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In 1866, at the urging of church co-founder Ellen G. White, the Seventh-day Adventist Church established the Western Reform Institute in Battle Creek, Michigan, to care for the sick and offer health instruction. In successive years, other sanitariums were started around the country and operated with varying levels of success.

As part of this network, Adventist Health System was founded in the 1970s to support and strengthen regional Adventist healthcare organizations.

Today, from its headquarters in Altamonte Spring, Florida, AHS leads one of the largest faith-based healthcare organizations in the nation. Comprised of nearly 50 hospital campuses and other care sites in almost a dozen states and employing approximately 80,000 team members, AHS serves over five million patients annually.

Although their name is changing in 2019, their mission remains the same: To extend the healing ministry of Christ to every person through every stage of life and health.

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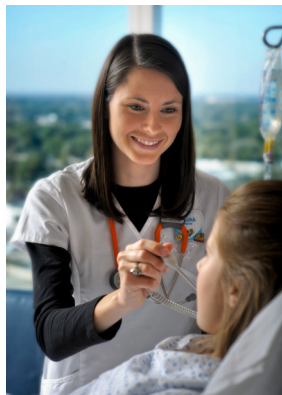
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AHS: Changing Names, Still Extending the Healing Ministry of Christ to Every Person, Every Time

Adventist Health System is changing its name to AdventHealth in 2019. On the following pages, you will find information about why the name is changing and the reason AdventHealth was chosen. I believe you will be inspired and blessed as you read about their renewed commitment to providing whole-person care.

At a recent Shawnee Mission Health board meeting, I heard testimonies from several of their employees who, while not members of any Adventist churches in Kansas City, were deeply committed Christians. They had just completed

GARY THURBER is president of the Mid-America Union.



the training Adventist Health System provides for its 80,000 employees on the kind of care this medical ministry wants to offer. They were elated to be a part of an organization that wants to “extend the healing ministry of Christ” in such a compassionate way.

As current board chair for AHS, one new initiative I am excited about is that, for the first time, AHS is going to be providing spiritual care for outpatient clients. They have just started this initiative and already have had approximately 800 referrals for pastoral care.

In addition to the spiritual care, they have also adopted a service standard for “every person, every time.” The four imperatives they see each patient wanting and needing are:

- Keep me safe
- Love me
- Make it easy
- Own it

If this is accomplished, Christ-like medicine is being practiced.

From strangers to friends

A number of years ago, I was on a father-son trip.

We were having a great time together until one afternoon I felt a pain I could not ignore. I drove to one of our Adventist hospitals and walked into the emergency room.

My son was quite young and very scared. I just wanted some relief. As it turned out, I had a kidney stone. My son was with me in the examination room when the doctor told me I might need to have surgery and stay overnight.

To the caretakers, I was a stranger whom they had never met before. They saw my predicament, however, and hatched a plan. Before I knew it, a chaplain walked into my room. She was very gracious and told me she had been informed about my situation and wanted to help. She offered to take my son to her own home that night and she and her husband would care for him while I recovered from surgery.

I was amazed at the level of compassion the staff had for my son and me. I felt loved; I could see they owned my medical care and my personal predicament. They made things easy for me and I felt safe. What a witness! It was then I

told the chaplain I was an Adventist, and as always happens, we found many connections of friends we both knew who are a part of our church.

As it turns out I didn’t need surgery, and a few hours later my son and I left the hospital and were able to continue our journey.

What a blessing it is to have Adventist Health System in our union! Stories like mine are repeated over and over each day. Hundreds of thousands are cared for each year in the hospitals and facilities AHS operates in our territory.

There are many godly men and women leading out in our hospitals, and what a difference they make for Jesus!

Not only should we be thankful for them, but we should pray for them as well. **0**

Visit AdventHealthTransition.com to learn more.

Why will some facilities within the Mid-America Union not be using the name AdventHealth?

There have been some questions as to why Adventist Health System will not use the name “AdventHealth” for all of the facilities within the Mid-America Union. Simply put, Adventist Health System is structured under two different operating models within the union, which require different naming constructs.

In Kansas City, Shawnee Mission Health is wholly owned and managed by Adventist Health System. As part of the national rebranding initiative, Shawnee Mission Health will become AdventHealth Shawnee Mission as of Jan. 2, 2019. Likewise, the various outpatient centers, physician clinics and ambulatory sites will all be rebranded to proudly carry the AdventHealth name as well.

In Colorado, the five hospitals owned by Adventist Health System are managed under the brand of Centura Health, which is a partnership that includes more than Adventist Health System facilities. Because of the partnership, Avista Adventist Hospital, Castle Rock Adventist Hospital, Littleton Adventist Hospital, Parker Adventist Hospital and Porter Adventist Hospital will continue with their same names in the Colorado market.

Spencer Freeman



AHS Rebranding to be **Consistent, Connected,**

A couple of years ago, my wife was in a bad car accident. It was a disorienting experience that became even more complicated when she was discharged from the hospital. I was given a thick stack of discharge paperwork and was wished the best of luck to figure out the rest of my wife's outpatient care. That helpless feeling led me to a decision: I would do everything in my power to fix this broken healthcare industry.

You may have felt that frustrating fragmentation of healthcare when you've helped a loved one try to find the right doctor, coordinate follow-ups, decipher discharge documents, or navigate what is next, all while praying that nothing falls through the cracks.

The only two types of organizations that discharge people are the military and hospitals. I think we should leave that to the military. Healthcare systems should stay connected with their patients even after they leave the hospital. That's why we are making a commitment to stay connected with those who entrust us with their care—to help them navigate the next steps and to encourage them along the way.

To do this, we must commit to a vision of being wholistic, exceptional, connected, affordable and viable. This vision is rooted in our Adventist legacy and poised for the future of healthcare.

A new name and a renewed commitment

Fundamentally transforming the way we deliver healthcare means getting closer to our consumers and staying connected with them. It means improving the quality of care we provide and finding ways to lower the cost of care to those we serve. It means developing a connected network of services that meets consumers' needs in new and innovative ways.

To that end, in January 2019 we will become AdventHealth. That is how consumers will recognize us across our wholly owned and managed hospitals, physician practices, outpatient facilities and communities. This transformation will allow us to provide a world-class care experience that is comprehensive, connected and easy to navigate. For

example, Shawnee Mission Health in Kansas will soon be AdventHealth Shawnee Mission. The unity of our company and culture will empower us more than ever to provide care as a team and amplify the ministry of Christ's love and healing centered around His earthly ministry, and ultimately, His Advent.

Our history shapes our future

As we live in the time between the Garden and our Savior's return, the promise of His Advent—the restoration of wholeness—is what inspires our mission of extending the healing ministry of Christ.

Our Adventist heritage of whole health began in 1866 with a bold and radical innovation: sanitariums. They were among the first institutions to recognize the benefits of

clean water, a plant-based diet, sunshine, fresh air, exercise and adequate rest. While many people found these frivolous at the time, Adventists were first to pioneer this philosophy.

The interconnectivity of the mind, body and spirit tells us that treating one dimension of our being but ignoring the others will only lead to failure. This is where I believe the current state of healthcare is failing us.

While Christ walked this earth, He did not just "Band-Aid" people's problems. He treated all individuals with compassion and helped them feel whole, no matter their status or background. This example of treating each person as a child of God with infinite value is something I believe can transform our fragmented healthcare industry.

Terry Shaw, president and CEO of Adventist Health System, unveils the rebranding to an audience of team members. In addition to unifying the hospital system with a new name, Adventist Health System team members will also be unified through consistent training and service standards.



Photos Courtesy Adventist Health System

Comprehensive

Helping people achieve wholeness

In addition to unifying the system with a new name, we're also unifying all of our team members. One of the ways we're doing this is through a training called the Whole Care Experience. This training is the first time all 80,000 team members of our wholly owned facilities will be aligned to the same service standards. So whether you engage with AdventHealth Shawnee Mission or AdventHealth Durand, you can expect a consistent service experience.

