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The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son.
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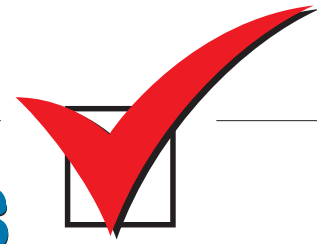
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Top 10 Ways to Kill Your Church

BY JERE PATZER



Institutionalize. Make sure that the majority of the church budget is used to maintain the existing programs and structure. Don't spend too much on outreach. When the Waldensians who had lived and died for their faith for centuries joined the general Protestant Reformation in 1532, they went from a movement to an institution and lost their focus. But history won't repeat itself.



Be apologetic about our Seventh-day Adventist name. Successful organizations like McDonalds, Honda or Nordstrom wouldn't think of promoting their logo. So call your church or school something generic like the *Community of Happy Friends Fellowship*. Maybe someone will inadvertently wander in and then a year or two later you can tell them who you are.



Don't emphasize mission or mission offerings. Ellen G. White was wrong when she said the best way to strengthen the home field is to invest in foreign missions. After all, charity begins at home. And by all means don't show the quarterly Northwest Spotlight on Mission DVD that comes to your church highlighting stories close to home.



Lower the standards. We don't want anyone to feel disenfranchised. Robinson Crusoe didn't know what he was talking about when he said, "Expand the fences too far and the goats on the inside become as wild as the goats on the outside." It doesn't really matter what your members eat, drink or do.



Make music the war department. Use the same style all the time. Just repeat sweet little praise ditties each week. And definitely don't use hymns that reinforce our fundamental beliefs. Always remember upbeat music is from the devil. Or only sing 1800s songs with four-finger accompaniment. That will make the older saints drool for the good old days.



Public evangelism is passé. Systematic reaping meetings are too confrontational. Besides, the evangelist might use some proof texts. Don't ever emphasize prophecy; the public has no interest in future events. Limit evangelism to something creative: knitting evangelism, beach evangelism, golf evangelism. Eventually someone may hit their golf ball into the church parking lot. Then you've got them.



Doctrinal pluralism will maintain church unity. The Presbyterian Church lost 1.2 million members in 21 years because it chose pluralism and became "devoid of a clear theological voice," according to the award-winning book, *The Presbyterian Controversy*. But that doesn't mean it would happen to Adventists. So just pick which of the 28 fundamental beliefs you like from our *theological cafeteria*.



Never discipline. Families and churches are much stronger and happier without any discipline. The Gospel song was all wrong when it says, "If mercy's all we ever show, there's half a God they'll never know."



Ignore the inspired writings. Ellen G. White predicted her teachings would become of "non-effect." Make the red books the unread books. Consider her teachings devotional but not authoritative, particularly in areas of science and archeology. Remember how effective they were as "*Club of the Month books*."



De-emphasize the distinctives. Dean Kelley, a Methodist guest lecturer at Andrews University, said, "... Tithing, the seventh-day Sabbath, foot washing, etc., are the things that make the Seventh-day Adventist Church unique, distinctive and demanding. How can the Seventh-day Adventist Church stop growing? Be like the Methodists." Kelley was a Methodist, so what does he know about Adventists?

If your church is currently not experiencing growth, or worse, has a decline in attendance, be honest. Ask some tough questions. Take this list to your next church board meeting and discuss it during the devotional time. And if any of these "suggestions" apply to your church, for heaven's sake, change it. It's too late in earth's history to be just playing church. •



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

Northwest Coastlines

The Oregon Coast

- ✧ Oregon's general coastline is 296 miles. The tidal shoreline including bays, estuaries and islands extends 1,410 miles.
- ✧ There are nine lighthouses standing along the coastline. Five are still being used; the others are designated historic monuments.
- ✧ The Tillamook Rock Lighthouse, built in 1880, is currently used as the site of the final resting place of up to 467,000 cremated individuals.
- ✧ The "glowing sands" are caused by tiny, bioluminescent phytoplankton called dinoflagellates. They are best seen when walking on the beach on a dark night after a sunny day and a few days of rain and rough seas. This increases the chances of bringing these organisms to shore.
- ✧ Astoria, founded in 1811, is the oldest U.S. settlement west of the Rockies.

The Washington Coast

- ✧ Washington's general coastline is 157 miles. The tidal shoreline including bays, estuaries, Puget Sound and its islands is 3,026 miles.
- ✧ At low tide, there can be up to 786 islands in the Puget Sound.
- ✧ Washington has at least 24 lighthouses, with all but one of them active.
- ✧ The westernmost point in the continental U.S. is Cape Alava. La Push is the westernmost town in the contiguous U.S.
- ✧ The longest, natural sand spit in the U.S. is the Dungeness Spit along the Puget Sound shoreline.

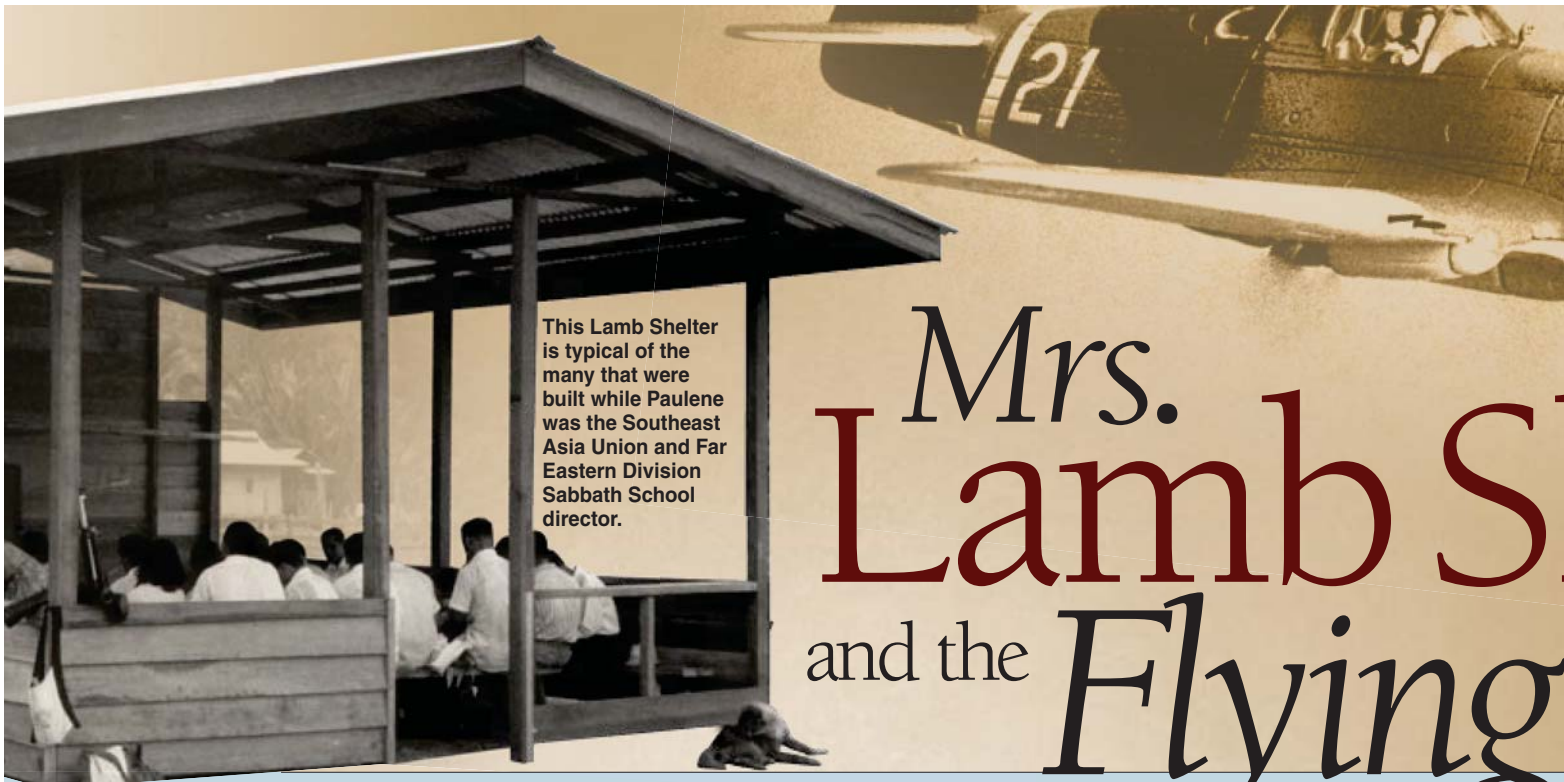
Source: Compiled from various state information Web sites.

- ✧ The Long Beach peninsula is the longest natural beach in the U.S.
- ✧ The Washington State Ferry System is the largest Ferry System in the U.S. and the state's No. 1 tourist attraction. The Coleman Dock/Washington State Ferry Terminal, Pier 52 is the busiest ferry landing in the U.S.

The Alaska Coast

- ✧ The Alaskan coastline extends for 6,640 miles, a distance greater than that of all the other states' coastlines combined. Including islands, Alaska has 33,904 miles of shoreline.
- ✧ Alaska has 12 lighthouses.
- ✧ The port in Nome is frozen eight to 10 months of the year.
- ✧ The second greatest tide range in North America is 38.9 feet near Anchorage in Upper Cook Inlet.
- ✧ Kodiak Island is Alaska's largest island.
- ✧ The coastal waters of Alaska provide nearly 6 billion pounds of wild seafood to the world every year.
- ✧ Alaska has five species of salmon; King, Coho, Sockeye, Chum and Pink.
- ✧ There are 14 species of whales in Alaskan waters: Orca, Sperm, Beluga, Blue, Bowhead, Northern, Right, Finback, Humpback, Sei, Minke, Gray, Pilot and Narwahl.
- ✧ Approximately 1.25 million Pacific Fur Seals return to the Pribilof Islands each year.
- ✧ Great White sharks have been found in Southeast Alaskan waters.





This Lamb Shelter is typical of the many that were built while Paulene was the Southeast Asia Union and Far Eastern Division Sabbath School director.

Mrs. Lamb S and the Flying

It was 1941 and the American Volunteer Group, the Flying Tigers, was in China to help slow or repel the Japanese invasion. Paulene Barnett and her husband Doyle were young missionaries who had gone to China in the fall of 1940 along with several other couples. This group had been sent to Burma to get away from the Japanese invasion and to study the Chinese language for a year. Then in an epic journey that took two months, they traveled the Burma Road from Rangoon to Kunming, headquarters of General Claire L. Chennault and the Flying Tigers.

One day Paulene and Helen Lee, another missionaries' wife, were invited to a Flying Tigers party. After dinner, the music started and General Chennault came over and asked Paulene to dance with him. She said, "I'm sorry, I don't even know how to dance." He said, "Come on, I'll show you. This will be your first lesson." "He

just put his arm around me quite tight and said 'Here let me show you, it is quite easy to dance.' I said, 'but I would love to see you dance with someone your equal who really knows how. It's so kind of you to ask me and I do thank you.' His reply was so gracious as he said, 'Well, why don't we just sit down and visit for a while.' Much to my surprise we had an interesting visit which continued for about an hour. It is an unforgettable memory."

Doyle and Paulene met at Southwestern Junior College, were married in 1940 and two weeks later started their journey to Shanghai. They served in China and Taiwan more than 23 years. Paulene began her Sabbath School work in Taiwan, visiting churches and training leaders to teach children's Sabbath Schools. In 1963, Paulene went to Singapore and became the Southeast Asia Union Sabbath School director. Here is her story in her own words.

While traveling in Sabah, Borneo, I went to a one-room church packed with people sitting on sawhorse benches. My first impression was

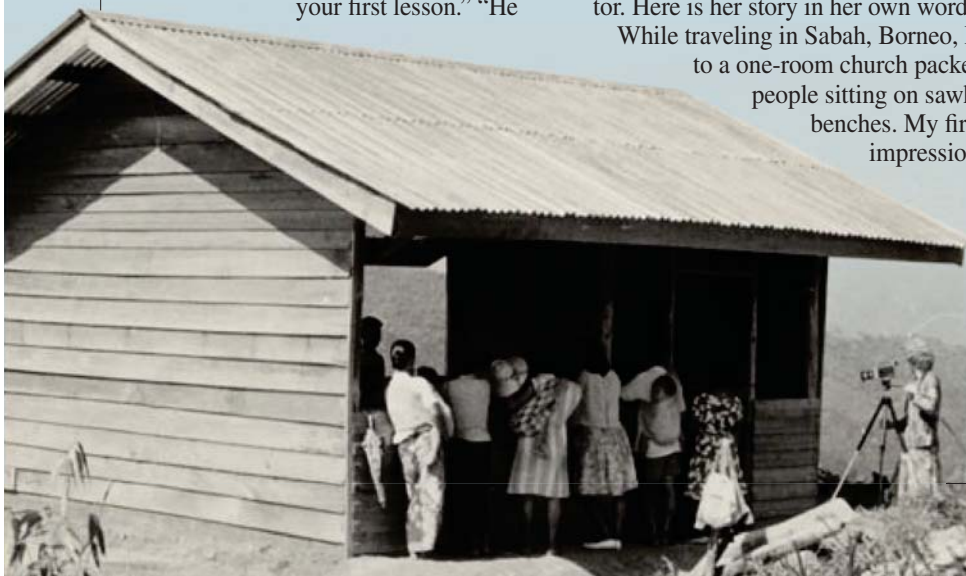
that it was the noisiest church I had ever been in. The teacher was shouting above the din of the noise. Babies were crying, boys and girls of all ages were in the aisle. Fortunately I didn't have to yell when I spoke. The translator took care of that. During the preliminaries, I had a chance to count the number of children. There were at least 98.

When the church service was over, I asked to meet with the elders and leaders in the church. I told them that I was concerned that these children were not hearing about the love of Jesus. The leaders agreed that they would like to teach their children, but they said, "You can see we have no place for them, not even a tree for them to sit under for shade from the hot sun and no place for them when the downpours of rain come. What can we do?"

Back in my office in Singapore while writing programs for all the children's Sabbath Schools, one Bible verse caught my full attention. Jesus questioned Peter three times: "Do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Then feed my lambs."

The picture of that country church with 98 children not being fed flooded my mind. But how can we feed the children if they have no shelter from the hot tropical sun and heavy downpours of rain?

Lamb Shelters were designed to shade the children from the sun and protect them from the heavy rains during Sabbath School.





Looking at an album filled with pictures of people and Lamb Shelters, Paulene and Doyle Barnett reminisce about their 42 years of mission service in the Far East.

Shelter Tigers

by Paulene Barnett

Several letters were on my desk one day when I entered my office, one from my mother and the other from my "second mother," Abbie Dun, who served in China until her retirement. As I opened Mother's letter, a check for \$25 fell out. The letter said, "Take this check and do something for the children." A check for \$25 was in the other letter and the message was, "Use this to help the children."

I sent the money to the most aggressive worker we had in Borneo asking him to build the best house shelter for the children to use on Sabbath. In less than a month he sent me a telegram giving the date and time the Lamb Shelter would be ready for dedication. I was there.

The Lamb Shelter was far better than expected. The little gate had a beautiful pink

ribbon across it for the official opening. The children rushed in for a seat. Some of the adults started to go in but they were stopped. It was explained that this "church building" was for children only.

After the service, a tribal man with an interpreter called me over to the side and began to point. "See that hill across this deep valley. There's a white house on top of that hill. That's my church. Come to my village and make us a Lamb Shelter too.

Flying home to Singapore my mind was working overtime. We have no money to build Lamb Shelters. But they are so desperately needed. We needed them quickly. Those precious children are growing up with no relationship with God. The parents don't know how to teach them the Bible.

More requests for Lamb Shelters were waiting on my desk when I entered my office. The members were already getting wood prepared for the building, but they did not have the money for the galvanized roof. The next day the mail came and included several letters from people I did not know and all had checks in them. One even had \$100 for a Lamb Shelter. Requests came flooding in for Lamb Shelters from other places in Sabah and then from all over the Far Eastern Division. The idea came to me, why don't we promise that if they will provide the structure, we will provide the galvanized roofing?



Located in the Sabah area of Borneo, these church members built the very first Lamb Shelter.

From that first Lamb Shelter built in Sabah, Borneo, during 1967, the idea of providing Sabbath School shelters for children spread all through Sarawak, Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines. Many of the children who went to Sabbath School in the Lamb Shelters are now active members of the church.

In 1976 Doyle and Paulene were called to the Far Eastern Division where Doyle was the Stewardship and Personal Ministries director and Paulene was the Division Sabbath School director and where she continued her work providing Lamb Shelters. They retired in 1983 after serving 42 years as missionaries in China and the Far East and now live in Walla Walla, Washington. •

Paulene Barnett as told to Richard Dower, GLEANER editor, who writes from Ridgefield, Washington.

Lamb Shelters Around the World

The legacy of that first Lamb Shelter has been felt around the world where a roof is all that is needed to protect the children as they learn about Jesus. Portions of three 13th Sabbath offerings have gone to construct Lamb Shelters in various divisions. Lamb Shelters can be found not only in the Far East, but in such areas as Africa, India, Papua New Guinea and in the Pacific Islands. New Lamb Shelters are still being built as funds become available.

Brothers

A Washington Couple Finds a Son in Zimbabwe
by Heidi Corder



We're done." After two guaranteed adoptions fell through, they figured God had another plan. So Mike and Renee McCune got their money back and put a waterfall in the back yard.

In the spring of 1999, the pastor asked Renee to organize the children's program for his upcoming evangelistic crusade in Zimbabwe. She always dreamed of going to Africa! Would Mike go with her too? Absolutely not!

But they needed someone to run the sound system. Preaching the Word falls flat unless people hear it. How could it reach their ears without amplification, and how would they amplify the sound without someone to run the system? Mike agreed a bit reluctantly, as long as Ryan, their 9-year-old son, came as well.

On opening night of the evangelistic series (and every night for the next three weeks), Zimbabwean kids swarmed around the Americans. They scribbled every sermon text on any bit and scrap of paper they found; they pressed close to get a chance at touching white skin. Ryan delighted them, and they easily separated him from the group. So Renee snagged a boy out of the crowd—he spoke clear English.

"Will you keep my son next to me?"

"Yes," he said.

From that moment, Eddie and Ryan stuck together. Eddie, who never got in trouble, skipped school to be with Ryan. He smuggled in so many snacks and sodas for Ryan that breakfast lost all appeal. At the end of three amazing weeks, all the children gathered to say goodbye.

