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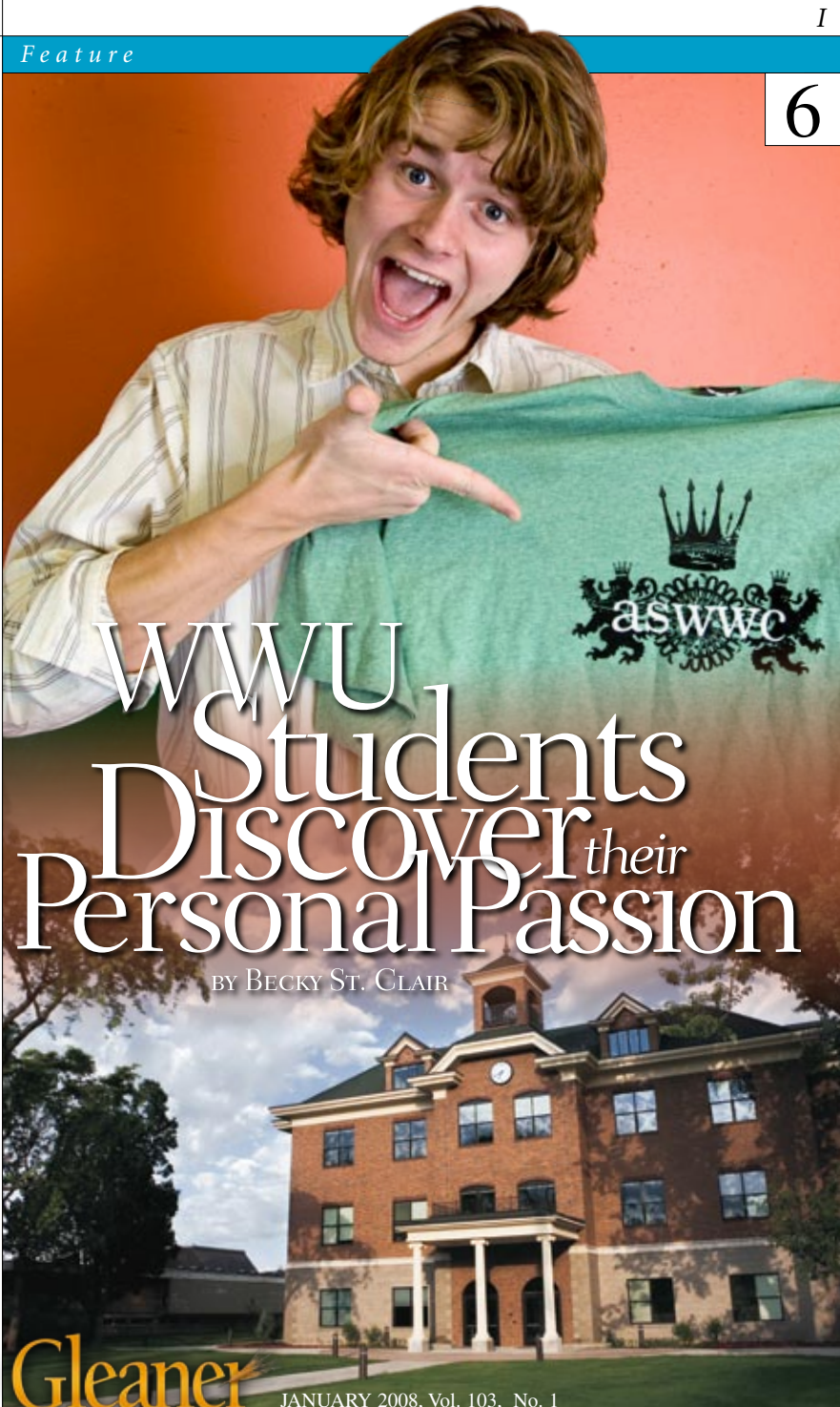


*P*raise the Lord from the Earth,...lightning and hail,
snow and clouds, stormy winds that do His bidding.
PSALM 148:7-8

“Ground Blizzard on Hood” photographed by Mary Lane Anderson of Forest Grove, Oregon.

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Nathan Hellman, WWU theology major/art minor, knows what it means to be formed by the Potter's hands.

Photo by Matthew B. Zimmerman.



ELLEN G. WHITE WOULD HAVE SAID *Amen!*

“As we think of the incredible challenges, difficulties and temptations our young adults face growing up in today’s world, let’s be ready to uphold them in prayer, quick to affirm...”



Recently two of my favorite young adults stopped by my office. They shall remain anonymous as will the university they attend. As we talked about what was transpiring in their world they recounted an incident they had had on campus not long before.

These good-looking dudes are committed spiritual leaders as well as gifted musicians. Wanting to use their talents for the Lord, they had agreed to lead the music for the afterglow following the Friday evening vesper programs.

As is not uncommon there was a difference of opinion as to what style of music was appropriate. Some of the “saints” stayed by and took great exception to their selections. Not satisfied with keeping their opinions to themselves, the “saints” felt obligated to confront the musicians. Each time the fellows demonstrated mature restraint but after a few weeks they decided to respond.

The following Friday evening one of them stepped to the microphone again and said, “Before we begin our music tonight we would like to share a special quotation,” and proceeded to read the following:

“Each and every time an individual puts forth his or her best effort for the work of Jesus Christ, that individual will almost assuredly encounter controversy. Criticism, by those who do not understand the purposes of God, has turned many back from true exaltation of the Almighty through the talents He has given. It is of utmost importance that

we look to God, from where our help comes, and praise Him for everything He’s given us today, because no one is promised tomorrow. It is often easy to criticize the praise of those around us, but we should—every one of us—be grateful that God doesn’t look down from His heavenly throne room and criticize us accordingly” *Messages to Our Youth*, 119.