We are also making spiritual health a bigger part of our outpatient care experience through our Clinical Mission Integration program. With 95 percent of our patient touchpoints taking place in our outpatient facilities, this is an opportunity for us to reach even

farther into our communities to provide emotional and spiritual support. Consequently, we have added new questions to our patient's medical questionnaire:

- Do you have someone who loves you?
- Do you have something that gives you joy?
- Are you at peace?

To form these questions, we looked to the fruits of the spirit—how God defines spiritual wholeness: “But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control” (Gal. 5:22-23, NIV). The first three fruits of the spirit listed serve as great spiritual health indicators. The following six fruits of the spirit are for our team members to express during their care experience from beginning to end.

There is a major struggle

with whole health today evidenced by a staggering rise in depression, opioid abuse, suicide, violence and loneliness. If left unaddressed, these issues can ruin families and entire communities. We believe that infusing spiritual health into our outpatient care can make a difference. These questions give a rare chance for those who need spiritual or emotional help to open up in a confidential and safe environment. In our Central Florida Division alone, over 100 people per week are enlisting our support through this program.

Another way we are living our vision is through our Care Navigation pilot program, which we believe can transform healthcare by taking responsibility for guiding patients through their care continuum. This new program is being gradually rolled out to

our facilities and has already yielded powerful stories.

At Florida Hospital Heartland, the team recently shared an experience that perfectly sums up the powerful impact of this program. A woman with blindness came into one of our emergency rooms. Overwhelmed by her health issues, she had lost hope. She had been dropped by Medicaid and had missed her last 18 doctor appointments because she had no transportation. She even stopped taking her life-saving medicine because it cost her \$1,000 per month.

With our Care Navigation program, we were able to help her reclaim Medicaid funding, schedule follow-up appointments and get set up with a transportation program. Her out-of-pocket medication costs were eliminated, and she had a clear plan to take back control of her health. She said of the program, “I've never had someone help me so much in my life.”

It took teamwork, unity and compassion to put the pieces together for this patient. This story of hope and healing is what AdventHealth means to me: extending Christ's healing ministry of wholeness until the day of His Advent that will bring restoration and healing. **0**

Terry Shaw is president and CEO of Adventist Health System.

Senior Adventist Health System leaders gather for a prayer of blessing an hour before the announcement was made to all AHS hospitals.



Kansas City Hospital Embraces Whole-Person Health, Will Rebrand to AdventHealth

Whether praying by a patient's bedside, providing compassion and support to those battling illness or encouraging wellness through health-related events, Shawnee Mission Health team members pride themselves on their ability to deliver care for the whole person—mind, body and spirit.

It started with a simple idea back in 1962: Provide quality healthcare for residents of growing Johnson County founded on Adventist principles. More than 55 years later, SMH has expanded its reach and draws patients from throughout the Kansas City metropolitan area and around the Midwest. SMH's recent momentum is due in part to our 15-year partnership with Adventist Health System.

Starting on Jan. 2, 2019, SMH—along with AHS's wholly owned nation-wide facilities—will become AdventHealth, a fully-integrated health system

focused on caring for the whole person. With this change, SMH will offer the Kansas City community the same compassionate care, expert medical advice and leading edge technology they have come to trust. Patients can rest assured knowing there is no change in ownership and SMH's commitment to whole-person health and healing will continue for years to come.

"Shawnee Mission Health has always focused on caring for the whole person—body, mind and spirit. It's what we're known for in Kansas City," said **Sam Huenergardt**, president and CEO of SMH. "This name change is a testament to our continued growth and commitment to provide whole-person healthcare."

Whole-person care is what Adventist founders believed in more than 150 years ago when they began their first healthcare program. The idea of whole-person care is rooted in the belief that it takes more than a healthy body to truly feel your best, and it's what sets SMH apart from other healthcare organizations in the region.

"What began as a small community hospital at 75th Street and I-35 in Merriam has grown to more than 25 locations throughout Kansas City," said **Robin Harrold**, vice president of Ambulatory Development, SMH. "It has been our privilege to grow the healthcare network, allowing us the opportunity to bring whole-person care to more people throughout the region."

SMH's community outreach is one great example of how

the organization strives to improve whole-person health. For instance, women wanting to increase their fitness level can sign up for Women's Training Team—a six-week running/walking program to prepare women and girls for a 5K on Mother's Day. SMH offers classes on topics such as gardening, nutrition, stress management and parenting, and also presents community events such as Living in Vitality and Light the Town Pink to boost awareness and promote prevention of cancer and other diseases.

Physicians make an effort to gauge whole-person well-being by asking patients if they feel loved, have peace and a source of joy in their life. These questions spark conversations about a person's spiritual and emotional health, acknowledge patient concerns and make available resources that can serve to help patients enjoy a happier, healthier life.

The principles of CREATION Health (Choice, Rest, Environment, Activity, Trust in God, Interpersonal Relationships, Outlook and Nutrition) are at the center of SMH's wellness efforts not only for the community, but also for its team members. SMH conducts monthly wellness challenges to help team members boost physical activity and think about new ways to improve mental and spiritual health. Weekly chapel services are offered and spiritual wellness experts are always on site and available for patients, families and staff.

These are just a few of the

reasons people have trusted SMH for their healthcare needs since 1962, and rebranding to AdventHealth will allow SMH to offer even more opportunities to enhance mind, body and spirit.

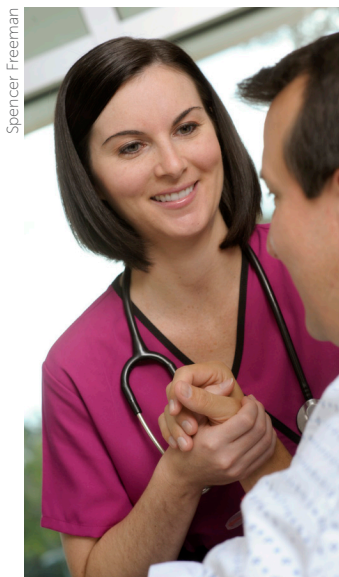
"Shawnee Mission Health has always provided faith-based care and that will not change," said Harrold. "Rebranding as AdventHealth simply connects us to a strong network of healthcare facilities committed to providing faith-based care not only in our community, but on a national level."

The AdventHealth mission, *Extending the Healing Ministry of Christ*, is about meeting people wherever they are. It's about believing that uncommon compassion is as important as medical credentials. It's about knowing that when people are treated with dignity and kindness from world-class experts, they will not only heal, but also become their best self again.

While Kansas Citians will soon know SMH as AdventHealth, the organization's goal remains the same: to serve the entire Kansas City community for a lifetime of whole health.

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Learn more about SMH or AdventHealth at ShawneeMission.org or AdventHealth.com.



Spencer Freeman

Adventist Health System Delivers Comprehensive Care

Adventist Health System/Centura Health serves the Rocky Mountain Region through five Colorado hospitals:

Adventist Health System/Centura Health serves the Rocky Mountain Region through five Colorado hospitals that provide full-service acute care through cutting edge technology and a broad array of clinical options. Ranked among the top hospitals in the nation for patient satisfaction, these exceptional centers offer compassionate healthcare through experienced medical professionals dedicated to providing a full range of specialties.



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K-12 Teachers Gather in Chicago

Focus on technology, inspiration and school improvements

Approximately 300 Mid-America Union teachers, administrators, support personnel, retirees and Union College seniors joined some 6,000 educators from across the North American Division at the McCormick Place Convention Center in Chicago, Illinois, on Aug. 6 for three days of spiritual renewal and professional development. This event,

themed Encounter Jesus, Experience Excellence, was the fourth NAD-wide convention for Adventist teachers held since 2000.

Music was a major component of the event, with the opening concert presented by **Steven Curtis Chapman**. Other artists who inspired the educators were **Angela Bryant-Brown, Michael English, Jaime Jorge** and

Wintley Phipps.