"Family, we are family," they sang.

"Eddie," said Renee, "if I could put you in my suitcase, I'd take you home with me."

Eddie met Ryan in Africa in May 1999 while on a mission trip. They were inseparable and became brothers in May 2002.



The brothers Eddie and Ryan celebrate Eddie's graduation from UCA in 2006.



Eddie, Renee, Mike and Ryan McCune are excited as they watch God work in their family.

Ryan cried on the whole flight home. He and Eddie wrote letters back and forth, missed each other terribly, and wrote more letters. In the fall of 2001, Eddie wrote to invite Ryan to Zimbabwe for Christmas.

"These kids were half a world apart, and they were brothers," says Renee.

The September 11, 2001, attacks had just happened. Zimbabwe's problems grew worse as well—the exchange rate, the war, the rations, the beatings. Rather than send or take their son to Zimbabwe, Mike and Renee decided to invite Eddie to the U.S. for Christmas.

The Zimbabwean embassy, however, frowned on boys and young men trying to leave the country. Eddie already had a passport, but not the necessary permits and visas. His father drove all night to the embassy in Harari just for the permission interview. To prove their friendship, he presented copies of all the letters Eddie and Ryan had written back and forth.

Eddie's parents told the government to take their house if he stayed in the U.S. Mike and Renee wired his family money and more money to help get the visa. Generally, it takes more than one embassy visit to line up all the paperwork. Eddie, however, got through the permission interview and received his visa all in one trip.

"That shouldn't have happened," says Mike. It was a miracle.

So Eddie boarded the plane. He carried the McCunes' picture with him—if he got to their village and they weren't there to meet him, someone would know them and tell him where to go. The authorities almost turned him around in Switzerland, but he arrived safely.

Partway through the visit, Renee gathered Eddie's clothes to do laundry. She

found a note from his father: "If you send him back, he'll die."

Neither Eddie nor any of his family ever asked for money, clothing or opportunity. This time, out of love, Eddie's father asked for his life. Eddie's brother died in the political chaos in their country. Eddie had been caned. During his U.S. visit, the government shut down Eddie's school and forced the boys to join the army. Now, near the end of the three-week visit, Mike and Renee prayed hard, asking God what to do.

"Can you put him on the plane?" asked Mike.

"No," answered Renee. She put away the return ticket.

They looked into a student visa, but you can't get one after you enter the country. Other visas failed. One day, a lawyer called them out of the blue. "Have you thought about adoption?"

They thought they were done with adoption processes. But, Mike says, "We can't ask God what He wants us to do and then ignore it." Nothing else looked reasonable.

Since Eddie's parents were still alive, the adoption required their consent. The McCunes worked with government officials, the adoption agency, and Eddie's parents to arrange an interview. "They don't speak perfect English," they warned.

"If we can't understand them, we won't let it happen," said

an official. Later, the official contacted Mike and Renee. "What do you mean they don't speak perfect English?"

Eddie's adoption took three weeks. Because the adoption

agency had dealt with Mike and Renee on two prior occasions, they only needed a few last-minute details. Two weeks after Eddie's adoption, the U.S. passed a law making it illegal to adopt children whose parents were still alive from other countries.

"If Eddie's adoption had taken one week longer, it wouldn't have happened," says Mike. "Eddie would not be alive today if he had stayed over there."

Five years have passed since this journey first began. God has been very active throughout, working in the boys' lives as well as in Mike's and Renee's. Ryan is a sophomore at Upper Columbia Academy in Spangle, Washington. He loves school a lot! In 2006, Eddie graduated from UCA and now attends Walla Walla College. He hopes to become a lawyer. Mike and Renee continue to be blessed—it's "very exciting watching God work so vividly in our household!" •

Heidi Corder is an Upper Columbia Conference Development and Philanthropic Services administrative assistant and writes from Walla Walla, Washington.

Eddie graduated from Upper Columbia Academy in 2006 and has completed his freshman year at Walla Walla College and Ryan will begin his junior year at UCA when school begins again in 2007.



TWING'S LEGACY OF SERVICE IN TANZANIA

CONTINUES WITH TRAINING LAYPEOPLE TO SPREAD THE GOSPEL
BY RACHEL TERWILLEGAR

"I'm not sure why I said 'yes' for this project in Tanzania," quipped Viorel Catarama, vice president for evangelism, Adventist-laymen's Services and Industries (ASI), at the training session in Tanzania, East Africa. "Once we arrived," Viorel continued, "it became evident that it indeed was God's will."

The team traveling with Viorel included Rachel (formerly Twing) and Randal Terwillegar from Illinois, and Carol and Curtis Frembling from Texas. Tammy Twing Pannekoek, a vocalist, came from Sydney, Australia. Their project was just one of many conducted by ASI officers and board members in partnership with the church. Their mission is to teach laypeople around the world to use the *New Beginnings* DVD series, written and produced by Mark Finley and It is Written. Part of the "Train Them Now" program, the goal of ASI is to empower more than 2,500 laypeople to preach the gospel in their home territories, using materials written in their own language.

The tools for the training session were taken as excess bags on the flights of the



There are 230 students in the newly established Twing Memorial School in Tanzania.



Viorel Catarama, ASI vice president for evangelism, leads out in the *New Beginnings* DVD training program in Tanzania, East Africa.

team. There was no trouble getting all 30 bags, weighing 70 pounds each, through Kenya customs, but Tanzania was a challenge. Twenty-four hours after entry, negotiations were complete, and the bags were released. With joy and thanksgiving to God for His goodness, the team continued to Morogoro for the two-day training event.

The team toured the facilities at the East Tanzania Conference, including a local church where the seminar was to be held. On their way to the church, the team passed a cemetery. "I did not know that our training session would be held just a few hundred yards from the place where my father-in-law, Dr. James Twing, was laid to rest," Rachel explained. "Seeing his grave put finality to the story of his death I had shared with my children."

"It was amazing to me that almost everyone I talked with had a connection to Ethel "Mama" Twing, who served the church in Africa for 30 years after the death of her husband Dr. James A. Twing," Viorel explained. "It is fitting that

we train laymen here."

Training coordinator Musa Mitekaru (a pastor and professor at the University of Arusha), was just 14 years old when he came to work with Mama Twing, who at that time was a nurse at Heri Mission Hospital. She believed the work in Africa would be successful if Africans were educated and empowered for ministry. Musa is one of her many "children."

Laypeople traveled as many as three days to attend the training session. Upon completion of the two-day seminar a dedication service was held and Randal taught them how to use the DVD player. One by one each layperson was given their new tools, complete with accessories, *New Beginnings* DVDs, and a print-out of each presentation in Kiswahili.

After the training was finished, some of the team visited the Kigoma region where the Twings served. Musa proudly



After her husband's death, Ethel Twing carried on the work in Tanzania for another 30 years.



Realizing the value an airplane could be to the mission work in visiting 19 remote dispensaries operated by Heri Mission Hospital, James Twing, M.D., invested in a Cessna 172, outfitting it for short take-off and landing. He died on Jan. 26, 1972, in a plane accident trying to avoid a man who had walked out into the path of his plane as he was trying to land on a field near a village in Tobora, Tanzania, East Africa.



Jacob Gagi, East Tanzania Conference president; Musa Mitekaru; Rachel Twing Terwilligar; her daughter Tammy (Twing) Pannekoek; Randy Terwilligar; and Michael Twkaniki, one of Ethel Twing's students and personal ministries director for the conference, visit the grave of James Twing, M.D.

escorted them through the region where he grew up. He pointed out church after church proudly displaying the Adventist logo. "Mama Twing helped us build that church," he exclaimed. "And this one too," he added.

Throughout their travels the team saw many people walking down the side of the road. These people walking down the road early Sabbath morning were different. Smartly dressed, they were carrying Bibles. It was evident they were on their way to church! It was exciting to see results of the work of one small woman with vision, one who was bold in her approach to ministry, whose personal sacrifice included more than her own personal comfort. "I didn't know all that time why Grandma spent

Students attending the newly established Twing Memorial School sport the t-shirts they were given with the name of their school.



so much time in Africa. She was not around much when I was growing up," her granddaughter Tammy explained. "Seeing the results of her work helps me understand her absence in my life. I have no regrets. I'll use what time I have now to fully understand

her, and quite possibly, tell her story."

The team briefly toured Heri Mission Hospital and brought gifts to 230 students at the newly established Twing Memorial School. Their trip was perilous, and they even got stuck in the mud with a vehicle renamed a "4 Angel Drive."

As the team began their journey back across Tanzania, they stopped for a photo at the entrance to a refugee camp. They later learned that Musa was concerned about a man standing there, worrying that he would notify friends hiding in the

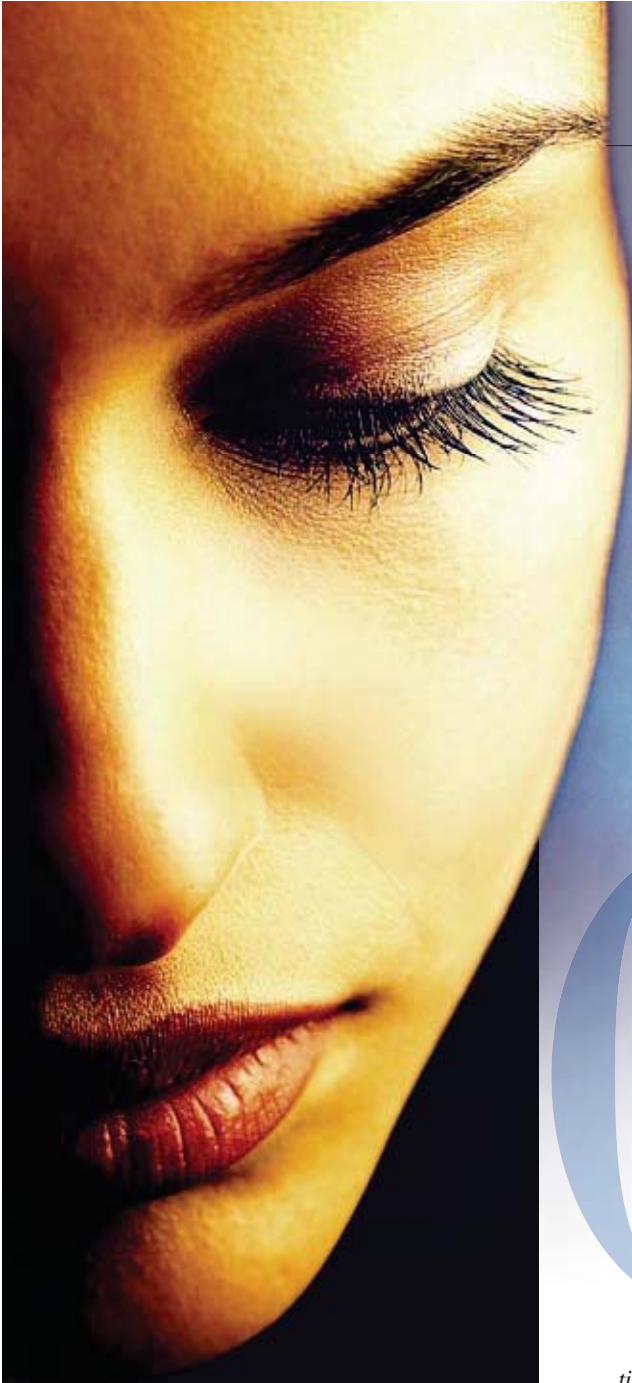
jungle down the road that a profitable ambush target was headed toward them. The photo was quickly taken, and Musa made haste down the highway. A phone call later confirmed that indeed was what happened. Two vehicles following the team were robbed! "Yes, we were riding in a 4 Angel Drive, with the Master of the Universe watching out for us," exclaimed Rachel.

The story of this project is told and illustrated on a blog at africaoutback.blogspot.com.

Rachel Terwilligar, Illinois Conference assistant to the president for communication, writes from Willowbrook, Illinois.



More than 300 laypeople from all over Tanzania attended the two-day ASI DVD training session.



Breaking

The Circle of Pain

by Kim Bryan

*I was married not quite a year when the yelling, profanity and demeaning started. **Then he started to accentuate what he was yelling with a slap or kick.** I was in shock at first. He was usually such a sweet guy and all of my friends would tell me how lucky I was to have him.*

It would sometimes be six months or more between abusive times. During this time he would promise that he would never hit me again. Then I could feel the tension building and know that another nightmare was just around the corner. I would try to keep everything just perfect and keep the kids quieter so he wouldn't have an excuse to blow. I would pray and cry out to God but I felt my prayers were falling to the ground all around me. No matter what I did he would eventually lose it, and my kids and I would suffer again.

My 9-year-old daughter called the police one night when she heard the screaming and crying. They hauled him away, and I filed a report. But he was back with all of the same old promises and a new threat. He told my daughter and me that if we ever went to the police again he would commit suicide. He had a lot of guns in the house, and he was always waving them in my face when he was trying to intimidate me. I didn't know if he would actually follow through on this threat but I was afraid it would be my fault if he did. (I have since learned that it would not have been my fault.)

I used to believe that as long as my kids didn't see the abuse they weren't affected. Boy, was I ever wrong. I know now that they would sit in their rooms or huddle together in a closet and wonder if I was going to be alive in the morning. They were also very afraid that he would turn on them as well.

We were the happy, wealthy, perfect little family at our jobs and church. No one ever suspected anything. I was very good at covering up the bruises or lying about how they happened.

While all of this was going on we wore our masks very well in public. We were the happy, wealthy, perfect little family at our jobs and church. No one ever suspected anything. I was very good at covering up the bruises or lying about how they happened.

One night I heard about Cookie's Retreat Center at a presentation at our church. I finally felt like maybe God had heard all of my frantic prayers. I soon found the strength to take my kids and run to Cookie's.

My kids and I spent almost three months at Cookie's Retreat Center. Our lives will never be the same. I have learned so much and the staff at Cookie's has helped me with so many challenges that I was afraid to face on my own. The Christian atmosphere with morning and evening worships, counseling, group therapy, life skill classes and lots of free meditation time were just what I needed to heal. I will never be able to thank all of you who give so generously to keep this program open but I pray that God will bless you as much as you have blessed my children and me.

Cookie's Retreat Center has had the privilege of working with more than 200 women and children just like this precious family since opening in December of 2002. We have seen the miracle of God's healing touch melt the walls of fear and pain.

Contrary to popular belief the families affected by abuse come from all walks of life. We have worked with women whose educational backgrounds range from sixth grade to Ph.D. Their ages range from 18 to 84 years, and they represent almost all socio-economic levels and religious faiths. More than 70 percent of them have come from Seventh-day Adventist homes.

While these numbers are difficult to accept, we as a church need to open our eyes to the pain sitting next to us in the pews. The national average is that one in three of us have experienced abuse in our lives. Let's stop pretending and start reaching out to those around us who need to feel the touch of Christ's healing love.

It is estimated that less than 25 percent of abuse victims seek professional intervention. Most of them will turn to their own circle of friends and family. This is why we each need to educate ourselves on the signs of abuse and the resources available in our communities. (See the warning signs sidebar.) It is also extremely important to remember that if your friend is truly in a dangerous situation, taking her into your own home for shelter is putting you and your family at risk. It is best to help her access trained professionals. (See crisis line numbers.)

It is easy for us who are not in an abusive situation to be tempted to judge or blame the victim. Why doesn't she just leave? It is her own fault if she stays. She must do something to make him mad because he is a very nice man and is very helpful in his duties at church... This is destructive behavior that shows only ignorance and serves to make the victim feel more hopeless and trapped.

Today, education is only a mouse click away. Just enter "domestic violence" in your search engine, and you will find many exceptional Web sites with facts that will help you be a part of the solution to this ever-increasing problem. Or visit Cookie's Retreat Center online at www.ppm.in.org.

Kim Bryan, Cookie's Retreat director



Warning Signs That Someone You Know Is Being Abused

- The person frequently has unexplained bruises or injuries, or the explanations offered don't add up.
- The person becomes unusually quiet or withdrawn, especially when her/his partner is around.
- The person often cancels plans last minute.
- The person's partner violently loses his/her temper, striking and breaking objects.
- The person stops talking about her/his partner.
- When the person and her/his partner are together, the partner is very controlling and puts her/him down.
- The person stops calling and/or seeing friends and family members.
- The person's partner is extremely jealous.
- The person casually mentions her/his partner's violent behavior, but then dismisses it.
- Her/his partner controls all of the finances.

Help Is Just a Phone Call Away

- National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233); 1-800-787-3224 (TTY)
- Cookie's Retreat Center Toll-Free Hotline: 1-866-625-6333

Swing Batter, Batter, Swing!



Recently I was visiting with some of our pastors when one said, “We are due!” He was referring to our conference beginning significant soul winning. Much like a baseball player who is in a slump, he begins to feel he’s due, his manager feels he’s due, even the fans are thinking he’s due. He approaches the batter’s box with a new sense of mission and odds are he will connect and begin a new hitting streak. We could call it a “Momentum Shift.”

How about us? We are due for something of significance to happen, through God’s Spirit, to connect us with more people.

Let’s take a closer look:

- **Our Church:** There is something we are supposed to be doing. We should be seeking souls. I well remember being lost, addicted, lonely, far from those I loved. To think that someone would be looking for me in that condition is comforting to me today. Our church is the vehicle that Christ used to bring me to Him. Our church is the hope of the communities we all represent. Our church needs to gain some momentum. That will only happen through us.

- **Our Message:** Our message is about preparing a people for the return of Christ. We must stay focused, intentional and be about our Father’s business. Distractions must be set aside and we must find ways to share this life-changing message. Always remember people are only one “ask” away from a decision that has eternal ramifications.

- **Our Future:** Years ago I remember a friend saying, “Christ bled and died for us, Dave, we can hemorrhage a little.” I take that to mean we can step out of our comfort zone for Him who

did so much for us. This beautiful future we have needs to include more people. We must invite, encourage and love people so they can share this future with us.

- **Our God:** God has lost people in His heart and on His mind. He sent His Son to find that which was lost. He’s left that to us now. It pleases Him when we share our love for Him with someone who doesn’t know Him.

If we’ve ever stood in that batter’s box and swung for the fence we need to do it now. Swing, batter, batter, swing and swing with all your might. •

Dave Livermore, Upper Columbia Conference personal evangelism and discipleship director

Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Christ. Acts 5:42, NIV.



Luke Warm

When someone at church suggests to Luke Warm that he can use his interest in golf and his friendships at the Rotary Club to start a small group outreach, he says, “No thanks. I could lose friends if I tried that.”



