter in the Northwest.

Just over a year ago, motivated church members asked Mable Dunbar, Women in Renewal president and a founder of Polly's Place Ministries, to help them develop a viable outreach to the Seattle area. With her guidance and many hours of volunteer help, the house and the outreach plan have been readied.

According to Monica Hudgens, Polly's Place Seattle director, the recovery program is designed for healing. Her long experience



The ribbon is cut for Polly's Place Ministries in Seattle.

as a domestic violence advocate with the YWCA and Washington Department of Social and Health Services taught her that many women were simply looking for quick relief but not change, so they returned time after time. This new center, she believes, is a place of rest, recovery and renewal that will teach women how to change the destructive cycles in their lives.

The Polly's Healing Center house is only part of the outreach plan. In addition, they will provide counseling, recovery groups and other support as needed. A crisis line is staffed with specially trained volunteers to handle urgent calls for help.

Future plans include additional outreach to educate men and boys and a teen pregnancy program.

For more information, visit www.pollysplaceseattle. org. Women in crisis are encouraged to call the crisis line at (206) 762-6559. •

Steven Vistaunet, NPUC assistant to the president for communication

# Northwest Pathfinder Families Write

Camporee Theme Song

Kent and Myla Brueske, Blue Mountain (Athena, Ore.) Eagles Pathfinder directors, were sitting in their living room last fall with Mark and Conna Bond, their parents Dewane and Emily, and all their children when Myla mentioned that there was a contest to write the Faith On Fire Camporee theme song.

"Conna and Mark have written numerous songs, and

my daughters have written songs. I said, 'We can write a song.' Everyone thought it was a good idea," Myla remembers.

"The name of the camporee is Faith on Fire, and we knew that would be the theme of the song. We started there ... what would be like fire, flame, blaze, ember, all these fire words. Everyone kept coming up with fire words, even Grandpa and

Grandma. 'What rhymes with blaze, what rhymes with ember, with fire?' Someone would have a little line, and someone else would add to it. We started jotting these words down and putting them together.

"Our daughter, Emma Lisa, had an idea for a tune, and Mark had an idea for a tune, and they started putting their ideas together." This family affair was chosen to be the

camporee's theme song, which the Brueske and Bond families will introduce to the 30,000 people attending the Faith On Fire Camporee in Oshkosh, Wis., Aug. 10–14.

To hear the song performed by Emily Beth, Chelsea and Conna Bond, visit **www. camporee.org** and click on the "Nighttime Program Preview" button. •

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor

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The gymnasium at Camp Berachah was filled to capacity on Sabbath morning.

# Bringing Home the Harvest

at the 28th Regional Convocation

riving onto the campus of Camp Berachah near Auburn, Wash., gave a feeling of anticipation and excitement during the 28th Regional Convocation "Bringing Home the Harvest" in May.

Organized by the North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) regional convocation planning committee with Alphonso McCarthy, NPUC assistant to the president for regional affairs, and Pattric Parris, administrative assistant, the event is made special each year by meeting old friends, making new ones, attending workshops, and enjoying incredible preaching and

Among the many Sabbath morning highlights was the giving of the NPUC Humanitarian Award to individuals for their exemplary service to people and their communities.

Carl Parker, director of the Community Learning Center in Portland, received one of the awards. The Community Learning Center is an outgrowth of a program to provide tutoring to elementary students in math and reading. The Community Learning Center opened in 1991 with 13 students. Today it serves students from pre-kindergarten through the second grade. Once each

Camaeron Candies, accompanied by his sister Ariel, both from the Cloverdale Church in Boise, provided Friday evening's special music.

quarter, the center sponsors a wellness check-up program and provides health-related classes and services to address the health issues of the inner city.

Derrick Foxworth, Portland's chief of police, was honored for his 20 years of service to the city of Portland and his work with youth groups and churches.

Also honored was LeEllen Bradshaw founder of Adventist Adoption and Family Services.

Bradshaw began informally matching available infants with couples seeking to adopt in the 1950s while her husband was in the Air Force. After their move to Pasco, Wash., she continued to help young expectant mothers find families for their infants. Many mothers stayed in the Bradshaw home until their children were born. From this beginning, Bradshaw founded Adventist Adoption and Family Services in 1958, which is

now known as Christian Family Adoptions and is headquartered in Portland.

Plan now to attend next year's regional convocation, scheduled for May 12–15 again at Camp Berachah, for more inspiration, music and fellowship. •

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor



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Marvin Warren, Oakwood College provost and first vice president, presented a workshop about how to preach the fundamental doctrines of the Adventist Church.

The featured speaker for the youth meetings, Lanston Sylvester, pastor of the Mayfair and Arlington, Calif., churches, challenged the youth to live Christ-like lives.



Jere Patzer, NPUC president, and Alphonso McCarthy, NPUC assistant to the president for regional affairs, presented the Humanitarian Award to Carl Parker, **Community Learning Center** director, and his wife, Audry.



Derrick Foxworth, Portland chief of police, stood with his wife, Linda, as he received the **NPUC Humanitarian Award from** Patzer and McCarthy.



Abraham Jules, New York's City Tabernacle Church pastor, encouraged the audience to be faithful in their witness.





Continuing in the convocation's tradition, a mass choir, with members from all around the Northwest, provided the offertory meditation during the worship service.



**Receiving the Humanitarian** 

**Award from Patzer and McCarthy** 

was LeEllen Bradshaw, founder

of Adventist Adoption Agency, now called Christian Family Adoptions, pictured here with her

husband, Robert.

The Lloyd Mallory Singers, under the direction of Lloyd Mallory, presented a concert Sabbath evening.

The regional convocation was not just for the adults. These children were happily involved in their Sabbath School activities.



Linda Johnson from Portland presented a mime workshop for the youth called "God In Charge."

# ASI Spring Fellowship 2004

What does "ASI" stand for? Adventist-laymen's Services and Industries—an organization for supporting ministries and business people and professionals. It functions as a network to bring talents together in furthering Christ's kingdom.

Regional and international ASI conventions provide fellowship and training seminars to members and nonmembers alike. They give

opportunities for laypeople to be involved in evangelism locally or abroad. The following is a report and personal testimonies from the 2004 ASI Northwest Convention.

ASI members and friends met in Sun

Valley, Idaho, in May, for an extended weekend of activity and spirit-led presentations. Friday night opened with the ASI Northwest president, Dan Ross, introducing Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union president, who shared a history of Northwest missionaries.

Friday morning prayer breakfast opened with part one of a two-part presentation by James Rafferty of Light Bearers Ministry. He related his trials of the last year and how God led through his confrontation with cancer and blessed him with a new ability to relate to those with illness. His response to the ASI spring

Doug Batchelor, Amazing Facts speaker/director, was the featured speaker during the ASI spring fellowship.

intense desire to know God

intimately, he committed to spending an hour every morning in prayer and communion with Him.

After nearly two months.

After nearly two months, he finally began to experience the relevance for which he was yearning.

Today Larson will challenge even the atheist to put God to a test. For just two weeks spend a serious hour with God in prayer and scripture daily, and your life will be changed! After two weeks you won't quit because you will have found relevance in your Christian walk.

Attendees were also blessed as Doug Batchelor shared a closer look at some Old Testament characters, with practical applications to their lives. He spent time with the youth, allowing them to fire away at him any questions they had about making Christianity relevant. Batchelor's secretary, Bonnie, commented, "It was certainly our pleasure to be with you. This was a very spiritual weekend, and we met many wonderful people and enjoyed the beautiful surroundings."

This was the first year that ASI had a program for the youth. With the usual attendance of only a few youth, it hadn't seemed necessary. But it was decided to provide a class, even for just a few. The "few" turned out to be a dozen young people. Gary Fuller, his wife Florence, and John Tillay helped make this a special

Confronting their fears, ASI young people took to the streets of Sun Valley to give literature to the people they met.

fellowship: "I received much more than I gave."

Herb Larson from British Columbia shared his struggle to find relevance in his Christian experience. In the past he had planned to support the Lord's work when he made enough money. But was there ever enough? He built two successful businesses, only to have the market drop from under each. With an

Active little ASIers formed a handbell ensemble as part of their Sabbath School time.



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The Friday morning prayer breakfast featured James Rafferty of Light Bearers Ministry. He told the story of his struggle with cancer and how he grew in his understanding of God's care as a result.

experience. Their action project was sharing literature in the Sun Valley community. One young man offered a tract to a bank teller, and all the other tellers gathered around from their stations, asking for one also. A young lady offered a tract to a woman on the street. "Could I get a Bible too?" the woman asked. Batchelor, James and Risë Rafferty, and Mark Trethewey also helped to make the youth class a special experience.

Little ones coming to ASI have fun making new friends and making a "joyful noise unto the Lord." Candi Catsma made ASI a fun-filled, Christcentered experience for the youngest attendees. Craig and Julie were first-time attendees at the regional convention. Not sure whether they should bring their three adopted children, they planned to leave the youngest two with family. When their options for child-care closed, they decided maybe the Lord wanted the children to attend.

Julie expressed her satisfaction in the children's program: "The dedication of

Candi was remarkable. Her commitment to sharing Jesus with them was evident in her preparation and the wonderful program she had for them. She is a child evangelist, not



One of the exciting features of ASI conventions is hearing stories of members sharing Christ in their marketplace. Dan Ross, NPUC ASI chapter president interviews Richard Madson of the Gospel Outreach organization.

a babysitter. Praise God! My children loved going to their meetings, and I'm so glad we came to ASI."

Positive comments abounded. "I want to thank

president, said when he was first invited to an ASI convention, he couldn't understand why—his friend knew he was married.

Mark had it confused with Adventists Singles Ministries.

you for organizing such a wonderful weekend. I was blessed to have the privilege to be there. Your whole team did a wonderful job. Thanks for being supportive to your church," said one man.

"Just want to send you my great appreciation for all the efforts you expended to make Sun Valley the best ASI meeting I have attended," echoed another.

Many have never heard of ASI. Mark Black, a current vice

But now he expresses that ASI has changed his life since that first convention. Before, he was content to be a pew warmer, but ASI has challenged him to share his experiences of witnessing for Christ in his place of work.

ASI's goal is to enable individuals to share Christ in their personal spheres. Each one of us has unique contacts. You are the only one who can meet the people in your sphere. You are the one who works or shops where you do. It is your personal mission

Music was big at the ASI spring fellowship. One of the musical gems was the handbell choir from Gem State Adventist Academy, which gave a miniconcert on Sabbath afternoon.

field! ASI challenges you to reach out to it.

What is it that keeps you from checking out an ASI convention? The blessing is waiting for you! Contact the North Pacific Union Conference at (360) 816-1400, for information on how you can participate. •

Christy Reich, ASI vice president for communication

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# Caring Heart Awards Honor Exceptional Students

"...and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself." MARK 12:30-31 [RSV]

Each year the senior academies throughout the North American Division select students who are outstanding in their community service and outreach activities to receive the Caring Heart Award. Funded by a private foundation and the North American Division, the award provides a \$500 scholarship that may be used by the winner to participate in a mission trip or for tuition at an Adventist school. This year's winners in the North Pacific Union include:

**Jaron McClannahan**, 2004 graduate of Auburn Adventist Academy, is the



son of Skip and Danielle McClannahan of Puyallup, Wash. He has been on mission trips to Mexico, Costa Rica and the Philippines, led out in the No Boundaries Sabbath School program at Auburn, and participated in Bible and prayer conferences each year.

His interest in water sports and other athletics has led to his spending three summers at Sunset Lake Youth Camp as instructor in these activities. He is planning to attend Southern Adventist University this fall.

**Shane Wood**, with his parents Kelly and Debi Wood, attends the Wenatchee (Wash.) Church. During his years at



Cascade Christian Academy he has been editor of the school paper, student association spiritual vice president and a mission-trip participant. His scholarship will be used at either Walla Walla College or Union College to prepare to be a high school English teacher.

During her four years at Columbia Adventist Academy, Christina Perry was a class officer and member of the National Honor Society in addition to being involved in sports and music. Mission trips took her to Kentucky and Mexico. She and her parents,



Mark and Gayle Perry, are members of the Orchards Church in Vancouver, Wash. Perry plans to study communications at Walla Walla College.

Southern Adventist University is the destination of **Dalia Mellish**, a 2004 Gem State Academy graduate. She plans to major in graphics and communications. The daughter of Sofia Mellish, she is a member of the Nampa (Idaho) Spanish Church. Mellish has participated in



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Rangers (a group involved in hands-on service projects) and Habitat for Humnanity and has assisted in an anti-drug rally. She has been on missions to Mexico and the Dominican Republic and helped plan the children's outreach for a local evangelistic series.

Lyndsi Hersey from Medford, Ore., is the daughter of Michael Hersey and Patricia Lemons. She served her peers as a listener, mediator and encourager as Milo Adventist Academy's



head resident assistant. She participated in several mission trips and has taught and led Vacation Bible School. After completing a double major in elementary education and art at Walla Walla College, she hopes to spend several years as a missionary and then open an after-school refuge for innercity children.

"A leader or a great supporter of those leading out" describes Elizabeth Neuharth. As a Mt. Ellis Academy junior, Neuharth helped organize the Community Families program,



finding places for students when a family wasn't home for the night. The daughter of Audrey Ponaski of Kalispell, Mont., Neuharth has participated in mission trips to the Philippines and Mexico. In college she plans to major in music and physical education and minor in psychology.

Caleb Pal, son of Tom and Tammy Pal, graduated from Orcas Christian School in 2004. With his scholarship, Pal will go on a mission trip to Ecuador this summer. A veteran of mission trips, Pal spends hours training and serving as a volunteer fire fighter and assisting with community service projects at the Lopez Island Community Church, where he is a member. His experience as the school's computer system manager



has steered him to study computer administration at the University of Idaho.

Portland Adventist Academy is a long way from the Ukraine, birthplace of Svetlana Danilich. While at PAA she managed to learn English and maintain a 3.76 grade point average and still found time to be a leader in Portland's Stone Tower Church youth group. She has gone on three mission trips and plans to attend Mt. Hood Community College and



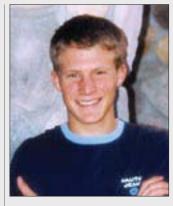
Portland State University to become a physician's assistant. Her parents are Anna and Aleksandr Danilich.

Yulianna (Julie) Pandjaitan, daughter of Alfred and Luker Pandjaitan of Marysville, Wash., plans to take pre-med at Walla Walla College and then attend Loma Linda University Medical School. During her years at Puget Sound Adventist



Academy, she was a positive Christian witness at school and spent many out-of-school hours volunteering at local hospitals and in puppet ministries. She was selected Student of the Year for 2004.

During each of his two years at Upper Columbia Academy, **Danny Lamberton** was invited to be a student week of prayer speaker. He showed a willingness to help others without being asked. During his senior year, he went to Borneo on a mission trip. The son of Greg and Karla Lamberton of Naches, Wash., Lamberton plans to attend



Walla Walla College next year to major in chemistry and minor in business.

Sarah Grizzell, a 2004 Walla Walla Valley Academy graduate, will enroll this fall in Walla Walla College's pre-med or special education program. At school she participated in the Mission in Action team and was the puppet ministry director. She has volunteered for Walla



Walla General Hospital and the Walla Walla Symphony and plays piano in the beginners division of her home church, the College Place Village Church. In August, she'll add Turkey to her previous mission experiences in Pohnpei and Jamaica. Her parents are Mary Lynn and Richard Grizzell. •

Elaine Bradshaw, NPUC education department administrative assistant and registrar

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### Northwest Adventist Schools

"All Seventh-day Adventist schools in the North Pacific Union Conference, including Walla Walla College, admit students of any race to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school and make no discrimination on the basis of race, color, ethnic background, country of origin, or gender in the administration of education policies, applications for admission, scholarship or loan programs, and extracurricular programs."