Elizabeth Talbot, speaker/director of Jesus 101, presented the keynote address. Each morning worship was led by **Sam Leonor**, chaplain at La Sierra University. General sessions featured technology, inspiration and school improvement. **Eric Sheniger** from the International Center for Leadership in Education focused on how to design tomorrow's schools today;

Manny Scott, one the original Freedom Writers, shared his inspiring story; and **Brad Geise** from Education for the Future emphasized the need for continued improvements. The event culminated with a commitment service led by **Dan Jackson**, president of the NAD.

Six breakouts were scheduled with approximately 170 presentations during each breakout session covering all aspects of Adventist education. Teachers also had time to explore Chicago one evening.

Feedback from teachers has been positive, and they left Chicago energized and ready to lead learners in also encountering Jesus and experiencing excellence in their own lives. **0**

LouAnn Howard is education director for the Mid-America Union.

Mid-America teachers (l-r) Melissa Morris, Heidi Nicholas, Kori Cook, Amber Bower, Karma Roberts, Jennifer Ewers, Jodie Ramirez and Barb Miller recently attended the NAD Teachers' Convention in Chicago.

Melissa Morris



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Courtesy North American Division/Dan Weber



My Experience at Teachers' Convention

At a student teacher reflects on the 2018 Teachers' Convention

Among the flashy booths selling the latest curriculum ideas and ranges of classroom resources, the endless lines of catered dining, the tear-jerking “Cinderella” sung live by **Steven Curtis Chapman**, and the many breakout sessions filled with bustling educators, I found something more important than worrying about which sessions applied to my secondary language arts degree or the endless debates of public school vs. Adventist education.

I found a hope that Jesus will always be there for me and the truth that His love is what this world—and the children we impact—need.

At 7:45 pm on Monday evening, speaker **Elizabeth Talbot** effortlessly and enthusiastically put into beautiful illustration that which I believe with my whole heart. Using Mark 6, 8 and 14 she showed the significance of the bread theme found in these chapters. In the feeding of the 5,000, after Jesus had taken the bread, blessed it, divided it and gave it out to those who needed it, there were 12 baskets left over to satisfy again for the future. This eternal bread represented the salvation Jesus can bring to those who ask. Later,

the 4,000 fed—representing the Gentiles of the world—had seven baskets left to satisfy as well.

Jesus brought it home and summed it up to His faithful 12 in the last chapter. He again took, blessed, divided and gave the bread to those around Him, saying that the body of Jesus, not the bread, is enough to fill us all—Jew and Gentile—until eternity.

The greatest truth

As I reflected that evening on the activities and networking still to come during the conference, I thanked God I was lucky enough to have Him in my life. I know I can't do life alone—let alone be a guiding lighthouse leading back to the shore (God) for the searching teens I will come into contact with. I want to be a light to them all, and I'm sure most of the individuals who were gathered in that ballroom want the same thing.

To finish off her poignant message—to show how important Jesus, His teachings and His sacrifice are to us—Talbot showed a quote in bold lettering for nearly 7,000 Adventist onlookers to see: “The sacrifice of Christ as an atonement for sin is the great

truth around which all other truths cluster.”

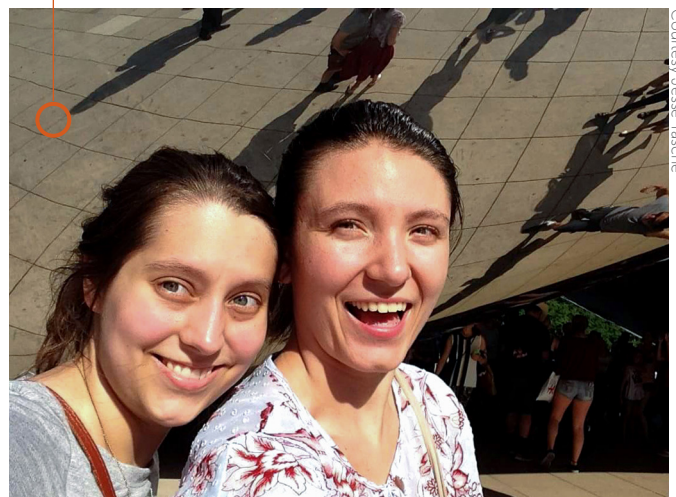
I've never been hit so hard in my life, and I pray those in attendance at this meeting, as well as those who read about it, can grasp this and take it to heart. Talbot, with her single quote from Ellen White's *Gospel Workers* (p. 315) and her follow-up message, tore down expectations, strict doctrine and judgmental rules by pointing us all back to the One who created the foundation for such doctrine. We should

never preach and teach on the love of Jesus as only one of 28 fundamental doctrines. Instead, He should be credited for every single one.

Ending her powerful message, Talbot had one more thing to say: “Jesus wins.” **O**

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Student teachers Jesse (right) and Elizabeth visit the Millennium Gateway—aka The Bean—in Chicago.



Courtesy Jesse Tasche

iServe Mission UK18

Central States Conference ventured on its first mission trip to the United Kingdom in July with a group of 30. The iServe movement encourages and facilitates service among youth and young adults. This consists of organized service projects locally and internationally. Here is a collection of photos and lessons from the journey.



Day 1: Depart for London

While we did not go to a "third world country," the trip gave an opportunity to interact with youth and young adults from another part of the world and get a taste of their hunger for God. ~Kory Paul Douglas

Day 2: Arrive in London and sightsee, including the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace

The trip was simply unreal. I kept thinking "I'm going to wake up and this is all going to be a dream." The last day when we were at the church was the most fun. All of us singing together and not caring how we looked or who was watching was exactly how I think it should be when we are at church. ~Reaia Turner

Day 3: Local missions in London, community service, gardening and nursing home

Day 4: London—Explore the city, local shopping

Never take anything for granted such as air conditioning, ice, salt and unlimited soft drinks. Being outside our comfort zone takes some adjusting. ~Shamone Green

Day 5: Sabbath in London, local missions, concert and group recreation

This experience forced us to take on another lifestyle. I appreciate everything I have now after being without it for two weeks. ~Alex Johnson

Day 6: Travel to Paris by train

Though we have a lot of churches, we are secular. We do not believe in God. We do not believe in Jesus. We do not believe in the Bible. We do not allow the construction of churches anymore. ~tour guide

Day 7: Paris and the Louvre

When locked in the Louvre, do not go out the door they instruct you to...It's a trap! ~Donnette Roston

Day 8: Paris—Eiffel Tower, "City of Lights"

My favorite part was gaining new family. When you're stuck together, you feed off everyone's traits and learn who you are as a person. ~Gabrielle Randall



Day 9: Traveling from Paris to Reading

Communication in Paris was really hard for me. I learned to be very patient. ~Hadiya Jasmine

Day 10: Local missions

Day 11: Sabbath in Reading, worship at Parkside Church

Pastor Douglas preached a message with the theme "Pressure bursts pipes." He emphasized that there is a higher calling that your parents can't give you.

Day 12: Depart for London, return home

How might God use you if you took a step of faith to engage with His mission somewhere in the world?



Photos: Courtesy Central States Conference

Saving Lives Through Barbershops

In the Denver metropolitan area, an inner city health ministry is using barbershops and beauty salons to perform blood pressure and hypertension screening, health education, and referral for those without health insurance. For the past six years, this health outreach has impacted the lives of those in the area.

Podiatrist **Dr. Bill Releford** began a similar program in the Los Angeles area in 2007 to screen African American men for diabetes and high blood pressure. Releford observed patients losing limbs due to uncontrolled circulatory disease. Because of this, Releford started a community health outreach that has since spread nationwide.

After hearing Releford's story, my wife (who is a nurse) and I started screening for hypertension and diabetes at the local barbershop.

This simple beginning led to a collaboration with the Colorado Black Health Collaborative and an expanded outreach. We now have a group of 15 barbershops and salons and do four-hour screening sessions almost every Sabbath morning or afternoon.