Victor N. Christ

Victor N. Christ and Brand-New start noticing spiritual needs and interest in several of the people they have been praying for and befriending. They begin a small group Bible study at one of the interest’s homes where others can be invited.

Fresh Start

I've always thought it would be cool to start my own revolution.

I've had this craving since graduation weekend my senior year in high school when, for class night, I played the role of Patrick Henry. After donning a white wig and some goofy-looking wool breeches, I took the stage and recited the immortal words: "They tell us, sir, that we are weak; unable to cope with so formidable an adversary. But when shall we be stronger?... Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"

Whoa! There's nothing better than embracing a cause worth dying for.

So now I'm on the warpath again. Only this time I'm calling for a revolution of goodness. Jesus planted the seeds of this revolt during a conversation with a rich young ruler. Mark 10:17-18 records, "As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. 'Good teacher,' he asked, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?'"

"Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone."

What's striking about this conversation is that Jesus stops the man and makes a big issue about being called

Join the Revolution for Goodness' Sake

"Good teacher." Why such a fuss? After all, in previous conversations Jesus never balked at titles such as "Son of God" or "Messiah," but in this case Jesus takes the man to task over a seemingly benign title about being "good."

Next, Jesus defines goodness as obeying all the laws. Proudly the young man reports, "All these I have kept since I was a boy."

The Bible records: "Jesus looked at him and loved him. 'One thing you lack,' he said. 'Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.'

"At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth" Mark 10:21-22. The man wanted to be good, but he didn't want to be that good.

Jesus' revolution of goodness is radical. It's downright scary to think of selling out for His kingdom.

As the young man slinked away, Jesus commented to his disciples that it's easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to get into heaven. Scholars have tried to explain what Jesus really meant by that revolutionary statement. Some have explained that outside of Jerusalem there was a narrow gate called the "Camel Gate." In order to squeeze through it camels had to bend down on their knees. In other words, it's fine to be rich as long as you leverage your resources in a spirit of humility and prayer—while on your knees. That's a nice explanation except there was no such gate. The theory

was probably invented by some rich guy looking for a loophole.

I've often wondered if what Jesus really meant when He said "Sell everything and give it to the poor" was that we ought to sell everything and give it to the poor. Maybe the Christian mission really is that extreme. Perhaps Jesus isn't interested in recruiting lazy self-absorbed clods whose goal in life is cushy comfort.

Ellen G. White offers this insight: "There should be deep heart-searching among our young men and women, to see if they have a work to do for the Master. There is work to be accomplished that money cannot do. Heart devotion is needed now. The destitute portions of the field must be supplied with earnest laborers. Warm, loving hearts are wanted. We must have great faith and corresponding works."¹

It's time to get to work. Be a missionary. Share Jesus with your neighbor. Serve the homeless. Empty your savings account for the kingdom. Volunteer at school.

For goodness' sake, it's time for a revolution! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me goodness or give me death!" •

¹ Ellen G. White, *Review and Herald*, Oct. 12, 1886.

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





The convocation mass choir performed several times during the Divine Worship hour.

A Strong Faith for the Journey

At the 31st Regional Convocation

Arriving on the campus of Camp Berachah near Auburn, Wash., gave a feeling of anticipation and excitement during the 31st annual Regional Convocation, "A Strong Faith for the Journey," May 17-20.

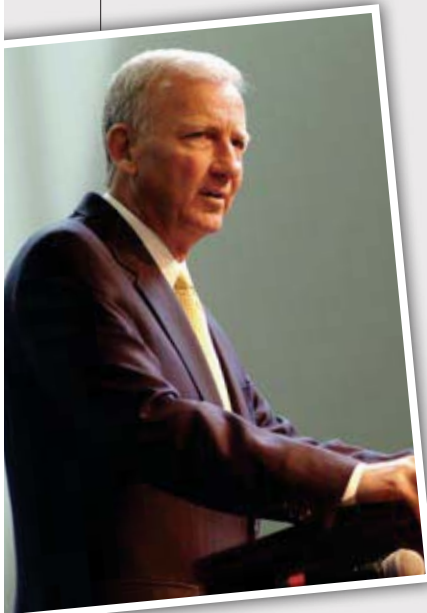
Organized by the North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) regional convocation planning committee with Alphonso McCarthy, NPUC vice president for regional affairs, and Patric Parris, administrative assistant, the event is made special each year by meeting old friends, making new ones, attending workshops,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

Highlights included the Sabbath worship sermon by Fredrick Russell, Miracle Temple Church senior pastor, Baltimore, Md. At the end of his sermon, Russell called for the pastors and others to come forward to earnestly pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Another special feature was the concert Sabbath evening presented by Neville Peter, singer and composer of more than 100 Gospel songs who became blind at an early age. He and his music have been featured on nationally televised programs, and he has performed at the White House and Carnegie Hall.

Plan now to attend next year's regional convocation, scheduled for May 15-18, 2008, again at Camp Berachah, for more inspiration, music and fellowship. •

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor



As a special feature, Jere Patzer, NPUC president, shared the story of his successful battle with cancer during Sabbath School.



Katie Arnette, Ever Rising, Inc. president, Dallas, Texas, a ministry of encouragement for abused women, spoke during the Friday evening service. She also taught a seminar during the convocation weekend.



During Sabbath School, children listen intently to the songs and activity instructions.



Frederick Russell, Miracle Temple Church senior pastor, Baltimore, Md., was the Sabbath morning speaker. In answer to earnest prayer by the convocation leadership on Friday night, Russell was awakened in the middle of the night Friday and compelled by the Lord to change his message to one of Spirit-led work for the Lord. At the end of his sermon, he invited the pastors in the audience to come forward and invited the congregation who wanted to be filled by the Spirit to join them for a special prayer, pleading for the infilling of the Holy Spirit in their lives and ministry.



Max Torkelsen, Upper Columbia Conference (UCC) president, introduces Garrett Caldwell, UCC assistant to the president for communication, his wife Cheri and their children Garrett Jr. and Tiffani.



Members from all over the North Pacific Union Conference join together to worship during the Sabbath morning services.



Youth groups performed special music for the youth who attended the Regional Convocation.



Blind pianist, Neville Peter from Orlando, Fla., was the featured musician during the weekend. An Adventist, he is recognized as one of the rising talents in the Gospel music industry. He and his music have been featured at the White House and Carnegie Hall.



Mark Woodson, Southeastern California Conference associate youth director, speaks to the youth on Sabbath morning.

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

<i>School Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Telephone</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Gr.</i>
Anchorage Junior Academy	5511 O'Malley Rd, Anchorage, AK 99507	(907) 346-2164	Ruth Farnsworth	K-10
Dillingham Adventist School	PO Box 969, Dillingham, AK 99576	(907) 842-2496	Rod Rau	K-8
Golden Heart Christian School	PO Box 82997, Fairbanks, AK 99708	(907) 479-2904	Barbara Quaile	1-8
Juneau Adventist School	4890 Glacier Hwy, Juneau, AK 99801	(907) 780-4336	Nancy Linder	1-8
Mat Valley Adventist School	PO Box 3229, Palmer, AK 99645	(907) 745-2691	Janna Marshall	K-9
Nome Adventist School	PO Box 2069, Nome, AK 99762	(907) 443-5137	Melanie Stroud	1-8
Sitka Adventist School	1613 Halibut Point Rd, Sitka, AK 99835	(907) 966-2661	Ruth Millard	1-8

Idaho Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

7777 FAIRVIEW AVENUE · BOISE, ID 83704 · (208) 375-7524 · SUPERINTENDENT – ARNE NIELSEN

<i>School Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Telephone</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Gr.</i>
Gem State Adventist Academy	16115 S Montana Ave, Caldwell, ID 83607	(208) 459-1627	Mike Schwartz	9-12
Adventist Christian Academy	PO Box 50156, Idaho Falls, ID 83405	(208) 528-8582	Carrie Tow	1-8
Baker Valley Adventist School	42171 Chico Road, Baker City, OR 97814	(541) 523-4165	Gary Laabs	1-8
Boise Valley Adventist School	925 N Cloverdale Rd, Boise, ID 83713	(208) 376-7141	Don Krpalek	K-8
Caldwell Adventist School	2317 Wisconsin, Caldwell, ID 83607	(208) 459-4313	Judith Shaner	K-8
Canyon View Adventist School	PO Box 70, Cambridge, ID 83610	(208) 257-3374	Dianne Eslinger	1-8
Desert View Christian School	PO Box 124, Mountain Home, ID 83647	(208) 580-0512	Dannia Birth	1-8
Eagle Adventist Christian School	538 W State Street, Eagle, ID 83616	(208) 938-0093	David Pitcher	K-8
Enterprise Adventist School	PO Box N, Enterprise, OR 97828	(541) 426-8339	Dan Webster	1-8
Hilltop Adventist School	131 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301	(208) 733-0799	Tom Sherwood	K-8
La Grande Adventist School	PO Box 1025, La Grande, OR 97850	(541) 963-6203	Ben Pflugrad	1-8
McCall Adventist Christian School	3592 Longview Rd, McCall, ID 83638	(208) 634-0053	Harold Appel	1-8
Salmon Adventist School	400 Fairmont, Salmon, ID 83467	(208) 756-4439	Mark Law	1-8
Timberline Adventist School	2582 10th Avenue W, Vale, OR 97918	(541) 473-9661	Nadine Messer	1-8
Treasure Valley Adventist School	PO Box 396, Payette, ID 83661	(208) 642-2410	Valerie Iwasa	1-8

Montana Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

175 CANYON VIEW ROAD · BOZEMAN, MT 59715 · (406) 587-3101 · SUPERINTENDENT – ARCHIE HARRIS

<i>School Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Telephone</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Gr.</i>
Mount Ellis Academy	3641 Bozeman Trail Rd, Bozeman, MT 59715	(406) 587-5178	Darren Wilkins	9-12
Blodgett View Christian School	119 Westbridge Road, Hamilton, MT 59840	(406) 375-0733	Janet Riley	1-8
Central Acres Christian School	3204 Broadwater Ave, Billings, MT 59102	(406) 652-1799	Teresa Quillin	K-8
Five Falls Christian School	3102 Flood Road, Great Falls, MT 59404	(406) 452-6883	Pennie Wredberg	1-8
Fort Belknap Adventist School	17 Rodeo Drive, Harlem, MT 59526	(406) 353-4858	Carrie Ferguson	1-8
Glacier View Adventist School	36332 Mud Creek Lane, Ronan, MT 59864	(406) 676-5142	Marian Baker	1-8
Havre Christian School	4115 9th Street W, Havre, MT 59501	(406) 265-8312	Bonnie DeWitt	1-8
Libby Adventist Christian School	88 Airfield Rd, Libby, MT 59923	(406) 293-8613	Cindy Patten	1-8
Mount Ellis Adventist Elementary	3835 Bozeman Trail Rd, Bozeman, MT 59715	(406) 587-5430	Becky Meharry	K-8
Mountain View Adventist School	1010 Clements Rd, Missoula, MT 59804	(406) 543-6223	Marty Knapp	1-8
Valley Adventist Christian School	1275 Helena Flats Rd, Kalispell, MT 59901	(406) 752-0830	Michael Nollan	1-8
Valley View Adv Christian School	264 Highway 200 S, Glendive, MT 59330	(406) 687-3472	Joelle Chase	1-8

NORTH PACIFIC UNION

Oregon Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

19800 OATFIELD ROAD, GLADSTONE, OR 97027 (503) 850-3500 · SUPERINTENDENT – JOHN GATCHET

Columbia Adventist Academy	11100 NE 189th Street, Battle Ground, WA 98604	(360) 687-3161	Gary Brown	9-12
Livingstone Adventist Academy	5771 Fruitland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97301	(503) 363-9408	Jon Dickerson	K-12
Milo Adventist Academy	PO Box 278, Days Creek, OR 97429	(541) 825-3291	Randy Bovee	9-12
Portland Adventist Academy	1500 SE 96th, Portland, OR 97216	(503) 255-8372	Gale Crosby	9-12
Rogue Valley Adventist School	3675 South Stage Road, Medford, OR 97501	(541) 773-2988	Flvia Kline	K-12
Canyonville Adventist School	PO Box 1155, Canyonville, OR 97417	(541) 839-4053	Ed Hollister	1-8
Central Valley Christian School	31630 SE Highway 34, Tangent, OR 97389	(541) 928-7820	Julia Dewey	K-9
Countryside Christian School	88401 Huston Road, Veneta, OR 97487	(541) 935-6446	Lissa Fults	1-8
Emerald Christian Academy	35582 Zephyr Way, Pleasant Hill, OR 97455	(541) 746-1708	Don Bryan	K-10
Gold Coast Christian School	1251 Clark Street, North Bend, OR 97459	(541) 756-6307	Beverley Stout	K-8
Grants Pass Adventist School	2250 NW Heidi Lane, Grants Pass, OR 97526	(541) 479-2293	Roger Knauff	K-10
Hood View Junior Academy	PO Box 128, Boring, OR 97009	(503) 663-4568	Holley Bryant	K-8
Kelso-Longview Adventist School	96 Garden Street, Kelso, WA 98626	(360) 423-9250	Tracy Lang	K-8
Klamath Falls Adventist School	2499 Main Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97601	(541) 882-4151	Susan Meseraull	1-8
Laurelwood Adventist School	PO Box 39, Gaston, OR 97119	(503) 985-7289	Melissa Haugsted	1-8
Lincoln City Adventist School	2126 NE Surf, Lincoln City, OR 97367	(541) 994-5181	Richard Worley	1-12
Madras Christian School	66 SE "H" Street, Madras, OR 97741	(541) 475-7545	Rebecca Aylsworth	K-8
Madrone Adventist School	4300 Holland Loop Rd, Cave Junction, OR 97523	(541) 592-3330	Amy Whitchurch	1-8
McMinnville Adventist School	1349 NW Elm Street, McMinnville, OR 97128	(503) 472-3336	Shawn Plafker	K-8
Meadow Glade Elementary School	18717 NE 109 Ave, Battle Ground, WA 98604	(360) 687-5121	Gerald Corson	K-8
Mid Columbia Adventist School	1100 - 22nd Street, Hood River, OR 97031	(541) 386-3187	Peter Hardy	K-10
Milo Adventist Elementary School	PO Box 278, Days Creek, OR 97429	(541) 825-3514	Sandra Sumerlin	1-8
Pleasant View Adventist School	91272 Highway 101, Warrenton, OR 97146	(503) 861-1633	Angela Force	1-8
Portland Adventist Elementary	3990 NW First, Gresham, OR 97030	(503) 665-4102	Robert McDonald	K-8
Rivergate Adventist Elem. School	1505 Ohlson Rd, Gladstone, OR 97027	(503) 656-0544	Ann Campbell	K-8
Riverside Adventist Christ. School	PO Box 367, Washougal, WA 98671	(360) 835-5600	Dan Wister	K-8
Roseburg Junior Academy	1653 NW Troost, Roseburg, OR 97470	(541) 673-5278	Thom Harder	K-10
Scappoose Adventist School	PO Box 889, Scappoose, OR 97056	(503) 543-6939	Steven McKeone	K-8
Shady Point Adventist School	PO Box 216, Eagle Point, OR 97524	(541) 826-2255	Connalyn Allred	1-8
Sutherlin Adventist Elementary	841 W Central, Sutherlin, OR 97479	(541) 459-9706	Anita Brown	K-8
The Dalles Adventist School	3339 E 13th Street, The Dalles, OR 97058	(541) 296-2692	Patricia Perry	1-8
Three Sisters Adventist School	21155 Tumalo Road, Bend, OR 97701	(541) 389-2091	G. Christian Larson	K-10
Tillamook Adventist School	4300 12th Street, Tillamook, OR 97141	(503) 842-6533	Ron Jacaban	K-10
Tualatin Valley Junior Academy	21975 SW Baseline, Hillsboro, OR 97123	(503) 649-5518	Jesse Cone	K-10
Wahkiacus Adventist School	457 Wahkiacus Heights Rd, Wahkiacus, WA 98670	(509) 369-3735	Thomas Hunt	1-8
West Valley Christian School	PO Box 38, Willamina, OR 97396	(503) 879-5812	Clarissa Long	1-8

Upper Columbia Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

PO BOX 19039 · SPOKANE, WA 99219 · (509) 838-2761 · SUPERINTENDENT - KEITH WATERS

Cascade Christian Academy	600 N Western, Wenatchee, WA 98801	(509) 662-2723	Mark Witas	K-12
Upper Columbia Academy	3025 E Spangle-Waverly Rd, Spangle, WA 99031	(509) 245-3600	Jeff Bovee	9-12
Walla Walla Valley Academy	300 SW Academy Way, College Place, WA 99324	(509) 525-1050	John Deming	9-12
Beacon Christian School	615 Stewart Ave, Lewiston, ID 83501	(208) 743-8361	Richard Rasmussen	K-9
Brewster Adventist School	115 Valley Road, Brewster, WA 98812	(509) 689-3213	Jared Meharry	1-8
Colville Valley Junior Academy	139 E Cedar Loop, Colville, WA 99114	(509) 684-6830	Richard Bergeson	K-10
Cornerstone Christian School	PO Box 1877, Bonners Ferry, ID 83805	(208) 267-1644	Dennis Shelton	1-8
Countryside Adventist School	12107 W Seven Mile Road, Spokane, WA 99224	(509) 466-8982	Phyllis Radu	1-8
Crestview Christian School	1601 W Valley Road, Moses Lake, WA 98837	(509) 765-4632	Richard Wilson Cummings	1-8