“So,” they went on, “let’s not look around at those next to us or up here on stage, but let’s look up to our Creator and sing for Him alone.”

People responded with hearty “Amen,” and the music continued. When the music was over, one of the “saints” wanting to have the final word confronted the boys and said, “You took that quotation out of context!” They were again gracious and to their credit didn’t respond in kind.

THE REST OF THE STORY

But what they knew, I know and you now know is the rest of the story. Ellen G. White didn’t write that quotation. In fact, there is no book titled, *Messages to Our Youth*. The guys made it up! But I’m not so sure that if Ellen G. White were alive today she wouldn’t have also loudly said Amen!

As we think of the incredible challenges, difficulties and temptations our young adults face growing up in today’s world, let’s be ready to uphold them in prayer, quick to affirm, and “be grateful that God doesn’t look down from His heavenly throne room and criticize us accordingly” *Messages to Our Youth*, 119. •

By Jere Patzer

NORTH PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

Did You Know?



Parents Rate Challenges Faced by Teens

When asked to identify the most significant issues facing their children...

- Peer pressure 42%
 - Performance in school 16%
 - Substance abuse 16%
- (Less than 3% mentioned challenges regarding issues of faith)*

When given a list of possible challenges and asked to indicate how significant that issue is for their teenagers...

- Not having enough money 45%
- Feeling misunderstood by their family 43%
- Struggling with self-image 40%
- Not wearing the "right" clothing 33%

Source: www.barna.org

North American Adventist Colleges & Universities

ENROLLMENTS* FALL 2007

2,298

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

- 424 Atlantic Union College
- 308 Canadian University College
- 787 Columbia Union College
- 1,604 Florida Hospital
College of Health Sciences
- 620 Kettering College of Medical Arts
- 1,504 La Sierra University
- 3,709 Loma Linda University
- 1,723 Oakwood College
- 1,360 Pacific Union College
- 2,212 Southern Adventist University
- 760 Southwestern Adventist University
- 927 Union College

Full Time Equivalent*
Source: North American Division, Office of Education



1,709

WALLA WALLA UNIVERSITY

THEN & NOW

MATCH THE HISTORICAL NAME WITH THE CURRENT NAME

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|--|-------|---------------------------|
| 1. Emmanuel Missionary College | _____ | a. Atlantic Union College |
| 2. Lancaster Junior College | _____ | b. Pacific Union College |
| 3. Washington Foreign Mission Seminary | _____ | c. Andrews University |
| 4. Healdsburg College | _____ | d. Columbia Union College |

Source: www.adventistcolleges.org

Answers: 1-c, 2-a, 3-d, 4-b

JANUARY IN U.S. HISTORY

- 1803 Thomas Jefferson asks Congress to authorize the Lewis and Clark expedition
- 1848 Gold discovered in California at Sutter's Mill
- 1863 President Abraham Lincoln issues the Emancipation Proclamation
- 1880 Thomas Edison patents the light bulb
- 1958 Explorer 1 launched as first U.S. satellite
- 1986 Space Shuttle Challenger explodes soon after liftoff

Source: www.historyplace.com





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His passion for student life evident, Eric enjoys his role as student body president.

ERIC GRAY

For WWU pre-med student Eric Gray, college has been all about developing leadership skills and affecting change, both on campus and in the community. Since arriving as an enthusiastic freshman, he's jumped right in and made the most of a wide range of opportunities for personal growth and positive impact.

Involvement in student senate led to his election as president of the WWU student body, and Eric has slipped comfortably into the new role. With a commitment to helping provide students with a positive and spiritual atmosphere on campus, he's also the student representative on the search committee selecting a new senior pastor at the University Church.

Coming Into Their Own

WVU Students Discover *their* Personal Passion

BY BECKY ST. CLAIR

“At the heart of self-discovery is finding one’s identity as a son or daughter of the King. Here is where our students come into their own with faith commitments.”

—John McVay,
Walla Walla University president

Representing one of life’s most dramatic transitional stages, the college years are more than just new scenery and harder classes. It’s a formative time, a time when many young people experience unprecedented levels of independence and responsibility. Life looms large as every choice seems to carry lasting implications. Whether choosing a career, finding a spouse or simply learning to survive in the world, college is the setting for some truly momentous milestones.

For many Walla Walla University students, higher education represents a daunting but rewarding multi-year journey of self-discovery—a time to truly come into their own. Four such students are Eric Gray, Irving Basañez, Bridget Bechtel and Nathan Hellman.



Over his time at WWU, service has become a huge interest of Eric’s, a passion that has been fueled by participation in quarterly Service Days. Students, faculty members and staff work together to tackle as many as 50 projects in the local community, including highway garbage pick-up, museum clean-ups and painting or pulling weeds for local seniors.

Eric’s desire to live a life of active service is rooted in a deeply held personal philosophy. “As Christians, we have the ability and the opportunity to support everyone we encounter,” he says. “The mission field is not only in distant countries, but also in our neighbors next door.”

With the daily grind of classes and extensive campus involve-

ment, college has flown by quickly for Eric. He plans to graduate in June with a bachelor of arts degree in business administration and a minor in pre-medicine, followed by a year of internships and volunteering while applying to medical school. Looking back on his experience, he appreciates most the diverse opportunities he’s had to grow both personally and as a campus leader, and has been delighted to serve his school and community in return.

As graduation approaches, he remembers fondly his first campus visit, and credits faculty and staff for the role they played in his decision to come to WWU. “They were truly supportive of the university,” he recalls, “and I wanted to be an active part of what they were so excited about.”



Irving found a niche tutoring math at WWU.

IRVING BASAÑEZ

Irving Basañez had already decided not to attend Walla Walla University. As a 16-year-old high school graduate, he wasn't sure moving hundreds of miles away was such a good idea. Would he fit in? And even if he did, how could he possibly pay for it?