#### ALASKA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

6100 O'Malley Road • Anchorage, AK 99507 • (907) 346-1004 • Superintendent – John Kriegelstein

School Name	Address	Telephone	Principal Gr.
Anchorage Junior Academy	5511 O'Malley Rd., Anchorage, AK 99507	(907) 346-2164	Ellen RobertusK-9
Dillingham Adventist School	P.O. Box 969, Dillingham, AK 99576	(907) 842-2496	To be selected1-8
Golden Heart Christian School	P.O. Box 82997, Fairbanks, AK 99708	(907) 479-2904	Barbara Quaile1-8
Juneau Adventist School	4890 Glacier Hwy., Juneau, AK 99801	(907) 780-4336	Nancy Linder1-8
Mat Valley Adventist School	P.O. Box 3229, Palmer, AK 99645	(907) 745-2691	Ken NelsonK-9
Nome Adventist School	P.O. Box 2069, Nome, AK 99762	(907) 443-5137	JC Linebaugh1-8
Sitka Adventist School	1613 Halibut Point Rd., Sitka, AK 99835	(907) 966-2661	Cindy Patten1-8

#### IDAHO CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

7777 Fairview Avenue • Boise, ID 83704 • (208) 375-7524 • Superintendent – Arne Nielsen

Gem State Adventist Academy 16115 S. Montana Ave., Caldwell, ID 83607 (208) 459-1627	Mike Schwartz 9-12
Adventist Christian Academy	Carrie Tow 1-8
Baker Valley Adventist School	Gary Laabs1-8
Boise Valley Adventist School	Allan SatherK-8
Caldwell Adventist School	Judith ShanerK-8
Canyon View Adventist School	Dianne Eslinger1-8
Desert View Christian School	Dannia Birth1-8
Eagle Adventist Christian School538 W. State Street, Eagle, ID 83616(208) 938-0093	David PitcherK-8
Enterprise Adventist School	Dan Webster1-8
Hilltop Adventist School	Stephen Dennis K-8
La Grande Adventist School	Ben Pflugrad1-8
McCall Adventist Christian School3592 Longview Rd, McCall, ID 83638(208) 634-0053	Harold Appel1-8
Salmon Adventist School	Mark Law1-8
Timberline Adventist School2582 10th Avenue W., Vale, OR 97918(541) 473-9661	Cheryl De La Rosa 1-8
Treasure Valley Adventist SchoolP.O. Box 396, Payette, ID 83661(208) 642-2410	Doyle Dick1-8

#### MONTANA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

175 Canyon View Road • Bozeman, MT 59715 • (406) 587-3101 • Superintendent – Larry Unterseher

Mount Ellis Academy	3641 Bozeman Trail Rd., Bozeman, MT 59715 (406) 58	7-5178	Darren Wilkins 9-12
Adventist Christian School	16 14th Street South, Great Falls, MT 59405 (406) 45	2-6883	Archie Harris1-8
Blodgett View Christian School	119 W. Bridge Road, Hamilton, MT 59840 (406) 37	5-0733	Dallas Melashenko 1-8
Central Acres Adventist School	3204 Broadwater, Billings, MT 59102 (406) 65	2-1799	Teresa QuillinK-8
Glacier View Adventist School	118 Mud Creek Lane, Ronan, MT 59864 (406) 67	6-5142	Marian Baker-Kowalski 1-8
Havre Adventist School	4115 9th St. W., Havre, MT 59501(406) 26	5-8312	Bonnie Bockman 1-8
Libby Adventist School	88 Airfield Rd., Libby, MT 59923(406) 29	3-8613	Nick Ratcliff1-8

School Name	School Address	Telephone	Principal	Gr.
Mount Ellis Elementary School	3835 Bozeman Trail Rd., Bozeman, MT 59715	(406) 587-5430	Becky Meharry	K-8
Mountain View Adventist School	1010 Clements Rd., Missoula, MT 59801	(406) 543-6223	Marty Knapp	1-8
Valley Adventist Christian School	1275 Helena Flats Rd., Kalispell, MT 59901	(406) 752-0830	Autumn Paskell	1-8
Valley View Adventist School	264 Highway 200 S., Glendive, MT 59330	(406) 687-3472	Pennie Wredberg	1-8

#### OREGON CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

13455 SE 97th • Clackamas, OR 97015 • (503) 652-2225 • Superintendent – John Gatchet

	Berit von Pohle 9-12
	Barbara LivesayK-12
	Randy Bovee 9-12 Gale Crosby 9-12
·	Ed Hollister1-8
	Julia DeweyK-9
	Grant SmithK-10
	Shaun Bush1-8
	Beverley StoutK-8
	Roger KnauffK-10
	Ron TrautweinK-8
Kelso-Longview Adventist School96 Garden Street, Kelso, WA 98626(360) 423-9250	Michelle Northam K-8
Klamath Falls Adventist School2499 Main Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97601(541) 882-4151	Bruce Fisher1-8
	To be selected1-8
	Melody Jagitsch1-12
	Amy Whitchurch1-8
	Paul DavisK-8
	Roger Windemuth K-8
	Dale MilamK-10
	Sandra Sumerlin1-8
	Darlene Armstrong 1-8
	Robert McDonaldK-8
	Ann CampbellK-8
	Jodie Watson-AakkoK-8
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	David Schwartz K-10
	Joel Reyes K-8
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	Patricia Perry1-8
	Scott BossertK-10
	Steven McKeoneK-10
	Jesse ConeK-10
	Rebecca Caswell1-8

#### **UPPER COLUMBIA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**

P.O. Box 19039 • Spokane, WA 99219 • (509) 838-2761 • Superintendent - Keith Waters

-	600 N. Western, Wenatchee, WA 98801 . 3025 E. Spangle-Waverly Rd., Spangle, WA 9		Mark Witas K-12 To be selected9-12
Walla Walla Valley Academy	300 SW Academy Way, College Place, WA 9	9324 (509) 525-1050	John Deming 9-12
Beacon Christian School	615 Stewart Ave., Lewiston, ID 83501	(208) 743-8361	Richard RasmussenK-9
Blue Mountain Valley Adv. Sch	78606 1st Street, Athena, OR 97813	(541) 566-0954	Dan Nickolatos1-8
Brewster Adventist School	115 Valley Road, Brewster, WA 98812	(509) 689-3213	Ed Harlan1-9
Colville Valley Junior Academy	139 E. Cedar Loop, Colville, WA 99114	(509) 684-6830	Laurie HoseyK-10
Cornerstone Christian School	P.O. Box 1877, Bonners Ferry, ID 83805	(208) 267-1644	Dennis Shelton 1-8
Countryside Adventist School	12107 W. Seven Mile Road, Spokane, WA 99	224 (509) 466-8982	Reid McCrary1-8
Crestview Christian School	1601 W. Valley Road, Moses Lake, WA 9883	7(509) 765-4632	Ray Cummings 1-8

### WASHINGTON CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS 20015 Bothell-Everett Highway • Bothell, WA 98012 • (425) 481-7171 • Superintendent – Lon Gruesbeck

Auburn Adventist Academy	5000 Auburn Way South, Auburn, WA 98092	(253) 939-5000	Keith Hallam 9-12
Orcas Christian School	P.O. Box 669, Eastsound, WA 98245	(360) 376-6683	Roger Worley 1-12
Puget Sound Adventist Academy	5320 108 Ave., NE, Kirkland, WA 98033	(425) 822-7554	Doug White912
Baker View Christian School	5353 Waschke Road, Bellingham, WA 98226	(360) 384-8155	Anthea RippinK-8
Buena Vista Adventist Elementary	3320 Academy Dr., SE, Auburn, WA 98092	(253) 833-0718	Gregg Wahlstrom K-8
Burien Adventist School	14237 Des Moines Way S., Seattle, WA 98168	(206) 246-8433	Sue KeatingK-8
Cedarbrook Adv. Christian School	P.O. Box 460, Port Hadlock, WA 98339	(360) 385-4610	Carol KlontzK-8
Cedarhome Christian School	28505 68th Avenue NW, Stanwood, WA 98292	(360) 629-5340	Sherri Seibold1-8
Cypress Adventist School	21500 Cypress Way, Lynnwood, WA 98036	(425) 775-3578	Lowell DunstonK-8
Enumclaw Adventist School	P.O. Box 950, Enumclaw, WA 98022	(360) 825-3735	Bruce Schmidt1-8
Forest Park Adv. Christian School	4120 Federal Avenue, Everett, WA 98203	(425) 258-6911	Jim Beierle K-8
Grays Harbor Adv. Christ. School	1216 State Rt. 12, Montesano, WA 98563	(360) 249-1115	Kerry Tretheway1-8
Kirkland Adventist School	5320 108 Avenue, NE, Kirkland, WA 98033	(425) 822-7554	Doug WhiteK-8
Kitsap Adventist School	5088 NW Taylor, Bremerton, WA 98312	(360) 377-4542	Rita CallahanK-9
Lewis County Adventist School	2104 S Scheuber Rd., Chehalis, WA 98532	(360) 748-3213	Keith LindseyK-10
Nelson Crane Christian School	904 Shaw Road, Puyallup, WA 98372	(253) 845-5722	Richard WilsonK-8
Olympia Christian School	1416 26th Ave NE, Olympia, WA 98507	(360) 352-1831	Gerry BucknerK-9
Poulsbo Adventist School	1700 NE Lincoln Rd., Poulsbo, WA 98370	(360) 779-6290	Jerry Sage1-8
Sequim Adventist School	255 Medsker Rd., Sequim, WA 98382	(360) 683-6170	Larry ArnottK-9
Shelton Valley Adventist School	W. 201 Shelton Valley Rd., Shelton, WA 98584	(360) 426-4198	Ashley Cauley1-8
Skagit Adventist School	530 N. Section St., Burlington, WA 98233	(360) 755-9261	Terry LeeK-10
Sky Valley Adventist School	200 Academy Way, Monroe, WA 98272	(360) 794-7655	Lori Roberts1-8
Whidbey Christian Adv. School	31830 SR 20, Oak Harbor, WA 98277	(360) 675-4412	Anita Reed1-8



Attendees enjoyed a beautiful setting for southcentral Alaska's camp meeting.

# Something for Everyone Found at Alaska Camp Meeting

Approximately 600 people attended the 26th annual Southcentral Alaska Camp Meeting held near Palmer June 15–19. This was the first time camp meeting was held in June rather than the traditional August date. A full schedule of age-appropriate programming was provided for all.

Main auditorium evening speakers Stephen Chavez and William Johnsson from the Adventist Review spoke on "Infinite Grace." Morning and afternoon workshop presenters included a variety of topics. Gary Hopkins spoke on the research and practices of keeping kids in our church. Janie Ritter reminded attendees of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, while

Stephen Chavez, Adventist Review managing editor, shared the platform for the evening meetings with his editor William Johnsson.

Noelene Johnsson provided ideas to create a family-friendly church. Merlin Burt

pointed listeners to the history of Adventism and the evidence of God's leading.

Herb Larsen, a businessman and lay

John Kriegelstein

revivalist from Abbotsford, British Columbia, Canada, challenged the collegiate



Businessman Herb Larsen shared with collegiate young adults his passion for leading people to Jesus.

young adult attendees by telling of the incredible opportunities he has had to lead people from all walks of life to Jesus. "We are the hands, feet and heart of Jesus," Larsen said. "Landing a multimillion dollar business deal is nothing compared to the incredible joy of helping someone accept Jesus."

Les Zollbrecht, Portland Adventist Academy chaplain and Bible teacher, was the speaker for the teen department. Teens handed out invitations for Bible studies at the local Wal-Mart and performed clean-up activities around Palmer's Pioneer Home, a state-operated retirement facility.

In an effort to serve the community, the Blood Bank of Alaska conducted a blood drive and a five-kilometer fun run was organized to benefit Kids Are People, an organization that provides safe houses and counseling for at-risk teens in the Matanuska-Susitna Valley. •

John Kriegelstein, Alaska Conference communication director

# Alaska Constituency Report

More than 140 delegates came from throughout the wide expanses of the 49th state to convene the 14th triennial session of the Alaska Conference at Palmer on Sunday, June 20.

The delegates considered the names put forward by the nominating committee, which had met during May,



Retiring Alaska Conference president Russ Johnson hands the key to the office to newlyelected president Ken Crawford.

and voted favorably on all. Ken Crawford was elected president in secret balloting, replacing Russ Johnson, who announced his retirement in March. All incumbent officers and department directors were returned to office as well: Jim Kincaid as executive secretary and Sabbath school/Native ministries director: Harold Dixon as treasurer: John Kriegelstein, communication/ education/youth; Neil Biloff, ministerial/evangelism; Lloyd Hallock, health/family life;

Odea Sigh, stewardship; and Gary Waterhouse, government relations/public affairs and religious liberty. Crawford will also direct the conference's personal ministries efforts.

Crawford and his wife, Colleen, have pastored in both Savoonga and Kodiak. Their children, David and Heather, were both born in Alaska as well (see below).

Russ and Mary Johnson shared their plans to return to Idaho in retirement after 39 years of serving the Adventist Church in various capacities, including more than five years in the Alaska Conference. Johnson will be remembered as a model of a true Christian gentleman, even under the stressful responsibilities of his presidency.



Russ and Mary Johnson were honored for their years of service to the church during their retirement dinner. Jere Patzer, NPUC president, joined in the trubutes.

Many of the delegates came to the session inspired from several days of on-site camp meetings. The discussions on Sunday seemed to mirror the healthy, harmonious diversity that characterizes the Alaskan spirit at its best.

# Meet Ken Crawford Alaska Conference President

After Ken Crawford completed his bachelor of theology degree in 1974 and spent five years in other work, he and wife Colleen moved to St. Lawrence Island, Alaska, in 1979 and helped raise the Savoonga area membership from four to 25 baptized members.

After Ken completed his master's degree, the Crawfords moved to Kodiak, where they experienced the highest per capita baptisms in the North American Division. The Crawfords added children David and Heather to their family while ministering in Alaska.

The Crawfords' ministry led them to New Brunswick and Alberta, Canada, as well as to Meadow Glade Church in Battle Ground, Wash., where membership grew by 45 percent during his tenure.

Crawford also organized the Insitute of Christian Service and developed a Native mission school.

Ken enjoys writing and flying, while Colleen enjoys interior decorating and gardening. David graduated from Walla Walla College where Heather is still enrolled. •

Steven Vistaunet, NPUC assistant to the president for communication

#### Ken and Colleen Crawford





Delegates vote on the proposed changes to the Alaska Conference constitution.

Delegates took special interest in two agenda items. The first was the extensive review of the constitution and bylaws to conform more closely to the model recommended by the North American Division (NAD). A majority of the items were accepted as presented. In addition, delegates approved, after some discussion, a recommendation to extend the length of the term from three to four years, which would make Alaska consistent with all other Northwest conferences and many throughout the NAD as well. This decision will provide some financial savings, greater efficiency and allow for longer-range planning.

Discussion also centered around whether or not to sell the present campground site in Palmer and consolidate both the campground and youth camp in a new location. After much discussion the delegate vote fell just short of the required 75 percent majority for approval, effectively tabling the issue. If property consolidation issues are not fully resolved in the near future, the newly

elected leadership and executive committee will need to determine how much financial investment to put into necessary upgrades on the present campground facilities.

Prior to the session, conference members in a series of town hall meetings had highlighted several important areas for growth during the coming term: increased membership; increased spirituality among pastors, teachers and lay leaders; increased unity through ownership, lay

training and communication; increased visibility for each church and school; and increased presence and leadership in Native villages.

Crawford's remarks as incoming president echoed many of those areas, as he challenged delegates to be "a light in the world where the lights are rapidly going out and the hope of the world in these last days." •

Steven Vistaunet, North Pacific Union Conference assistant to the president for communication



Alaska Conference officers for the 2004-08 term are: Jim Kincaid, secretary, with wife Linda; Ken Crawford, president, with wife Colleen; and Harold Dixon, treasurer, with wife Janelle.