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Farmington Christian School	PO Box 187, Farmington, WA 99128	(509) 287-2601	Jennifer Wintermeyer	1-8
Goldendale Adventist School	PO Box 241, Goldendale, WA 98620	(509) 773-3120	Lois Potterton	1-9
Grandview Adventist School	106 N Elm Street, Grandview, WA 98930	(509) 882-3817	Sandra Olson	1-8
Harris Junior Academy	3121 SW Hailey, Pendleton, OR 97801	(541) 276-0615	Laurie Hosey	K-10
Hermiston Junior Academy	1300 NW Academy Lane, Hermiston, OR 97838	(541) 567-8523	Randy Foss	K-9
Lake City Junior Academy	111 Locust Ave, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814	(208) 667-0877	Allan Sather	K-10
Milton-Stateline Adventist School	53565 Crockett Road, Milton-Freewater, OR 97862	(541) 938-7131	Ray Hall	K-8
Mission School	46576 Mission Road, Pendleton, OR 97801	(541) 276-6530	Michael Brown	1-8
Omak Adventist Christian School	PO Box 3294, Omak, WA 98841	(509) 826-5341	Jennifer Hoffpauir	1-8
Palouse Hills Adventist School	3148 Tomer Street, Moscow, ID 83843	(208) 882-0350	Daniel Tyler	1-8
Peaceful Valley Christian School	PO Box 1062, Tonasket, WA 98855-1062	(509) 486-4345	June Graham	1-8
Pend Oreille Valley Adventist Sch.	PO Box 1066, Newport, WA 99156-1066	(208) 437-2638	Jeffrey Wallen	1-8
Rogers Adventist School	200 SW Academy Way, College Place, WA 99324	(509) 529-1850	Jim Weller	K-8
Saint Maries Adventist School	216 N 9th St, Saint Maries, ID 83861	(208) 245-2274	Verna Sonnentag	1-8
Sandpoint Junior Academy	2255 W Pine Street, Sandpoint, ID 83864	(208) 263-3584	Charla Suppe	1-8
Spokane Junior Academy	1888 N Wright Dr, Spokane, WA 99224-5273	(509) 325-1985	Brian Harris	K-10
Spokane Valley Adventist Sch.	1603 S Sullivan Road, Spokane Valley, WA 99037	(509) 926-0955	Terry Lee	K-9
Tri-City Junior Academy	4115 W Henry, Pasco, WA 99301	(509) 547-8092	Anthony Oucharek	K-10
Upper Columbia Acad. Elem. Sch.	3025 E Spangle Waverly Rd, Spangle, WA 99031	(509) 245-3629	To be selected	1-8
Yakima Adventist Christian School	1200 City Reservoir Road, Yakima, WA 98908	(509) 966-1933	Patrick Frey	K-10

Mountain View Adventist School & Valley Christian School - Closed

Washington Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

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Auburn Adventist Academy	5000 Auburn Way South, Auburn, WA 98092	(253) 939-5000	Keith Hallam	9-12
Orcas Christian School	PO Box 669, Eastsound, WA 98245	(360) 376-6683	Tom Roosma	K-12
Puget Sound Adventist Academy	5320 108 Ave NE, Kirkland, WA 98033	(425) 822-7554	Doug White	9-12
Skagit Adventist Academy	530 N Section St, Burlington, WA 98233	(360) 755-9261	Ken Knudsen	9-12
Baker View Christian School	5353 Waschke Road, Bellingham, WA 98226	(360) 384-8155	Anthea Lindsey	K-8
Buena Vista SDA Elementary	3320 Academy Dr SE, Auburn, WA 98092	(253) 833-0718	Ron Trautwein	K-8
Burien SDA School	14237 Des Moines Way S, Seattle, WA 98168	(206) 246-8433	Sue Keating	1-8
Cedarbrook Adv. Christian School	PO Box 460, Port Hadlock, WA 98339	(360) 385-4610	Greg Reseck	K-8
Cedarhome Christian School	28505 68th Avenue NW, Stanwood, WA 98292	(360) 629-5340	Sherri Seibold	1-8
Cypress Adventist School	21500 Cypress Way, Lynnwood, WA 98036	(425) 775-3578	Lowell Dunston	K-8
Forest Park Adv. Christian School	4120 Federal Avenue, Everett, WA 98203	(425) 258-6911	Sheri Rodman	K-8
Grays Harbor Adv. Christian	1216 SR 12, Montesano, WA 98563	(360) 249-1115	Adria Hay	1-8
Kirkland SDA School	5320 108 Avenue NE, Kirkland, WA 98033	(425) 822-7554	Doug White	K-8
Kitsap Adventist Christian School	5088 NW Taylor, Bremerton, WA 98312	(360) 377-4542	To be selected	K-9
Lewis County Adventist School	2104 S Scheuber Rd, Chehalis, WA 98532	(360) 748-3213	Dan Baker	K-10
Mountain View Christian School	255 Medsker Rd, Sequim, WA 98382	(360) 683-6170	Larry Arnott	K-8
Northwest Christian School	904 Shaw Road, Puyallup, WA 98372	(253) 845-5722	Marshall Merklin	K-8
Olympia Christian School	1416 26th Ave NE, Olympia, WA 98507	(360) 352-1831	Anita McKown	K-10
Poulsbo Adventist School	1700 NE Lincoln Rd, Poulsbo, WA 98370	(360) 779-6290	Kerry Trethewey	1-8
Shelton Valley Adventist Christian	W 201 Shelton Valley Rd, Shelton, WA 98584	(360) 426-4198	Judy McCain	K-8
Skagit Adventist School	530 N Section St, Burlington, WA 98233	(360) 755-9261	Stephanie Gates	K-8
Sky Valley SDA School	200 Academy Way, Monroe, WA 98272	(360) 794-7655	Lori Roberts	1-8
Whidbey Christian Elem. School	31830 SR 20, Oak Harbor, WA 98277	(360) 279-1812	Dan Nickolatos	1-8

NORTH PACIFIC UNION

I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go

Sharing Christ in the marketplace is the motto of Adventist-laymen's Services and Industries (ASI) and sharing the stories of sharing Christ are a big part of what the Spring Fellowship is all about. This year, during the weekend of May 3-6, ASI members gathered in Spokane Valley, Wash., to worship, renew friendships and share stories.

ASI members held elections this year and chose officers for the next two years as well as the conference lay-representatives and the conference ASI secretaries.

Northwest ASI Officers:

- President: Dan Ross
- General Vice President: Ted Evert
- Vice President –
- Evangelism: Elaina Mathisen
- Vice President –
- Communications: Linda Barton
- Vice President –
- Membership: Ellen Butler
- Treasurer: Ron Oliver
- Recording Secretary: Janet Evert
- ASI NPUC Executive Secretary: Norman Klam
- The next Spring Fellowship will be held in Sun Valley, Idaho, May 1-4, 2008. •

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor



Dan Ross, ASI president, interviews Geoffrey Ngige and his wife Martha Gitogo from Tacoma, Wash. They have a ministry to the villages of Kenya and although he is blind, he says that he was given the gift of a good memory.



Steve Wohlberg, White Horse Media speaker/director, speaks at the Northwest ASI Spring Fellowship weekend.



Paul Opp of People of Peru answers questions about his ministry from a group of interested listeners in the exhibit area.

NORTH PACIFIC UNION

Luther Warren Crooker 1918-2007

Luther Warren Crooker, North Pacific Union Conference treasurer, 1962-75, died April 26, 2007.

A native Northwesterner, Crooker was born in Missoula, Mont., the second of 11 siblings who survived to adulthood. He was educated in several schools in Western Oregon and Washington, graduating from Auburn Academy in 1938 and Walla Walla College in 1951 with a business degree. He was a logger, a carpenter

and did cement work. During World War II, he served as a cook aboard an Army



transport ship, making 39 trips between Seattle and Alaska.

During 1949, he married Rose Catherine O'Neil. They had two children, Ken and Karen.

After serving for two years as an IRS agent in Okanogan, Wash., he became the Oregon Conference assistant treasurer (1953-57), Upper Columbia Conference treasurer (1957-62), North Pacific Union Conference treasurer (1962-75) and retired as Atlantic

Union Conference treasurer (1975-84).

Crooker loved being in the outdoors whether it was camping, backpacking, fishing, gardening or feeding the birds, squirrels and ducks. He jogged into his 60s and kept walking well into his 70s. Through his hobby of recycling cans, bottles and paper, he raised hundreds of dollars for the Sunnyside Church worthy-student fund.

He is survived by his wife, his two children and three siblings. •

Alaska Pathfinder Camporee

Osborn Invested as Master Guide

If your anchor is not holding, maybe it is because you have ignored your need of the Anchor Chain, Jesus Christ," said James Black, North American Division Youth Ministries director. Through the use of several object lessons during the



Jeanie Kriegelstein

Members of the Fairbanks Pathfinder Club prepare to raise the flag during Alaska's Pathfinder Camporee held at Camp Tukuskoya over the Memorial Day weekend.

Memorial Day weekend, May 25–27, Pastor JB challenged the 50 plus attendees of Pathfinder Camporee 2007 at Camp Tukuskoya near Wasilla, Alaska, to put their total trust in Jesus and be mindful of the devil's traps.

The annual Alaska Pathfinder Camporee is an opportunity for all Pathfinder clubs in Alaska to come to one location to worship, study nature, play, and fellowship together. It is a capstone to the Pathfinder year. Pathfinders from Anchorage, Palmer, and Fairbanks attended.

Sabbath afternoon the Pathfinders earned their sand honor patch by learning facts about sands, memorizing three Bible texts about sands, analyzing sands under a



Jeanie Kriegelstein

James Black, NAD Youth Ministries director, prepares to place his own Master Guide scarf on Vernon Osborn, Anchorage Pathfinder Club director, during Alaska's Pathfinder Camporee held over the Memorial Day weekend.

microscope, and collecting thirty sands from Alaska and various other states as well as some international sands.

Vernon Osborn, Anchorage Pathfinder Club director, received the surprise honor of being invested as a Master Guide by Black, who removed his own Master Guide scarf and placed it on Osborn. Master Guides complete a prescribed curriculum of study and successfully serve in a number of leadership positions.

Sunday morning the Pathfinders took part in several relay games, with awards for the best times. As the various clubs prepared to load into the boat for the return trip to their vehicles, you could hear the discussion of what they expected to do next year. •

John Kriegelstein, Alaska Conference youth director

Brinkman Preaches for ShareHIM Evangelistic Series

Police Investigator Turns Evangelist

Shaun Brinkman is a man on fire for God, and on April 27, he was the first lay person in the Palmer Church to preach for the ShareHIM evangelism program. Brinkman has worked in law enforcement for the past 10 years. And although he likes his work, he has sensed a vacancy in his life. He tries to minister at his job, but the people are often not open to spiritual discussions.

"I was seeking the Lord," he says earnestly, "asking Him to soften my heart, asking Him what I was missing. Then along came Pastor Dave's sermon

about the ShareHIM ministry, and I knew this was it."

After that sermon, Brinkman attended a ShareHIM rally. He prayed about becoming involved, filled out his application, bought a computer for the presentations and scheduled his vacation hours to spend on the two-week evangelistic series. He has a team of five or six helpers and a budget of \$600 to spend for advertising. He is not used to public speaking, and freely admits to being nervous, but prepared himself by listening to sermon CDs of the material

he would present, practicing preaching and praying a lot.

Evangelism, Brinkman says, is explaining the doctrines of the church. "Evangelizing" is all about sowing the seeds, laying the groundwork, and making friendships. Both are essential parts of the work of winning souls for Christ. "It's not enough to know the truth," Brinkman says. "We need to stand up and carry out God's work of sharing the gospel." •

Bobbie Grimstad, Palmer Church member



Bryan Dale

Shaun Brinkman was the featured speaker for the ShareHIM evangelistic series beginning April 27.

Idaho Conference Celebrates *100 Years of Sharing the Light*

July 2007 marked 100 years since 500 members in Southern Idaho and Eastern Oregon became the Idaho Conference. Camp Meeting Sabbath was a time to celebrate. Jan Paulsen, General Conference president, was the guest speaker. He based his sermon on the last 24 hours of Jesus' ministry and reviewed several core elements of faith that the disciples needed and that we need today. Jesus' ultimate concern for His disciples and for us today is that we be united by the Holy Spirit and seen as loving congregations proclaiming the Second Coming of Jesus. As Paulsen said, "A fractured church is a church in denial."

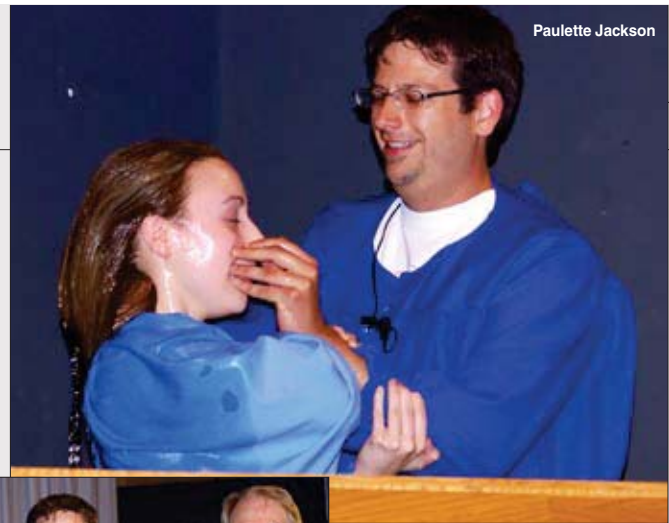
The celebration continued into the afternoon with a concert featuring the ministry of Christian Edition, a well-known men's chorus from



Steve McPherson, Idaho Conference president, Don Keele Jr., Georgia-Cumberland Academy Church pastor and ordination speaker, Kameron DeVasher, and Jan Paulsen, General Conference president, celebrate DeVasher's ordination.

Southern California. Calvin Knipschild, director, and 19 singers gave us a glimpse of heaven and the glorious day when we will all join together to sing a new song to the Lamb, Jesus our Savior.

Following the concert, Kameron DeVasher, who has served seven years as Bible teacher and pastor at Gem State



Paulette Jackson

Kameron DeVasher baptized Laura Rogers, GSAA student, a few hours before his ordination on camp meeting Sabbath.

the church. He had the privilege of baptizing nine students in the last school year, including one just prior to his ordination. In July he transferred to the Florida Conference to serve as a youth pastor.

Celebrating 100 years of Sharing the Light in the Idaho Conference reminds us that we don't want to be here another 100 years. We want Jesus to come and take us home with Him long before celebrating a second century! •

Don Klinger, Idaho Conference secretary and communication director

Boise East Makes Friends, *Gains New Members*

The mall where the Boise East Church gathers each Sabbath was the site for a recent evangelistic series conducted by Lyle Albrecht,

North Pacific Union Conference evangelist. Two attendees were Young and Jordan, brothers whose family operates an Asian restaurant in the mall. They eagerly waited for the meetings to start each evening and actively participated in the children's programs. Though they were

Jordan (right) learns new truth, as well as makes a new friend with Josh Essink (left).



Lyle Albrecht, NPUC evangelist, always draws a crowd.

not baptized, the seed was definitely planted. If only you could have seen their eyes light up as they received their very own Bibles! Since the end of the series, the boys have attended the Bible study meetings that are continuing each Tuesday evening.

The series, which had run five nights a week for four

weeks, concluded May 12 with 11 baptized. Three children also gave their hearts to God as a result of the encouraging and educational children's program that corresponded with Albrecht's meetings and topics. •

Gerry Essink, Boise East Church treasurer



Montana Celebrates The Lord of the Harvest At Camp Meeting 2007

“Are you ready to pray a radical prayer?” Derek Morris, Forest Lake Church (Fla.) senior pastor asked at the evening meetings, “a prayer that will change your life?” Morris, the main speaker for the event, challenged the audience to beg the Lord of the Harvest to send out laborers into His harvest field. (Luke 10:2) But the life-changing twist was to give God permission to begin with us, to send us into His harvest field, wherever that might be. When you become willing to go wherever God leads and do whatever he might ask, amazing things will happen.



Deanna Harris

The kids at the Montana Conference Camp Meeting created growth charts to illustrate how they can grow in God.

Morris shared many stories of ordinary people doing extraordinary things in God’s service. Montanans were eager to accept the challenge, and

demonstrated so by coming forward to the altar in an act of dedication to God’s service.

The story of Zeke Kleinsasser from Lewistown,

Mont., and his conversion was a special highlight of the Sabbath afternoon evangelism hour. Finding a complete set of the Conflict of the Ages series in the garbage was a defining moment in Zeke’s life and was instrumental in his conversion and eventual baptism, just one week before camp meeting.

Montanans are looking forward to an exciting year serving God wherever he places us and as He uses ordinary people to do extraordinary things. •

Deanna Harris, Mt. Ellis Church member

Montana Christian Women’s Retreat
Fairmont Hot Springs, near Butte, Montana

October 12-14, 2007

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Kalispell Church

Offers Seminars, Evangelistic Meetings

The Kalispell Church has been finding ways to reach their community with various classes and evangelistic efforts, including a depression recovery seminar and cooking class.

In March, Tony Moore, The Biblical Word (Chino Hills, Calif.) director, presented a fascinating weeklong archaeology seminar to 80 community members.

Following this seminar, the church offered a time twice a week for four weeks to view the popular 3ABN series *The Footsteps of Paul*. This short-term evangelistic event created additional opportunities for

members to provide follow-up evangelism.

And that is exactly what David Hamm, Sabrina Baskim, Gary Beck and Rob Wiedemann did. They first prepared by attending the training offered by Robert Folkenberg in Bozeman, Mont., in order to conduct a Bible Prophecy Seminar just like *ShareHIM* Campaigns presented around the world.

In May, David Hamm was the first to lead out in a series of evangelistic meetings held over four weekends. •

Danielle Kimbrell, Kalispell Church clerk

From left; Montana members Rob Wiedemann, David Hamm, Sabrina Baskim and Gary Beck received training to be able to conduct Bible Prophecy Seminars.



PACS Welcomes New Director

Portland Adventist Community Services (PACS) has new leadership. Leonard Yost joined the organization in May as Executive Director.

Yost takes the helm of one of Adventist Community

Services' largest branches. He will manage the small group of staff and large team of volunteers that make it possible for PACS to serve thousands in the Portland area every year.

"It's such a privilege to be a part of an organization that is dedicated to helping needy individuals," he said.

Yost and his wife Linda are relocating to the Northwest from California where he was Employee Recruitment Director for Adventist Health corporate headquarters. For Yost, it's a return to Portland. A portion of his 28 years with Adventist Health

was spent at the Adventist Medical Center.

Yost now fills a position that had been vacant since the departure of Rhonda Whitney in January. She directed PACS for almost 13 years before accepting the position of Oregon Conference Community Outreach director.

Yost has plans to build on the large ministry that PACS has become. In 2006, the PACS Food Pantry received 70,634 visits from low-income clients, and the PACS Health Clinic facilitated 1,491 appointments for individuals who lacked health insurance.

Even as Yost works on ways to reach more people, he regularly reminds the staff that he is not the real executive director of



Leonard Yost is the new PACS executive director.

PACS. He points to the picture he hung in his office of the young Hebrew carpenter and says, "Jesus is the real executive director of PACS. He is the one who built this ministry, and He is the one who will continue to make it grow." •

Brian Vistaunet, PACS administrative assistant



Leonard Yost consults with Iris Stanley, PACS administrative assistant.