The previous year, he had met an engineering professor from WWU, and had become extremely interested in pursuing the university's engineering program. But growing uncertainty about leaving his Texas home, as well as a scholarship to the local community college, had convinced him to stay.

With one phone call, everything changed. Ginger Ketting-Weller, WWU vice president for academic administration, had seen Irving's high school grades and was very impressed. She felt WWU was the place for him, and was calling to invite him to participate in the honors program. Suddenly, he had much to think about.

"We did a lot of praying," remembers Irving. "God knew what needed to happen, even if we didn't. At first it was quite a roller coaster ride, and then everything just fell into place."

Many prayers and telephone conversations later, including calls to Irving's parents from Spanish-speaking faculty members, Irving decided that WWU was where he belonged after all.

Now a senior at WWU, he remembers vividly that first day on a strange campus, miles from home and the close-knit church community in which he had been raised. "I've grown a lot since my freshman year," says Irving. "My academic and spiritual thinking has matured, and I'm more social than I was before."

Irving intends to graduate in June with a double major in mathematics and pre-medicine. After medical school next year, he hopes to return to his native Mexico to do mission work, building medical clinics. He's grateful for the personal growth he's experienced while at WWU, and is excited about the future. "Now I make decisions based on my experience and what's real to me, not just on what others tell me," he says. "I found my own identity here."

"My academic and spiritual thinking has matured, and I'm more social than I was before."

—Irving Basañez

NATHAN HELLMAN

Growing up, Nathan Hellman attended church regularly, but it never really meant anything to him. At age 12 he stopped going entirely. During high school he experimented with drugs and alcohol and began hanging out with the wrong crowd.

Things got worse when Nathan's mom called to tell him she and his father were separating. The news hit him hard, and he began reading his Bible again. When his mother suggested Nathan talk with the pastors at her church, he nervously agreed, but was shocked at how accepting they were of him.

Soon after, Nathan sat alone in his bedroom while his friends partied in the living room and had a heart-to-heart talk with God. He experienced what he calls a "huge conversion," and it was then that God not only put WWU on his heart, but called him to be a pastor.

Until that moment, Nathan hadn't even considered going to college, and the fact that he felt compelled to enter a life of ministry surprised him. "I told God, 'OK, You are the Potter, I am the clay. I'll do this if I know You're behind it.'" So he applied, and was accepted to WWU.

Since then, one of the biggest challenges Nathan has faced is coming up with financing every year. But somehow, through one miracle after another, God has made a way for Nathan to stay in school. Whether through the help of a staff member or a surprise monetary gift from a church member, Nathan hasn't missed a single quarter. "God has been so good to me throughout my college career," says Nathan. "He has either supplied for my need,

BRIDGET BECHTEL

It was an obvious choice. Bridget Bechtel was born in Walla Walla, Wash., and had lived in the same house her entire life. She attended both Rogers Adventist School and Walla Walla Valley Academy, so when it came time for her to choose a university, it seemed only natural to move on to WWU.

It was an easy decision. The university had a strong reputation, after all, and she didn't want to go too far from home her first year in college. But she also knew she couldn't attend WWU without a job. Three days after her interview with Student Employment, Bridget was hired. "I knew that had to be a sign that God had a place for me here," she says.

Since then, Bridget has held as many as three jobs at once. While she's working her way through school and picking up important life skills along the way, it limits the amount of time she has to spend on extracurricular activities—which makes her appreciate the Tuesday morning CommUnity meetings in the University Church all the more.

Although the crowd can be intimidating, Bridget loves that there is a time set aside for the whole school to

or directed me how to move around constant obstacles.”

Throughout his WWU experience, Nathan has felt God challenging him to get involved—including positions as resident assistant in the men’s dorm, spiritual vice president for the OPS men’s club, Theology Club president, and chaplain and vespers coordinator for the Village Student Club. In every position he has held and every activity he has been a part of, Nathan has felt God’s presence with him.

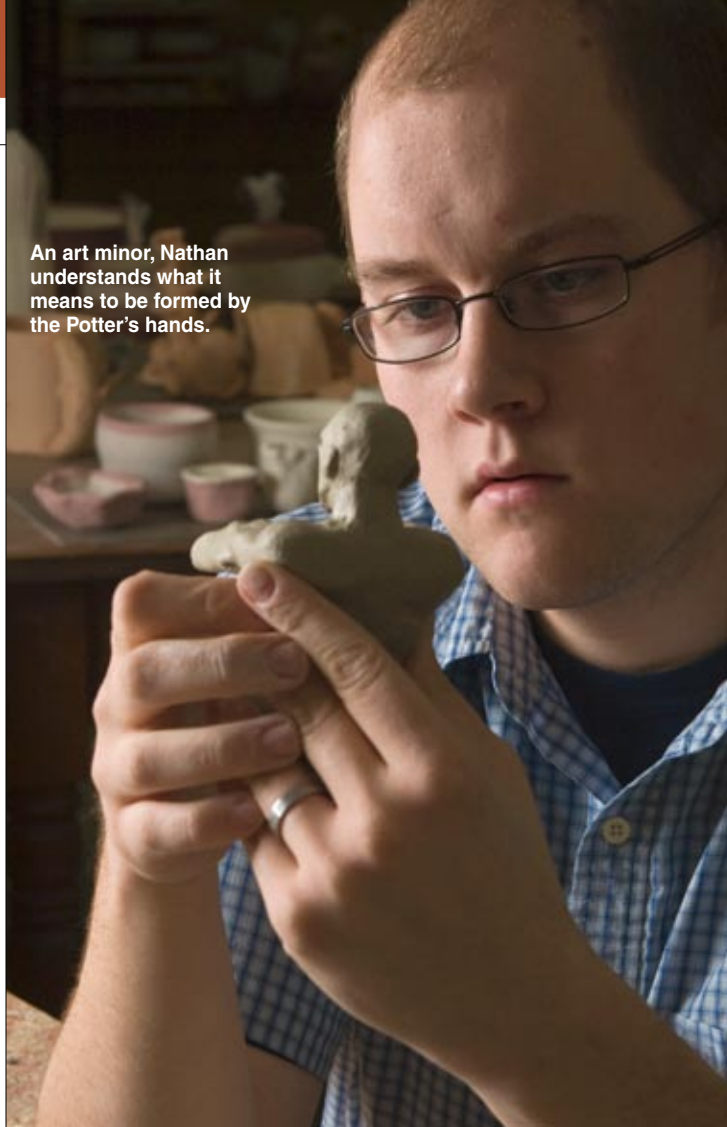
Nathan knows WWU is where he needed to be. He has no uncertainty at all about that. “God is really working His clay,” he says. “I am coming out of this university experience tried, stretched and grown. I have learned so much here—both academically and spiritually. It is through my interactions at WWU that I have learned the most about life, God, and myself.”