### Alaska Conference Executive Committee **Members** 2004-08

- 1. Ricardo Cabero— Anchorage Spanish/Kodiak Church pastor
- 2. Doug Becker— Anchorage layperson
- 3. Neil Biloff—Palmer pastor
- 4. Tami Burrell— Nome teacher
- 5. John Calvert— Wrangell layperson
- 6. Joe Chythlook— Dilllingham layperson
- 7. Francine Lee— Tok layperson
- 8. Nita Larson— Anchorage layperson
- 9. Odea Sigh—Fairbanks North Pole pastor
- 10. Lisa Reishach-Kenai layperson
- 11. Debbie Ueeck-Delta Junction layperson
- 12. Gary Waterhouse— Juneau/Sitka pastor
- 13. Christine Williams— Anchorage layperson

# ALASKA

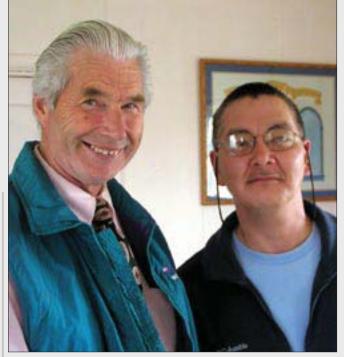
### Dillingham Member Spreads Message in Remote Villages

Jim Bingman, a Dillingham (Alaska) Church member, felt the need to visit an old friend's son in Togiak, Alaska, a growing village of approximately 1,200 people, in the spring of 1999. Although a church member, the son was no longer attending, and Bingman thought he could offer encouragement.

That visit was the beginning of a ministry for Bingman. Over the next couple of years, he began visiting other residents of the village on Sabbath afternoon. As their friendships developed, they started asking questions about the Bible.

It wasn't long before there was a core group meeting every Sabbath for a Bible study in the old church building. Bingman brought guest speakers each week until one week no one was available to accompany him. On that Sabbath Bingman had his first opportunity to preach a sermon. He has been preaching every week since.

Soon the group grew to 15 regular attendees. The 45 adults and 25 children who now attend the meetings on a regular basis exceed the capacity of the sanctuary. The cramped conditions of 25 children meeting in an 8x10-foot room does not deter them



Jim Bingman, left, is thrilled to see how Richard Amatunak, right, has changed after he accepted Jesus into his life.

from coming each week.

A few years ago, a young lady from Togiak asked Bingman to take her to Dillingham so that she could tell her brother, Richard Amatunak, that their nephew had passed away. Amatunak was being held in the Dillingham jail on felony charges related to his drinking habit. He recognized a need for change in his life and began to ask Bingman questions.

Upon his release from jail, Amatunak began to attend the weekly services in the Togiak chapel. As he studied God's word, his family began to see changes in his lifestyle. He quit using alcohol and tobacco products. He no longer felt the need for drugs in his life. When asked about the biggest change in his life, Amatunak said, "My family isn't afraid of me anymore."

Amatunak is studying for baptism and looks forward to the day when he can attend church in a new building in his home village of Togiak.

His advice for other young people in his village: "Change your life, pray and give yourself fully to God." Amatunak hopes to one day preach the word in the new church in Togiak and share with others how God has changed his life. He looks forward to baptism and Jesus' soon return.

There is a great need for workers in these remote Alaska villages where the Holy Spirit is moving just as in Togiak. •

Ross Prevo, Dillingham/ Aleknagik District pastor



The Togiak Church has more than 70 attendees each Sabbath due largely to Jim Bingman's willingness to be God's weekly representative.

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# Incoming GSAA Officers Make God

No. 1 Priority

admit it—I had a bad attitude this school year.

I wanted my school to be more fun. So, what did I do? I stayed home instead of going to school activities.

I wanted my classmates to be bolder about their connection to Jesus. So, what did I do? I got depressed instead of inviting them to a Bible study or a prayer group.

Toward the end of the school year, I discovered something: Your own attitude affects *you* more than anyone else. I decided that the fun and the spiritual atmosphere needs to begin with me!

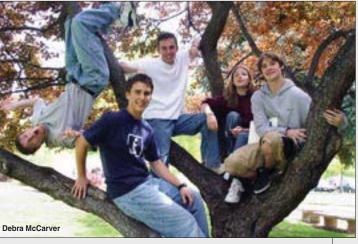
A goal began to form in my mind: to connect kids who come to Gem State Adventist Academy (Caldwell, Idaho)

with Jesus. I began talking with some friends about my goal and someone suggested I run for student association (SA) president. That would give me the platform, a budget and a team to work with!

So I talked to several students whom I knew shared my goal to make Christ first at Gem State. They decided to run for student association offices along with me—and we won!

Mike Dewey, SA vice president, is the most positive, focused person I know. He will get the job done and have fun doing it. His attitude and walk with Christ are an inspiration to me.

Brandon Aberle, SA spiritual vice president, is a tease. But he connects to God



GSAA's student assocation officers for the 2004-05 school year are, from left: Michael Dewey, vice president; Caleb Agee, president; Brandon Aberle, spiritual vice president; Traci Pline, secretary/ treasurer; and Jon Nickell, sergeant-at-arms.

in a very big way. He is eager to do what it takes to help others connect with God too.

Traci Pline's is the voice you hear when you call the school, and yes, she's just as awesome as her voice. She too wants to help our school grow closer to Jesus. She will be our SA secretary/treasurer in the coming year.

Jon Nickell, our sergeantat-arms, is a goofball! He

always makes people laugh. But deep down, he has a great connection to God too and wants to help our school grow spiritually.

Next year will be an awesome year. You know how I know? Because this summer the SA officers are praying for God's Spirit. •

Caleb Agee, GSAA student association president-elect

# Minister Ordained, Teachers Commissioned

at Idaho Camp Meeting

**A**n ordination and commissioning service on Sabbath, June 12, was a high point of the Idaho Conference Camp Meeting. Brian Yarbrough, Vale and Ontario (Ore.) pastor, was ordained to the gospel ministry. Commissioned into the ministry of teaching were Karen McCloskey, Boise Valley Adventist School kindergarten teacher, and

Theresa Wilkinson, La Grande Adventist School teacher.

Philip Samaan, a Southern Adventist University professor

Don Klinger, Idaho Conference vice president for administration, and Steve McPherson, conference president, flank Brian and Terra Yarbrough, Theresa Wilkinson and Karen McCloskey as they celebrate their commitment to service and ministry.

and pastor, offered the prayer of ordination and commissioning, and Bryce Pascoe, North Pacific Union Conference

executive secretary, gave the sermon. Don Klinger, Idaho Conference vice president for administration,

gave the charge to the pastor. An affirmation and commitment for the teachers and the congregation was led by Arne Nielsen, education superintendent. Then the Idaho Conference president, Steve McPherson, formally welcomed the candidates to their ministries. •

Eve Rusk, Idaho Conference administrative assistant



John Loor Jr., conference president, operated the backhoe for the official groundbreaking of the new conference office. Participants included, from left: David Smith, Bozeman Chamber of Commerce president/CEO; Myron Iseminger, conference vice president for administration and finance; Willie Oliver, NAD family ministries director; John Loor Jr.; Jac Colon, NPUC evangelist; and Randy Visser, architect.

# Montana Experiences Miracles in His Time

During the 2004 edition of the Montana Conference Camp Meeting, the chronicles of several of God's miracles were told.

Ground Broken for New Office

Several years ago it became obvious that the conference office building on Main Street in Bozeman needed renovation. The cost of upgrading the building to current standards would be equivalent to constructing a new office, so the decision was made to sell. Because of the economic aftermath of Sept. 11, 2001, and the condition of the building, there were no sincere offers in two years. Finally an architectural firm saw the building and offered the asking price—a miracle.

The conference owned another piece of property in Bozeman that could be sold to

help finance the building of the new office. The property, located near the Main Street interchange with Interstate 90, was appraised.

One of the building committee members, Greg Allen, a Bozeman developer/ builder, suggested that the property could be annexed by the city and rezoned as a high-density residential area. Allen's knowledge of county procedures helped smooth the way for the annexation and rezoning that made the property appraise for five times the original amount. Two potential buyers made offers which were accepted but did not go through to closing. The day after the last deal fell through, an offer was made and the property sold above its latest appraised value another miracle.

The sale of the office and the property will provide



Myron Iseminger, Montana Conference vice president for administration and finance, and Bill Smith, Livingston District pastor and building committee chair, show plans to interested members during the groundbreaking ceremony.

all the cash needed to build the new 6,000-square-foot office. The new office will be located on land adjacent to Mt. Ellis Academy (MEA).

John Loor, Montana Conference president, said, "God has truly led in the selling of the two properties. We can now move forward to building a new office, which will represent the Seventhday Adventist Church to the hundreds of thousands of people who drive through the Big Sky country."

# MONTANA

#### **Ordinations**

Two men were ordained to the gospel ministry on Sabbath afternoon at camp meeting. Both Roberto Correa, Billings District associate pastor, and Edward Starkebaum, MEA Bible and history teacher, are examples of God's quiet miracles as He has led in their lives and ministry.

Correa was born in Argentina and attended Adventist schools throughout his entire education. He graduated from the Universidad Adventista del Plata in Argentina in 1995 with a bachelor of arts in theology. Following graduation, Correa pastored three churches in the Buenos Aires conference.

He and his wife, Paula, came to the United States in 2000 to work in the Oregon Conference before receiving the call to Montana to work with the Spanish-speaking people in the Billings area. They have a two-year-old son, Gabriel.

Starkebaum graduated from Campion Academy in Colorado and earned a bachelor of arts in religion with minors in history and psychology from Walla Walla College.

He began teaching in Torrance, Calif., in 1971, where he held a series of evangelistic meetings and attended the West Coast School of Evangelism held by H.M.S. Richards Sr. He served in the Oregon Conference for several years before coming to MEA in 1994.

His wife, Juanita, a Montana native, is the administrative assistant to the principal and registrar of Mt. Ellis Academy. The Starkebaums have two children, Traci and Paul, who are both students at Walla Walla College.

Camp Meeting Baptism

Anna Berg is the fifth of seven children in a family that became Adventists when she was eight years old. She loves sports and is a member of the MEA Lady Eagles basketball

During the North Pacific Union evangelistic mission



Miroslav Kis, Adventist Theological Seminary ethics professor, shared stories of his life to illustrate the way God loves his people.



Rhythm sticks provided some of the musical accompaniment during kindergarten Sabbath School at camp meeting.

trip to the Philippines in March, one of the students preached about baptism.

During the Friday evening meeting, MEA student Anna Berg was interviewed by Darren Wilkins, MEA principal.
She was baptized the next day at camp meeting.

On the way home in the overcrowded minibus, one of the girls told the Montana Conference youth and education director, Larry Unterseher, that she had not been baptized. As they were talking about it, Berg said, "I haven't either, and I would like to be."

On Sabbath afternoon, during the evangelism hour at camp meeting, Berg was baptized and became another of God's quiet miracles. •

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor



### PAA Makes Community Connection

Through New Church Program

Portland Adventist Academy launched an exciting new program this year to help make the Adventist churches in the Portland area better aware of the academy and its programs and to reach out to these churches in a unique way.

The Featured Church program involves student speakers, student artists, and Gale Crosby, PAA's principal. The program started as a ministry to the youth of each featured church. Programs were presented in the youth and earliteen divisions consisting of song service, featured music and stories or testimonies from PAA students about what a relationship with their Lord means to them in daily life.

Then Crosby made a brief presentation to the church about the exciting things happening at the school and asked for their prayer requests.

As the year continued, the request came to let the whole church participate in the academy's ministry, so two or three students would also preach during the worship hour, while other students would present other aspects of the worship service such as children's story, special music, scripture and prayer.

Student groups conducting worship services in area churches is fairly common occurrence, but the thing that has made the Featured Church program unique is that each



Sharon Church's pastor, Royal Harrison, along with PAA's principal Gayle Crosby and students, presented the worship service as a part of the Featured Church program.

church has been asked to give a list of prayer requests that are then taken back to the school and incorporated into a PowerPoint presentation for the next student assembly. PAA students are able to see the prayer request, and then a student presents these requests to the Lord. The pastor of each church is also invited to attend, make some remarks and pray for PAA.

The academy members frequently ask that the churches uplift the school in prayer, but with this program, each featured church knows that at about 11:50 a.m. on the Wednesday following the Sabbath services, their church will be lifted up in prayer at the academy.

A bulletin board is maintained in a prominent place at the school where the prayer request list is posted along with photos of the church buildings, church leadership, PAA youth who attend that

PAA student Adam French presented the sermon at the Sharon Church.

church, other youth at the church, and the PAA students that led the worship programs. This visual reminder of the featured church remains on the bulletin board until the next church is presented. The featured churches are also on PAA's Web page (www. PAASDA.org and click on the "Churches" link).

This year eight churches were visited and featured. Additional churches will be added next school year.

Summer Mathis, a senior at PAA, is glad that not only does the Featured Church program allow the area churches to see the influence the academy has on the area youth, but it also allows the PAA students to get better acquainted with the churches in the Portland area.

Crosby believes that the future of the Adventist Church depends on the strength of the connections that are made with the next generation. The Featured Church program is helping to make that vital connection. •

Dan Patchin, PAA GLEANER correspondent



### PAA Senior Studies Robots

During JPL Internship

Most Americans have had the opportunity of seeing some of the amazing things that can be done with robots, but Portland Adventist Academy (PAA) senior Adam Wall got to see and experience the cutting edge of robotics by doing a summer internship at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena, Calif.

While there, Wall worked with a team developing miniature six-legged robots ultimately planned for space exploration, possibly on a Mars mission. These "spiderbots" are designed to be relatively inexpensive and to link with similar robots to accomplish larger and more complex tasks.

Wall was able to integrate knowledge and experiences from his summer internship into his senior project. JPL loaned him one of the robots that he had worked with during the summer to use in his senior demonstration along with videos of his work at JPL.

Because of his previous experience with car restoration, construction and electrical schematics as well as the technology class he took at PAA, Wall was able to do more than most interns like building his own simple prototype robot in 12 hours, designing and configuring the control units for other robots, and producing circuit boards for other projects.

In the near term, Wall would like to spend next summer again at JPL, this time in a paid position rather than as an intern volunteer.

Long term, he feels that this experience has really awakened an interest in him to become an engineer and ultimately a project manager in a situation similar to what he did last summer at JPL. Wall is looking forward to learning more about computer programming and math, both studies that he will have to master for a future in this area. •

Dan Patchin, PAA GLEANER correspondent

Last summer Adam Wall interned at Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Los Angeles and worked on pen-sized robots nicknamed "spiderbots."





Sandy Mathis' students at Rivergate Adventist Elementary School supported soldiers by wearing yellow ribbons and writing letters to them.

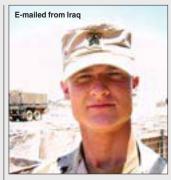
# Students Support Soldiers

with Letters from Home

Students in Sandy Mathis' third- and fourth-grade class at Rivergate Adventist Elementary School have been involved in a great project called "Letters to Soldiers" this past year. As a result of this project, a special relationship has been developed by the teacher, the students and their families with Daniel Bond, a sergeant who is proudly serving our country in Iraq.

When Bond received the letters that were sent to him and to other soldiers, he distributed them, then every child received a letter in return thanks to Bond, Pfc. Gallegos and Staff Sgt. Bunting.

This project gave the students an awareness of what is going on in Iraq and a connection to the soldiers who are deployed there. Bond was so impressed by how much Mathis' students cared about them, he called from Iraq and talked to the class on speaker phone so that every



Sgt. Daniel Bond received letters in Iraq from the Rivergate thirdand fourth-graders.

child had an opportunity to ask him questions. The classroom then recited the Pledge of Allegiance, preamble to the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence.

Bond and all the other soldiers who are serving are mentioned in prayer by Mathis' students daily. •

Pam Bond, mother of Sgt. Bond and member of the Gladstone Church



### CAA Students Clean Lake

for Community Service Day



Eric Hansen and Brandon Watson donned diving gear so they could pull underwater trash from Klineline Lake.