Our all-volunteer group of about 70 comes from various churches, universities and the local community. As a result, we have screened 7,768 individuals for hypertension; 1,092 for diabetes; and have logged 5,428 volunteer hours since 2012.

This program is surprisingly low cost. You do not need to wait to apply for a grant to start a similar project. Simply start with one barbershop or salon and expand from there. Here are the key things you need to be able to start in your city:

- A committee of volunteers to organize and set goals
- Blood pressure cuffs, folding tables and glucometers
- Medical personnel to supervise and do skilled training

- If possible, donated brochures for health education
- A local safety net clinic to refer those without health insurance
- A monthly schedule for outreach and log sheets to write ages and readings

Byron Conner, MD, and Alfredia Conner, RN, collaborated on this article.



Courtesy Central States Conference

Stepping Out of Church Into the Community

Philadelphia Church recently decided to step out each month and connect with the community by passing out goodies, tracts, study guides and cards. On the last Sabbath

of the month, the church changes its schedule. Instead of having Divine Worship Service at 11 am, it moves to 9:30 am. After worship, the congregation takes over a corner in a

surrounding neighborhood from 11 am until 1 pm. This is an opportunity for the community to interact with the local church and learn about Philadelphia Church.

Byron by **Pastor Keith Hackle**, this program has proven to be successful based on the amount of people who stop and join in the festivities.

Hackle, who recently relocated to Agape Church in St. Louis, adds, "Our mission

is to serve the community and spend time with them. Our method is we offer them refreshments and food, we pass out tracts and have music playing as we fellowship with them. We let them know we would love to see them at the next event, and if their schedule permits during the time in between we would love for them to join us for worship.

Our joy is, despite the weather (the first month was freezing), we carried on. We're out there serving together and positively impacting our community. No one is ever turned away and everyone leaves with a smile."

Pastor Keith Hackle and Philadelphia Church members step out into the local neighborhood to meet and interact with their neighbors.

Sharon Tate is communication secretary for the Philadelphia Church in Des Moines, Iowa.

Gloria Clark



Rapid City Shop Opens with Secret Recipe for Vegan Ice Creme

Ryan Hermens, Rapid City Journal Staff (used with permission)



Adventists Paul and Kim Jarvis, owners of DeVine Delights, are aiming to make the best dairy-free ice creme on the market.

Biologist **Paul Jarvis** has a dream to make the best dairy-free ice creme on the market. After spending nearly three years developing a secret recipe, Jarvis' ice creme is now delighting Black Hills residents.

Jarvis and his wife, **Kim**, opened DeVine Delights vegan ice creme—not cream since his product is dairy free—parlor and deli in Rapid City, South Dakota, in May. They serve vanilla, chocolate and strawberry ice creme daily, plus five additional flavors such as bananas foster, mango, peanut butter, mocha and cookie flavors. DeVine Delights also makes its own Italian ices, gelato, ice cream sandwiches and brownie sundaes.

"The most popular by far is anything with chocolate," Jarvis said, chuckling. "There are days our ice creme flies out the door. ... People really like our dairy-free ice creme. There's a lot of

people who are bringing in their children that are allergic to dairy, but (our customers are) not just people who are allergic to dairy. A lot of people are just stopping by and getting ice creme."

Paul and Kim Jarvis, both biologists and vegans, lived in Montana cattle country before moving to South Dakota. They understand the challenges of finding delicious options when eating a diet limited by allergies, food intolerances or a choice to avoid animal products.

DeVine Delights fills a need in the local market for a vegan restaurant, Jarvis said.

"We saw how difficult it was for people who are vegetarian or vegan to access plant-based foods here in Rapid City. Even though there are restaurants that offer vegan options, it's hard to tell whether they will make sure your foods are not contaminated with animal

products," Jarvis said.

DeVine Delights serves vegan soups, sandwiches, entrees, salads, cinnamon rolls and desserts; some are gluten-free. Jarvis' artisanal ice creme is the signature item. The ice creme is entirely plant based, made from Jarvis' original proprietary blend. Jarvis will only reveal that his ice creme is created with an ingredient grown in South Dakota. The ice creme is all natural and does not contain nuts, artificial colors or ingredients. Haagen-Dazs, Ben & Jerry's and other top brands make vegan ice creme from nuts such as cashews, almonds or coconut, Jarvis said.

"I used my knowledge of food science and chemistry, and I had some ideas about things I could combine to make this plant-based ice cream," Jarvis said. "I started doing a lot of research about the ice cream

industry and how ice cream is made and the science behind it. I combined that with my experiments and finally came up with an ice creme that tastes like dairy but isn't dairy."

Aside from the taste and the sense of accomplishment, making dairy-free ice creme comes with a fun factor.

"Ice creme makes people smile," Jarvis said.

The Jarvisses believe the timing is right for a vegan restaurant in Rapid City. The vegan food industry overall is growing rapidly, Jarvis said, because of people who want to eat healthfully, people who have dietary issues and age.

"To a great extent (the industry) is being driven by millennials. We receive a great deal of support from the millennial population here in town," Jarvis said. "Most of the people coming to us are vegan or vegetarian. We get a few people who are curious. We get a lot of people who are carnivores who say, 'I just want to try your food.' ... We have incredible foods you would never know are vegan."

Tanya Manus is a writer for *Rapid City Journal* in Rapid City, South Dakota. Reprinted with permission.

Trail Angels Share Trail Magic

As we approached Charleston Lake in Oregon one evening in July of 2017, we were surprised to see a huddle of fast-moving Pacific Crest Trail hikers listening to a transmitter. **Rebo** shouted to us from the group, “They’ve closed the trail ahead due to fires. A bunch of us are getting off. We’ll get back on at Big Lake and continue north. Have you heard of Big Lake Youth Camp? It is operated by Adventists. They are the nicest people. We’ll see you there.”

The subculture of hikers on

the PCT from the Mexican border to the Canadian border speaks of Big Lake Youth Camp with awe akin to reverence.

Trail Angels are dispersed along the length of the 2,000-mile-long trail leaving “trail magic” or supplying a meal and place to stay. BLYC offers a welcome center with hot showers, clean towels, laundry, soap, meals and camping.

When we finally returned to the trail in July 2018 (yes, a year later) and wearily traipsed into Big Lake Youth

Camp dirty and tired, a hiker shouted, “Welcome!” Then he laughed, “You don’t even recognize me! I’ve had a shower.”

The Continental Divide Trail starts at the Mexican border in New Mexico and follows the Continental Divide through Colorado and into Wyoming, Idaho and Montana. What could we in Mid-America do to get the response, “They are the nicest people?” Perhaps you can be a Trail Angel sharing Trail Magic in your

community, because ministry has many faces.

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Jacquie Biloff is communication director for the Dakota Conference.



Jacquie Biloff

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Conference Welcomes Haakenson as Stewardship, Development and Trust Services Director

Scott Haakenson has accepted the Iowa-Missouri Conference's invitation to serve as stewardship, development and trust services director.

This is a new position that combines two existing areas of ministry within the conference, stewardship and trust services, with a new emphasis on development. The conference executive committee earlier this year voted to merge these areas of ministry into a single department when **David Lincoln**, outgoing trust services director, made the decision to return to full-time pastoral ministry.

"Approaches toward giving are changing," said **Robert Wagley**, executive secretary for the conference and previous stewardship director. "People are now supporting specific initiatives rather than organizations, in general. It

naturally follows that all areas of giving—estate planning and philanthropic support of the Adventist Church, its mission and efforts—should fall under a single area of ministry." He added, "In Scott's previous roles within the conference, he has demonstrated great communication skills, a solid work ethic, an exuberant spirit, as well as passion and commitment in the area of stewardship. He'll be a great asset to the conference in his new role."