He’s now married to the woman of his dreams, and will graduate in June with a theology major and head out to be a pastor for the Oregon Conference. He readily admits that his experiences at WWU have been instrumental in making him who he is today. “God has been there every step of the way,” he says. “I am deeply grateful for the work He has done in my life, and for His presence on the WWU campus.”

“I told God, ‘OK, you are the Potter, I am the clay. I’ll do this if I know You’re behind it.’”

—Nathan Hellman

An art minor, Nathan understands what it means to be formed by the Potter’s hands.



participate in worship together. She’s especially exhilarated by the music, particularly when students, faculty and staff lift their voices together in songs of praise. “I’m not much of a singer,” she says, “but all those voices worshipping God together is the greatest connection you can have with other people.”

Bridget has found a place for herself at WWU, and connections are what it’s all about for her. Her friendly demeanor gives her the opportunity to meet and get to know people from many walks of life, and she draws her energy and motivation from the friendships

she makes on campus. “The people here are awesome,” she says. “They care for each other, and take that extra step to reach out. They really keep me going.”

Perhaps in appreciation for the warmth and human connections she experiences every day on campus, Bridget takes the time to show special kindness to others who might be lonely or having difficulty making the transition to WWU. Another way she gives back is through the university’s Service Days. “They’re great!” she says. “You get to know so many people, while at the same time helping the community.”

In just a few months, Bridget will leave the Walla Walla Valley, her home for the past two decades. She’ll graduate in June with an associate of science degree in business administration, and intends to spend the following year as a student missionary in Central America. Still reaching out. Still making connections. •

“I knew that had to be a sign that God had a place for me here.”

—Bridget Bechtel



Bridget (second from left) enjoys connecting with new people every day.

Becky St. Clair, Walla Walla University GLEANER correspondent, writes from College Place, Washington.

WORLD NEWS

NORTH AMERICA

High-end Hotels Bail on the Bible

While the number of hotels, motels and inns with in-room Bibles has increased from 79 percent in 1988 to 95 percent today, some luxury hotels seem to bucking the trend. Instead of in-room copies, they make Bibles and other resources, such as phone books, available only upon request. Kimpton/Monaco brand hotels say they rarely get requests for such books. On the other hand, roughly 15 percent of their guests do request an in-room goldfish—another amenity option.

ABC News

EUROPE

Netherlands Church Adapts to Cultural Realities

The Adventist Church membership in the Netherlands grew by about 5 percent during the last five years, mostly from growth in baptisms rather than immigration. During an annual business session, church leaders also adopted guidelines on fostering constructive dialogue in the midst of diverse theological and ethical viewpoints. The 5,000-member Dutch church has become increasingly multicultural and multi-ethnic.

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ISRAEL

Ancient Roman Street Uncovered in Jerusalem

The remains of an ancient terraced street that dates back to the Roman period have been uncovered in the Western Wall tunnels. The street, which likely led to the nearby Temple Mount itself, dates back nearly 2,000 years when the city was called Aelia Capitolina. This is the latest indication that the Romans continued to preserve the importance of the Temple Mount even after their destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE.

The Jerusalem Post, jpost.com



Global Summit on AIDS & The Church

CALIFORNIA

Global Summit on AIDS and the Christian Church

Rick and Kay Warren, convinced that the HIV/AIDS pandemic is an opportunity for the Christian church to share the good news of the gospel through service and teaching ministries, hosted the third annual Global Summit on AIDS and the Church, Nov. 28–30, 2007, at the Saddleback Church in Lake Forest, Calif., with key thought leaders in business, government, medicine, nonprofits and ministry who are working globally in an attempt to end AIDS.

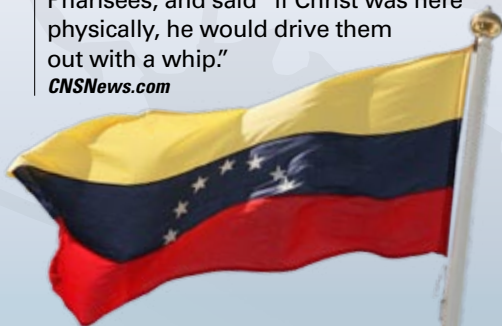
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VENEZUELA

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez Invokes Example of Christ

Using language from the scriptures, Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez says that if he stops talking—as suggested by an irate Spanish monarch—“the stones of Latin America will cry out.” The self-styled Bolivarian revolutionary has invoked Jesus before. When he took an oath starting his new presidential term last January, he did so in the name of “Christ, the greatest socialist in history.” More recently, reacting to bishops’ opposition, Chavez called them Pharisees, and said “if Christ was here physically, he would drive them out with a whip.”