Pancakes and Prayers

Lents Church Celebrates Youth Transition

The Lents Church celebrated 10 years of Youth Transition with a special program on Sabbath, April 14. Current members of the youth group led out, while a slideshow and videotaped messages from former group members and leaders recalled memories from years past. The service concluded with a special prayer of dedication for the youth offered by Paul Cole, Lents pastor.

Youth Transition began in 1997 when Youth Leaders Jean Aguilar and Loren Strode felt impressed to do something special to recognize the maturation and contributions of



The Lents Church honors this year's Youth Transition individuals.

the church's youth. Since then, more than 80 young people have been honored as part of the annual event, including seven this year. In addition to the youth-led church service,

the special weekend also traditionally includes a gym night and a Sunday brunch.

This year's brunch featured blueberry pancakes, cinnamon rolls and Tater Tot casserole

prepared and served to the youth by Lents elders and their spouses at the home of church members Dan and Marilyn Patchin. It capped a celebration that left the youth feeling very much loved and appreciated by their church family. For the adults, it also served as a reminder. "Sometimes it is hard for us 'old folks' to see what is happening right before our eyes," said head elder Vern Henry. "These 'kids' are our biggest blessing from God, and we need to recognize that they are becoming adults." •

John Press, Lents Church communication leader

Equipping Students With Life Skills

Auto Service Class—More Than Just Working on Cars

How are a grill, a cam shaft bearing, and prayer related? They usually aren't, unless perhaps you are rebuilding an engine and in need of a miracle.

Nestor Celaya and Shawn Murphy, both Milo Academy seniors, experienced firsthand God's miraculous power in auto service class this year. Both boys were rebuilding the engine on a Toyota pickup for their class project when a bearing vanished. Keeping an eye out for the missing piece, they continued with their repairs until they absolutely needed the bearing. After a class period of fruitless searching, their classmates

joined them in prayer that they would find the bearing. In the meantime, their teacher, Jeff Miller, shared their prayer request during staff meeting. That very day, just before class was dismissed, Miller happened to look down between the grill and the radiator, and the bearing was right there—no one knows how it got there except by a miracle.

In previous years the format for auto service class focused more on small hands-on projects, lectures and book-learning. Technology instructor Jeff Miller wanted to change all of that. His vision for this class was to make it as practical and true-to-life as possible. He designed and restructured his class outline to cover the challenges of purchasing, owning and selling a car. Miller says, "One of my primary goals for the students is to take ownership of their vehicles. If you look at the activities and design of the class, everything is geared for responsibility and personal ownership in their projects."

After learning the basics of car repair and safety, each student builds a transparent 4-cylinder model engine as a visual aid to learn the parts of an engine. For the remainder



Shawn Murphy (left) and Nestor Celaya, both Milo seniors, repair and clean the interior of their class project.

of the term, each student takes a partner and shares in the entire process of selecting a vehicle that was donated to the academy, researching its retail value, estimating repair costs, repairing the vehicle while keeping an expense report, and then reselling it to the general public. After the expenses are paid, the revenue is divided between the department and the student partners.

Improvements made in the department this year included six new Craftsman tool chests for the teams to use. Next year, two additional car lifts will be installed. The technology department also offers metals class, which includes welding, machining, and casting; and woods class, which provides opportunities for students to make personal projects. •

Kim Miller, Milo volunteer

What the Students Think:

Student responses at the end of the year reflect their feelings about the changes made to auto service class.

It was by far my favorite class in high school. —Tim Steinhofel, senior

Actually touching and handling the equipment is so much more effective. —Nestor Celaya, senior

This auto shop is full of Christ. I felt more of Christ came in and none left.

—Brandon Sumerlin, junior
I think WWJD [What Would Jesus Do] was a part of it [this class]. Fixing a car for another person requires honesty and not cutting corners, something we should practice as Christians. —Gordon Brannon, senior



Hannah Rodriguez, a Milo senior, changes fuel injectors.

Mission Trip to Yucatan

No Ordinary Senior Class Trip for Livingstone Students

Livingstone Adventist Academy's seniors came home from their mission trip to the Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico with good memories and lasting relationships. The class of 12 went to an area in Cancun where Hurricane Wilma destroyed much of the already rundown area. This was not the Cancun you see in travel magazines.

The purpose for the trip was to help the church family build a roof, which would hopefully be the base of their second floor some day. Church of New Hope, or Iglesia de Esperanza, had four cemented walls standing on dirt ground. It was a small church of about



Chris Sequeira

From left: Jaimie Myaing and Jim Mayne, both LAA seniors, hoist a bucket of cement to solidify the roof of the Iglesia de Esperanza or Church of New Hope in Cancun, Mexico.

30 members. Many of them came and worked side by side with the students every day. It

was difficult work, hauling and lifting bricks and shoveling and dumping cement. It was far

from an easy process, but all the seniors agreed it was well worth it.

Seeing the project completed was one of the most satisfying things they accomplished. On Sabbath they relaxed and worshipped in the newly roofed church. Leading out in the service, the seniors felt touched to be considered members of the church they had helped to build. They agreed it was no theme park, it was no luxury hotel and entertainment, it was no ordinary senior class trip...it was better! •

Jaimie Myaing, LAA senior Journalism student

Love 'n' Hugs Bear Ministry

At Grants Pass Adventist School

For the past four years at Grants Pass Adventist School a Valentine's Day tradition has provided a great opportunity to share God's love with others in their community. The students have been giving stuffed teddy bears to two retirement homes located next to their school. Edith Kramer, a main contributor who works at the Adventist Community Service Center, gathers the donated bears to give to the school. School faculty, teachers, students, and their parents also donate bears. Sheryl Shewmake, the kindergarten teacher and program coordinator, along with her mother Loweta Medford, help by cleaning them, buttoning



Grants Pass Adventist School students share teddy bears with the residents of the nursing homes near their school.

and sewing them back up, and making them look like new.

After the bears are prepared, the student body is divided into six multi-grade teams. These groups then tie tags on the bears with yarn. The tags read "Love 'n' Hugs from the students at Grants Pass Adventist School." Each bear is

hand-delivered to the residents. "We made a lot of them smile, which made us happy," said first-grader Gage Flaming. The Love 'n' Hugs Bear Ministry has delivered more than 880 animals.

Joanne Laker, Royal Gardens activities director, commented, "The residents love to show the

bears off. It has a very positive effect on all of them." Patty Brown, a visitor at Highland House, wrote a thank-you note to the school. Regarding one of the students, she wrote, "her face showed such joy and pleasure at giving this gift," and referring to the residents, she wrote, "Some of the ladies were still talking about their teddy bears the next day."

Students also look forward to giving away the bears each year. Kayla Milstead, a second-grader who got to give away four bears, said, "I like to see their smiles when you hand them a bear." •

Travis O'Reilly, a 10th-grader at GPAS when he wrote this story

Vancouver Church is Still Growing... *Beards and All*

Gene Heinrich, Vancouver Church associate pastor of evangelism and family ministries, made a bold appeal from the pulpit for the men to grow their beards. He was soliciting would-be disciples for the church's first-ever Last Supper re-enactment. Twelve men and Heinrich himself took the challenge. For Communion Sabbath, March 31, the group performed the re-enactment for both church services.

Heinrich made an extra effort to replicate as much as possible the biblical event. He arranged for the disciples to be in a reclining position seated at a triclinium, or three-sided table, a traditional biblical plan. During the Passover meal, it was ritual duty to



Men from the Vancouver Church set aside their razors to grow beards for the Last Supper re-enactment held on Communion Sabbath.

recline at a table as a symbol of freedom. This accounts for the description of John "reclining on Jesus' chest" John 13:23.

Vegetables and bread were served as silverware, plates, and napkins. Lamb stew, better known as Fri-Chick stew, was the main entrée. Mud, or haroseth, a dip made mostly of cinnamon, apples, honey, and

nuts was served to resemble the mud mortar of Egyptian bondage. Also served were bitter herbs, leeks, olives, dried fruits, grape juice and even baked eggs, an ancient symbol of suffering. Since water was carried from the well, they did not use it to boil eggs.

When Jesus finished washing each of the disciples'

feet, the church family followed His example and washed each other's feet. After the church family regrouped, Jesus broke bread and shared his cup with the disciples. The church family then participated in communion and closed with singing *Shalom*.

The following Easter Sabbath, Jeff Richards, assistant youth pastor, used a jail scene to show how lies imprison us. Members then had the opportunity to nail lies they believed on the cross of Jesus and go to His empty tomb where they received scriptures of hope and freedom. •

Linda Shaver, Vancouver Church communication leader

Canyonville Church *Offers Self-defense Class*

The Canyonville (Ore.) Church Women's Ministries hosted a self-defense class in March lead by Dan Martin and Gary Provencal, Douglas County Corrections deputies. Enrolled in the class were 17 members, including two teenage girls. The seminar covered identity theft protection, home safety tips, and self-defense guidelines and maneuvers.

"The best way to handle an attack is to prevent it," Provencal shared. "Common sense is your best defense." With more than 50 years combined on the force, both Martin and Provencal showed several techniques



Douglas County Corrections deputies Dan Martin and Gary Provencal answer questions during their self-defense class presentation.

using your own body's leverage to break an attacker's grip. Each participant received a personal protection handbook with picture illustrations and instructions.

From teenagers to members in their 80s, everyone walked away with a feeling of self-confidence and more security. Seventh-grader and church member, April Gladden, said,

"Always being aware of my surroundings is key to my own protection. I know that the material we learned could be useful in any situation."

"The presentation we heard was very good; it was a lot of practical stuff. As Christians we need to trust the Lord, but He expects us to do our part," says Melody Kolstad, women's ministries' team member. "This type of event opens up a great community outreach program for any church." •

Kim Miller, Canyonville Church communication leader

OREGON

Southern Oregon Convocation

Broadcast by KBLN

The Seventh-day Adventist churches of southern Oregon and northern California were blessed as they joined Don Schneider, North American Division president, May 4 and 5, via Better Life Television in a Southern Oregon Convocation. Better Life Television (KBLN) was not only able to broadcast the messages live into Seventh-day Adventist churches, but also into the homes of our neighbors within an area of 40,000 square

miles from the Grants Pass Church where the convocation was being held.

Leaders from the Oregon Conference, bringing their talents to the convocation, transformed the weekend into a area campmeeting, which took the place of the regular Southern Oregon Campmeeting at Milo Adventist Academy.

KBLN wants to expand to include the Benton, Coos, Douglas and Lane counties



Don Livesay, Oregon Conference president, and Randy Robinson, Oregon Conference treasurer, present Ron Davis, Better Life Television station manager, with a \$100,000 check for Project Oregon.

and is raising funds for a full-power TV station in Roseburg and a low-power TV station in Eugene. Combined, these signals would potentially reach more than 500,000 people. The price for these two stations has been reduced to \$2.7 million.

The Oregon Conference has partnered in this evangelistic

outreach, which is called *Project Oregon*, with a \$100,000 pledge. Please pray for this evangelistic effort, which is changing many lives and is bringing peace and hope of the soon coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. •

Evelyn Wagner, Grants Pass Church communication leader

It's Fair Time!

Many Oregon Conference Churches reach out to their communities each summer by participating in local county fairs each summer. Ask your pastor how you can be involved! •



Amy L. Schrader

Dave Allen, representing the Vancouver Church, visits with passersby at the 2006 Clark County Fair. The area churches work together to sponsor and staff the booth each summer.



Gary McLain

Pastor Mark Cockerham, Salem Central Church, shares with visitors at the Oregon State Fair the benefits of healthful living. Booth volunteers are eager to share a cup of cool water with passersby as well as introduce them to Jesus, the Living Water.

PAA Senior Projects

Hone Positive Character Traits

“It feels good,” says Renee St. Clair, a Portland Adventist Academy (PAA) senior. “Kind of intimidating, but definitely good.” St. Clair graduated on June 3, along with 60 other seniors, and faces the future armed with a diploma from PAA.

But before St. Clair marched she had to complete her final PAA requirement: the senior project.

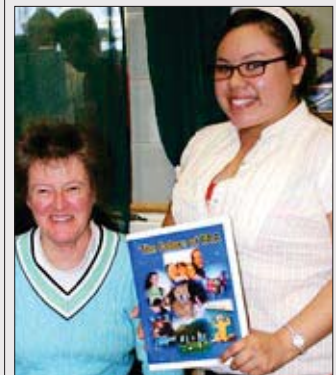
The senior project demonstrates various practical skills each student has acquired, such as communication and problem-solving skills and the ability to manage their time. For many PAA seniors, the project takes the full year to plan and implement. Seniors usually choose a project related to a career interest or to one of their hobbies. “Photography is my project,” says St. Clair. “I’m considering it as a major for college next year.”

Other projects reflect a deep passion. “John Moore is translating an entire book of the Bible to Greek,” says Joan Oksenholt, teacher and senior

project coordinator. “Sophie Grice is researching and training for a marathon.”

Depth and dedication is not a prerequisite for a PAA diploma. But the faculty and staff do find that it is a character trait commonly honed by the time they graduate. The PAA senior project is a tool that molds these positive forces in their lives. •

Liesl Vistaunet, PAA GLEANER correspondent



Christina Escalante displays the coloring book she created for PAA’s recruitment department to Linda Neel, her senior project adviser.



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It's All About Jesus

Upper Columbia Conference Pathfinder Fair

It started with a vision. After listening to her church pastor preach about the sanctuary, Jeri Hicks was inspired. She shared this with her husband, Wayne Hicks, UCC Pathfinder director, and together with Richie Brower, JoySpring pastor in Spokane, something different began to take shape for the 2007 Pathfinder Fair.

Hicks remembered a verse from her junior high Bible class: "And let them build me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them" Exodus 25:8. With that text in mind, they thought how great it would be to have Pathfinder clubs teach the Sanctuary honor to the Pathfinders during the year and then have the Pathfinder Fair speaker talk about the Sanctuary.

Wouldn't it be great to build a sanctuary like the Hebrews and camp around it? Isn't that what God wants, to live in and among us? They could see the benefits not only for Pathfinders but for the entire Walla Walla Valley community. So by faith they decided to

build a sanctuary.

Perhaps it was because they purposed to do this that our Lord showed them that they didn't have to build a sanctuary. He had a ministry who had already built a sanctuary, *Messiah's Mansion*. Not only did He show them this ministry through the efforts of June Cross, but He also moved on the hearts of church members in the Walla Walla and Stateline community along with friends from Coffey Communications and Mike Lambert, Stateline Church pastor, to donate the funds and provide the volunteer personnel to help bring the sanctuary to the grounds of Walla Walla Valley Academy.

On a bright sunny Friday in May, those Pathfinder clubs who had been willing and wise-hearted brought to the grounds sanctuary furniture and tribal banners to use as stage decorations so that Pastor Richie, dressed as a high priest, could explain to Pathfinders more of God's interest in their knowing more about His Son



The Wilderness Sanctuary was the centerpiece of the 2007 Upper Columbia Pathfinder Camporee.

and His plan of salvation. On Sabbath afternoon Pathfinders toured the Sanctuary or attended workshops. Volunteers Jim John of Coffey Communications, Myla Bruseke of the Blue Mountain Eagles club, Todd Titus of the Yakima Braves club, and Cindy Johnson of the Mattawa Lions club, led out in workshops designed to broaden Pathfinder interest in the Sanctuary.

Truly this was a God-ordained event. God blessed the desire to inspire Pathfinders. His blessings increased everyone's knowledge of Him. Our fair? It was all about Jesus!

The requirements for the Sanctuary Honor may be found at www.pathfindersonline.org.

Cheryl Wallace, UCC Pathfinder Ministries administrative assistant

Community Results

- Number who visited the Sanctuary: 3,987
- Number requesting Sanctuary study: 210
- Number of Bible study requests: 149
- Vacation Bible School requests: 143
- Studies in Bible prophecy requests: 104
- Health seminar interests: 82
- Breathe Free requests: 21
- Christian education requests: 3

Five churches are working on following up on these requests.



Messiah's Mansion

Messiah's Mansion is a life-size replica of the Mosaic Sanctuary that God gave instructions for Moses to build in the wilderness. It is a to scale copy of what it would have looked like to the children of Israel to the best of our knowledge. Through guided tours, people are able to see the plan of salvation and bring it to life with the visual aid of the sanctuary furniture.

Maximum Perspectives Presidential Blog

A recent addition to the front page of the Upper Columbia Conference (UCC) Web site is the presidential blog, *Maximum Perspectives*. This interactive site provides a venue for Max Torkelsen, UCC president, to share his perspectives on a variety of topics as well as an opportunity for individuals to dialogue with Torkelsen by posting their comments. Topics include but are not limited to, Leadership and Vision, Inspiration and Insight, and Culture and Society. You can visit *Maximum Perspectives* at www.maximumperspectives.org or www.uccsda.org and click on the lower right box advertising *Maximum Perspectives*. Happy dialoguing!



Kathy Marson, UCC communication assistant

Upper Columbia Academy Visits Carnegie Hall *An Experience of a Lifetime*

A group of Upper Columbia Academy (UCA) students, former students, and parents recently returned from a trip to New York City where they performed Jackson Berkey's work "South Dakota Shadows." They were part of a festival chorus performing at Carnegie Hall, accompanied by the New England Symphonic Ensemble and singing under the direction of Almeda Berkey.

Curtis Anderson, UCA's choral director, prepared the group well for their parts with help from the South Hill Adventist Church where they rehearsed prior to the trip. Several parents joined the



UCA's singing group, along with a group from Maplewood Academy, enjoy an informal church service in New York's Central Park.

students on the trip and enjoyed the Carnegie experience, with one listener saying, "Now I understand why Carnegie Hall has the reputation it does—it is well-deserved, as the music and voices just surround you."

Jonathan Schreven, a 2007 graduate, exclaimed, "Wow! What an experience! Having the opportunity to go to New York City and hang out with my friends a week after graduation was a blast. But add

to that singing on the stage of a world-renowned performing center like Carnegie Hall, and everything gets exponentially better!"

Michael Woodruff, a sophomore this year, had this to say: "Being lucky enough to sing where so many great musicians have performed was incredible. It was an experience that will float way up there in my memory for my whole life."