Haakenson has served the conference in various capacities for nearly 20 years, including most recently as pastor of the Cedar Rapids Church. Before that he served briefly as a pastor in Beirut, Lebanon, as part of a conference-subsidized mission program; as evangelism director at Sunnydale Academy; as a pastor and Bible worker in other parts

of the conference; and as director of the conference's Magabook student literature evangelism program.

"I am looking forward to getting to know more people around our conference and helping them see how they can make a difference in people's lives through giving," Haakenson said. "Giving, not just financially but with our time and talents, should be a way of life. I believe it's through giving that we become more like the generous God we serve who gave us everything we need for salvation and for this life on earth."

A significant part of Haakenson's role will be raising funds for various conference initiatives, especially Sunnydale Academy's student financial assistance campaign, *Funding the Mission of Sunnydale Academy*, which

aims to bridge the gap between students' financial need and their family's ability to pay. Now in its third year, the goal of the campaign is to fully fund student financial need for the current school year and eventually for a full school year in advance. **Erv Bales**, the academy's former vice president for finance, has graciously been serving as campaign coordinator in his retirement.

Haakenson hopes to see the number of people supporting the student financial assistance campaign grow to 1,000 people giving \$500 or more per year (approximately \$42 per month). "Academies are facing challenging times. So many have closed, but by God's grace ours is at maximum capacity," he said. "I look forward to working with our constituents to continue to meet the financial needs of students who want a Seventh-day Adventist Christian education."

The Haakensons (l-r): Arianna, Ryan, Beth, Ezekiel, Scott, Caleb, Deena



Courtesy Scott Haakenson

Randy Harmdierks is communication director for the Iowa-Missouri Conference.

Support Sunnydale Academy's student financial assistance campaign: sunnydale.org/funding-the-mission-of-sunnydale-academy. Contact Scott Haakenson: imsda.org/staff/scotthaakenson.

Other Recent Staff Additions

Pastors

Learn more at imsda.org/pastors

Kolby Beem - Clinton, Dubuque, Waukon

Jeffrey Fender - Hawkeye, Waterloo

Bryan Gallant - Kirksville, Macon

Makenzy Jean - Des Moines Campus Ministry

David Lincoln - Knoxville, Marshalltown, Newton, Winterset

Rodney Osborne, Jr. - Bourbon, Rolla, Sullivan

Darren Robinson - Charles City, Hampton, Mason City

Tucker Rullestad - Carroll, Guthrie Center

Teachers

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Jodie Ramirez - Des Moines Adventist School

Heidi Swayze - Muscatine Adventist Christian School

Muscatine Adventist Christian School Reopens

After being closed for three years, Muscatine Adventist Christian School reopened its doors this fall with nine students, five of whom are not from Adventist families.

Back in the 1950s and 1960s, the school was doing well, but it steadily declined in enrollment throughout the decades until its closure in 2015.

However, last year at a church dinner a new believer and young mother named **Linsey** inquired about the school, expressing a desire for her daughter to have a Christian education. This sparked a conversation with two other mothers, which soon led to the question of what would be needed to reopen the school.

Vonda Ludke, communications secretary for the Muscatine Church, posted information about the desire to reopen the school, and a news reporter from the local paper called wanting to know more. An article soon appeared in the local paper, followed by a call from a TV station in Davenport. Before long there was a segment on the evening news featuring plans to reopen the school.

It became clear God was leading, so an informational meeting was scheduled for the church and the public. A third of those at the meeting were from the community, and a number of others inquired by phone. **Joe Allison**, education superintendent for the Iowa-Missouri Conference, worked with the church and joined them in prayer.



Tiffany Hunter

Muscatine Adventist Christian School teacher Heidi Swayze started the school year with nine students, five of whom are not from Adventist families.

In February the Muscatine Church voted to support reopening the school. Despite a slow holiday season, they managed to secure commitments for five students.

They still needed a teacher, though. An initial applicant didn't make it to an interview, and months went by without anyone showing interest. A candidate from the Philippines was interviewed via Skype, but it would take months for her to secure a work visa. Sensing the urgency, the church gathered for prayer.

By late June, only a couple months away from the school's opening, the school still didn't have a teacher. About this time, **Heidi Swayze**, a highly sought-after Union College graduate, and her family moved to the Muscatine area. Although she had planned to stay home with her newborn, she felt impressed to apply, and

she was hired. With a teacher hired and financial donations and pledges coming in, the final pieces of the puzzle were in place.

The Muscatine Church leadership and the school praise God for the school's reopening and wish to thank those around the North American Division for their prayers throughout the last year.

Eddie Cabrera is pastor of the Davenport and Muscatine churches in Iowa.

For more information about Muscatine Adventist Christian School and other Iowa-Missouri Conference schools, visit imsda.org/schools.



Chadron Congregation Constructs New Building

The Chadron Church in Chadron, Nebraska, has been rebuilt from the ground up. In only four years, the needed funds of over \$2 million were secured or pledged, allowing us to break ground this past April.

What began as a meeting to address needed repairs and updates to our aging church building resulted in a mission for a brand-new facility. Personal sacrifices paired with blessings and miracles from God proceeded to rally us on throughout the process.

One of our crucial cost reduction strategies was to utilize Maranatha Volunteers International. In July, over 30 volunteers arrived from all over the United States and abroad to frame the new church and install the sheathing. This group, along with our own members, dedicated their time and wide range of skills to the construction. Though most helped at the building site, others were in the kitchen preparing the 58 large meals needed during this three-week endeavor.

The Maranatha volunteers not only helped our church

financially, but also impacted our members in a deeper way. Our gratitude is impossible to fully express for each volunteer and the Maranatha organization. However, our appreciation will continue to influence the outreach projects our members are involved in, both inside and outside our new church's doors.

The community has also taken notice during

the construction process.

The local radio station and newspaper featured updates on our project, and our members are asked about our new church on a regular basis.

People in the community post excited comments on our church's Facebook page and even share pictures taken of our new building. It gives us marvelous witnessing opportunities.

On the final Sabbath with

Maranatha volunteers, the first baptism in the new church took place. Performed in a borrowed stock tank placed on a cement stage and surrounded by bare stud walls, our members and new friends all witnessed the ultimate purpose for working on this project—to lead people to Christ.

Each step of this project has been moving for our Chadron congregation. Most of all, it is amazing to see what God can do when we make Him and His mission our priority.

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Kimmie Owen is a member of the Chadron Church in Chadron, Nebraska.



Norman Renk | 2018 Calendar Cover Photo



Photos Courtesy Chadron Church

With help from Maranatha Volunteers International, the congregation is constructing a new facility in which to worship. The first baptism was recently performed in Chadron Church's new building.

SCENIC PHOTOS NEEDED

Scenic photos taken within Kansas & Nebraska are needed for the 2019 Conference Calendar.

Photos needed by October 7, 2018.

Send submissions to sgottfried@ks-ne.org

Garage Sale Helps Share the Gospel in Uganda

July 12 and 13 proved to be blisteringly hot, but the heat did not deter our Fremont Church from hosting a garage sale spearheaded by one of our members, **Kathy Larsen**. Proceeds from the sale went to help fund an ADRA mission project to sponsor goats to needy families in Uganda and open the way for the gospel to be shared there.

Church members and community people alike helped support the project, not just with their purchases, but through donations for the sale—two moving truck loads worth of furniture, toys, decor and other items.

One business even donated a storage unit for the items until sale day. A table with free evangelistic literature was available, and many books, pamphlets and tracts were taken. About \$1,800 was raised, which will sponsor 45 goats.

If God is speaking to your heart about helping this project, visit ADRA.org and browse their gift catalog. We praise God for the opportunity to share our blessings and support Adventist Missions.

Jen Bullion is a member of the Fremont Church in Fremont, Nebraska.

Fremont Church's garage sale raised about \$1,800 that will be used to purchase goats for needy families in Uganda and open the way for the gospel to be shared there.



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Celebrating Summer Ministry at

Sunshine pours through the trees as a breeze rustles the leaves of the white-barked birches. The new welcome center at North Star Camp is buzzing with activity as staff help campers sign up for classes and carry their belongings to the cabins.