CNSNews.com



AFRICA

Solusi University to Receive Aid from North American Adventist Universities

Students at Seventh-day Adventist colleges and universities in North America are raising funds to provide immediate assistance to a fellow university in Zimbabwe, which at the end of 2007 was on the verge of sending students home due to the country’s food crisis. Solusi’s estimated 3,200 students, faculty and staff have faced dwindling food supplies since February 2007, when hyperinflation and widespread droughts cleared the country’s shelves and fields of food. This relief project may continue for six months to a year. Solusi University, established in 1894, is Zimbabwe’s largest private university.

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W S BRIEFS



BANGLADESH

Agencies Respond to Bangladesh Cyclone

At least half a million people fled their homes during November's Cyclone Sidr, which hit portions of Bangladesh and India. World Vision responded with more than \$600,000 worth of relief aid for families in southern Bangladesh. The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) initially responded with relief food items for nearly 1,000 households in the hard-hit district of Barguna. It plans to follow up with shelter and basic household kits while extending the assistance to an adjoining subdistrict.

World Vision, ADRA

KOREA

Northern Asia-Pacific Division Celebrates 10th Anniversary

The Seventh-day Adventist Church's Northern Asia-Pacific Division celebrated its 10th anniversary in November. The current territory covers 1.5 billion people in Japan, Mongolia, China (including Hong Kong and Macao special administrative regions) North Korea, South Korea, Taiwan and Mongolia. The Adventist message was first introduced to the region in 1888 when 66-year-old Abram La Rue traveled from California to distribute church literature in China and Japan. More than 562,000 Adventists worship in some 1,780 churches in the Northern Asia-Pacific Division.

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CHINA

Chinese Government Campaigns Against Unregistered Churches

Christian Aid Association (CAA) claims evidence that reveals a systematic national campaign by the Chinese government against unregistered Christian churches. CAA says a document, issued in the Duodao district in the Hubei province, indicates an effort to clamp down on what the Chinese government describes as "infiltration activities by hostile overseas forces under the guise of Christianity." It also encourages "government-sanctioned patriotic Christian organizations" to cooperate with civil authorities in this effort.

ASSIST News Service



Student Winter Campout

Benefits Fairbanks Food Bank

Golden Heart Christian School's (GHCS) annual campout has included preparing bags of dried soup mix for the Fairbanks Food Bank for the past five years. Teacher Barbara Quaille reports that when she delivered the soup, food bank personnel immediately recognized her and told her how much they appreciate the annual donation.

Assisting in the preparation of the soup this year were three students from Anchorage Junior Academy who joined



Students from Golden Heart Christian School in Fairbanks and Anchorage Junior Academy find their first geocache at the close of a weekend winter campout, Oct. 26–28, 2007.

GHCS for the winter campout held at a Boy Scout camp 45 miles southeast of Fairbanks.

While at the camp, students experienced dog mushing with mushers Alyssa Quaille and her friend Laura, learned to use a GPS to locate geocaches, and enjoyed a presentation about the Civil War from two Fairbanks men who have participated in Civil War re-enactments. •

Jeanie Kriegelstein, Anchorage Junior Academy teacher



Air Force Captain Jim Appel speaks to Anchorage Junior Academy students during a Veteran's Day special assembly honoring those in all branches of the military.

Anchorage Junior Academy Honors Military

Students of Anchorage Junior Academy (AJA) celebrated Veteran's Day in November, recognizing the heroism and commitment of the military in doing their best to provide a safe environment for all Americans. Air Force Captain Jim Appel spoke to the students during a special assembly honoring men and women in all of the branches of the military. Appel, husband of AJA's secretary and father of two AJA students, is waiting final

orders when he expects to be deployed overseas again.

Students also sang patriotic songs and watched a video clip of the military funeral of their principal Ruth Farnsworth's father-in-law just days before Veteran's Day. With two military bases nearby, Anchorage is somewhat of a military town. With each new deployment, many families are affected. •

John Kriegelstein, Alaska Conference education superintendent

Mat Valley Adventist School

Hosts 'Science Guy' for Week of Prayer

Ben Roy is a man who likes to make things go bang. Mat Valley Adventist School students watched during the October 2007 week of prayer as balloons popped, paper disappeared with a flash, and a rocket hit the ceiling of the sanctuary with a satisfactory thwack. Speaker Roy is a soft-spoken man who captures the attention of children and adults alike as he mixes hands-on experiments, scientific data and spiritual truths.

Roy, also known as the "Science Guy," is a science

educator for grades K through 12 who travels to schools, Pathfinder clubs, science fairs and assemblies across the country. He is the past director of WTVC Newschannel 9 Science Theater and now teaches science methods to education majors at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. Roy has also been an elementary and middle school principal and teacher in Georgia and Tennessee. •

Bobbie Grimstad, Mat Valley Church member



Mat Valley students, from left: Aleah Childs, Hunter Brooks and Emily Childs gasp as Ben Roy conducts an experiment with electricity.

Gem State Students *Find Neighborhood Bible Studies*

Gem State Adventist Academy students learned firsthand that it's not so hard to share Jesus with those around them. Here's the viewpoint of junior Travis Wageman. — Editor

This year's first week of prayer was a great hit. Dan Serns, North Pacific Union evangelism director, shared a great message with us that came from the Bible and his heart. The whole week you could feel the Spirit on the campus. Serns, along with London Lee, our new Bible Teacher and pastor of the GSAA Church, devised an outreach plan. Each class was

given a specific neighborhood and challenged to share God's Word with the people in that neighborhood. The Sabbath following week of prayer, we went door to door asking a series of questions. Then we asked if they would be willing to participate in a Bible study. Sixteen people signed up for Bible studies! •

Travis Wageman, GSAA junior



From left: Nikisha, Selah and London Lee bring their talent and new perspectives to GSAA.