The group is grateful for the support and encouragement from all those who helped make this endeavor a reality. •

Carmen Slavens, UCA GLEANER correspondent

Quilts of Love *Kids at the Northwest Children's Home are Covered*

Four women from the Lewiston (Idaho) Church have made it their mission to create handmade quilts to help the more than 80 children at the Northwest Children's Home in Lewiston. In December, the Children's Home received 25 quilts and in the last several months, 36 more quilts have been made and delivered. The "Quilts of Love" group, which includes Esther Steffanson, Dee Patton, Betty Johnson and Shirley Benson, spends between 10 to 20 hours of work on each quilt, depending on the size or complexity of the design. When kids finish the programs at the Children's Home, they take the quilts with them.



Lori Skelton receives a batch of quilts made by women of the Lewiston Church.

"Because each quilt is totally different, it's an area in which kids can express a unique side to their personality by picking a pattern or color scheme that they love," says Lori Skelton, Children's Home marketing and development director.

More than 65 percent of the residents are boys, so the group works to customize the quilts with bright primary colors and themes of airplanes, cars or trucks.

Established in Lewiston, Idaho, in 1908, the Northwest

Children's Home is a residential treatment center for troubled youth. Kids ranging in age from 6 to 18 years old, live at the home full time. Most of the children have come from situations of abuse, abandonment and neglect. Clinical therapists oversee the programming and each child receives individual and group counseling, medical services and an accredited education.

For more information on the home, visit www.northwestchildrenshome.org/. Or contact Lori Skelton, at (208) 743-9404, Ext. 205. •

Lori Skelton, Northwest Children's Home marketing and development director

A Time for Every Season *In the Fairfield Church*

Recent weeks at the Fairfield Church have reminded us of God's words in Ecclesiastes, which tells us that to everything there is a season. This scripture reminds us that our joys and our sorrows, our struggles and triumphs are all part of the plan our Father designed to help us grow and prepare for heaven.

We've held on to that, given the recent joys and sorrows that our congregation has experienced. On her 15th birthday, Salenia Daniels was baptized into our church. Her



Sharon Hilde

Three of her four children, from left: son, Norman Thiel, Shirley Thiel, M.D., daughter, Nancy Thiel, and son, Arthur Thiel, M.D., celebrate Shirley's 80th birthday with the church and town of Fairfield.

mother and some of her friends and classmates from Liberty High School attended the service. The pews were filled

Jim Kilmer, pastor, baptizes Salenia Daniels into the Fairfield Church family on her 15th birthday. Salenia was killed in an automobile accident a month later.

to overflowing as the handbell choir from Upper Columbia Elementary played for the service.

A few weeks later, we celebrated an 80th birthday with Shirley Thiel, M.D., who with her husband Francis Theil, M.D., ministered to the medical needs of the area for

many years. Her children and many people had great stories and memories to share.

Less than a week later, our newly baptized Salenia was killed in an automobile accident riding with friends from school. Since the Fairfield Church could not accommodate the large crowd expected to attend the memorial service for Salenia, we worked with Paul Anderson, the Zion Lutheran Church pastor, in a joint service. More than 400 people came to the standing-room-only service.

We pray that the church's witness through this heartbreaking tragedy will now serve to be a season of sowing seeds, and of healing and finding peace, headed toward an eternal season of harvest. •

Lisa Buell, Fairfield Church member



Tony Purvis

Finding Peace and Safety *A Client's Story*

After 17 years of marriage, my husband's controlling and domineering behavior exploded in a terrifying episode of abusive anger. My young son locked himself in the bathroom during the abuse.

During the next few days while I tried to hide the bruises from friends and co-workers, I walked around in a state of shock. We were the "happy family next door" type of people who were both leaders in our church and places of employment.

He promised it would never

happen again all the while trying to explain to me why it was my fault.

This was just the beginning of two years of horror. I kept trying to make excuses for him



and praying that God would change him.

My eyes were opened one day by my 10-year-old son. I watched him mimic his father in an explosive incident while playing with his stuffed animals. My heart froze and I knew right then that I could not let him grow up to be an abusive husband and father. I had to stop the cycle right then.

My pastor shared with me about Cookie's Retreat Center and my life has never been the same. My son and I have learned so much as we enjoy

the peace and safety here in this God-ordained home.

My husband is seeking professional help, and I am praying that God will heal our family. Thank you and God bless everyone who has donated to make this place possible for us.

If you are reading this and your current life situation sounds a lot like mine was, call Cookie's Retreat Center's toll-free Hotline at 1 (866) 625-6333. •

Gina Salazar, Cookie's Retreat administrative assistant

Young Disciples' Seventh Mission Experience

Participant Decides to be Baptized



Ted Evert

Pastor Fonte baptizes Cami Martin on March 24 in the South China Sea.

I've always wanted to be a missionary. I got a glimpse of mission work on Young Disciples' (YD) Seventh Mission Experience to Quezon, Palawan, Philippines, from Feb. 27 to March 29. We held 14 nights of evangelistic meetings using *New Beginnings* for the adults' meetings, and YD's *Truth for Youth* for the children's meetings. There were 17 youth, ages 15 to 21, with four adults on the trip. We had three evangelism teams: DVD Evangelism, who did all the sermons for the adult meetings; Child Evangelism, who were responsible for the children's meetings; and Health Evangelism, who did evening health talks, visited the sick, staged a health expo and ministered in the community.

I was really blessed by being



Ted Evert

The 2007 Young Disciples' Mission Experience Team.

in the Health Evangelism group. Being with the sick and poor made me truly see how much I have, and how spoiled our culture is. In Quezon's hospitals, the patients didn't have more than a thin blanket covering their board beds! It's amazing what luxuries Americans are considered to have—ovens, hot water, clean water, beds, windows, and the



Ted Evert

On the last Sabbath, church was held in the gymnasium and it was packed!

list goes on. I'm so glad I was able to share God with these people. They may not have clean water, but many now have the Fountain of Life from which to drink freely!

Seeing people responding to our efforts and seeing lives change in only two weeks was amazing! I'll never forget the

last Sabbath, the day I was baptized! I remember thinking of how the last month had changed my life, and how I wanted to really become a Christian. I'm very glad I came home a different person than when I left. I've had many trials, and fallen too, but my faith is growing! I'm so thankful for a life-changing God! Even if we had only touched the life of one person, it would have been worth it! And at least one life was changed—mine! •

Cami Martin, 15, from the Belfair Church in Port Orchard, Wash.



Nicole Kanomata

Nathan Wehr passes out invitations to the upcoming evangelistic series.



Ted Evert

From left: Emily Heagy, Natasha Towns, and Cami Martin meet with some of the local girls.

Will Sing for New School Students Perform for 10 Hours, Raise \$45,000

Olympia Christian School (OCS) was built old. After World War II, surplus buildings were brought from Fort Lewis and patched together to create a school. Now, years later, it's time for a new school.

Fundraising efforts in the last three years resulted in \$60,000 toward the new school. New ideas were needed to boost the fundraising activity.

"Our student performing groups are our niche," said Bruce Justinen, fundraising board member, who suggested a 10-hour performance with a goal of raising \$50,000.

Students wrote letters explaining the need for a new school to prospective sponsors and asking for their help.

In mid-May, more than 80 students, staff and volunteers stepped up to the risers in the Hawk's Prairie Safeway parking lot in Lacey, Wash., promptly at 8 a.m. to sing, "America! America!"

The daylong performances included the school's three bell choirs, an all-school choir, a girls' choir, two sign language choirs, and classroom choirs.

And the people gave! More than \$2,000 was

collected from people coming to the store.

Other responses included parents asking for information about registering their children at OCS, an offer of news coverage in a Christian online newspaper, and a painter who offered to donate paint and his services to paint the new school.

The pledges continue to come in. At the time of writing,



Olympia Christian School kids sang and played for 10 hours in front of a Safeway store to raise money for their new school.

the school has received more than \$45,000 from the performance. •

Anita McKown, OCS principal

Marching Into History

Skagit Adventist Academy Graduates First Class of Seniors

More than 40 years ago, a group of people had a vision to start a story of Christian education in the town of Burlington, Wash. Through perseverance and passion, the dream grew as the goal to provide a Christ-centered learning center became a reality.

The legacy that started in the mid-1960s grew over the years, and four years ago, Skagit Adventist School began to expand grade-by-grade to become a 12-grade day academy.

This June marked an important milestone as Skagit Adventist Academy introduced its first graduating class.

Prior to graduation, the academy established a chapter of the National Honor Society and held its first induction



From left: Chardel Nelson, Bekka Wultz, graduates, Ken Knudsen, principal, Ariane Brandt and Phillip Brink, graduates, celebrate SAA's first senior graduation together.

ceremony. Recognized for their scholarship, leadership, service and character are six charter members: Laureli Bynum, Clayton Byrd, Charlie Dunlap, Jeff Ladish, Frances Leaf and Jenny Milchenko.

The honor society ceremony fed the anticipation and

preparation for graduation on June 3 when the first four graduates from Skagit Adventist Academy marched their way into history.

The graduation, held on the lawn of the school, honored the four seniors, who each attended all four years and who

pioneered the education path for future seniors in the ever-growing academy.

"There has been tremendous growth during the past decade, both in physical plant size and student count," said Dan Bynum, school board chair. "Where once a student count of 40 to 60 filled the original plant, now a student count of over 165 fill nine classrooms, a full office, library, music room, gym, and more."

Next year's expansion plans are moving forward on schedule to add four additional classrooms and a full-time math teacher. "We just keep growing," said Ken Knudsen, principal. "It's a good problem to have!" •

Tracey Gaver and Lisa Knudsen, SAA GLEANER correspondents

Impact Chorale Visits Brazil

The select choir of Puget Sound Adventist Academy (PSAA) recently performed on tour in Brazil. *Impact* gave five full concerts and seven other appearances.

Attendance for concerts was staggering by American standards. A Rio de Janeiro church with a capacity of 1,200 was packed for both a morning and afternoon concert. At a Friday night communion at Universitario Adventista de

Sao Paulo, PSAA students were awed as the service was performed twice to accommodate 2,800 people.

"We were amazed at the response to our music," said Meghan Kay, PSAA sophomore from Kirkland, Wash. "No polite golf claps here—the applause was thundering. It took us by surprise!"

Impact also participated in an all-night "Prayer and Praise" assembly where quartets to



The "Christ the Redeemer" statue outside Rio de Janeiro makes for an inspiring backdrop for *Impact*, Puget Sound Adventist Academy's music group, as they begin their music tour in Brazil.

500-voice choirs performed between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. More than 3,500 people were still in attendance by the conclusion of the program.

"What a difference in the attitude of the Brazilian people toward spiritual involvement and lifestyle," said Estyn Goss, *Impact's* director. "It was

refreshing and affirming for this group of young singers to see their belief system accepted and practiced without hesitation. It made us all aware of the *laissez-faire* approach we have to our religion here at home." •

Kathy Fridlund, PSAA GLEANER correspondent



The WindWorks mission team enjoyed the company of the children of the Refugio Infantil Santa Esperanza, located in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

WindWorks Fellowship Church Begins a Tradition of Mission Service

Eight church members from the WindWorks Fellowship Church in Lacey, Wash., have started a new tradition: church mission trips.

The team went for six days to an orphanage in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, to interact with 61 children, ranging in ages from 3 months to 14 years old who have been abused, neglected or simply abandoned.

On Sabbath, the team spent the day showing God's unconditional love—WindWorks style with no strings attached—through craft projects, playing games and

doing what the children needed most—just being held.

The group was also able to share God's love through painting more than 20 specially built cribs and beds, painting the outside walls of the orphanage and purchasing shoes, socks and supplies for the children.

All participants agreed this was a life-changing experience and plans are already underway for next year. Where will they be going? Back to Mexico, to the children they grew to love. •

Steve Pfandl, WindWorks mission trip participant

Seattle Spanish Finds a New Home

After many years of renting and moving, the Seattle Spanish Church recently purchased a facility at 516 N.W. 56th St. in Seattle.

Founding pastor Manuel Cabral shared at a special church celebration in mid-May how members of the church dreamed for years of having their own church facility.

The Seattle Spanish Church began in Kirkland as the first Hispanic Adventist church in the area. Later, they moved to a small chapel in Seattle before moving again to accommodate the growing congregation. A few pastors and locations later, they finally have a church of their own to call home.

Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president for administration, challenged the congregation and current pastor, Samuel Pagán, to create a welcoming environment where people can grow in their faith and learn how to be free from sin.

What is the church's next goal? "Maybe a bigger church," Cabral said. •

Brittany Russell, Washington Conference summer intern

Seattle Spanish members celebrate the purchase of their new church home in Seattle.



Brittany Russell



For the Love of the Team

AAA Students Attend NBC Team Camp

Three, two, one! The buzzed seconds after the Falcons, the girls' basketball team of Auburn Adventist Academy, received possession of the ball, and outmanned, out of position, and utterly exhausted, fought to stay in the game.

With the swoosh of the game-winning three point shot, the 10 participating members of the Falcons basketball team won a team-building game during the Northwest

Basketball Camp (NBC) at Upper Columbia Academy.

Team Camp, during the week of June 25–29, offered the 22 participating teams an opportunity to develop individual as well as teamwork skills. The Christian camp also challenged the young people to focus on a healthy lifestyle, good values, building of friendships, and a relationship with God.

“After all the time we spent together, we are a lot closer as a team,” said Niki Freitas,

a junior from Bonney Lake, Wash. “During our breaks we would sit and hang out together [with Puget Sound Adventist Academy and other schools]. I really enjoyed becoming better friends with them, and it was nice because it didn't feel like we had to be rivals.”

This is the second consecutive year for an Auburn Adventist Academy team to attend NBC. Falcons coach, Gordon Onsager, was pleased with how the team built their

AAA students who attended NBC Team Camp this summer, from left: (low in front) Marina Jorgensen, Kourtney Kraft (coach), Chanesse Hobdy and Kayla Chevalier; (middle) Shelby Paulsen, Anna Tyman, Niki Freitas, Nichole Jansen, Megan Tan; (rear) Kathleen Eun, Keren Pagan.

game skills while building team spirit and developing their spiritual walk. •

Jondelle D. McGhee, AAA GLEANER correspondent

Auburn Missionaries

Build Dormitory in Masai Mara

Earlier this year, 52 individuals—families, Auburn Adventist Academy (AAA) students and others—journeyed to Kenya, Africa, to build a girls' dormitory and library at the Olopikidong'oe (o-le-picka-dong-way) Mixed Primary Boarding School in the Masai Mara.

Education in Kenya is freely available, but not required. Boys typically receive five years of schooling, and girls are educated for two years. Because of this cultural norm, male students have on-location housing while female

students must walk back and forth to their homes, often in danger of being attacked by wild animals.

The new dormitory provides safe housing for 300 female students. The Auburn missionaries provided new bed sheeting, medical services, and Vacation Bible School programming for 600 children.

If you would like to participate in the next Africa mission trip, contact Richard or Delray Luce at rdrluce@msn.com. •

Delray Luce and Ken Wileman, trip participants

Female students at Olopikidong'oe Mixed Primary Boarding School now have a safe place to stay at the school thanks to the Auburn missionaries.



Heathcock Begins and Ends Teaching Career

In Washington Conference

Barbara Heathcock began and ended her 40-year teaching career in Washington Conference.

Fresh from Walla Walla College, Barbara Grubb began teaching at Seattle Junior Academy. A student introduced her to his “Uncle Bob” and soon she married Bob Heathcock. After her son Brian was born, she taught at Sky Valley School in Monroe.

In 1978, Heathcock joined the faculty at Kirkland Adventist School where over the years she taught grades one, two, three, five and seven in addition to teaching home economics and music, and serving as part-time librarian. Her quiet and steady manner with students has commanded their respect and encouraged their affection.

Her choreographed Christmas and spring musical programs have been an annual

highlight, and fittingly enough, the school celebrated Heathcock's retirement milestone with a farewell spring concert.

“We appreciate Barbara Heathcock's lifetime of service here in Washington Conference,” said Denise White, associate superintendent of schools, “and her commitment to educating children for this life—and for eternity.” •

Kathy Fridlund, KSDA GLEANER correspondent, and Denise White, Washington Conference associate superintendent of schools



Barb Heathcock is honored for her years of service at Kirkland Adventist School.

Denise White

WWC Welcomes New Administrator

Ken Rogers Joins the Ranks

Ken Rogers finished his first year as vice president for student administration in June. He is from Collegedale, Tennessee, where he served for the past 16 years as chaplain for Southern Adventist University. As the campus chaplain, he enjoyed working with the student missions program and developing a taskforce assistant chaplain program. Rogers also created a youth ministry class that has since evolved into a youth ministry minor.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to take on the challenge of administration and the chance to bring a pastoral presence to a student administration role," he says.

Rogers also looks forward to making a difference in the lives of the students at Walla Walla College.



Ken Rogers is the WWC vice president for student administration.

"Through role modeling and involvement in student life

activities, I hope I can impact those around me with an

attitude of respect and awe for our God, and a desire to serve our fellow man in love and service," he says.

With family roots in the Northwest, Rogers is happy to be in the region and be close to family. He has two adult sons, Brandon and Brock, both of whom live in Washington state. Rogers lost his third son to pneumonia complications at age 18. Rogers is set to be married in August, and his wife-to-be, Cheryl McGhee, from Atlanta, Georgia, will join him after the wedding.

Rogers replaces June Ferguson, who served as vice president for student administration for seven years. •

Becky Beddoe, WWC GLEANER correspondent

WWC Professor Publishes Book

New Commentary on Daniel Released



Bryan Aulick

Stefanovic has been teaching at Walla Walla College since 2000.

Zdravko Stefanovic, professor of biblical studies at Walla Walla College, has recently published a book. Stefanovic's new book is a chapter by chapter text-based commentary on Daniel. In his study, Stefanovic refrained from letting his own ideas influence how he read the text, allowing it to speak clearly to him.

"You have to be, in some ways, like an artist," Stefanovic observes. "You must pay attention to the details, but keep in mind they are part of the overall picture as well."

Stefanovic's interest in Daniel stems from the fact that it is very important in the Adventist church. It is also one of few bilingual books in the Bible, originally written in both Hebrew and Aramaic, an ancient language which Stefanovic studied extensively in graduate school.

Stefanovic also chose Daniel by request from his brother, Ranko Stefanovic, Andrews University Department of Religion chair. In 2002, Ranko published a commentary on the book of Revelation and asked Stefanovic to compose a similarly styled commentary

to be packaged as a set with his own book, *Revelations of Jesus Christ*.

Multiple cross-cultural experiences have enabled Stefanovic to better understand the cultural aspects of the book of Daniel. Stefanovic has lived in Yugoslavia (now called Bosnia), France, Switzerland, the Philippines and mainland Asia.