A small group of excited sophomores from Columbia Adventist Academy loaded up a school van and headed to Klineline Lake on May 12 as part of a special community service day set up by students. The students each received \$20 from the Oregon Conference to spend on their unique service projects.

Sophomore divers chose to scuba dive in Klineline Lake and clean up whatever they could find cluttering the lake floor. They each rented gear from the Thunder Reef Dive Shop where they were all certified as divers. Thunder

Reef helped to make this community service possible by discounting their equipment rental fee from the usual \$80–90 to \$25.

While diving, the students found many interesting items. The students cleaned up soda cans, golf balls, sunglasses, goggles, metal pieces and other forms of trash.

"It was dark and murky, but it was still a fun experience," remarked David DeSotel. The students had a good time and at the same time provided a service to their community. •

Brandon Watson

# CAA Freshman Dive

into Deep-sea Exploration

The freshmen of Columbia Adventist Academy (CAA) dove right into deep-ocean exploration as their submersibles crept past jellyfish, shipwrecks, tubeworms, vent mussels and spider crabs. They maneuvered through a deep-sea trench where they saw strange-looking organisms.

Their "submersibles" were constructed of cardboard, lots of duct tape, Plexiglas windows, flashlights and a video camera. To make the dive possible, the cardboard boxes were set on steel carts that normally hold folding chairs.

During the simulated dive, students sampled

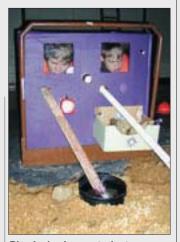
hydrothermal-vent water and deep-sea ocean water and organisms with water samplers and grabbers they made.

Each team included a scientist, a pilot and an engineer. The scientist was responsible for knowing what the organisms looked like that they would encounter throughout the dive and what their team had to pick up. The pilot was responsible for picking up samples that were then placed in the container on the front of the submersible. The engineers had to push their teammates around the gym, while navigating the course with a compass.

Holly Hack, one team's engineer, commented, "At times it was confusing because the compass would freak out, and maneuvering was difficult through the trench."

The students had a great time doing this project that took up the third quarter of their science class. This amazing experiment was organized by Tom Lee, who first created a dive experience with the students who are now seniors at CAA. Lee devoted many hours to making this dive a wonderful learning experience filled with fun.

"It was a hands-on experience," Mike Morauske said. "We got to put into practice what we learned."



Physical science students Brandon White and Eric Fischer try out their newly-constructed model submersible.

Many other students also enjoyed this unforgettable learning method. "It was good team-working skills—way cool!" said Nickele Prahl. •

Danielle Bickford, CAA freshman

### Mid Columbia Children Welcome Babies

Through Service Project

Near the close of the 2003–04 school year, the first- through fourth-grade classroom of Mid Columbia Jr. Academy (Hood River, Ore.), with their teacher Gail Hill, brainstormed ideas for local community service projects. The list was long, reflecting a wide range of interests and concerns, but one idea impressed the students most: creating a "welcome basket" for newborns.

Each student helped to prepare a large basket containing gift items donated from local businesses. One toy store went a little further by ordering a case of mindstimulating baby toys. A specialty clothing store donated several bags of soft fleece scraps that the class turned into baby booties, hats and blankets. One class member's mother added her time and talent to help with this.

Many other donations poured in from parents and church constituents as the word got out. When Hill presented this basket to the Providence Hood River Memorial Hospital director of communications, Barbara Young, she was obviously moved and impressed. "This teacher with her little students has done so much to help others," Young stated. "Many of our babies go home wrapped in their daddy's jacket because the family

The large basket included individual baskets created so that items could be distributed by the staff to famlies as they saw the need.

cannot even afford a blanket."

How do the students feel about it? "It's so much fun," they chorused, "and it's a good



Gail Hill and her class made baskets to welcome newborns in Hood River, Ore.

thing to do." The class plans to continue the project next year, and hopefully helping in their community will be a habit these students take into their adult life. •

Gail Hill with Joyce Gallentine, Hood River Church communication leader

### **RVAS Adds Grades**

This fall, Rogue Valley Adventist School (RVAS) will add grades 11 and 12, serving students in the Medford, Ore., area.

It has been 48 years since 11th- and 12th-graders had the option of attending Rogue Valley Adventist School (RVAS). RVAS was a 12-grade school when it opened in 1926. When Milo Adventist Academy opened in 1956, RVAS changed to offering only 10 grades.

The change back to 12 grades is being made to accommodate the students completing 10th grade at

RVAS who, for various reasons, choose to remain

RVAS will become a senior academy this at home. "I am excited that RVAS is adding the upper grades. I really did not want to leave," 11th-grader Kayla Haugen said.

Christian education is all about meeting the needs—educational and spiritual—of the students. "This is a nice school, and I didn't want to go to public or boarding school," said Haugen. She summarized a sentiment evident in the majority of the students as they faced either leaving home or going to public or other local Christian schools after completing the 10th grade at RVAS.

"I started getting scared of attending public school

or a different local Christian school," said Kristina Cruz, another student. "I like it here, and I don't want to change."

Classrooms are being readied and teachers are being hired for the additional grades. Haugen is confident in the selection process. "I am sure that God will be in the selection of the new teachers," she said.

Cruz is "looking forward to the changes with the addition of the new teachers and students." •

Susan Kergil, RVAS GLEANER correspondent





The South Umpqua River, which borders the Milo campus, provides an ideal place for students to publicly commit their lives to Jesus.

# Milo's Students Take Spiritual Temperature

These quotes, taken from this year's end-of-the-year student survey, say it all when it comes to Milo Adventist Academy's "spiritual temperature."

"I have just grown tremendously emotionally, spiritually and socially."

—Julie Crow

"I've gotten to know Him since I've been here."

—Nathan Smith

"You're always in a Christian environment."

-Kris Lancaster

"While at Milo I have become more open about belief as a Christian and am not afraid to stand up for what I believe in."—Kevin Van Tassel

"It is really cool to be able to just stop and pray in the hall in between classes." —Nathan Witherspoon "You can get closer to God here." —Lauren Nelson

"Christian atmosphere is everywhere. People are kind and helpful." —Leysa Klymenchenko

"You can tell this is a spiritual school by the way people act." —Lindsay Bissell

"I think the best thing about Milo is the ability that Milo has to bring people closer to God." —Summer Coggins

"The best thing about Milo is the spiritual atmosphere. God is very present here, and the people here are so friendly." —Emily Crocker

"I think this is a place where people become closer to God." —Zabdi Diaz

"Since I've been here at Milo, my spiritual life has

grown a lot. I love feeling safe while talking about God with others."—Kelli Giles

"Milo's great staff work to help [students] achieve a closer relationship with God." —Lisa Hulse

"When we have worships in the church, song service with lights dimmed and just singing, it really touches me, and there's a strong sense of spirituality." —Natasha Knoblock

"The presence of God is everywhere. It's so awesome to come to a school where everyone is so into God and everything about Him."

—Jessica McNeil

"The setting continually reminds us of God's awesome power." —Hannah Rodriguez

"The best thing is that it's not just the staff who

emphasize and care about spirituality, but also the students."—Sarah Sexton

"I like being able to share God." —Kimberley Wheeker

"I've been immersed in a Christian atmosphere."

—Josiah Fisher

"Milo taught me that God deserves all the glory!"

—Lauren Nelson

"Milo is a place where I can freely worship and learn about God." —Adrian Currier

"Everyone here has a relationship with God, and we share with each other."

-Brenda Beenken

"The Friday night vespers and the afterglow are some of my favorite things at Milo."

—Carley Wilson •

Katie Currier, MAA junior

#### Community Service Leaders Survive Serious Accident

Tad and Terri Harwood,
Cave Junction (Ore.)
Church community service
coordinators were driving the
community service truck from
the Grants Pass food bank to
Cave Junction on March 8
when a lady drove directly in
front of them. Tad swerved to
avoid an accident, and the truck
overturned on the highway,
leaving the Harwoods hanging
upside down by their seatbelts.

One ton of canned goods and other foods blanketed the highway as the Harwoods were cut from the demolished truck by Jaws of Life equipment. They and the driver of the other vehicle were rushed to the hospital.

Although suffering from neck and upper body pain, the Harwoods were on the job only eight days later, caring for the more than 165 clients that come to the center for food and clothing.

Their staff of 14 volunteers are amazed at their total dedication to the needy people in the Illinois Valley and praise God for these self-sacrificing workers. •

Patty Hyland, Cave Junction Church communication leader

While driving the Cave Junction Church community service van, coordinators Tad and Terri Harwood survived a serious accident.



### Wimpy Stebbeds Pathfinder Award

Honors Former Springfield Director

The Springfield (Ore.)
Pathfinders gave the first
Wimpy Stebbeds Award for
donating the most community
service hours to Samara
Simpson, who completed 191
hours.

The award, which is intended to be given out annually, honors the late Wilburt "Wimpy" Stebbeds, who passed away in 2003 after leading the Springfield club for 30 years with his wife, Frankie.

Wimpy Stebbeds participated in the 2003 Pathfinder Fair in Salem, Ore., and drove a busload of Pathfinders from the event, even though he did not feel well, when the regular bus driver had other obligations.

His heart failed fatally three days later while he was doing yard work. The Pathfinders, their families and the entire church are thankful that God allowed him that one last chance to serve his beloved Pathfinder club safely and fully.

Stebbeds collected hundreds of pies to sell at the Pathfinder Fair each year, as well as performing all the diverse duties of a successful Pathfinder co-director. His ability to keep everything positive with a joke or story whatever the situation was a vital characteristic in keeping the club running smoothly. Frankie continues to serve as a Pathfinder counselor.

Despite the loss of this pillar of their club, the



The late Wilburt "Wimpy" Stebbeds (shown here with his wife, Frankie, in 2003) was honored posthumously during the 2004 Pathfinder Sabbath program.

Springfield Pathfinders are moving forward. Serena Lui culminated a successful first year as director in March



Samara Simpson, second from right, received the first Wimpy Stebbeds Award for the most hours of community service in Springfield, Ore.

2004 by guiding the annual Pathfinder Sabbath activities, which included a sermonette, an awards ceremony and a potluck. Alicia Wyatt was awarded Pathfinder of the Year for her enthusiasm and positive outlook. Mary Jo Hough and Melissa Deveney were awarded teen Pathfinders of the Year.

The Springfield drill team, led by Hough and Steve Liu, won the fancy drill competition at this year's Oregon Pathfinder Fair, earning them the honor of performing as the Oregon Conference color guard through the next fair.

Cheryel Whitsell, Springfield Church communication leader

# Conference

# Prayer, Study and Friendship Featured at Upper Columbia Camp Meeting

Lore than 150 people joined the 777 Commitment Club during the Upper Columbia Conference Camp Meeting, held June 18–19 at Walla Walla College. The "777 Commitment"-themed conference-wide convocation featured General Conference president Jan Paulsen as the keynote speaker.

"The 777 Commitment involves a deliberate effort to follow the example of Jesus in seeking and saving the lost," said Gordon Pifher, Upper Columbia Conference executive secretary. "We're asking members to spend at least seven minutes per day in prayer; to spend seven hours per week in Bible study and to make seven new friends who are not connected with the Adventist Church."

Shawn Boonstra, It Is Written associate speaker, told the audience that recent secular polls have discovered more than two thirds of Americans believe the book of Revelation is describing real events that will happen in our world. And he believes that we, as Adventists, should not miss this opportunity to share the true meaning of the message.

"I believe the reason we aren't attracting a lot of new people to the church is because we often don't have many real friends outside the church," says Max Torkelsen, Upper Columbia Conference



Accompanied by Donna Klein, Joe Pearles gave two miniconcerts at the Upper Columbia Conference Camp Meeting. Pearles' music has had more sales at the Upper Columbia **Conference Adventist Book** 

president, "and we need to make a deliberate effort to change that. If we commit ourselves in prayer each day and immerse our minds in the word of God and go out of our way to develop relationships with non-believers, I think we will see miracles happen."

Those who made the commitment at camp meeting received a notebook designed to help them keep record of their commitment efforts. It has sections for prayer journaling, Bible study notes and a place to keep information about the friends with whom they are developing relationships.

Enrollment in the 777 Commitment Club will continue throughout the



Jan Paulsen, General Conference president, spoke for the Sabbath morning worship service at the Upper Columbia Conference Camp Meeting in the Walla Walla College Church.



Shawn Boonstra, associate speaker for the It Is Written television broadcast, urged the congregation to make it a priority to share the gospel with their neighbors because "people have never been more ready to hear the gospel in our age than now."

convocations and in various publications. Inquiries and enrollment cards have been coming to the conference office every day since camp meeting.

Plans are being made for a convention in Moses Lake in 2005. At the convention those who have made the commitment will be able to report on the things they have done and join in a special praise celebration for the miracles that God will no doubt perform in people's lives as a result of the 777 Commitment efforts.

To learn how you can make the commitment and receive the materials write to: Secretariat Department, Upper Columbia Conference, P.O. Box 19039, Spokane, WA 99219. Or you can e-mail your request to ucc@uccsda.org. •

Jon Dalrymple, Upper Columbia Conference communication assistant

# Conference

# He's Alive Broadcasting

Celebrates Anniversary move to a prime site on Tower

Friends of He's Alive Broadcasting celebrated the 10th anniversary of the television station on May 16 at the Upper Columbia Conference office in Spokane. Marlo Fralick, He's Alive president, coordinated the gathering, which included a dinner and program.

Fralick recounted a number of blessings from God that made possible the station's launch and later the antenna's

Mountain. Today, He's Alive television is reaching out to thousands of people in the Spokane area with programming from Three (3ABN) as well as several locally produced programs. During the gathering Fralick introduced three individuals, Marjuerite Carlson, Robert Gray and Tim Sjostrom, who

Angels Broadcasting Network had joined the Adventist



During the anniversary celebration, Marlo Fralick interviewed Marjuerite Carlson, who joined the Adventist Church through the ministry of He's Alive Broadcasting.

Church through the ministry of the station. Each shared their story of how God touched them through Channel 52.

Fralick also shared how the He's Alive board recently stepped out in faith and increased the station's budget by 47 percent to enable them to hire Joe Stanfill as a fulltime station manager. He urged the friends of He's Alive to financially rally around this decision, which will allow the station to improve and grow.

Stanfill, who has a degree from Eastern Washington University in communications, then shared his story as well as his dream for the station, which met with an enthusiastic response from the group.

Tammy Larson, an employee of 3ABN and member of Last Generation Ministries, sang a number of songs for the celebration. While Mollie Steenson, who is in charge of operations at 3ABN and is Danny Shelton's



Mollie Steenson from **Three Angels Broadcasting** Network (3ABN) in Illinois shared interesting facts and developments about the network.

assistant, shared about the network and its work around the world.

Though the group reflected on the blessings of the past, there was considerable excitement about where God is taking the station in the future. Many of those at the anniversary celebration sensed that the station was about to take another significant step forward, and they were thrilled. •

Doug R. Johnson, Upper Columbia Conference assistant to the president and communication director

## Kettle Falls CHIPers Graduate

Lwenty-two participants graduated recently from the Coronary Health Improvement Project (CHIP) offered by the Kettle Falls (Wash.) Church. During the month-long program, the average weight loss was nearly six pounds, and cholesterol and triglycerides were significantly lowered. These reductions were achieved, in part, by daily exercise, which included a

combined total of 1,250 miles walked in one month.

This has become an annual outreach to the community of Kettle Falls with nearly 75 graduates to date. George and Janice Enquist coordinated the program and were assisted by

CHIP graduates received information at the Kettle Falls Church that led them to make some radical lifestyle changes. At the left are George and Janice Enquist, local CHIP coordinators. doctors Barry Bacon and Bill Catelli and at least 10 other volunteers.

Hans Diehl, CHIP founder. conducted a CHIP rally in

Kettle Falls and met with area coordinators on July 5. •

Lee Roy Holmes, Kettle Falls Church communication leader



# The Listening Ear Supports WWVA Students

There is a lot of listening going on at Walla Walla Valley Academy (WWVA), more than previous years.