New Faculty *At Gem State Adventist Academy*

London and Nikisha Lee are new to Gem State Academy this school year. London teaches freshman, junior and senior Bible and serves as academy pastor and outreach coordinator. Nikisha is teaching Spanish I.

For the past two years London served as intern pastor at the Stateline Church in Milton-Freewater, Ore. He graduated from Walla Walla University in June 2007, majoring in theology and graphic design.

Nikisha graduated with a masters in secondary education in December 2006. She served as teacher and interpreter for a special program with Washington State University, using her Spanish language skills daily.

London and Nikisha met while teaching at language schools in Japan. They have an 11-month-old daughter, Selah. •

Linda Klinger, GSAA alumni and development director



Neighbors respond positively when Gem State students ask them to participate in Bible studies.

Payette Church Members *Put ShareHIM Training to Work*

After a summer ShareHIM training event, led by Craig Bonson and Tim Ellis of the Vale (Ore.) Church, Payette (Idaho) Church members put their knowledge to work. Beginning on Sept. 6 and running through Oct. 2, 2007, members helped with a ShareHIM evangelistic series, five nights a week. Daniel Hunt, a local evangelist employed by the Payette Church, led a team of lay preachers, which included a stay-at-home mom, an

insurance salesman, a plumber and a high school student.

The team made good presentations accompanied by professional-quality slides. Other members were involved in providing snacks, running the sound system, and providing music before the presentations. The result—three baptisms, two professions of faith, and a weekly Bible study group.

Tomm Lemon, Payette/Cambridge/Weiser district pastor, commented, "The best



From left: Tomm Lemon, Travis Chase and Dan Hunt are working together to present the ShareHIM sermons in the Payette Church.

thing about this series was the level of involvement by so-called 'lay people.' The New Testament didn't have lay people—everyone had a role to play in the local church, and our members here in Payette certainly demonstrated that the same can be true now."

Members of the Payette Church plan to continue their evangelism and enhance their efforts through relationship-building activities. •

Eve Rusk, Idaho Conference communication department administrative assistant

Finding Financial Peace Bozeman Area Churches Help Their Community Get Out of Debt

Nearly 70 percent of all consumers live from paycheck to paycheck, according to the *Wall Street Journal*, motivating Bozeman area churches to offer financial seminars to community members called Financial Peace University. Dave Ramsey, founder of Financial Peace University, is teaching people to dump debt, get control of their money and learn new behaviors, which are founded on commitment and accountability.

The Bozeman Church has sponsored two of Ramsey's

seminars with plans for a third session. These seminars have resulted in the elimination of \$88,500 in debt. Jim Jenkins, Bozeman Church pastor, says, "This has been a great community outreach for our church."

Meanwhile, the Mount Ellis Church is currently conducting a series of 13 meetings under the direction of Jeremy Wiedemann. He is excited about sharing principles of stewardship and a debt-free lifestyle and says, "Let's be



Deanna Harris

Area coordinators, from left: Jeremy Wiedemann, Sylvia Cifuentes, Christina and Scott Riffle cut up credit cards at a Financial Peace University meeting.

known as the church who helps people get out of debt!"

With 60 people having participated and 131 credit cards cut up so far, the Bozeman area churches are

well on their way to making a positive financial difference in their community. •

Deanna Harris, Mount Ellis Church member

Allaway Dining Hall Opens At Mount Ellis Academy



James Stuart



Jeremy Wiedemann

Eileen Kurtz, daughter of the late Robert and Blanche Allaway, cuts the ribbon, opening the new Allaway Dining Hall.

Mount Ellis Academy (MEA) has always been about family. With about 80 students, the school emphasizes getting to know Jesus, learning in the great outdoors and forming friendships that will last a lifetime. Established in 1902, MEA has a long and rich heritage of successes and struggles. Dubbed the "Miracle School," MEA today has as much to be thankful for as ever.

Like many academies, MEA has watched its physical plant age and need major repairs. In recent years a master plan was developed to replace three of the five main buildings and to build a church. In late summer of 2005 this plan was put on fast forward after damage from a moderate earthquake. Although earthquake insurance was dropped a few

years ago on all denominational property, it was discovered that a clerical error left MEA still covered. This miracle and fundraising that yielded more than \$47,000 in donations to date have made a new cafeteria building possible.

On Sunday, Nov. 11, 2007, the opening of the cafeteria was marked by a ribbon-cutting ceremony followed by a pancake breakfast. Attending were local officials including Gallatin County District Judge Mike Salvagni, Montana State representatives Jack Wells, R-Bozeman and J.P. Pomnichowski, D-Bozeman, as well as Eileen and Melvin Kurtz, daughter and son-in-law of the late Robert and Blanche Allaway, for whom the new structure is named.

The new Allaway Dining Hall at Mount Ellis Academy is now in use.

The Allaways served MEA for 26 years from 1944–1971 as Shop Instructor/ Maintenance Director and Food service Director, respectively.

Many local builders and suppliers, some with ties to MEA, others who until now barely knew of its existence, chose to give time, funds and building supplies to help with the construction project. Within the next two years MEA hopes to start work on the new dormitory buildings as well as the church. •

Heidi Wagner, MEA development director

Lakeview Church *Holds Evangelistic Series*

The Lakeview Church decided during a summer church business meeting to hold an evangelistic series in October 2007. The church has been rebroadcasting 3ABN television and FM radio, and they know that community members are hearing and learning about Jesus through these local media outlets. Holding an evangelistic series would offer people another opportunity to learn more.

The church decided to conduct this meeting without the financial aid of the conference. They also decided that since they were not bringing in an evangelist from outside, they could do the advertising and buy the material needed from their own resources.