Daniel: Wisdom for the Wise was released in May 2007 from Pacific Press Publishing Association. •

Becky Beddoe

A Legacy of Service

New CEO reflects on his vision for Walla Walla General Hospital

1. Monty, in your new position as president and CEO of Walla Walla General Hospital (WWGH), what are your hopes and dreams for this organization?

I'm really proud to be here to carry on the great tradition of Adventist health care in the Walla Walla area. In the future, I want us to continue to minister to the needs of our patients with the compassion and great care that is the foundation of our reputation in the community. I also want us to grow in terms of the services we provide and the health care professionals who offer those services.

2. There are challenges in running a small hospital. What are some of the biggest ones facing WWGH, and how do you hope to address those?

In smaller hospitals expenses are tight and employees carry multiple responsibilities. Hiring strong, mission-driven people is key to helping us manage the challenges we face.



Monty Knittel, Walla Walla General Hospital's new president/CEO, looks to build on the General's legacy of providing whole-person care for patients.

3. WWGH has a history of embracing the spiritual aspect of health care. How do you hope to build on that legacy?

We receive many positive comments in this area and will continue to invest time and effort in supporting the spiritual needs of our patients, regardless of their religious background.

I want us to continue to be known as a hospital that does more than just treat illness. One way this is accomplished is through our community wellness education program. Last year, more than 20,000

people attended classes on everything from coping mechanisms for grief recovery to childbirth to back pain to stress management to smoking cessation.

4. In your health care experience, what things contribute most to a workplace in which the healing ministry of Christ is more than words, but is lived out in real ways every day?

I believe our ministry is most effective when every person on our team treats every person they interact with as a child of God.

5. Do you see opportunities for our churches and schools to partner with our hospitals?

Absolutely. We are all part of a larger community and we will all benefit by working together.

A great example is our Parish Nurse program. The hospital provides resources and education for a number of area churches interested in enhancing their ministry to the health care needs of their parishioners.

6. If you could wish for one thing from the Adventist community in regards to WWGH, what would it be?

I believe that Adventist health care makes a significant and unique contribution to the communities we serve. In addition to understanding the importance of that contribution, we need your prayers and support.

In these days of staffing shortages, it's also helpful when the Adventist community helps us identify experienced and qualified candidates for careers in our hospital.

7. Finally, what might you hope for WWGH to bring to its community at-large?

The heritage of Adventist health care is focused on a core belief in caring for the whole person—physical, mental and spiritual. I want us to be recognized as an organization that does more than just treat the immediate physical need. •

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To learn more about Walla Walla General Hospital, visit www.wwgh.com.

Connecting and Reflecting at Rosario Beach

Envision sitting on a beach around an orange and red, crackling campfire on a Sabbath evening. Grandmothers, parents and children are bundled against the cool twilight air. Kids dip their hands into frigid buckets of water to play with the crabs and eels they have found in the tidepools. Men are chanting, kum- kum- kum-bi-yah in deep bass voices. The ladies are singing, Someone's praying, my Lord, kum-bi-yah, accompanied by the stirring waves. It is easy to understand why worshippers from the Wenatchee Church return to the Walla Walla College Marine Station at Rosario Beach for their annual retreat the first weekend in May every year. They are seeking that special spiritual blessing that

is found with the right combination of nature, worship and fellowship.

Being one of those people who is better at making a joyful noise rather than singing beautifully, I sit and listen while my 2-year-old drops rocks into a hole in a piece of driftwood. My child is happy. I am at peace and after being part of the church family for only a year, I feel connected. The faces around me are familiar and I know some of their talents and pains.

Ardella Edwards is sitting on the outer borders of the circle, but she is the one who makes sure we are well-fed for the weekend. Jackie Stonas is sitting quietly, cuddling her three girls, but she is the one who wrote the words to our theme

song titled, "Our Daily Bread." Wendy Witas is leaning against a large piece of driftwood with her hands resting on top of her guitar, but she and her husband, Mark, are the ones who are leading our song service.

Mike Aufderhar, Wenatchee Church pastor, is hunched over his Bible with his reading glasses in hand, but there is a hush as he asks us to notice how common things can remind us of our connection to God and to recognize what tools we can use to share that connection with others.

Intermingled with people of tremendous aptitudes are those of us who are hurting, those of us who are ashamed of our mistakes, and those of us who don't agree with individuals sitting next to us. I marvel at these people's ability to accept each other and to sit around the same campfire to worship our Creator.

After experiencing such a profound spiritual blessing, we are more connected to Christ and are better able to reflect His character. •

Deanna Kerr, Wenatchee Church member



Photos by Ron Edwards



Jeanette and Glen Edgerton

Edgerton 60th

Glen and Jeanette Edgerton had an anniversary/birthday celebration in Washington, D.C., area at a family reunion with children and grandchildren during the week of July 4, 2007. They are currently members of the Hood View Church, but have been members of Mt. Tabor and Rockwood churches.

Glen Edgerton married Jeanette Schwartz on June 25, 1947, Glen's birthday, in Everett, Wash. They met at Auburn Academy. While attending his first year at Walla Walla College in College Place, Wash., Glen was drafted into the Army. After his discharge they were married then returned to college to continue their education. Glen graduated from Loma Linda University School of Medicine in 1958, and moved to Portland, Ore., where he practiced family medicine for 29 years at Adventist Medical Center. After his retirement from AMC he practiced at Legacy Mt. Hood Medical Center for the next 10 years as medical director of the Chemical Dependency Program until he retired again. Over the years he has been involved in healthful living seminars. In 1994 at age 67 he began training and over the next eight years ran 10 marathons, including the World Masters Championship, Eugene, Ore., where he received the silver medal at age 71.

Jeanette has been a homemaker, raising four children and being involved with school and church programs, providing warm hospitality and growing dahlias and roses. She graduated from Mt. Hood Community College in 1988 as a medical office assistant/secretary.

The Edgerton family includes Ronald and Erika Edgerton of Gresham, Ore.; Karen and Rick Mace of Kettering, Ohio; Brent (deceased) and Debby Edgerton of Apopka, Fla.; Kevin and Robyn Edgerton, also of Apopka; and 11 grandchildren.

Holbrook 90th

Clement Holbrook was honored at a special church potluck for his 90th birthday recently. Clement was born in Culesac, Idaho, on May 17, 1917. He was the middle child of seven children. When he was 9, Clement, his siblings and his parents, Noah and Bessie Holbrook, moved to the Yakima Valley where his father farmed. Clement was baptized into the Adventist church in 1933 during a Detamore camp meeting.

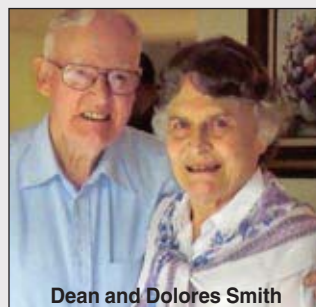
Clement eventually purchased his own land and raised cherries and apples in Grandview, Wash. He married Loyce Fields in 1949. After Loyce's death, he moved to Goldendale in 1994 to live with his youngest sister, Ruby Snell and husband, Robert, who had retired there. As Clement was growing up he loved to work in the family garden plot. He now lovingly tends his own garden and spends most of his time there.

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Smith 60th

Dean and Dolores Smith celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on April 21, 2007, with a surprise party at their home, given by their children. They are members of the Milton-Freewater Church.

W. Dean Smith married Dolores E. Dollman on April 24, 1947, in Metzger, Ore. where they lived until moving to The Dalles, Ore., in 1955. In 1960



Dean and Dolores Smith

they moved to College Place, Wash. They returned to the Portland area in 1964 where they were both cytologists at United Medical Labs. When they retired in 1985, Dean was the purchasing agent for the Portland Community College cafeterias and Dolores was in the Portland School District food service. They moved to Joseph, Ore., in 1987 and built themselves a home, and then built and remodeled several other homes. In 1998 they moved to Milton-Freewater, Ore.

The Smith family includes Ken Smith of Rainier, Ore.; Deena and Harvey Hochstetter of Sequim, Wash.; 4 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Unger 50th

Kay and Arleen Unger of Brewster, Wash., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary April 8, 2007, with a family dinner. Both have been active in the Brewster Church since joining, he in 1961 and she in 1962.

Kay Unger married Arleen Kenneally in Somerville, Mass., April 6, 1957. Except for two years in Walla Walla—1965–67—they have lived in Brewster ever since. Kay was a welder-machinist, drywall installer and salesman until he was disabled in 1970. Arleen has worked as a waitress, motel maid, nursing home cook, apple sorter and packer, and baby sitter.

The Unger family includes April Unger, Brewster; Kelly and Brian Wyatt of Wenatchee, Wash.; Wendy Unger of Shoreline, Wash.; Rhett and Shelley Unger of Battle Ground, Wash.; 5 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Van Tassel 95th

Ethel Van Tassel celebrated her 95th birthday on March 4, 2007, with an open house put on by the Redmond Church in their Community Service Center.

Ethel Goodrich was born March 5, 1912, in Palmyra, Maine. The Goodrich family moved from Maine to Oregon when Ethel was 2 years old. She married Glenn Van Tassel in 1930. She was first a mother and homemaker. But she also taught at the Redmond Church School for a time. She was actively involved with the Redmond Church in various capacities, and still attends church regularly.

The Van Tassel family includes Vonnie and Don Owen of Redmond, Ore.; Lamar and Marlene Van Tassel of Scappoose, Ore.; Delmarie and Chuck Null of Goldendale, Wash.; Leland and Eileen Van Tassel of Vancouver, Wash.; Norman and Judy Van Tassel of Chandler, Ariz.; Lorraine and Judy Van Tassel of Albany, Ore.; Nick and Jan Van Tassel of Redmond; 14 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Family
W E D D I N G S

ADEN-GALE—Erica Aden and Robert Gale were married Aug. 26, 2006, in Walla Walla, Wash. They are making their home in Kennewick, Wash. Erica is the daughter of Daniel and Laurie (Watts) Aden. Robert is the daughter of Stuart J. and Sally (Thoelke) Gale.

ALLEN-SWETNAM—Deanna Allen and Scott Swetnam were married June 1, 2007, in Boring, Ore., where they are making their home. Deanna is the daughter of Dever and Cynthia F. (Aldred) Crawford. Scott is the son of Ronold L. and Janet S. (Lickey) Swetnam.

CLIFTON-MCEWEN—Samantha Clifton and Zach McEwen were married Feb. 11, 2007, in College Place, Wash. They are making their home in Walla Walla, Wash. Samantha is the daughter of Jerry and Brenda (Whatley) Clifton. Zach is the

son of Jim and Kerry (Claxton) McEwen.

COX-GADALLA—Christina M. Cox and Ahmed S. Gadalla were married June 3, 2006, in Cairo, Egypt. They are making their home in Beaverton, Ore. Christina is the daughter of Roger Cox and Valerie (Kabanuk) Chapin. Ahmed is the son of Samhy Gadalla and Hayam Mahmoud Saleh.

DAVID-HILTON—Laura David and F. Hughes Hilton Jr., were married June 24, 2007, in Battle Ground, Wash. They are making their home in Beaverton, Ore. Laura is the daughter of John and Geri David and Jane (Marsh) Smith. Hughes is the son of F. Hughes Sr. and Debra (Weeks) Hilton.

JOHNSON-MARTIN—Andrea Johnson and Joshua Martin were married Oct. 1, 2006, in Hammitt, Idaho. They

are making their home in Chehalis, Wash. Andrea is the daughter of Andrew and Lorna Johnson. Joshua is the son of Gary and Winnetta Martin.

JONES-TIDWELL—Marjorie E. Jones and Nathan R. Tidwell were married April 15, 2007, in Walla Walla, Wash. They are making their home in Collegedale, Tenn. Margie is the daughter of Ernest and Dorothy Jones. Nathan is the son of Dennis D. and Lila Tidwell.

LARSEN-SMITH—Monica R. Larsen and Kevin T. J. Smith were married Sept. 14, 2003, in Gladstone, Ore., where they are making their home. Monica is the daughter of Marvin and Teri Larsen. Kevin is the son of Ken and Helen Smith.

MARTIN-CULLENS—Alesa Martin and Ceith Cullens

were married Aug. 19, 2006, in Hideaway, Ore. They are making their home in Seattle. Alesa is the daughter of Gary and Winnetta Martin. Ceith is the son of Cevin and Dixie Cullens.

PELLENGAHR-DRAGULIN—Jessica Pellengahr and Mihail "Mike" Dragulin were married June 24, 2007, in Vancouver, Wash. They are making their home in Portland, Ore. Jessica is the daughter of Wilderich and Irmhild (Below) Pellengahr. Mike is the son of Victor and Rodica (Burlacu) Dragulin.

RUSSELL-LEE—Jessica Russell and Andrew Lee were married June 24, 2007, in Vancouver, Wash. They are making their home in Roseville, Calif. Jessica is the daughter of David and Debra (Merritt) Russell. Andrew is the son of Tom D. and Joellen (Coy) Lee.

Family
B I R T H S

BERNIER—Emmerson Ellora was born May 14, 2007, to Aaron and Heidi (Bauer) Bernier, Kirkland, Wash.

BRANDENBURG—Keenan M. was born May 23, 2007, to Todd and Lorlyn (Schnabel) Brandenburg, Walla Walla, Wash.

CARLSON—Warren J. was born May 18, 2007, to Sean and Rachel (Greenlaw) Carlson, West Richland, Wash.

CONNELL—Cory Dean was born March 9, 2007, to Jeremy and Kristianne (Dodds) Connell, Hillsboro, Ore.

CRIDER—Jay Louis was born May 23, 2007, to James and Jodi (Donaldson) Crider, Longview, Wash.

DARCY—Petra C. was born April 26, 2007, to Seth C. and

Darcia R. (Gullham) Darcy, Walla Walla, Wash.

DAVIS—Daysha L. was born March 22, 2007, to James and Amy (Trepanier) Davis, Bremerton, Wash.

DUBÓN—Alejandro Joaquin was born Jan. 4, 2007, to Rodolfo and Jennifer (Davison) Dubón, Spokane, Wash.

ELLIS—Sophia M. was born April 15, 2007, to Steve and Donna (Hepker) Ellis, Kent, Wash.

FOGELQUIST—Jayden L. was born Aug. 4, 2006, to Jeremy and Ashlee (Broom) Fogelquist, Spokane, Wash.

FRANKLIN—Maddaly M. was born May 3, 2007, to Thad and Jenee (Fisher) Franklin, Walla Walla, Wash.

GOULD—Katelyn Rose was born June 1, 2007, to Jason

and Renea (Samborski) Gould, Milwaukie, Ore.

HARDIN—James M. was born April 5, 2007, to Jeff and Lori (Borges) Hardin, Port Orchard, Wash.

HENDERSON—Delaney Jaye was born May 1, 2007, to Jason A. and Katrina R. (Farrell) Henderson, Vancouver, Wash.

HERR—Jonathan Andrew was born May 21, 2007, to Michael and Kristine (States) Herr, Orlando, Fla.

KORCEK—Griffin Walter was born Jan. 3, 2007, to Nathanael and Chantelle (Jensen) Korcek, Auburn, Wash.

KYLE—Peter Eugene was born May 20, 2007, to Tim and Laura (Davis) Kyle, Vancouver, Wash.

PETERSON—Asher R. was born April 20, 2007, to Delvin

and Sara (Easterday) Peterson, College Place, Wash.

POGGE—Brock Nathan was born May 29, 2007, to Kevin and Taletha (Lange) Pogge, Kent, Wash.

SAUNDERS—Andrew Vincent was born Feb. 21, 2007, to Vincent and Elizabeth (Rengifo) Saunders, Auburn, Wash.

STEPPER—Kienna Brook was born May 25, 2007, to Brandon and Mandy (Hebard) Stepper, College Place, Wash.

WIBBERDING—Kara Eliyah was born Jan. 25, 2007, to Jim and Laura (Ochs) Wibberding, Telford, Penn.

WILLEY—Kari A. was born March 4, 2007, to Tyson and Vanessa (Ekvall) Willey, Spokane, Wash.

Family
A T R E S T

ALTMAN—Donald D., 87; born Feb. 29, 1920, Modesto, Calif.; died March 28, 2007, Seattle. Surviving: daughters, Carol Blood and Kathryn Altman, both of Seattle; Nancy Barber, Calgary, Alberta, Canada; brother, Harley Altman, Seattle; and 2 grandchildren.

BEEMER—Charlotte A. (O'Neal), 74; born July 12, 1932, Portland, Ore.; died June 19, 2007, Tillamook, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Venny Holbert, of Oklahoma; half-brother, Nelson Esrom; sister, Karen Speake, Rockaway Beach, Ore.; and 4 grandchildren.

BOSKIND—Christopher F., 65; born May 4, 1942, Malabar, Fla.; died June 1, 2007, Ridgefield, Wash. Surviving: wife, Connie (Wilson); son, Jeffrey, Gresham, Ore.; daughter, Dawne Wright, Battle Ground, Wash.; brothers, Richard, Melbourne, Fla.; Andrew, Hendersonville, Tenn.; and 4 grandchildren.

BROWN—Mary J. (Meeker), 90; born Aug. 30, 1916, Alamosa, Colo.; died May 1, 2007, Grants Pass, Ore.

BUMGARNER—David O., 74; born Jan. 25, 1933, Eufaula, Okla.; died May 22, 2007, Silverton, Ore. Surviving: sons, Joseph, Vancouver, Wash.; Terry, Longview, Wash.; David and Aaron, both of Salem, Ore.; brother, Lee, Meridian, Calif.; sisters, Elizabeth Carter, Shearjack, Ga.; Shirley Potts, Silverton; and 13 grandchildren.

BURNS—Helen Lorena (Richards), 89; born Jan. 25, 1918, Ithica, Mich.; died May 25, 2007, Boise, Idaho. Surviving: sister, Arline Goertz, Caldwell, Idaho.

CASE—Victor I., 45; born March 25, 1962, Burns, Ore.; died June 7, 2007, College Place, Wash. Surviving: wife, Donna L. (Groom); mother, Ruby J. (Howard) Case, Pendleton, Ore.; sisters, Kelly Warner, Pendleton;

Cyndee Boatright, Pendleton; Dianna Hoffecker, Boise, Idaho; Patty Rinckle, Sutherlin, Ore.; and Laura Hunt, Walla Walla, Wash.