Let's face it. We all need someone who listens in our lives—sometimes more than others. And although WWVA faculty provide an open door and a desire to be available for any student, there are time limitations.

It's been a long-time goal of the faculty to add a certified counselor to the team in an effort to better meet the needs of students. To that end Celena Veverka, a social worker, was hired part time and, assisted by part-time volunteer Janet Wilkinson, meets students' needs through the WWVA counseling office.

The goal of the counseling office, while imparting skills and helpful information, is to provide students a place to be safe and appreciated for who they are. The services are designed to aid students in whatever issues they bring by listening, resourcing, supporting and working to strengthen families as needed.

The counseling office, dubbed "The Listening Ear," has become a place where many students feel comfortable sharing their feelings and life difficulties. Since the beginning of the year, students have dropped in or made appointments to address issues or work out conflicts resulting in more than 1,000 contacts.

From the start the students were friendly and accepting although somewhat unsure about what to do with their mentors. As time passed more and more students have utilized the counseling services.

Examples of issues addressed greatly range: abuse/neglect, family, emotional regulation skills, substance abuse, sexual activity, depression, anxiety, suicide, anger, conflict, mental disorders, peer struggles, violence and many more.

Because the office is centrally located, students are reminded regularly of the availability of the services. With such high visibility it is



WWVA students Krystal Hubbard and Rachel Winkler enjoy the opportunities to build strong friendships through activities.

easier to form casual relationships in the halls that eventually lead to a student feeling heard, cared for and understood.

As well as individual counseling, the counseling office provides several groups for students to participate in during lunchtime on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

One is an open, general support group for students who simply need to talk and express their feelings. This group is important because it provides students with the opportunity to talk while teaching them to listen to others and accept others for who they are and how they feel.

Another is a closed group of students who meet to discuss personal issues, support one another and develop a

Volunteer Janet Wilkinson (left) and counselor Celena Veverka staff the counseling office, which was dubbed "the Listening Ear." framework for life that will enable them to accomplish their personal goals.

The third group is an open group of students meeting to practice social skills through fun and interesting games, activities, discussions and friendly interactions. All these groups are intended to support students while teaching them valuable skills for life.

At WWVA, it's about each student's potential. Every effort is made to impact the whole young person, not only preparing each spiritually, academically and socially but also emotionally.

Through compassionate and competent teaching and now counseling, WWVA's staff and faculty seek to prepare students for the second coming of Christ by instilling in each a love for God, a love for learning, for life and for service. •

Celena Veverka, WWVA counselor





# Innovative Program Reaches Natives Through Their Children

The argument had grown to a heated discussion when I arrived at the car. Neither Lanessa or Kaitlyn would relinquish their claim to sit in the front seat so I could take them home from church. Kaitlyn had gotten the seat first, and Lanessa stomped her foot and wailed. Julie patiently waited in the back seat.

"Teacher Lisa," Julie finally piped in, "let's ask Jesus to give them clean hearts. Jesus says, 'Ask, and ye shall receive." Her deep brown eyes were so earnest, so sincere.

After a simple prayer of faith, I looked into Lanessa's tear-stained face. "Jesus gave you a clean 'sharing' heart, didn't He?"

A sweet, dimpled smile crept over her face. "Yes!" her head popped up. "I want to sit in the back seat."

Seeing God transform children's hearts before my eves is the most rewarding work in this world. Inchelium Church, located on the Colville Indian Reservation, has had the privilege of participating in this work with a weekly child-evangelism program, Growing and Exploring, launched in March 2003 to reach their Native American community through the children. Church members personally invite the children and provide their transportation.

The program, which takes the children through *Steps to Christ*, combines the fresh beauty of the Bible stories Lisa Panasuk with Native children who love Sabbath School.

Panasuk teaches the children to pray in Sabbath School.



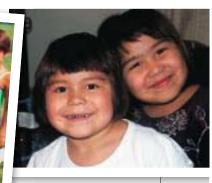
with captivating music, illustrations, interactive health nuggets and cooking adventures, nature discoveries, crafts and activities that reinforce the lesson. "You know what my favorite part of the program is? Singing the Bible verses! Can I help you teach the other children these songs?" said 8-year-old Sarah.

Athena, a 5-year-old, put her lessons to use at home. "I remember what you taught us! 'God is our help in trouble!' I got in trouble with Grandma. I couldn't find the baby's bottle. Then I remembered 'God is my help in trouble.' I prayed and sang that Bible promise. And

He helped me find the bottle."

The most important aspect of the program is personal ministry to the children and their families. Visiting the children in their homes week by week, sending them cards, fulfilling the needs of their families and doing this consistently is where we see the greatest advancement in bringing the Natives to Jesus. Church members get involved by chopping wood for single mothers, making and delivering baby quilts, putting up and taking down Christmas

> Panasuk not only teaches children about Jesus but also gives Bible studies to their mothers.



Joy comes to Native children's lives as they learn of Jesus, including Kaitlyn and Lanessa.

lights, and anywhere they find

One Native mother said, "This is so neat that you do this for the children. It is really providing something our community needs."

Just three months after the program started, children began attending Sabbath School and church.

"The Growng and Exploring child evangelism program has been the most successful outreach program in the 15-year history of the Inchelium Church," says Lee Roy Holmes, Inchelium Church pastor. "We are seeing young lives being changed. In addition, the parents are more open to Bible studies than ever before."

The Inchelium Church has found joy and rich blessings as they "let the children first be filled" (Mark 7:27). •

Lisa Panasuk, Inchelium Church children's ministries leader and Feeding His Lambs Ministries director



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# Surprise Party Sends Pastoral Couple

On Trip to "Hawaii"

When best friends Kim Bartholomew and Fawn Schutt began discussing their plans in November for a surprise birthday party for their pastor, Willard Santee (Otis Orchards, Wash., and Post Falls, Idaho,

District pastor), and his wife, Joan, they wanted to do so because Pastor Will (as they call him) and Joan mean so much to them.

They decided that in order to have a joint party, they would

need to have the party between the two birthdays, Jan. 1 and Feb. 2, so they set the date for Jan. 18. They also chose to hold the big event at the Otis Orchards Church and planned a Hawaiian luau theme. The two girls planned and planned and did all they could to make this day one of the happiest days in the pastoral couple's lives.

Right before the guests of honor where to arrive, the girls went into the sanctuary of the church and had a time of prayer, asking God to bless the evening and thanking Him for Santees and for helping them in the planning of the party.

The party was a total hit, and the nearly 60 people in



Leis, sun hats, pool toys and giant beach towels added to the feeling of being in Hawaii.

attendance had a great time. God did bless as He always does.

The girls plan on having more fun parties to join the two churches in fellowship, but they assure their pastor and his wife that they don't plan on surprising them again anytime soon. •

Fawn Marie Schutt



Willard Santee, Otis Orchards and Post Falls District pastor, and Joan, his wife, were the honored guests at a surprise Hawaiianthemed birthday party cooperatively planned by members from each church.

# Spokane Center Offers Food, Clothes and Hope

he good work of Spokane's Better Living Center (BLC) has expanded to benefit thousands during its 30 years of operation with the support of the Central, Linwood and Southhill churches.

Located in a prime spot, thousands of vehicles drive past the BLC daily and are greeted by signs advertising Positive Life Radio, stopsmoking classes and soon, He's Alive television and the Adventist Book Center.

Ken Noah, 82, senior volunteer coordinator and manager of the BLC since 1993, is quick to assert that the center's 27 volunteers are the ones who make it possible to serve the people of north Spokane. In 2003 alone, the BLC distributed more than 400,000 pounds to needy people, including fresh vegetables provided by local Adventist gardeners.

Noah and his volunteers have expanded the supplies of the BLC to include, when available, furniture, refrigerators, freezers, washers, dryers, stoves, beds, mattresses, bedding and quilts. They also organize volunteers

to make and package baby layettes, which include clothes, diapers, blankets, formula and baby food.

The center shares literature, such as Signs of the Times, health-related pamphlets, a Russian paperback cookbook

Spokane's Better Living Center



and The Great Controversy, in addition to offering vegetarian cooking classes.

A retired doctor, Oliver Lowery, commutes 33 miles to give free blood pressure tests on Tuesday. "I'm amazed how much stuff is pushed through this place," he said.

Matt. 25:40 sums up the principle of the Better Living Center: "Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren you have done it unto me." •

Richard La Com and Ernie Schaak

## Music, Speakers Bless at Camp Meeting Despite New Format

Camp meeting this year, while shortened and divided because of the Auburn Adventist Academy fire last fall, was still a blessing to the Washington Conference. The largest of the weekend events was held in the Auburn Academy gymnasium on June 19.

The day was a full one with Ty Gibson presenting a powerful message on the love of God. Musical inspiration was brought by Greg Barron, Men of Kirkland and the Messengers, a male quartet from Walla Walla College (WWC). Chris Donovan, Marysville/Arlington District pastor, was ordained to the gospel ministry in one of the

afternoon services.

The second weekend of camp meeting was held in Bremerton, Wash. Gibson was again the speaker and gave two different messages regarding the love of God. Music was given by musicians from WWC as well as by Barron.

Spanish members also held a special camp meeting attended by more than 750 people at Kirkland Adventist School.

Next year camp meeting will again be a full 10-day event held on the Auburn Academy campus. •

Doug Bing, Washington Conference communication director



Ty Gibson shared a powerful message about the love of God at both of Washington's day camp meetings.

Wally Lyder held a baptism at the camp meeting in Bremerton.

# Orcas Christian School Graduates

series at the Auburn

City Church.

Increase by 400 Percent

Families, friends and island community members packed the small Adventist church to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of the four members of the Orcas

Christian School's (OCS) class of 2004 on June 11. This second OCS graduation represented a huge increase over the first year's single graduate.

Class of 2004, from left: Paula Leggett, Adam Shaefer, Beth Leggett and Caleb Pal.



After being amused and challenged by Matthew Gamble, Washington Conference church planter currently working with the 24/Seven Ministry Center in the greater Seattle area, on how to relate to themselves, others, the world and God, the graduates were recognized for their individual contributions to the school and for earning scholarships.

This is exciting for the church and school community, especially because most students who attend OCS come

from non-Adventist homes and many are not even Christians. This "school plant" has worked very hard at establishing a quality school for Christ and for building relationships on the island to help the close-knit community know that Adventists are "normal" and that our beliefs are not "cultish."

The students have been ambassadors as they leave with a sense that there is a God who cares about them. •

Darchelle Worley, OCS GLEANER correspondent

## VBS Reunion Parties

Follow-up is key. Every Vacation Bible School (VBS) leader knows that. But once VBS week is over, how do you keep in touch with the kids?

You throw a party!

At least that's what VBS leader Dixie Robinson does. Building on her Bellevue Church's solid commitment



While Amanda, Charlie and Erika look on, Jaron passes Nhuy a potato, which means that she must call out a Bible character's

to VBS, she's seen enrollment grow from the low 20s to the high 70s—with nearly half the youngsters from non-Adventist families. Holding this interest became her obsession, which is how she came up with the idea of the follow-up "reunion party."

Each of three parties a year is a one-evening VBS, with songs, stories, crafts and other special events centered around a specific theme. April 17's party, "Xtreme Faith," led kids to different parts of the church campus where VBS staff reenacted stories of faith heroes.

With such a high-energy yearly approach—one VBS plus three parties—how does Robinson find and retain staff? One way she avoids helper-burnout is by making sure she has enough people40 staff members for a VBS with 75 kids. Also, she starts recruiting at least three months out, not only by showing VBS promotional videos during announcement periods, but by personally recruiting in the foyer. And once a staff person discovers that these events are not only virtually burnoutproof but genuinely fun, he or she most often "re-ups" for the next one.

Since many non-Adventist parents attend the reunions, Robinson would like to eventually offer classes for them while their children are enjoying the party.

Why does Robinson keep doing VBS? "It's a mission, of course," she says. "I never got to attend Vacation Bible School as a child. But when I got a little older, the Milton-Freewater Church took my



Trying to look fierce but failing miserably, "Midianites" Lonnie Robinson, John Nye and Bill Ellison prepare to chase Israelites (the kids) during April's "Xtreme Faith" VBS reunion party.

brother and me under their wings and got us involved in helping with VBS. And I guess I just stayed with it." •

Maylan Schurch, Belleview Church pastor

# Sow 1 Billion Campaign Launched with Billboards and Cards

A future without fear is the global theme of Sow 1 Billion, a special campaign with a large but simple goal: to invite one billion people to take Bible studies and to learn of Jesus Christ. Washington Conference has kicked off the campaign with 10 large billboards scattered from Kent south through Tacoma that mirror 100,000 cards being mailed to households throughout the same region.

The theme of the cards is particularly appropriate as the Tacoma area has recently been declared the most stressed-out city in America. Area churches have been holding

training seminars to prepare members to follow up on the the interest that will no doubt be coming. Prayers and planning are going into not only the personal follow-

Ten billboards advertising the Sow 1 Billion Campaign are scattered throughout the Tacoma area.



up that will take place but also into the evangelistic meetings that come this fall.

Other churches in the Washington Conference have committed to distributing an additional 60,000 cards in their local areas as well. A rich harvest is expected as God's Spirit is poured out in Washington. •

Doug Bing, Washington Conference communication director

# Auburn Hosts Firefighter's Memorial Service

Fire trucks and aid units lined up bumper-to-bumper, two abreast behind Rainier Auditorium at Auburn Adventist Academy on Sabbath, June 12, to honor Jon Cahill, a fire captain who died June 3 in a tragic climbing accident on Mt. Rainier.

When Auburn pastor Jay Coon, who is also the fire department chaplain, heard of Cahill's death, he and Keith Hallum, Auburn principal, offered the use of academy and church facilities for the memorial service.



The honor guard and color guard carry Captain Jon Cahill's gear during his memorial service held at Auburn Adventist Academy.

Cahill's pastor from the nearby Grace Community Church began the service. Auburn's mayor, Cahill's fire chief and a representative from the Washington governor's office addressed the crowd, many of whom were fellow firefighters in dress uniforms. Eulogies delivered by friends, colleagues and relatives spoke of Cahill's strong faith in Jesus, his love for his family and his encouraging their growth in Christ.

They also spoke of his love of training firefighters and how seriously he took his job. He would say, "Train like you fight, and fight like you train." High on his list of priorities was scheduling activities with his family, followed by climbing and other outdoor pursuits. An experienced



Cahill's climbing partner, Mark, was one of the many who eulogized the fallen firefighter during the memorial service at Auburn.

mountain climber, Cahill had climbed Mt. Rainier 25 times.

The service was covered by four local television stations and several newspapers. One photographer was wiping his eyes during the eulogies.

Cahill held a special place in the hearts of the Auburn Academy family after he led the fighting of the girls' dormitory fire last fall. •

Gill Bahnsen, Adventist Community Services Disaster Response specialist

## SAGE Celebrates 10 Years

**▲** he Washington Conference seniors organization, Seniors in Action for God with Excellence (SAGE), celebrated its 10th anniversary in June. SAGE has consistently presented a balanced program of service, fellowship, fun and spiritual development that has inspired other conferences to develop their own SAGE organizations. The Oregon, Upper Columbia and Minnesota conferences have SAGE chapters, and Arizona, Potomac, British Columbia and Northern California are

considering following suit. SAGE has accomplished a lot in its 10 years in the

Washington Conference: • Completed numerous building, repair and clean-up projects during annual Sunset Lake work bees.

- Donated money and labor for projects at Auburn Adventist Academy.
- Donated labor and cash for 13 church or school building and remodeling projects.
- Spent three weeks working on building projects at the Historic Adventist Village in

Battle Creek, Mich.

 Twelve churches built and numerous others painted in Mexico, Panama, El Salvador, Venezuela, Costa Rica, Honduras, India, Dominican Republic and Cuba.

SAGE has also ministered to seniors' needs for friends and fellowship by providing one-day outings and extended sightseeing tours.

Recently a team of 31 SAGE members returned from building their second church in Hato Mayor, Dominican Republic.