The meetings were titled "What the Bible Says About..." The advertising in the newspaper and handouts followed the title by listing



Chuck and Christel Godfrey receive their certificates of membership from George White, Lakeview Church pastor.

several things, such as "Can Jesus be real for me in this hectic and busy world?," "Are we living in the end time or not?" and "Is the Sabbath really important?" There were about five other topics mentioned in the handouts.

The meetings started on Friday night, Oct. 5, 2007, and they continued each Friday,

Saturday, Sunday, and Monday nights, including two Sabbath morning meetings through October 27. Several community members attended most evenings and on Sabbath mornings.

The church also voted to get the baptistry ready for use. The members wanted to have baptisms in their own baptistry in their own church.

The baptistry had not been used for a few years and it needed some repairs. The church has recently been conducting their baptisms in a swimming pool at Hunter's Lodge in Lakeview. Rony Vo, head deacon, coordinated the repairs. New baptismal robes were also purchased to replace the worn-out ones.

On Sabbath afternoon, Oct. 27, two people were baptized into Jesus and church membership. The church also held a profession of faith service on Tuesday at the bedside of a man too frail for baptism but who made a strong confession of Jesus and asked to be a Seventh-day Adventist.

An additional baptism was held on Sabbath, Dec. 1, for one of our young people who wanted her grandpa to be at her baptism; he couldn't be there in October. •

George White, Lakeview Church pastor

Kids Make Noise in Church

The Springfield Church was no doubt the happiest place in all of Springfield as the children and youth used their voices and musical talents to praise God. They presented the church service—everything from songs, prayers, scripture and poetry reading to taking up the offering. Each child had a chance to say what they were thankful for. Most mentioned family, friends and Jesus, although one youngster enthusiastically said, "My trains!" Organizers Barbara Burns and Beth Whitsell believe that it is important for kids to feel that they are a necessary part of church.

"I can't remember the last time I saw so many smiles," said one member. "I played Jesus Loves Me!" said Hannah Seidel, smiling proudly. It is the goal of the Springfield Children's Ministries to regularly involve children in church services, to foster spiritual training, and to just let children know they are loved. •

Candace Sumner, Springfield Church member



Walla Walla University Student Nurses *Team with Vancouver Church*

Virginia Oliver, Vancouver Church member, and Mary McClay, M.S.N., APRN, Walla Walla University School of Nursing mental health instructor, coordinated the “Foods for Thought” program for Vancouver community residents. This LifeStyle Matters program was presented by a team of church members and Walla Walla University nursing students Aaron Teague, Lauren Manteghi and their instructor from the mental health nursing class on Tuesday evenings during October.

Community health nursing students Chrystal Kandoll and April Rogers presented information to help participants make food choices that would improve mood, memory, learning and behavior. Oliver, Sandra Bostrom, Chris Price and Juanita Stroh prepared tasty recipes emphasizing the types of foods that were discussed each night. Gene Heinrich and Dave Allan, Vancouver pastors, facilitated the break-out discussions in which team members led out in small-group discussions.



Co-coordinators Mary McClay (second from left) and Virginia Oliver (third from right) with their leadership team presented “Foods for Thought” at the Vancouver (Wash.) Church in October.

“LifeStyle Matters” programs were developed by Vicki Griffin, MPA, MACN, and Evelyn Kissinger, MS, RD, IBCLC, for community primary prevention programs emphasizing nutrition. One of their other programs, Simple Solutions, which addresses stress and nutrition, was

presented by Oliver, McClay and the Vancouver Church last year and was also well received by the community. Information on the programs can be found at <http://lifestylematters.com>.

Linda Shaver, Vancouver Church communication leader

A Milo Baptism *Rodney Smith Begins New Life in Christ*

“I have decided to follow Jesus.” These were the words you would have heard coming across the waters and under the covered bridge leading into Milo Adventist Academy the brisk, sunny Sabbath afternoon of Family Weekend, as students, staff and family members encouraged Rodney Smith in his decision to give his life to Christ.

“Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” Carl Wilkens, Milo Academy pastor, read to Rodney from a well-known story in Acts about Paul and Silas.

Wilkens answered, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and



Rodney Smith publicly gives his life to God in the South Umpqua River bordering the school campus.

you will be saved, you and your household” (Acts 16:30-31).

As Wilkens read these words, Rodney’s face lit up with excitement and confidence. I later asked him

what he felt, and he said, “I’ve had my ups and downs, and Christ was there, but it was at that moment that I knew who he really was to me, my big brother.”

Smith has been raised a Seventh-day Adventist and has always had a relationship with Christ, but he decided that it was finally time to make his commitment public. “I am truly committed to Christ, and ever since I made that decision, I have wanted to understand Him more, and I have been studying on my own, which has made our relationship even stronger.”

As Smith sang, “Though no one join me still I will follow,” the words may have been the closing to his baptism, but they were also the first words of his new life with Jesus Christ.

Mikaela Campbell, MAA senior

Livingstone Gains 'Green School' Status

Recycling Program Grows

People are often too busy to stop and think how much recycling can help our environment. But eighth graders at Livingstone Adventist Academy have, and their efforts to reduce waste and recycle have earned the school "green school" status.

Eighth-grade teacher Sharon Cutz has been focusing on recycling for about three years. Cutz wanted to get her students involved in recycling and taking care of the environment, while learning the meaning of teamwork. At first, many students weren't too excited about the idea of picking up the school's recycling. The students would have to visit each classroom in the school to get all of the water bottles, paper, etc. But over time, Cutz says they are taking their work



Eighth-graders Cassie Luyet (left) and Casey Carter hold the "Green School" plaque awarded to Livingstone Adventist Academy.

more seriously and becoming more of a team.

Oregon Green Schools is an organization that helps schools

start recycling programs.

The organization recognizes schools that put together a comprehensive recycling and

waste reduction plan, and then helps them put it into practice.