CORNFORTH—C. Frederick, 90; born Oct. 17, 1916, Miami, Ariz.; died May 26, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Ola (Claunch); son, Charles, Caldwell, Idaho; daughter, Lorraine Nichols, Surprise, Ariz.; brothers, Leon Cornforth, Caldwell; Lyle, Gresham, Ore.; 5 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

DELLA—Mae C. (Couch) Lovell Reed, 77; born March 26, 1930, Inglewood, Calif.; died May 2, 2007, Caldwell, Idaho. Surviving: daughters, Paula (Lovell) Rohde, Patricia (Lovell) Rickwa and Judy (Reed) McDaniel, all of Caldwell; brothers, Donald Couch, Scottsdale, Ariz.; Charles and Bobby Couch, both of Caldwell; sister, Norma Marritt, Nampa, Idaho; 9 grandchildren, a step-grandchild, 17 great-grandchildren and 4 step-great-grandchildren.

FLECK—Duayne G., 54; born Sept. 27, 1952, Portland, Ore.; died May 25, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Joy (Holder); sons, Darius and Keanan, both of Walla Walla; daughters, Alodia Helbley, Spokane, Wash.; Alanna Fleck, Walla Walla; brother, Daryl, Portland, Ore.; and sister, Jenelle Fleck-Johnson, Chicago, Ill.

GALLENINE—James W., 48; born May 3, 1958, Vancouver, Wash.; died Feb. 5, 2007, Gresham, Ore. Surviving: sons, Ben and Kyle, both of Portland, Ore.; daughters, Nicole Gallentine, Gresham; Amanda Gallentine, Portland; parents, Rod and Dorothy (Coward) Woods, Portland; brothers, Robert, Grants Pass, Ore.; Bernie, Battle Ground, Wash.; and sister, Karen Thompson, Portland.

GIBBS—Marvin "Spook," 82; born Jan. 11, 1925, Hood River, Ore.; died May 27, 2007, Walla

Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, A. Juanita (Wright), Pendleton, Ore.; daughter, Linda Lee Bullock, Pendleton; 2 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

GIBSON—Milton J., 87; born Oct. 27, 1919, Cambridge, Idaho; died Dec. 17, 2006, Spokane Valley, Wash. Surviving: wife, Patricia (Harrison), Gladstone, Ore.; son, Steve, Eugene, Ore.; daughters, Jeanie Bair, Desert Hot Springs, Calif.; Sherie Molander, Otis Orchards, Wash.; Dianne Brody, McKinleyville, Calif.; Debbie Grable, Liberty Lake, Wash.; step-daughters, Vicky De Vine, Culver, Ore.; Jan Sample, Bonners Ferry, Idaho; Roxanne Brown, Madras, Ore.; Pamela Middlestetter, Silverton, Ore.; 16 grandchildren, 10 step-grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and 6 step-great-grandchildren.

GLADDEN—Gerald F., 86; born July 7, 1920, Berkshire, Vt.; died June 7, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Betty (Sharp) Harral; sons, Dave Gladden, Dillingham, Alaska; Dwight Gladden, Walla Walla; stepsons, Louis Harral, of Alabama; David Harral, of Oregon; Albert Harral, of California; Delbert Harral, of Nevada; Charles Harral, of Arizona; Don Harral, College Place, Wash.; daughters, Wilda (Gladden) Treadwell, Walla Walla; Ivy (Gladden) Smith, Anchorage, Alaska; stepdaughters, Nancy (Harral) Hartzell, Portland, Ore.; Elaine and Sylvia Harral, both of California; brother, Edward, Richford, Vt.; 8 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

HABERLY—Janet S. (Anderson), 74; born March 8, 1932, Gilmore City, Iowa; died Feb. 23, 2007, Sedro Woolley, Wash. Surviving: husband, Leroy; sons, Gary, Burlington, Wash.; Les, Loren and Glen, all of Mount Vernon, Wash.; daughter, Gail Hagen, Arlington, Wash.; brother, Eric Anderson, Snohomish, Wash.; 11 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

HAGOOD—Mary Ursula (Sutton), 82; born May 13, 1924, Galena, Ore.; died April 19, 2007, Hamilton, Mont. Surviving: daughters, Mary L. Miller, Seaside, Ore.; I. Joan Brown Schwarz, Hamilton; sister, Juanita (Sutton) Potter, John Day, Ore.; 4 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

HERSCHER—Fred J., 98; born June 18, 1908, Renville, Minn.; died April 28, 2007, Sutherlin, Ore. Surviving: wife, Frances (Adelberg); sons, John J., Oakridge, Ore.; Mark M. and Fred L., both of Sutherlin; Francis M., Greenbrier, Tenn.; daughter, Mary A. Staats, Wichita, Kan.; 10 grandchildren, 3 step-grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren and a step-great-grandchild.

HIXSON—Lyla E. (Dewey), 87; born March 18, 1920, White Fish, Mont.; died May 17, 2007, San Clemente, Calif. Surviving: son, Keith A., Bellingham, Wash.; daughter, JoAnn Davidson, Wrightwood, Calif.; brothers, Jim Dewey, Southern Oregon; Burton Dewey, Port Angeles, Wash.; Ivan Dewey, Sequim, Wash.; 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

KNUDSON—R. Forrest, 69; born Feb. 14, 1938, West Hollywood, Calif.; died May 26, 2007, Issaquah, Wash. Surviving: wife, Patricia J. (Benjamin), Damascus, Ore.; sons, Douglas, Las Vegas, Nev.; Michael, Tillamook, Ore.; daughters, Julia Hogate, Milton-Freewater, Ore.; April Jordan, Issaquah; Camille Santo, Everett, Wash.; Heather Knapp, Gladstone, Ore.; and 8 grandchildren.

LAUZON—Luwana (Lowery), 81; born Sept. 1, 1925, Portland, Ore.; died May 10, 2007, Hillsboro, Ore. Surviving: husband, Arnold; sons, Dale, Bend, Ore.; Doug, Hillsboro; daughter, Norma Lauzon, Beaverton, Ore.; and sister, Pat Lenz, Salem, Ore.

MCCANN—Robert B., 82; born April 6, 1925, Forest Grove,

Ore.; died June 7, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Margaret (Force); son, Martin, Alpharetta, Ga.; daughter, Karen Grigaliunas, Spokane, Wash.; and 3 grandchildren.

MCCARTNEY—Dottie E. (Osborne) Hansen, 70; born Jan. 13, 1937, Amarillo, Texas; died April 25, 2007, Portland, Ore. Surviving: husband, Vern J. McCartney, Woodland, Wash.; sons, Rick Hansen, Woodland; Lonnie Hansen, Spanaway, Wash.; stepsons, Scott, Todd and Chris McCartney, all of Spokane, Wash.; stepdaughters, Heather (McCartney) Bare, San Antonio, Texas; Aimee (McCartney) Rodriguez, Santa Ana, Calif.; sister, Leona (Hansen) Neiman, Keene, Texas; 7 grandchildren, 5 step-grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren and 2 step-great-grandchildren.

O'REILLY—Edward C., 87; born Nov. 17, 1919, Lougheed, Alberta, Canada; died May 7, 2007, Ridgefield, Wash. Surviving: son, Dean, Aumsville, Ore.; daughters, Sharon Pierson,

Vancouver, Wash.; Janelle Dobbins, Oakland, Ore.; sister, Nola Hilligoss, McKinleyville, Calif.; 4 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

O'REILLY—Gertrude "Trudy" J. (Westphal), 87; born June 14, 1919, Agar, S.D.; died May 29, 2007, Sutherlin, Ore. Surviving: son, Dean, Aumsville, Ore.; daughters, Sharon Pierson, Vancouver, Wash.; Janelle Dobbins, Oakland, Ore.; sister, Florence (Westphal) Brooks, Albany, Ore.; 4 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

SCHLEEDE—Wallace H., 80; born Aug. 3, 1926, Truax, Saskatchewan, Canada; died May 18, 2007, Pendleton, Ore. Surviving: wife, Barbara (Taylor); son, Richard, Walla Walla, Wash.; daughters, Linda Hansen and Kathryn Thompson, both of Pendleton; Becki Sylvester, Sunriver, Ore.; sisters, Grace Joyner, Portland, Ore.; Elsie Morris, Albany, Ore.; Audrey Gaines, Milton-Freewater, Ore.; and 7 grandchildren.

SHERMAN—Stephen J., 53; born Aug. 6, 1953, San Antonio, Texas; died Aug. 21, 2006, Seattle. Surviving: wife, Carol L. (Wehn), Newberg, Ore.; son, John M., Hood River, Ore.; daughter, HollieAnne R. White, Paradise, Calif.; parents, Lloyd S. and Carol I. (D'Angelo) Sherman, San Antonio; and brother, David L., Cibalo, Texas.

SMITH—Lenora J., 87; born Jan. 12, 1920, Wapato, Wash.; died May 23, 2007, College Place, Wash. Surviving: sister, Ella Mae Cook, Walla Walla, Wash.

STANCIU—Wallace E., 84; born Feb. 5, 1923, Richland, Ore.; died Feb. 25, 2007, Richland. Surviving: wife, Maureen (Goodwin).

WAGNER—Tom D., 51; born Dec. 5, 1955, Spokane, Wash.; died May 5, 2007, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Surviving: parents, John and Lillian (Wageman) Wagner, Deer Park, Wash.; brothers, Tony, Deer Park; Randy, Spokane; and grandmother, Minnie (Schaak) Wageman.

WEAVER—Ruby J. (Harris) Mayo, 99; born Nov. 16, 1907, Portland, Ore.; died March 4, 2007, Concord, Calif. Surviving: son, Charles Mayo, Concord; daughter, Angie (Mayo) Redford, McMinnville, Ore.; brothers, David Harris, Talent, Ore.; Robert Harris, Portland; 6 grandchildren, 4 step-grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren and 4 step-great-grandchildren.

WRIGHTSON—VaLoyce M. (Dondino), 73; born July 29, 1933, Bennett, Wis.; died May 29, 2007, Pendleton, Ore. Surviving: husband, Donald; son, Andrew, Pendleton; daughters, Linda Martinez, Salem, Ore.; Patricia Rodriguez, Waco, Texas; Teresa Eilers, Sedro Wooley, Wash.; brothers, Roger Dondino, Beaverton, Ore.; Tony Bachman, Irrigon, Ore.; sisters, Beverly Sherman, Stanfield, Ore.; Gayle Hall, Eugene, Ore.; Becky Montgomery, Irrigon; 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

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Offerings

Aug. 4—Local Church Budget; **Aug. 11**—World Budget; **Oakwood College/Andrews University/Loma Linda University***; **Aug. 18**—Local Church Budget; **Aug. 25**—Local Conference Advance; **Sept. 1**—Local Church Budget.

*Special Materials Provided.

Special Days

Curriculum Focus for the Month—Spiritual Gifts†

Aug. 25—Abuse Prevention Emphasis Day

†Curriculum resource materials are published in NAD church resource journals—*Sabbath School Leadership*, *Celebración*, *Célébration*, *Kids' Ministry Ideas*, and *Cornerstone Youth Resource Journal*.

Pilots and Ham Operators Retreat

Aug. 9–12—Pilots, hams and their families from the North Pacific Union, British Columbia and Alberta, Canada, are invited to this annual event. Sponsored by the Northwest Adventist Amateur Radio Association at Camp Hope, British Columbia, Canada. This year's program will see a number of new features. Thursday—all-day ham operator classes (U.S. and Canada) with exams in the evening. Friday—family events, 1858 Gold Rush Museum, gold panning, ham radio seminars; for pilots: Jud Wickwire, back from Adventist Frontier Missions training at Andrews talks about going to Guyana. No roads—flying the vital link www.flyawa.org. Other topics: Oshkosh report, airplane maintenance, and mountain flying. Sabbath—Gordon Pifher, KB7GLS, British Columbia Conference president, keynote speaker, special music, mission

reports, nature outings. Registration/details at www.naara.org.

WALLA WALLA COLLEGE

Calendar of Events

Sept. 1—The name of the college officially changes to Walla Walla University; **Sept. 23**—Registration; **Sept. 24**—Classes start on the College Place campus.

IDAHO

Alden Thompson Seminar

Aug. 24–25—The Oasis Church will host Alden Thompson of WWC as he discusses inspiration, the life of faith in today's world and the future of the Adventist church. Thompson's presentations begin at 7:15 on Friday evening and continue on Sabbath at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. at 501 North Curtis, in Boise, Idaho. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free. Babysitting is available. Come join us for a prayerful weekend of thoughtful discussions relevant to the church today and tomorrow. Call (208) 322-6601 for information.

Missing Members

The Cambridge (Idaho) Church is searching for missing members: Timothy Clark, Larry Hancock, Melissa Jefson, Ted Lechner, Don Stevenson and Michelle Ward. Please contact shansen@ctcweb.net or write the Cambridge Church at P.O. Box 70 in Cambridge, Idaho 83610 if you have any information.

OREGON

Retired Workers' Fellowship

Aug. 7—The annual picnic for the Oregon Retired Workers' Fellowship will be held at 12 noon at the Gladstone Park Conference Center. Meet at the grassy area near the treasury building. Please bring food; table service will be furnished. Tables will be set up, but you might want to bring chairs for comfort. All retired employees from pastorates, schools, hospitals or any denominational institution are encouraged to come. Bring

guests, enjoy good fellowship and food! Although this is provided mainly for retired denominational workers, all retirees are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please contact the Jorgensons at (360) 423-1612.

Oregon SAGE

Aug. 12—All Things Scandinavian—handicrafts and colorful costumes in Junction City; **Sept. 12**—Corn Feed at Gladstone Park Conference Center. For registration information, contact Wynn at (503) 343-5948 or wynnk@comcast.net.

Adventist Single Adult Ministries (ASAM)

Aug. 17–19—Camping: Mt. Hebo Lake Campground. (Hebo is near Cape Mears/Pacific City area on the Oregon Coast; www.daytrails.com/MountHebo.html.) Sponsored by the Beaverton Adventist Singles. Bring food (to share if you like), Bible, camping equipment, hiking shoes, camera, binoculars. Better to expect inclement weather. For information call: Tom Terry at (503) 684-7971, tom.te@verizon.net or Charlotte Miles at (503) 579-9549. www.beavertonsda.com, then to the Singles Web page. Maps will be made available at the Beaverton Church foyer and potluck. Save **Sept. 14–16** for the singles retreat at Silver Falls Christian Renewal Center.

Move-in Date for Milo

Aug. 19—Registration and move-in date for Milo Adventist Academy is between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Classes begin Monday, Aug. 20. For more information, call (541) 825-3200, ext. 3317 or go to www.miloacademy.org.

Fourth Annual SonShine MusicFest

Sept. 15—Please join us for a relaxing Sabbath afternoon at the fourth annual SonShine MusicFest in downtown Molalla at Long Park on Molalla Ave., from 4–7 p.m. Proceeds will benefit local Pregnancy Care centers. One of the featured musicians is Vonda Beerman along with several others. For more information, contact Molalla Church at (503) 829-9977.

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Oct. 14—Portland Adventist Community Services will host its third annual PACS Awards Dinner on Sunday at 5 p.m. The event will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel by the Portland Airport. The featured speaker will be former Oregon Senator Frank Shields, who gave voice to poverty issues. For more information or to reserve tickets, contact Carol Paulson at (503) 252-8500, ext. 120.

UPPER COLUMBIA

Upper Columbia Conference Constituency Session

Notice is hereby given that the 75th session of the Upper Columbia Conference will convene in the Upper Columbia Academy convocation center at Spangle, Wash., on Sunday, **Sept. 30**, at 9 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers and departmental directors for the ensuing term and to transact such other business as may come before the session. Each organized church in the Conference shall be represented at the session of the Conference by two delegates plus one delegate for each 75 members, or major fraction thereof, each of whom shall be a Seventh-day Adventist member in good and regular standing of the local church which he or she represents.

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WWVA Alumni Homecoming

Oct. 5-6—Walla Walla Valley Academy homecoming 2007. Honoring the classes of '97, '92, '87, '82, '77, '72, '67, '62, & '57. Special reception for the 50-year class. Please contact the WWVA alumni office for more information at (509) 525-1050 or oetman@wwva.org.

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SAGE Activities

Aug. 19—Baseball game, Seattle Mariners vs. Chicago White Sox. **Aug. 21**—Potluck picnic at Coulon Beach Park in Renton. **Sept. 5-9**—Annual Seniors Convention at Camp Hope, British Columbia, Canada. Contact Joan Libby at (253) 681-6008, or joan.libby@wc.npuc.org, or go to www.sage-washington.com. New Address: 32229 Weyerhaeuser Way S., Federal Way, WA 98001.

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Oct. 5-6 Oak Park Alumni Reunion at Gates Hall in Nevada, Iowa. For more information, go to www.opainiowa.com.

IAASW Conference

Oct. 26—The International Association of Adventist Social Workers conference for its members will be held at the Holiday Inn Civic Center, San Francisco, Calif. For information, contact Lindsey Pitts at ceilidh_ze@yahoo.com, and visit www.iaasw.org.

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La Grande	8:17	8:07	7:56	7:45	7:32
Pocatello	8:48	8:39	8:29	8:18	8:06

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Havre	8:53	8:42	8:30	8:17	8:03
Helena	8:57	8:46	8:35	8:23	8:09
Miles City	8:32	8:21	8:10	7:58	7:45
Missoula	9:06	8:55	8:43	8:31	8:18

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Coos Bay	8:37	8:27	8:17	8:06	7:54
Medford	8:29	8:20	8:10	7:59	7:47
Portland	8:36	8:26	8:15	8:03	7:51

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Pendleton	8:21	8:11	8:00	7:48	7:35
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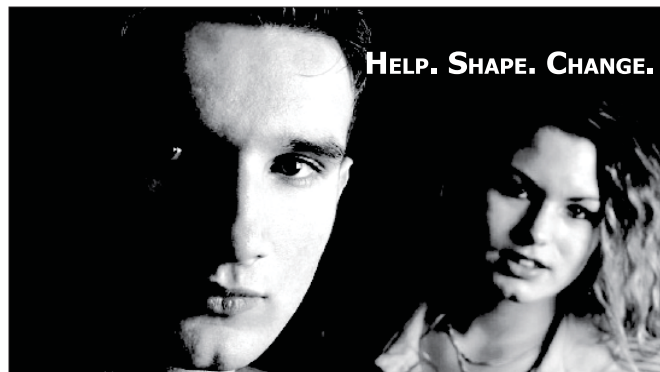
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