As Al Griffone, one of the enthusiastic members of the mission-building team, said, "It was incredibly obvious that God built a church, and He allowed us to help. What an honor and a privilege! Our mission trips have allowed me to see that God has a global plan to save His people. I can hardly wait for our 2005 mission trip to Peru next January. Nothing will stop me from the joy of working for God." •

Carrol Grady, SAGE Advice editor

# Auburn Uses Hands-on Learning for Holistic Education

hristian education and the philosophy of a balanced lifestyle on which it is based is truly a blessing to those who experience it. Auburn Adventist Academy's (AAA) goal of providing a Christcentered, opportunity-filled learning environment is seen when one observes the wide variety of classes offered there.

Many of Auburn's electives are sought after because of their interactive and handson characteristics—courses like auto mechanics, digital video editing, international foods, painting, private pilot's license, scuba diving, tennis and welding, to name a few. (Visit www.auburn.org for a complete list under the "Academics" tab.)

Spady Hall, AAA's noisy industrial arts building, is where a lot of student creativity is unleashed.



Industrial arts instructor Dale Hyde and Esther Ushijima, a senior in 2004 and pianist for AAA's Sylvan Chorale, examine her finished coffee table creatively designed to replicate a grand piano.

Students focus intently on personally designed projects through enormously large safety goggles in the woodshop. Dale Hyde, himself a talented carpenter, active pilot and knowledgeable mechanic, is the school's industrial arts instructor.

Upon visiting Spady Hall just before graduation, I found an extremely creative and uniquely personal project being completed by 2004 graduate Esther Ushijima. Ushijima, a talented pianist and AAA's Sylvan Chorale accompanist, wanted to make

a small piano to use as a coffee table. The project turned out beautifully and can now be found in the home of her parents, Tatsunori and Shigeko Ushijima.

As I observed the craftsmanship of this table, I realized how happy I was that this creative talent could be expressed in such a positive way. And as I began to realize the sense of satisfaction that so many students have felt after completing such a project, I recognized what a blessing it is to be part of a school that is able to facilitate these expansive avenues of learning.

How thankful we should be for an educational system that supports and encourages a healthful and holistic approach to educating. •

Amber Serns, AAA public relations director

## Mt. Tahoma Celebrates 40 Years

he Mt. Tahoma Church family recognized 40 years of church growth with a big celebration June 2–5. Former pastors S. Arthur Bushnell. Ewart Brown, Keith Boyd and Rodney Draggon delivered powerful messages that included many historical and often humorous moments of reflection. They challenged the members to continue the growth, expanding further into the community in order for the gospel to spread throughout Tacoma, Wash. But

the most powerful directive to the church community was to love, forgive and ensure members that the church is a haven of safety.

Expressions of love and respect were demonstrated for the pastors' wives as they were honored for their loving and selfless support of their husbands' ministries.

The Sabbath celebration also included a message delivered by Ron Smith, Review and Herald Publishing Association vice president

and Message magazine editor, and a concert featuring the Mt. Tahoma Generations choir and guest soloists Joyce Matthews and Cleveland

Hobdy, Love of Life Fellowship pastor. •

Donna J. Maniér, Mt. Tahoma Church communication leader

Sanders and Bettye Blakeney interview Art Bushnell, founding pastor of Mt. Tahoma.



# College News



This three-dimensional image of a jet engine was created by Ron Wentland, an instructor in the technology department.

## A New Major for New Media

A new major offered by Walla Walla College's technology department takes graphic design to another level. While graphic design is for the print medium, the major in new media imaging will cover emerging media technologies. If you want to make games, create animation, make short films or do Web design, this is the curriculum for you, says Linda Nelson, technology department chair.

The new major is designed to prepare students for a rapidly changing industry. The major will include existing courses and is modeled after similar programs at other universities. Classes include programming for business, video, computer-aided drafting, graphic communication, three-dimensional modeling, animation, special effects and advanced Web page design classes. •

Tara Jeske

## A Door Closes and God Opens a Window

Senior music education major Jeremy Irland won the gold medal for voice in the Young Artist's Competition at the 59th annual Musicfest Northwest in May. It was Irland's second year performing at the competition, formerly known as the Spokane Music Festival. Last year, he brought home the silver medal. He sang at the competition between his performances as the pirate king in the Walla Walla College drama department's production of The Pirates of Penzance.

As the gold medal winner at MusicFest Northwest, Irland won a \$250 scholarship and was a featured performer for the Young Artist Concert held by the Spokane Symphony Orchestra at the Metropolitan Performing Arts Center.

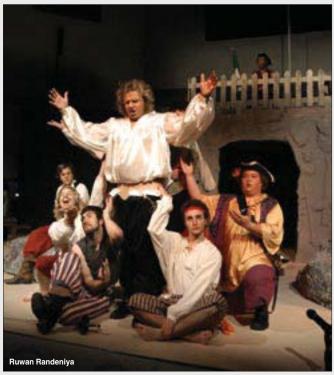
It seems incredible considering that four years ago, Irland had no interest in singing. He was a classical guitarist when he fractured his right hand in a wakeboarding accident, eliminating the option of a career playing the



Jeremy Irland

guitar. While he was studying to become a music teacher, his voice began to draw attention.

It wasn't until his junior year that Irland began to



Jeremy Irland was the pirate king in the WWC production of The Pirates of Penzance.

consider the possibility of voice as a career, after Matthew James, music department chair, told him he could have a career if he wanted it.

Now Irland performs professionally on a regular basis, and his favorite works are religious or spiritually inspired. "They're where music and belief come together," he says.

In January 2005, he will join the Washington East Opera Company, performing in The Barber of Seville. He has previously performed in Verdi's La Traviata with the company.

He is also trying to decide between graduate school and a teaching career. He plans to continue performing, no matter which option he chooses. He now believes that breaking his hand may have been an act of divine providence. •

Tara Jeske, WWC GLEANER correspondent

# Health News

# A Single Purpose A Life of Service

There are some people who cannot imagine a life without service.

Bea Bortner is one of those people. Her purpose is to be a blessing—to help others. And while her years number more than 80, she continues to be a blessing to everyone her life touches.

"She is always
helping in some
way, both at work
and outside of
work. She has a
genuine caring for
others and a Christcentered spirit."

Bortner's story begins in Kealia, Kauai. Her mother was among the first to be baptized on the island and has been a great influence on Bortner throughout her life. "She gave me the desire for education. People didn't go to college, not people from Kealia, Kauai, anyway," says Bortner. Yet Bortner did, pursuing a degree in nursing from Walla Walla College.

Over the years, she has served people in many capacities. Whether as a nurse,

a surgery supervisor, a mentor or a friend, Bortner's greatest satisfaction comes from helping people. And although she officially retired from Walla Walla General Hospital (WWGH) in 1982, Bortner has continued working part time as the supply and equipment assistant in surgery.

Laurie Roosma, WWGH women's services and nursing resources director, was supervised and mentored by Bortner when she first started her career at the hospital. "She has always been compassionate, loyal, valuesdriven and a progressive leader. Her strong spirituality exudes in everything she does. She's always looking for ways to help and be of service.... She looks for the potential in others and gives opportunity to develop that potential."

The spiritual side of health care was an integral part of Bortner's work and demonstrated itself in morning worship and prayer. "You'd have to hear her prayers to understand how beautiful and sincere they are," says Roosma, who recalls the time a surgeon overheard Bortner's prayer and was impressed to know that someone was praying for each patient facing surgery. The surgeon came to believe that his patients recovered faster when they were at WWGH and eventually sent most of his patients there. In time, he even began praying with his own patients. "He came to truly believe in prayer," says Roosma, "as a



At 80, Bea Bortner continues her dedicated service at Walla Walla General Hospital.

result of the witness of our worship."

Some have said that Bortner is a living model of the mission of WWGH. Randy Cardwell, surgical services director, says this about her: "She is always helping in some way, both at work and outside of work. She has a genuine caring for others and a Christ-centered spirit."

And he isn't alone in his observations. "Everyday that Bea is here, she has a smile on her face," says Roosma. "If I were to pick the perfect person to exemplify our mission, it would be Bea. She has dedicated her life to service."

In spite of the praise people

have given her and awards she has received, Bea Bortner believes it is all part of being a Christian at work. "I love the work that I do," she says. "I haven't accomplished any great thing. I've only done my work daily."

And perhaps that humility is the key to fulfilling the mission to do as Christ did—to be sustained by the heavenly Father, to do each and every task well, to genuinely care about people, and to see each act of service as being no more extraordinary than breathing. •

Katie Torkelsen was a writer with CMBell Company when she wrote this feature.

# Amazing Facts, 3ABN Join to Ignite Remnant Church

Joug Batchelor, speaker/ president of Amazing Facts and host of Bible Answers Live, will present a historic 10-day church revival series called '04 REVIVAL! live from Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 5-14.

The Three Angels **Broadcasting Network** (3ABN) will televise the event throughout their worldwide network from the Chattanooga Convention Center. The Hope Channel will also broadcast the event. Check their program schedule for dates and times.

Believing in the imminent return of Jesus Christ, Batchelor feels strongly that revival in God's end-time church is urgently needed prior to fulfilling its great commission.

"As I travel the country and the world," explains Batchelor, "it seems that millions of professed Christians are drowning in a lukewarm swamp of worldliness. Materialism, pride and sensuality seem to be choking the spiritual vitality from many believers. We are in desperate need of revival!"

The event name '04 REVIVAL!, which sounds like "Oh, for Revival!," signifies the need to re-energize God's remnant church. Just prior to any major biblical event, God has brought revival to His remnant church. Amazing Facts and 3ABN hope that this event will be the catalyst for people to earnestly seek and pray for revival as the closing events of earth history unfold

"Every genuine movement of revival is always followed by a proportionate movement

"The Spirit and power of God will be poured out upon His children."

of evangelism," comments Batchelor. "This will prepare us for a North America evangelistic series that will

begin March 4, 2005, from the General Conference auditorium."

As God's end-time prophet shares, "Before the final visitation of God's judgments upon the earth, there will be, among the people of the Lord, such a revival of primitive godliness as has not been witnessed since apostolic times. The Spirit and power of God will be poured out upon His children" (Great Controversy, p. 464).

For more information and to register your church or your home for the '04 REVIVAL! meetings, call (916) 434-3880 or visit www.04revival.com. The first 100 to register for the meetings will receive a free gift; all others will be entered into a special '04 REVIVAL! drawing for a special revival and evangelism kit. •

## Vendens Team to Tell

More About Jesus

he father-and-son team of Morris and Lee Venden discuss the importance of a personal relationship with Jesus in their five-part series, More About Jesus. They explain how Jesus can be at the heart and core of each of our fundamental beliefs.

More About Jesus, which is volume seven of Great Adventist Preaching, is more than sermons. Each Bible teaching is enhanced by either a dialogue between



the Vendens called "Venden2Venden" or an interview with someone who has experienced what it means to believe in "A Word for Jesus."

The topics covered in More About Jesus are the beliefs we share with the Christian world. They include "Can We Be Friends?,"

Morris and Lee Venden

"What Is a Christian?," "Born Twice," "Blessed Assurance" and "The Answer Is Prayer."

Lee Venden has never forgotten the joy he experienced when he discovered the difference between knowing about Jesus and actually knowing Jesus. A pastor and educator for more than 20 years, he has sought to know Jesus better and to help others accomplish that as well. •

Bernadine Delafield, ACN

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# WE CALLED HIM AUFTY

## BY RICHARD DOWER

hen my class of 1960 met at Auburn Adventist Academy for our 30-year reunion, we did all the regular reunion things while sharing our joys, tragedies and accomplishments. As it got later and later and my class members drifted away, there were only a few of us left, and we started reminiscing about Aufty.

Aufty was the night watchman when we were students. He was one of those boarding school characters everyone remembers and about whom legends are created. His real name was Lloyd Aufderhar, oldest son of a pioneer Adventist evangelist, but to us he was Aufty.

We didn't understand that the night watchman's job was more about complying with insurance requirements than catching students. To us, his job was to catch students—and to get even, we hatched plans to torment him as he made his nightly rounds.

I don't know what prompted it, but Lawrence Harter, one of my classmates, started telling Aufty stories that reunion evening. "One summer Merle (Mitty) Mittleider and I were living in Manus Hall. Mitty lived on the top floor, and one evening we were in his room talking. Listening, we heard people talking and, wondering who it was, we poked our heads out of the hall window. On the main floor, at the south end of Manus hall was a game room with a piano and old, overstuffed chairs. Aufty had stuck his head in an open window and was visiting with one of the foreign students who attended Auburn.

"I knew that Mitty had some firecrackers in his room, and we thought it might be funny to light one and throw it just to see what would happen.... We went and got one of the fire

crackers. I held it, Mitty lit it, and I tossed it down behind Aufty. It startled Aufty when it went off. He jumped and cracked his head on the window so hard that we could hear it up were we were. We laughed so hard that we could hardly get to Mitty's room, which was three doors down. We tried to be quiet and stop laughing, but it was hard to control. We thought we would be caught for sure, but no one ever said anything to us."

Walt Meske, a 1940s Auburn graduate, thought that Aufty was pretty straight. Issues seemed to be either right or wrong with not too much leeway in between.

Walt remembers a banquet held in old Rainier Auditorium, a relatively small gymnasium where students played, worshiped on Sabbath and held special events like the boys' club amateur hour and banquets. On this banquet night, one enterprising young man tied a fishing line to the fire alarm and fastened the other end to a stake hidden across the sidewalk on which Aufty's rounds would take him. As he made his rounds, Aufty walked into the line and tripped the fire alarm. It sounded in the all the campus buildings, which then had to be evacuated.

Although many jokes were played on him, Aufty usually took them in good humor and had his ways of turning the tables. Walt remembers one night when a girl on the second floor of the dorm waited for him and, as he passed under her window, dropped some flour, making a direct hit.

Immediately he waved his flash light back and forth across the dorm's windows and saw some of the flour still sifting down from one in particular. He propped up his flashlight, focusing on the window where the flour had come from and went to get the dean. He told her to find the room that had his light shining on the ceiling, and she would find the culprit.

## "We thought we would be caught for sure, they went to the deans and told on but no one ever said anything to us."

Glenn, Aufty's son, told me, "One evening, I sneaked out of my bedroom. I had tied an old fire hose to the radiator of my room, pushed my bed against it and used the hose to slide down from my secondfloor bedroom window. I got milkshakes for my girlfriend, Barbara, and her roommate. She had a basket that she let down on a rope from her dorm room window, and I put milkshakes in it. I saw Dad coming around one end of the dorm, so I went around the other. I ran behind Gibson and back to North Hall where we were living at the time. I don't know how he knew that I was out or how he got there before I did, but when I climbed up that fire hose and slid onto my bed, I bumped into something. It was Dad. He said, 'I can't treat you any different than the other kids.""

Sometimes Aufty would get the credit for catching kids when he didn't actually see them. Glenn recalls, "One night Dad and Mom went to the faculty banquet, and Dad asked me to night-watch for him. I had to go around the back of Smith Hall to punch the clock and as I went around there, I noticed that there was an open window on the

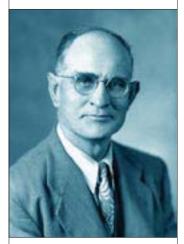
ground floor. I pointed my flashlight in the window and found the male quartet waiting to sing for the faculty banquet and their girlfriends all making out in there. I did not turn

any of them in, but they thought it was Dad behind that flashlight, so they went to the themselves."

Lawrence recalls that during his junior year he roomed with Willy Purvis in Gibson Hall

and nightwatched a lot. "On Friday nights Aufty would take the early watch and then come and get me so that he could get some sleep and attend church the next day. I slept on the top bunk, and he would come into my room, put the heavy punch clock on my chest and say, 'Lawrence, it is time to go to work,' and would turn around and leave, trusting me to wake up and start making rounds, and I always did."

Lawrence relates the final story: "A bunch of us had the idea to paint the number 60 on the roof of Rainier Auditorium.