Meanwhile, parents express their appreciation for the new online pre-registration, which cuts down on wait time. Counselors meet their campers with bright smiles and assure them that this week will be fun. Excitement fills the air as campers walk from cabin to cabin greeting old friends and making new ones.

Later, everyone gathers at the flag pole for an official welcome and heads into the lodge for a tasty and hasty supper—since most of the

campers dash off to play nine-square in the field as soon as they have cleaned their tables.

Next comes recreation time with the sports director, **Nicholas**, who makes the campers laugh with games like wolf wolf, duck duck goose, and capture the flag.

On Sunday, evening worship is in the lodge, but Monday through Thursday worship is held outside at The Point with songs and a production of the Bible story of Ruth set in the Wild West. The play awakens the campers' imaginations and helps them see how Jesus wants to redeem us with His amazing love, just like Boaz redeemed Ruth.

This year, NSC offered four new activities: mountain biking, photography,

low ropes and drama. Camp craft made a reappearance under the new name of wilderness survival and under the direction of **Joseph Peden**. Peden said he liked the class because it was practical knowledge that could be presented in a fun way.

Two other weekly activities that brought smiles were the rodeo, consisting of games, food, face painting and a horse show, and water mania, which was several hours of water games and swimming.

The Agape Feast on Friday evening was a special way to welcome the Sabbath with a light meal, music and a heartwarming play. The play ended with each person writing on a sticky note something they

wanted God to take care of, then putting it on the wooden cross outside.

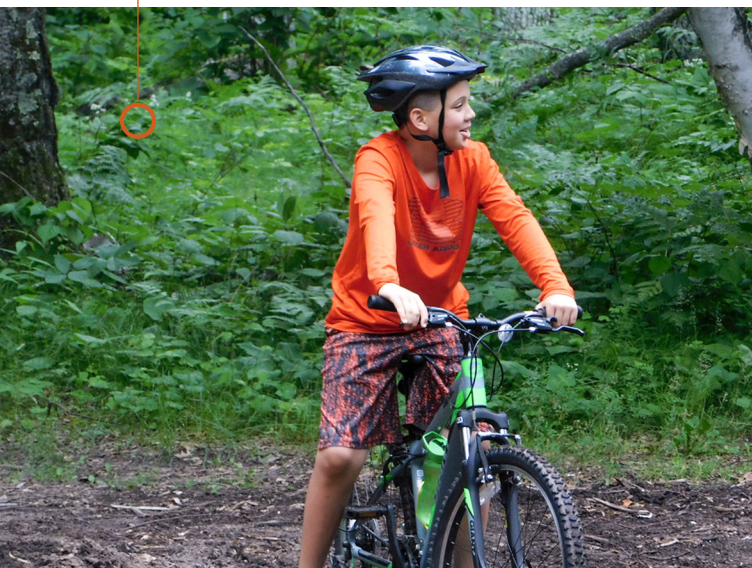
Marvin Valasquez, a third-year counselor, shared that one of his campers was sick and had to stay with the nurse, but wanted Marvin to stay with him too, so the two of them spent part of the day together. On Friday night, the boy put a sticky note on the cross that said, "God, please let me come back to camp next year so I can see Marvin again." This is the type of impact God can make at summer camp.

Both the campers and the staff learned valuable lessons from their time at camp. A few of these lessons focused on trust, the power of encouragement and the positive influence of a spiritual environment.

Trust is a vital part of having a good time at camp. One must trust their counselor, trust the rock climbing ropes and trust the horses. **Julie**, one of the blind campers during camp abilities, was nervous about riding Buddy, one of the camp horses. When she finished, though, she told the horse barn staff that it was fun, and "Buddy and I had good teamwork!"

During teen camp, the girls in Oriole Basket cabin understood the power of encouragement. They cheered for their fellow cabinmates during many

Campers enjoy two of the classes offered last summer, mountain biking and wilderness survival. New classes included mountain biking, photography, low ropes and drama.



North Star Camp

activities, from low ropes to rock climbing, and even on the boats. This boosted their friends' confidence. It also made for a pleasant atmosphere that reflected Jesus' character throughout the camp and influenced hearts for God's kingdom.

There is no question God was at camp last summer. He permeated the campus with love and faithfulness, and NSC was blessed to welcome two campers into the family of God through baptism.

This was an unforgettable summer, and the NSC family hopes you will join them next summer to experience God's love at camp.

Check out the North Star Camp Facebook page and YouTube channel to see more memories!

Alissa Tanguay worked as a counselor at North Star Camp.

Alissa Tanguay and a camper enjoy worship in the lodge (right).

A staff member and a camper review their photos during photography class, one of the new classes added last summer (bottom).

Photos Courtesy Minnesota Conference



2018 North Star Camp Fun Facts

314

Campers

35

Staff Members

5

New Activities

2

Baptisms



Youth Spread Gospel Through Wildfire Program

Photos: Michael Morris



Eight Champion Academy students committed last summer to furthering their relationship with Jesus and igniting the faith of others by participating in Wildfire, a youth-led evangelistic effort. This traveling evangelistic program took the students to Durango, Fruita and Pueblo, Colorado; and to Wyoming. At each stop, they put on VBS programs, led evangelistic series and learned to prepare and preach sermons.

Fourteen people were baptized with one confession of faith as a direct result of the Holy Spirit working through

the efforts of the Wildfire team. Prayers for safety, baptisms and local church support were answered.

Not only did the students impact the lives of others, their lives were impacted as well. **Ashley Halvorson** said, "Wildfire made me realize that people might have something going on inside that you don't see, so you should always be kind to them and be praying for them."

Nolan Eickmann reflected, "It's been awesome to grow in my relationship with God and to help others grow in their relationship with God."

As a result of the efforts of the Champion Academy students, 14 people were baptized with one confession of faith. The plan is to expand the program in the coming summers to include multiple Wildfire teams.

Students from Champion Academy lead out in a VBS program. Eight students spent their summer traveling, singing, leading evangelistic series, and preaching sermons throughout the Rocky Mountain Conference territory.

More teams, more churches

Pastor Nestor Soriano started Wildfire in 2015 out of a desire to help youth preach the Word of God. The name comes from Acts 2 when the Holy Spirit came upon the believers and tongues of fire appeared above their heads. Wildfire has since grown to include a week of prayer during the school year at Champion Academy and a summer program from the beginning of June to August.

In addition to Halvorson and Eickmann, the students

who participated in Wildfire this summer were **Lauren Fry**, **Nathaniel Sanchez**, **Josh Ramirez**, **Xander Asa**, **Josie Reeves** and **Austin Rotinsulu**. The supervisors were **Pastor Esequias Perea**, chaplain at Champion Academy; **Pastor Phil Jones**, retired evangelist; and the Champion Church pastoral team.

The Wildfire team not only worked hard to spread the gospel, but included some recreation in their summer as well. They enjoyed four-wheeling in Moab, Utah, camping and hiking in Colorado, and paid a visit to Wyoming for Cheyenne Frontier Days.

Pastor Esequias said, "Next summer we are hoping to have two to three Wildfire teams. The more kids involved, the more churches we can reach." With God's help, Wildfire will continue to grow and bless others.

Ashley Herber is student editor at Champion Academy.



Pathfinder Clubs Gather at Glacier View Ranch for Annual Camporee

Tumbling, airplane modeling and paper quilling were among 21 honors able to be earned by Pathfinders at the 2018 RMC Camporee at Glacier View Ranch Aug. 1-4. The camporee brought together 350 members from 25 diverse clubs throughout the conference, including an Indonesian club attending for the first time.

Although winds and rain threatened some activities, such as the outdoor scavenger hunt Sabbath afternoon, the high spirits of the Pathfinders couldn't be subdued.