Lloyd Aufderhar was Auburn Adventist Academy's boiler room superintendent in the 40s and nightwatchman in the late 50s and early 60s.

There were so many of us and the job only took one or two people, so we were standing around, joking and carrying on. I got suspicious and moved into the shadows about 20 feet away from the bunch. I just got away from them when around the corner came the boys' deans, Kent Johnson and Olin Peach. They caught them red-handed. It was dark, and I just froze where I was and they did not see me. They collected the guys and hauled them off to the dormitory.

"Now I wondered what I was going to do. It was before play period there in the gym. I went behind the gym thinking that I could sneak in when the doors opened and no one would know. Next to the gym were the tennis courts and some long grass. I figured that I would lie down in the grass where no one could see me and wait for play period to start, which I did. Then I casually got up and walked into play period thinking that I had gotten away scot-free.

"A couple of nights later I ran into Aufty, and he asked, 'What were you doing in the grass out beside the gym the other night?' Because he and I had a good connection, he did not turn me in to the principal. At times when you would think that he would not have a clue what was going on, he always seemed to have a finger on things.

"Aufty was a good man and meant very well by the students. He took his responsibility seriously, and he watched over things pretty well."

Aufty was the night watchman, one of those boarding school characters who everyone remembers. And we still tell stories about him. •

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor

## Brothers 50th

Jim and Deloris Brothers celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with neighbors and family at the Camano Island, Wash., Community Center and with their church family at the Forest Park Church, Everett, Wash.

James D. Brothers married Deloris J. Shook on July 9, 1954, in Portland, Ore., just two weeks after his return from serving with the 25th Army Division in Korea. They lived in Oregon City, Ore., and attended the Milwaukie (Ore.) Church. Jim worked for a paper mill, and Deloris cared for their three children at home. They moved to Seattle in 1959, where their fourth child was born and they were members of the Ballard Church. Jim was baptized in 1968. Deloris had been baptized in the Everett Church in 1950. They moved to Camano Island in 1990.

The Brothers family includes Stephen Brothers of Vancouver, Wash., Loren Brothers of San Juan, Wash., Theodore and Debbie Brothers of Everett, Julie and Jeff Keeler of Holly Springs, N.C., and 5 grandchildren.



## Griffith 60th

Arthur and Alyce Griffith celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary March 28, 2004, with deaf church members,



family and friends at a reception hosted by their son, Alfred, in the Beaverton (Ore.) Church. They are members of the Grants Pass (Ore.) Church.

Arthur Griffith married Alvce Grove on April 16, 1944, in Portland's Sunnyside Church. They met at Gladstone Camp Meeting in 1942. Both deaf, they have allowed God to use them to minister to the deaf community of the church. They began publishing a newsletter for Adventist deaf members, "Deaf Advent Witness News" (DAWN), which the Oregon Conference later printed for them. Arthur became a full-time licensed pastor in 1961 and, in 1969, they completed a series of Bible studies on 16mm color film in sign language.

The Griffith family includes Alfred and Cheryl Griffith of Manteca, Calif., Donald and Ramona of Medford, Ore., Benjamin Griffith of Bradenton, Fla., Doris and Timothy Regan of Salem, Ore., Linda Griffith (deceased) and 10 grandchildren.

Knauft 65th

Emil and Marguerite Knauft celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary at a fellowship dinner prepared by the Nampa (Idaho) Church members and hosted by their son, Dan, and daughter, Joan.

Emil Knauft married Marguerite Dodge on June 11, 1939, in Fairfield, Wash., after his graduation from Walla Walla College. Emil had studied theology, and Marguerite took pre-nursing. They began their ministry in the Idaho Conference in 1939 and did pastoral/evangelistic work in the Michigan, Austria, Washington and Northern California conferences. In Michigan, Emil was the principal of Cedar Lake Academy for three years. Marguerite worked for 27 years in hospitals and nursing homes as a charge nurse.

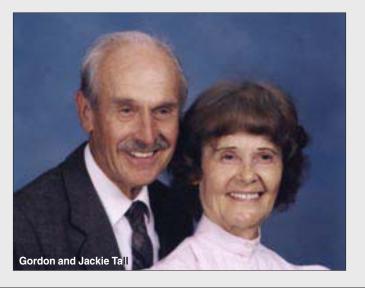
The Knauft family includes Richard and Seyong Knauft of Chesapeake, Va., Daniel and Ann Knauft of Issaquah, Wash., Joan Baker of Nampa, 11 grandchildren and 11 greatgrandchildren.

## Tall 60th

Gordon and Jackie Tall of Dryden, Wash., celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary May 30, 2004, with their relatives and friends at the Cashmere (Wash.) Church.

Gordon Tall married Jackie Fedde on May 31, 1944, in Fresno, Calif., when Gordon obtained a pass from Fort Lawton. The couple exchanged letters while Gordon was stationed in Alaska in the Army Air Corp as a medic. Jackie was a dental assistant and later assembled electrical units for B-17s. For 13 winters they were "snowbirds" and went on seven projects with Mission Church Builders-Gordon doing wiring and Jackie working in the kitchen.

The Tall family includes Eldon and Ronnie Tall of Dryden, Wash.; Randy and Sharrie Tall of Enumclaw, Wash.; 5 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.





**BIONDELLO**—Angelina Theadora was born April 23, 2004, to Sal and Danette (Payne) Biondello, Keizer,

**CRAIK**—Caleb R. was born April 27, 2004, to Aaron and Kristen (Ensminger) Craik, Walla Walla, Wash.

**CREITZ**—David William Christopher was born April 30, 2004, to Randy and Kristie (Fortiner) Creitz, College Place, Wash.

**DONALDSON**—Madison Elise was born May 15, 2004, to Derrick and Monica (Messenger) Donaldson, Hillsboro, Ore.

**HEDRICK**—Michael R. was born May 27, 2004, to Rolland and Julia (Smith) Hedrick, Walla Walla,

PAYNE—Micah Aaron was born April, 18, 2004, to Aaron and Peggy (Christienson) Payne, Battle Ground, Wash.

**JACABAN**—Ryan Everett was born June 15, 2004, to Ron E. and d'Ann (Neidigh) Jacaban, Tillamook, Ore.

**SCHAFER**—Samuel David George was born April 29, 2004, to Don and Sharon (Hintz) Schafer, College Place, Wash.

**SMITH**—Arthur Laurence was born Jan. 12, 2004, to Lauren and Amy (Wesner) Smith, Portland,

**SMITH**—Penelope Anne was born Jan. 12, 2004, to Lauren and Amy (Wesner) Smith, Portland, Ore.

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### CANWELL-FACKENTHALL-

Chelane Canwell, Johannes Fackenthall, June 6, 2004, Walla Walla, Wash., where they are making their home.

CATT-HEIN—Nicole R. Catt, Matthew J. Hein, June 6, 2004, Oregon City, Ore. They are making their home in Eugene, Ore.

**DOWNS-WOEHLER**—Jennifer Downs, Aaron Woehler, June 6, 2004, Sandpoint, Idaho. They are making their home in Caldwell, Idaho.

FARMER-WHEELER—Nealy Farmer, Jared Wheeler, May 28, 2004, Grants Pass, Ore., where they are making their home.

HATHAWAY-HARTWELL—Natalie Hathaway, Nathan Hartwell, June 18, 2004, Salem, Ore., where they are making their home.

HONEY-FERGUSON—Kari L. Honey, Brian S. Ferguson, May 15, 2004, Fall Creek, Ore. They are making their home in Albany, Ore.

JONES-HART—Erin Jones, Brian Hart, June 11, 2004, College Place, Wash. They are making their home in Eugene, Ore.

LOPEZ-MCGINNIS—Rita Lopez, Dennis McGinnis, June 13, 2004, Lacey, Wash. They are making their home in Olympia, Wash.

LUCERO-LAPLANTE—Ruth Lucero, Edward Laplante, May 5, 2004, Winston, Ore., where they are making their home.

MAGNUSON-MESSERVY-

Amelia Magnuson, Michael L. Messervy, May 2, 2004, Wenatchee, Wash. They are making their home in Wytheville, Va.

**ANDERSON**—R. Allen, 55; born March 11, 1949, Malden, Mass.: died May 7, 2004, Clayton, Wash. Surviving: wife, Sylvia (Chambers); son, Lucas, Clayton; daughters, Heather and Katherine, both of Clayton; brother, Don Anderson, Tacoma, Wash.; sisters, Gail Tangle, Albuquerque, N.M., Georgia Anderson, Chehalis, Wash., Denise Grunert, Rochester, Wash., Debi Anderson White, Tacoma.

BECK—Laura, 86; born Aug. 19, 1917, Watkins, Mont.; died May

18, 2004, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: sister, Verna Dixon, Portland, Ore.

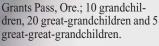
**BENSON**—Betty J. (Stewart), 82; born April 4, 1922, Lead, S.D.; died April 12, 2004, Grants Pass, Ore. Surviving: sons, Daniel W., Corpus Christi, Texas, Stephen S., Huntington Beach, Calif., Thomas B., San Ramon, Calif., John R., Grants Pass; daughter, Nola J. Harris, Grants Pass, Janet G. Rummer, Gold Hill, Ore.; 15 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

BERTLESON—Glen T., 84; born Dec.7, 1919, Ontario, Ore.; died May 5, 2004, Nampa, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Leta (Daniels); sons, Douglas, Pasadena, Calif., Ted, Boise, Idaho, Ron, Moscow, Idaho; daughter, Teresa Bertleson, Pocatello, Idaho; stepdaughters, June Gardner, Hillsboro, Ore., Mary Kelley, Caldwell, Idaho, Ann Munroe, Eugene, Ore.; stepsons, Bob, Graham, Wash., Joe Daniels, Nampa.

**BISHOP**—Mary Louise (Place), 97; born Oct. 16, 1906, Marietta, Ohio; died May 21, 2004, Falls City, Ore. Surviving: son, Ed Bishop, Wash.; daughter, Julie Bishop, Falls City; 2 grandchildren.

COOK—Myrtle I. (DeLana), 97; born April 11, 1907, Hanford, Calif.; died June 3, 2004, Astoria, Ore. Surviving: sons, Melvin L., Nampa, Idaho, W. Jim, Svensen, Ore.; daughter, Marian Kunnunen, Astoria, Ore.; sister, Donna Grubb,

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DAWES—Anna (Allen), 89; born Nov. 13, 1914, Neppel, Wash.; died May 8, 2004, College Place, Wash. Surviving: son, Allen, Walla Walla, Wash.; daughter, Donna Finkbiner, Jacksonville, Ore.; 1 grandchild.

**DOBBINS**—Mervin "Bud" D., 83; born Nov. 19, 1919, Zanesville, Ohio; died Sept. 22, 2003, Portland, Ore. Surviving: wife, Pearl (MacKay); son, James, Sutherlin, Ore.; daughter, Lori Gruenbeek, Costa Mesa, Calif.; 4 grandchildren.

FEYEN—Betty V. (Burke), 79; born Oct. 31, 1924, Timberlake, S.D.; died May 14, 2004, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, Dorsett; sons, Monty, Laguna Beach, Calif., Donald, Walla Walla; daughters, Lonnie Draeger, College Place, Wash., Jacqueline, Walla Walla.; sisters, Gracie Cafferky, College Place, Mary Nelson, Gaston, Ore.

FOLAND—Rheta D. (Walden), 71; born April 23, 1933, Walla Walla, Wash.; died May 23, 2004, Milton-Freewater, Ore. Surviving: son, Tim Marlatt, Sumner, Wash.; daughter, Debi Eaton, Milton-Freewater; sister, Evelyn Zeilinski, Los Angeles, Calif.; 2 grandchildren.

gray—Irwin "Buck" E., 76; born Nov. 1, 1927, Klamath Falls, Ore.; died May 28, 2004, Shasta County, Calif. Surviving: wife, Althea (Langberg); bothers, Don, Vancouver, Wash., Ivan, Billings, Mont.; sisters, Violet Machado, Cottonwood, Calif., Margaret McDonald, Paradise, Calif., Helen Winkle, Ukiah, Calif.

HOULE—Fredrick J., 75; born July 31, 1928, Ronan, Mont.; died Feb. 12, 2004, Tuscon, Ariz. Surviving: wife, Myrna (Smith); sons, Joseph, Ronan, Mont., Thomas, Polson, Mont.; daughters, Theresa Rider, Portland, Ore., Sally Fend, Apache Junction, Ariz., Rhonda Folkers, Vail, Ariz.; stepson, Victor John Starkel II, St. Ignatius, Mont., stepdaughters, Caralee Lee, St. Ignatius, Kelly Crippen, Sheridan, Mont., Constance Starkel, Ronan.

JONES—Alger J., 85; born April 3, 1919, Johnson County, Ind.; died April 6, 2004, Fresno, Calif. Surviving: wife, Maria (Saliceti), Mariposa, Calif.; son, Charles, Wawonna, Calif.; daughter, Theresa Henriques, Pasco, Wash.; sisters, Wilma Mundy, Modesto, Calif., Kathryn Murray, Greenwood, Ind., Maxine Moore, Martinsville, Ind.; 4 step-grandchildren.

LARSON—Robert D., 84; born Oct. 9, 1919, North Bend, Wash.; died May 30, 2004, Ridgefield, Wash. Surviving: wife, Dorothy (Robertson); son, Timothy, Nampa, Idaho; 2 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

LORENZ—Albert D., 91; born May 6, 1913, Peckham, Colo.; died May 26, Corvallis, Mont. Surviving: wife, Esther (Riddle); sons, Daniel and Russell, both of Calif., Kenneth, Okla.; daughter, Kathryn, Colo.; 9 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, 5 stepgrandchildren and 4 step-greatgrandchildren.

**LUVAAS**—Theo (Parks), 88; born May 22, 1915, Sprague, Wash.; died May 12, 2004, Spokane, Wash. Surviving: son, Burton, Lewiston, Idaho; daughter, Linda Olsen, Spokane, Wash.

**MCDANIEL**—Gladys M. (Crownover), 82; born March

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6, 1922, Shawnee, Okla.; died May 15, 2004, Springfield, Ore. Surviving: son, David, Springfield; daughters, Betty Jean Savino, Anaheim, Calif., Patricia Kiess, Wall Kill, N.Y.; brothers, Bob Crownover, Springfield, Don Crownover, Ocean Shores, Wash., Doyle Crownover, Albuquerque, N.M.; 7 grandchildren and 6 greatgrandchildren.

MILLER—Audrey L. (Beaver), 91; born Sept. 2, 1912, Granby, Mo.; died May 23, 2004, Apache Junction, Ariz. Surviving: sons, Robert, Apache Junction, Richard, Deer Park, Wash.; daughter, Twyla Ringering, Apache Junction; brother, Donald Beaver, San Francisco, Calif.; sisters, Della Jo Larkin, Springfield, Mo., Nora Ellis, Neosho, Mo.

**NEUFELD**—Elizabeth E, 94; born April 5, 1909, Waldheim, Saskatchewan, Canada; died March, 22, 2004, Portland, Ore.

NEW—Gladys (Dinwiddie), 94; born May 7, 1910, Reader, N.D.; died May 11, 2004, Gresham, Ore. Surviving: son, Ralph, Boring, Ore.; brother, Gilbert Dinwiddie, Gresham; 10 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, 1 great-grandgrandchild and 4 step-great-grandchildren.

**OSBORNE**—Dorothy K. (Griffin), 84; born April 18, 1920, Ashville, N.C.; died May 17, 2004, Yakima, Wash. Surviving: son, Michael, Yakima; daughter, Judith Hart, Oak Glen, Calif.; 5 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

**REDFORD**—Harriet L. (Reed), 77; born April 27, 1926, College Place, Wash.; died Dec. 19, 2003, McMinnville, Ore. Surviving: husband, Bill; son, Steve, Sandy, Ore.

ROWE—Robert L., 85; born Feb. 28, 1919, San Leandro, Calif.; died June 5, 2004, Williams, Ore. Surviving: wife, Lois (Votaw); son, Bryan, Williams; daughters, Becki Nightingale, Carol Curnow, both of San Bernadino, Calif., Anita Hedden, Williams; brothers, Dan, Squaw Valley, Calif., Richard, Tonasket, Wash.; sisters, Esther Williams, Irene Tupper, both of San Jose, Calif.; 5 grandchildren.

**SEAUNIER**—Eva V. (Armstead) Leyde, 94; born March 1, 1910,

Brocket, N.D.; died June 11, 2004, Sultan, Wash. Surviving: sons, Bill Leyde, Clyde Park, Mont., Dale Leyde, Toledo, Wash., Larry Seaunier, Monroe, Wash.; daughters, Betty Sarbu, Clyde Park, Gloria Hansen, Monroe, Vivian Pfiefle, Sultan; 15 grandchildren, and 31 great-grandchildren.

**SIEVERS**—Elvin W., 85; born Sept. 13, 1918, Taylor, N.D.; died May 26, 2004, Monroe, Wash. Surviving: wife, Ruby (Klein), Redmond, Wash.; son, Allan J., Oregon City, Ore.; daughters, Karen Brashear, Richland, Wash., Sherry Lacey, Redmond; brother, Ivan, Taylor, N.D.; sisters, Irene Bliss, Walker, Iowa, Elfreda Dale, Albuquerque, N.M.; 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

STRODE—Roberta Jane (Parmele), 85; born Jan. 10, 1919, Portland, Ore.; died May 9, 2004, The Dalles, Ore. Surviving: husband, Earl D.; daughter, Linda Rhodes, The Dalles.

**SUMERLIN**—Berton C., 78; born Sept. 2, 1925, Creston, Wash.; died June 8, 2004, Grants Pass, Ore. Surviving: wife, Myrtle (Waters), Canyonville, Ore.; sons, John B., David C., both of Days Creek, Ore.; daughters, Anita Olson, Boyton Beach, Fla., Elizabeth Pirtlé, Virginia Beach, Va.; brothers, Howard, Alamo, Calif., Jim, Chewelah, Wash.; sister, June Peterson, Kirkland, Wash.;10 grandchildren.

TUCKER—Alfred J., 95; born March 14, 1909, Blanchard, Mich.; died May 12, 2004, Sandpoint, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Ruth (Kincaid); sons, Richard and Wendell, both of Sandpoint, Idaho; daughter, Marjorie Dillon, Denver, Colo.; brothers, Othel, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Kenneth, Sandpoint, Idaho; sister, Ruth

Weaver, Sun City, Ariz.; 8 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

**WALKER**—Lentina (Miller), 87; born June 5, 1916, Wirch, N.D.; died April 25, 2004, Monroe, Wash. Surviving: son, Vernon, College Place, Wash.; daughter, Diane Rogers, Monroe; 5 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

**WALLEN**—Sigrid L. (Johnson), 91; born May 13, 1912, Manistique, Mich.; died March 12, 2004, Renton, Wash. Surviving: sons, Ernest, Ronan, Mont., Carl, Vancouver, Wash.; daughters, Myrtle Bigelow, Prineville, Ore., Pluma Wright and Ethel Acosta, both of Renton; 22 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren.

**WEH**—Martha (Unternaehrer) 92; born May 1, 1911, East Prussia; died Feb. 27, 2004, Snohomish,

Wash. Surviving: husband, Erwin; sons, Herbert, Woodinville, Wash.; daughters, Adele Hann, Mukilteo, Wash., Irma Williams, Marysville, Wash., Ursula Jorgenson, Snohomish; brothers, Harry and Herbert Unternaehrer, both of Switzerland; sisters, Gertrude Frost, Germany, Christa Schnarwyler, New York, N.Y., Herta Bruggman, Switzerland; 12 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

**WISTERT**—Marguerite "Ellie" (Koenig), 83; born Oct. 30, 1920, Chicago, Ill.; died June 4, 2004, Grants Pass, Ore.; Surviving: husband, Albert; daughter, Kathy Jo, Grants Pass, Pamela Avila, Paso Robles, Calif., Diana L. Rorabacher, Fayetteville, Ark.; brother, W.M.D. Koenig, Reno, Nev.; sister; Dorothy Newberry, Portland, Ore.; 3 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.



## OUNCEMEN

## NPUC

## **Offerings**

Aug. 7—Local Church Budget; Aug. 14—Oakwood College/ Andrews University/Loma Linda University; Aug. 21—Local Church Budget; Aug. 28—Local Conference Advance; Sept. 4— Local Church Budget.

## **Disaster Response Training**

The Adventist Community Services Disaster Response Institute will be held Sept. **8–12** at the Gladstone (Ore.) Conference Center. The institute will include the full curriculum of disaster response training and will provide the highest level of certification for those who complete the courses presented. Courses will include "Disaster Volunteer Orientation," "Disaster Preparedness," "Disaster Leadership," "Warehouse Management" and others. "Trainthe-Trainer" and a special oneday refresher course will be provided for those who have previously completed steps 1 through 5.

On Sabbath, Sept. 11, we will remember the tragedy of that day three years ago during a special program and will contemplate the mission of ACS Disaster Response to "serve the poor and hurting in Christ's name."

For more information, contact your church or conference ACS leader, call (541) 276-5943 or email denniso@oregontrail.net.

## IDAHO

## **Christian Women's** Retreat

Idaho Conference Christian Women's Retreat at Camp Ida-Haven in McCall, Idaho, Sept. **10–12**. Cathy Ireland will speak on the theme, "Glory to Glory: Lessons Learned from the Gracefilled Life." The registration

deadline is Sept. 1. On Saturday night will be the Talent Review; indicate interest in participating and talent with registration. Event T-shirts can be ordered in advance (recommended). For more information including cost or to request a registration form, contact Jean Coneff at (208) 467-2024, (208) 371-9764 or jmconeff@ctcweb.net.

## MONTANA

## **Montana Women's** Retreat

The 14th annual Montana Christian Women's Retreat. "Daughters of God," will be held Sept. 10–12, at the Glacier Bible Camp in Hungry Horse, Mont. Hyveth Williams, senior pastor of the Campus Hill Church in Loma Linda, Calif., will be the main speaker. Three workshops will be offered: "The Victory is Ours-How to Stop Being a Victim and Live Like a Victor Instead,"

"Family Traditions—Bind Them to Your Heart" and "Praying The Lord's Prayer." For brochures or more information, call (406) 388-8883 or write to: Montana Christian Women's Retreat, c/o Donna Wagner, 175 Canyon View Rd., Bozeman, MT 59715.

## OREGON

## **Milo Registration**

Registration and move-in date for Milo Adventist Academy is Aug. 15. Classes begin Monday, Aug. 16. For more information call (541) 825-3200 ext. 3317.

## **Celebrated Speaker**

Internationally acclaimed preacher and prolific writer Hyveth Williams will speak at the Oregon Conference office, 13455 S.E. 97th Ave., Clackamas, Oregon, on Sabbath, Aug. 21. Your Bible Speaks Church women's ministries invites all to hear Williams as she presents

"Speaking Up with a Holy Boldness." Williams is the first black female pastor and the first female senior pastor in our denomination. She is the senior pastor of Campus Hill Church in Loma Linda, Calif., serves as a Loma Linda University adjunct professor of religion, and has authored numerous books and magazine articles.

Sabbath School starts at 9:30 a.m. Williams will speak at 11 a.m. for divine worship. A light lunch will be served afterward. Musical praise service begins at 4 p.m., with Williams speaking again at 5:30 p.m.

## **T-Dub Club**

An invitation is extended to all who attended Laurelwood Academy during the time T.W. Walters was dean of men and/or principal. This gathering will be held **Aug. 27–29** at the Gladstone Conference Center. For more

details, phone (503) 879-5430 or write to: Estel Wright, 27620 Andy Riggs Rd., Grand Ronde, OR 97347.

## **Revelation Now Seminar**

Revelation Now, an evangelistic series of meetings with Jac and 'dena Colon, is coming to the Roseburg Church, 1109 N.W. Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Ore. The meetings will open on **Sept. 10** at 7:15 p.m. You are welcome to come and invite your friends and relatives. For further information, contact 'dena Colon at (253) 709-1306 or dena@revelation-now.com.

## **Columbia Academy Classics**

Columbia Academy graduates and attendees of years past will get together at the Gladstone Conference Center Oct. 1–3. The Class of '54 (new "classics") will present programs Friday evening and Sabbath. Plenty of time for sharing memories of CA. Enjoy Sunday breakfast and stay to visit as long as you want to. Call Jim Dixon to reserve a room at the camp ground and arrange for meals at (503) 761-8175.

## **Habla Español?**

If you are fluent in Spanish and live near Kelso/Longivew, Wash., we need your help. God has given us a vision of ministry to our Hispanic community. Ramon Canals will conduct an evangelistic crusade Oct. 9–23 in our church. Already plans are being laid. If you can help, please call the church at (360) 423-7344 or Marcia Stone at (360) 425-0868.

## WASHINGTON

## North Puget Looking for Former Staff

North Puget Adventist Jr. Academy/Skagit Adventist School is looking for all former principals, teachers, staff and students. We are planning a 40th anniversary celebration for the school and would like to invite everyone to this event. Please e-mail current address to sherylk@starband.net or res0zse7@verizon.net or mail to: Sheryl Kidrick, 3716 Trumpeter Ct., Mt. Vernon, WA 98273. For more information, call (360) 428-2082.

## WORLD CHURCH

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## **TIPS FOR AUTHORS**

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Nadine Platner Dower, GLEANER managing editor

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Fearless Factor; Aug. 28—The Amazing Race of Amazing Grace.

## **Oak Park Reunion at Walla Walla College**

Oak Park Academy of Nevada, Iowa, will have an alumni chapter meeting at Walla Walla College, **Sept. 17–19**. The class of 1944 will be honored. Speakers include Paul DeBooy, Jack Harris, Jim Davis and special guest Maxine Meier-Wagner. For more information, call Richard Affolter in Walla Walla at (509) 529-5145.

## **NASDAD Convention** 2004

The National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists (NASDAD) annual meeting will be held Sept. 29-Oct. 2, in Orlando, Fla. If you and your family are interested in joining us for a weekend filled with spiritual, educational and recreational activities, please contact the NASDAD office at (909) 558-8187 or nasdad@sd. llu.edu.

## **Reunion at Dakota Adventist Academy**

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All are welcome to attend a special celebration of missions held by Maranatha Volunteers International Oct. 8-10 at the Gladstone Conference Center near Portland, Ore. On Friday night, special guests from Peru will share exciting stories about church growth. On Sabbath, India's incredible need for new churches will be highlighted. The featured speaker for the weekend will be Dick Duerksen. Come and learn how you can be a part of Maranatha's new initiative to build 1,000 churches in 1,000 days. For more information, visit www.maranatha.org or call (916) 920-1900.

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## **Pearl Harbor Reunion**

The 63rd Anniversary Pearl Harbor Reunion will leave Los Angeles on **Dec. 4** to arrive in Honolulu in time to attend a remembrance ceremony at the Arizona Memorial plus visits to the USS Missouri, Hickman Field, Schofield Barracks and other historic Dec. 7, 1941, sites. For information, contact Sy Canton, 5277B Lakefront Blvd., Delray Beach, FL 33484, or call (561) 865-8495.

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Juneau	9:04	8:47	8:28	8:09
Ketchikan	8:39	8:24	8:08	7:51
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Boise	9:01	8:51	8:41	8:28
La Grande	8:12	8:02	7:50	7:38
Pocatello	8:44	8:34	8:23	8:12
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Billings	8:35	8:25	8:13	8:00
Havre	8:48	8:36	8:23	8:09
Helena	8:51	8:40	8:28	8:16
Miles City	8:26	8:15	8:03	7:51
Missoula	9:00	8:49	8:37	8:24
OREGON CO	NFEREN	CE		
Coos Bay	8:32	8:22	8:11	8:00
Medford	8:24	8:15	8:04	7:53
Portland	8:31	8:20	8:09	7:56
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Pendleton	8:16	8:05	7:54	7:41
Spokane	8:16	8:04	7:52	7:39
Walla Walla	8:15	8:04	7:53	7:40
Wenatchee	8:27	8:16	8:03	7:50
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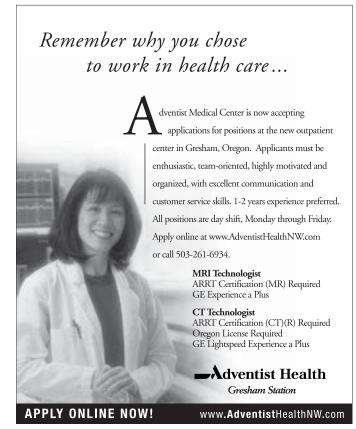
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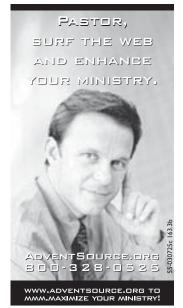
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In 1948 there were 9,749 SDA churches and the Adventist membership worldwide was 672,658. (There were 22,088 members in China.) Gandhi

was assassinated in New Delhi, India. The State of Israel was established. A loaf of bread cost 14 cents. The average cost of a new home was \$13,500. W. H. Branson, one of the missionaries expelled from China in 1948, became General Conference President in 1950.

## 1963—Missionary plane put into service in Peru

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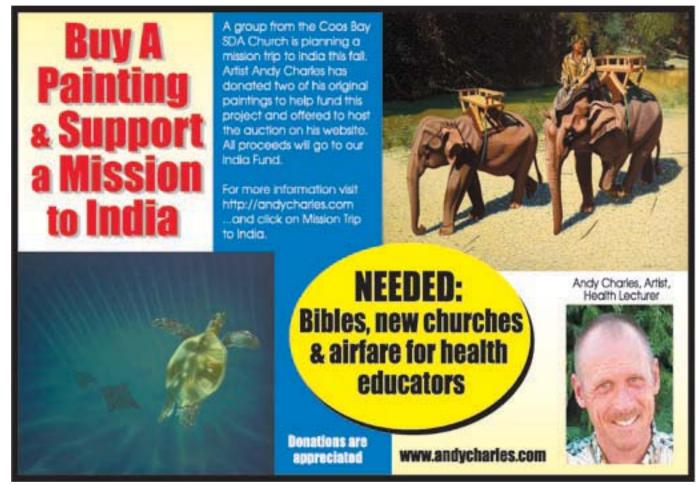
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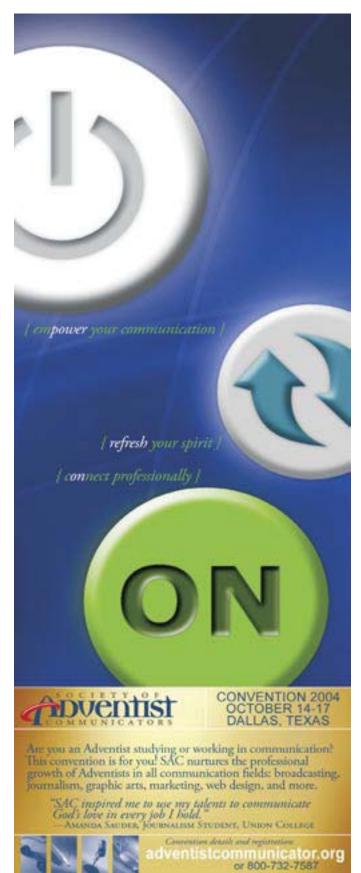
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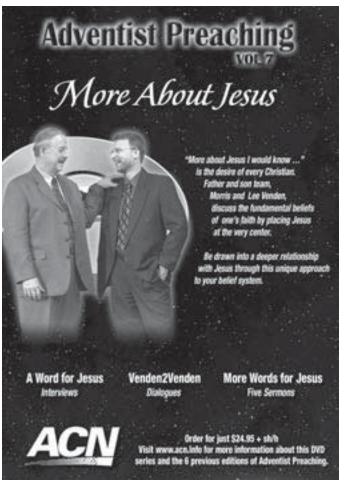
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