"This was the best camporee we've ever had," said RMC Pathfinder co-director **Chris Hill** who, along with her co-director husband **Don**, coordinated the event. On Sabbath a record number of attendees filled the church bowl for a presentation about "I AM" and what those words mean to different people. Attendees wrote what the theme meant to them on the stage blackboards.

Pathfinders **Hasina**, from Greeley, Colorado,

RMC Pathfinder co-directors **Don** and **Chris Hill** led out at the 2018 RMC Pathfinder Camporee focusing on the theme "I AM." Nearly 350 members from 25 clubs attended.

and **Sydney**, from Casper, Wyoming, both worked on the airplane modeling and duct tape honors, fashioning wallets out of duct tape. Hasina even created a purple, blue and black bow tie out of the tape.

Evaluating and Integrating new ideas

Pathfinder clubs in the Rocky Mountain Conference thrive because of their strong leadership. But with the pull of many, varied activities available to today's youth, even a good organization can struggle. Because of this, RMC youth leaders are constantly evaluating and integrating new ideas.



Photos: Paula Nelson

One way this can be accomplished is providing activities for members that integrate honors. For example, a camping weekend can provide an opportunity to earn honors in camp craft, camp safety, camping skills, fire building and camp cookery, Dutch oven cooking, edible wild plants, and cold weather survival. There are a number of interests that could be pursued through activities.

As leaders sorted out ways

to reach RMC youth, those who attended the camporee enjoyed activities such as going on a Jeep trip with RMC youth director **Steve Hamilton** and singing with the praise team. Many were drawn to the camporee for much more than simply earning honors. "I got to be with some of my best friends and I love singing," explained Hasina.

Carol Bolden is communication assistant for the Rocky Mountain Conference.



Pathfinders were able to earn 21 honors and participate in various activities, including going on a Jeep trip and singing with the praise team.

Union Rolls Out New Online Summer Courses

Union College added eight online classes this summer—including a new course called Topics on Faith and Imagination taught by 2003 Union graduate, pastor and prolific author **Seth Pierce**.

This is in addition to the eight on-campus classes offered in May and a few off-campus classes such as study tours and remote training.

“We want to make it easier for students to take summer classes,” said **Dr. Nicole Orian**, who was recently named Union’s dean of online education in addition to her role as chair of the Division of Nursing. “Students responded so well to the courses we offered last year, we’ve increased their options again.”

After piloting two general education classes in literature and history last summer, Union added courses taught by Union professors in writing, psychology and religion, in addition to courses in economics, sociology and history offered through a consortium of independent colleges.

Most classes began May 7 along with Union’s on-campus, three-week summer session. The online courses typically run six weeks, giving students more options to complete the coursework. Some classes have a regular weekly online meeting time (synchronous), while others are asynchronous—they don’t have regular meeting times with the whole class.

For accounting major **Tyler Dean**, Union’s online

option was a great alternative to picking up courses from another school at home in Denver. Already facing a packed schedule for his upcoming senior year, taking microeconomics and macroeconomics courses online last summer allows him to graduate next May.

“It’s fantastic to take classes wherever I am,” Dean said. “I was going to take the courses at a local community college before I found out about Union’s online option.”

Dean also appreciates a flexible schedule that allows him to study for an actuarial test and work some too. “I like that I can study whenever it works best for me,” he said.

Junior graphic design major **Jovan Cross** stayed on campus to work a full-time

job during the summer and was still able to pick up a course. His synchronous Ancient Western Literature class met online twice a week for an hour. “I’m able to work during the day since the online class I’m taking starts in the evening when most offices on campus are closed,” Cross said.

“Union College is committed to providing the best education for our students,” said Orian. “We will continue to use technology to improve our offerings for current students, and we are also exploring ways to use online classes and programs to reach new markets.”

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Ryan Teller is the executive director for Integrated Marketing Communications at Union College.

Courtesy Union College



This past summer Union greatly expanded summer online offerings—including courses in writing, psychology, religion, economics, sociology and history—and an online exclusive titled Topics on Faith and Imagination taught by 2003 graduate Seth Pierce.

Big Jobs on the Silicon Prairie

Growing tech sector in Lincoln provides great internships

Union College's location in a prime city on the "Silicon Prairie" means great internship opportunities for Union students looking to hone their skills, network and get credit, too. No one knows this better than **Tanner Deming**, who landed an internship with Lincoln-based Hudl, a fast-growing tech company that provides sports video services for professional and school athletic teams all over the world.

Deming tried a psychology major, and later English, but it wasn't until he took an Intro to Graphic Arts course that he knew he'd found his calling. He decided on graphic design because of his desire to have the freedom to work for and with companies that hold values he supports. "Every company needs design support and I know this is a skill I can perform to help advance a company's goals," said Deming.

Community connection

Deming connected with Hudl through Meet the Pros, an annual event sponsored by the Omaha chapter of the American Advertising Federation that fosters creativity and provides an opportunity for networking and learning.

Tanner Deming spent last summer completing an internship at Hudl, a Lincoln-based company providing video services to athletic teams all over the world.

Several of Union's graphic design professors require students to take their portfolio to the event. Local professionals take time to review student portfolios and provide feedback. This motivated Deming to update his portfolio and take advantage of the professional advice—and ultimately make a connection with Hudl.

"One thing Meet the Pros does well is give students a deadline and a goal to reach with their portfolios," said Deming. "My portfolio is the main reason I got my internship, because it documents my creative process."

Deming went into his internship ready for new experiences, thanks in part to his education at Union. "This last year I had several classes from **Alan Orrison**," he said. "The broad range of skills he taught me and the variety of unique assignments he gave have proven invaluable."

He also appreciates the way professors help class experiences mimic real life. "Some class assignments have a fast turnover, and learning speed has been a huge help since there isn't always a lot of time to get projects completed in the workforce," he said.

Growing on the job

From his first day at Hudl, Deming was given projects that were relevant and helped the marketing team. "The people and culture of Hudl empower and trust interns to do real work that has an impact. It's an awesome feeling to see your work out in the world, and I am so grateful to Hudl for giving me the environment to learn and grow as a designer," said Deming.

Deming discovered internships aren't only about developing career-specific skills, though. "The most important thing I learned is it's okay to ask a lot of questions," he said. "As an intern, you're not expected to know everything, so it's one of the best times to learn."

After completing his internship, Deming understands the importance of experience outside the classroom. "I've

been told by a number of professors that an internship can be one of the most beneficial educational experiences, and I don't disagree. Hudl is such a great company, with so many wonderful employees who make an impact on the sports and technology worlds. It was a privilege to work there and learn from them."

As for Deming's advice to those considering pursuing a design career, he says it's the determination to keep creating that matters most. "What really counts as a design student is creating a lot of stuff. Doing projects outside of school and work is so important. Do what you're inclined to and it will resonate with someone."

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Danica Eysten is a senior communication major from New Jersey.

Scott Cushman



Alderson, Laneta C., b. Nov. 30, 1928. d. June 24, 2018. Member of Wichita Cornerstone (KS) Church. Preceded in death by first husband Howard Laughary; second husband Neville; 1 brother. Survivors include daughter Janice Schroeder; step-children Nevellene Smith and Michael; 1 step-grandson.

Atwater, Phyllis, b. Jan. 29, 1921 in Vermillion, SD. d. June 22, 2018 in Rapid City, SD. Member of Rapid City Church. Preceded in death by husband Howard; 4 sisters. Survivors include children Susan, Kevin and Melanie Mason; 5 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren.

Bassinger, Etta, b. Jan. 28, 1934 in Redfield, SD. d. July 17, 2018 in Aberdeen, SD. Member of Aberdeen Church.

Bell, Leon D., b. Feb. 21, 1949 in Minatare, NE. d. July 27, 2018 in Fort Collins, CO. Member of Sidney (NE) Church. Survivors include wife Arlene; daughter Chelsea; 2 brothers; 1 sister.

Burbach, Marvin, b. Nov. 11, 1917. d. Aug. 14, 2018. Member of Wichita South (KS) Church.

Campbell, Robert N., b. Feb. 27, 1958. d. July 15, 2018. Member of Carthage (MO) Church. Survivors include wife Olivia; stepsons Anthony and Raphael Torres; 2 sisters.

Christensen, Viola C., b. July 4, 1914 in Hartington, NE. d. July 27, 2018 in Sidney, NE. Member of Sidney Church. Preceded in death by husband Alfred; 1 daughter; 1 sister; 2 brothers. Survivors include daughter Carolyn; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Coe, Charles Donald, b. March 11, 1931 in Cedar Vale, KS. d. July 27, 2018 in Winfield, KS. Member of Sedan (KS) Church. Survivors include son Don; daughter Beverly Simmons; 1 brother; 4 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren.

Contreras de Santillan, Margarita, b. June 19, 1940 in Luis Potosi, Mexico. d. July 3, 2018 in Lincoln, NE. Member of Lincoln Hispanic Church. Survivors include husband Thomas Santillan Vega; children Gloria Dorval, Lupe Herrera, Teresita Kahler, Rosa Velder, Dora Herald, Dulce Santillan, Veronica Santillan-Haas and Thomas Santillan Jr.; 18 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren.

Haskell, Terry M., b. April 8, 1966. d. July 10, 2018. Member of Marshalltown (IA) Church. Survivors include wife Anne; mother; 1 sister; 2 half-siblings.

Hieb, Ronald "Joe," b. March 5, 1942 in Jamestown, ND. d. Aug. 13, 2018 in Bismarck, ND. Member of Bismarck Church. Survivors include wife Mary Anne; son David; 3 brothers; 2 grandchildren.

Hughes, Dorothy, b. March 12, 1941 in Omaha, NE. d. June 18, 2018 in Grand Island, NE. Member of Aurora (NE) Church. Preceded in death by husband Benny; infant twin sister; 2 brothers. Survivors include children Terrence "Todd" and Develyn; 11 siblings; 4 grandchildren.

Kaldahl, Martha Jeanne (Shelton), b. Aug. 10, 1932 in Champlin, MN. d. July 9, 2018 in Brooklyn Park, MN. Member of Anoka/Andover (MN) Church. Preceded in death by husband Harold; children Jeanni Kaldahl

Olberg, Judy and Ricky. Survivors include children Kathy Kaldahl Carlson, Jamie and Larry; 18 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren.

Medcalf, Robert A., b. May 5, 1960. d. July 25, 2018. Member of Thayer (KS) Church. Preceded in death by 2 brothers. Survivors include mother Mary; daughters Amanda Womack, Katie Pucket and Emily Ann Okoth; son Joshua; 1 sister; 6 grandchildren.

Miller, Walter, b. Jan. 21, 1925 in Logan County, ND. d. June 19, 2018 in Wishek, ND. Member of Lehr (ND) Church. Preceded in death by wife Shirley; daughter Valerie. Survivors include children Linda, Lyle and Meritta; 1 sister; 1 brother; 10 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren.

Moore, Ernest L., b. Sept. 30, 1928. d. July 3, 2018. Member of Wichita South (KS) Church.

Osborn, Elizabeth V., b. Feb. 19, 1936. d. July 11, 2018 in Burlington, IA. Member of Burlington Church. Preceded in death by husband Otha. Survivors include sons Eric, Randy, Marty and Freddie; daughters Otha Killens, Renna Ausborn, Nadeen Ausborn and Nettie Sue; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren.

Peckham, John S. b. July 8, 1926. d. June 27, 2018. Member of Gothenburg (NE) Church. Survivors include children Carolyn Nelson, Jacque Shotkoski, Marilyn Hayes, Barbara Devine, David, Douglas, Deea; 11 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters.

Pendergraft, Lois E., b. June 28, 1927. d. Jan. 4, 2018. Member of Houston

Fellowship (MO) Church. Preceded in death by husband Arnold.

Rothermel, Brian L., b. Oct. 10, 1967 in Springfield, MO. d. June 7, 2018. Member of Nixa (MO) Church. Survivors include daughters Chelsea Thornton and Brianna; 1 sister; 1 grandfather; 2 grandchildren.

Saunders, Gwendolyn J., b. May 11, 1937 in St. Louis, MO. d. July 2, 2018 in Springfield, MO. Member of Springfield Church. Preceded in death by 1 brother. Survivors include husband Glenn.

Segura, Henry, b. Aug. 6, 1936 in Topeka, KS. d. June 12, 2018 in Kansas City, KS. Member of Topeka Wanamaker Church. Survivors include wife Wilma; sons Michael and Richard. Retired sergeant of the U.S. Marine Corps.

Svoboda, George, b. Feb. 7, 1952 in St. Paul, NE. d. May 19, 2018 in Fullerton, NE. Member of Aurora (NE) Church. Preceded in death by 1 brother. Survivors include 1 brother.

Wilmot, Richard W., b. Nov. 15, 1924 in Des Moines, Iowa. d. Aug. 12, 2018 in Lodi, CA. Member of Lodi English Oaks Church. Preceded in death by 9 siblings. Survivors include wife Naomi; sons Rick and Steve; 2 sisters; 1 brother; 4 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren.

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Sales through dealers, carriers, street vendors	42	41
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Total paid/requested circulation	27,098	26,806
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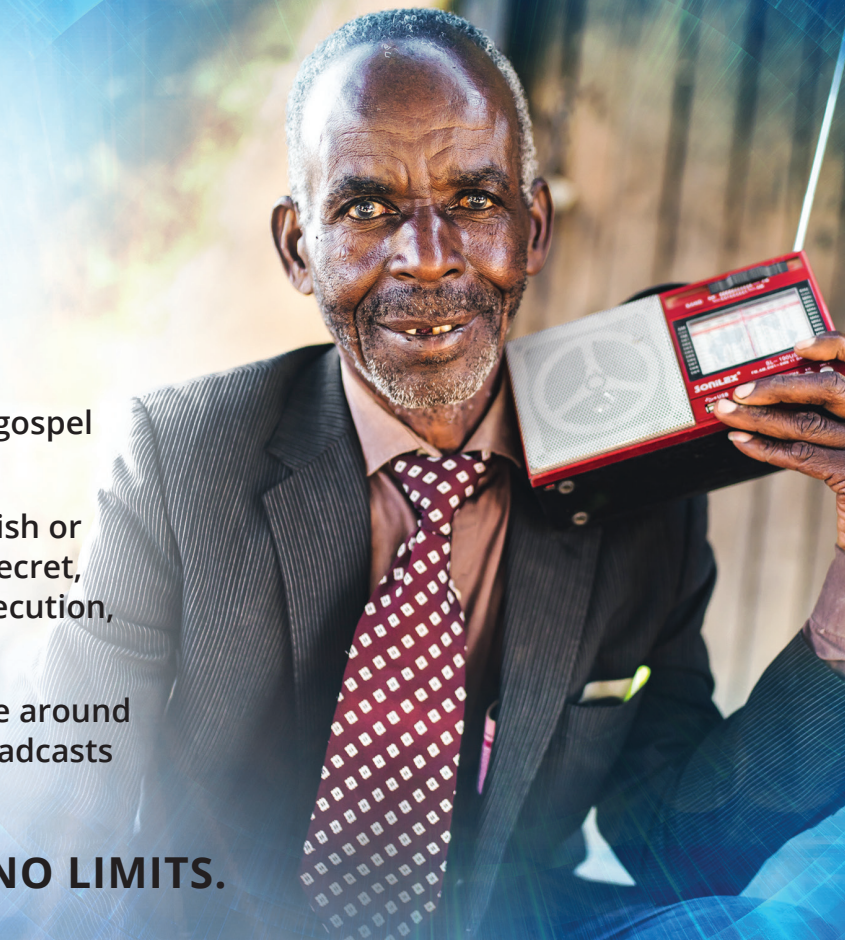
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