The Oregon Green School Summit is one of the highlights of this program. The summit is like a mini camp which a small group of students attend. They learn ideas and new skills about Naturescaping and how to do a "waste audit." Cutz plans to take several of her students the next time it's offered. Learning to recycle has helped Livingstone become a better place and a healthier environment for students. •

Cynthia Olague, LAA journalism student

Mill City Church Sheds a Brighter Light

Nestled in the Santiam Canyon about 25 miles east of Salem, among towering firs and mountains, lies the Mill City Church. For years, this reconverted building, once belonging to a local lumber company, has served as a beckoning lighthouse for canyon residents in the Mill City and Gates communities.

Since its origin in the area, attendance has fluctuated,

ranging from a sizeable, past membership that filled the sanctuary, to as few as a half-dozen members. Despite the ups and downs, some families have remained steadfast throughout the years, and due to their efforts more space became needed. One of the first projects was to convert a building previously used for Dorcas to a classroom for the youth.

In addition to the youth room, work started on creating a larger sanctuary that would accommodate up to 20 new members. On Sept. 29, 2007, Willard Loewen, Mill City pastor, held a special service to consecrate the newly remodeled space. The church is excited about the new worship areas and is seeing the membership grow.

Two new, youthful baptismal candidates became members of

the Mill City Church family in November. Loewen baptized Adrianna Martinez and Shane Griffith, making them the first to be baptized at the newly remodeled Mill City Church. •

Ron Brown, Mill City Church communication leader

Sunset Christian Fellowship *Volunteers With a Purpose*

Billie Anne, a wife, mother of four, elementary school teacher and Sabbath School leader was only 43 when breast cancer took her life. On that same day her sister-in-law Judy Leach was giving birth. The passage of one family member and the arrival of new life on the same day within a family was a reminder of how uncertain the journey of life can be.

As a tribute to her sister-in-law's memory, Leach encouraged the members of Sunset Christian Fellowship (SCF), in Hillsboro, Ore., to volunteer in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. "Our church is very focused on meeting community needs,"



Sunset Christian Fellowship members collaborate with Adventist Medical Center to help pass out more than 2,000 bananas at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Portland.

says Leach. Members are continually engaged in local, regional and international service through a variety of

programs. SCF spotted a need. An event featuring thousands of participants requires lots of volunteers.

Dozens of SCF members woke up before dawn on a Sunday morning to volunteer at Portland's largest women's health special event designed to bring hope and healing for those touched by breast cancer. The group was determined to put their faith into action in a creative way. Church members collaborated with Adventist Medical Center and helped pass out more than 2,000 bananas. Other members helped cancer survivors cross the finish line while another team was there to share strength and courage with those who have lost loved ones. •

Judy Leach, Sunset Christian Fellowship member

Three Sisters School *Hosts Habitat for Humanity Volunteers*

The Three Sisters School provided a spot, complete with electrical and water hookups, for eight motor-home owners to park for two weeks in August 2007 while they volunteered with the Bend Area Habitat for Humanity affiliate.

The 15 people on the team were all members of the Family Motor Coach Association (FMCA) Chapter: Habitat for Humanity. Chapter members sign up to spend two weeks building with a local Habitat affiliate.

Team members may not know each other prior to arriving at a build, since they come from all over the United States and Canada. Typically, most are retired couples or individuals. This team included RVers from as far away as upstate New York and southern Florida, as well as some from California and a few who live full-time in their motor homes.

Team leaders Lynn and Linda Laymon said that everyone on this team—men and women—helped with various tasks on four Habitat

homes under construction in Bend, including roofing, drywall and siding, plus setting forms for four new foundations.

"We're thankful for the opportunity to give our time and talents to further the Christian mission of Habitat for Humanity of providing low-income families a decent home that they can afford," stated Lynn. Every hosting Habitat affiliate, like the one in Bend, is asked to provide the Care-A-Vanners a place to park their RVs while volunteering. "The

Three Sisters School staff has made it possible for us to build here. We're very appreciative of their generosity."

The FMCA Habitat Chapter is a subgroup of the much larger RV Care-A-Vanners program run by Habitat for Humanity International. The Care-A-Vanners program organizes about 200 building opportunities every year. •

Linda and Lynn Laymon, team leaders

Oregon Youth Challenge

Help Share God With the Salem Community

Every year, Youth Challenge student workers walk Northwest streets looking for hearts open to God's truth. Jesse Ellingson is one such youth. His experiences journaled below may encourage someone else to break out of his or her comfort zone and plan for a Youth Challenge adventure this coming summer. — Editor

Last summer I had my work cut out for me. I had some really good experiences throughout this summer, but my most enjoyable one would be when I was out in the

middle of nowhere. I walked up this driveway that was at least 12 miles long. I walked it in faith, believing that God knew what he was doing. On top of a plateau was a nice-looking house. Luckily there was somebody home, and they were having a barbecue.

"I had one book that I might be able to sell to him but it was a cookbook, and the coordinator said, "Never sell a cookbook to someone who is cooking." I had to do something so I went up and started talking to the guy; he was really friendly. He asked a lot of questions and the last one he asked was what I wanted to become. I said a medical

missionary. He said hold on one minute and he went into his house for just a second, then came out and paid for the book. I did not look at how much he gave me.

I was just happy.

When I got back to the car and looked at it—it was a \$100 bill. I was excited!

"This has really inspired me throughout the summer knowing that wherever God sends me, he always has something for

me to learn to do in his service, to be spreading his message to everyone. I have also learned how to talk to people without being shy. This service teaches you how to interact with others and how to lead them to Christ. This was very fulfilling for me, and a great experience for anyone who would like to join this program."

Near the end of the summer Jesse was not feeling well and was told he would need surgery. People started praying for him and when he went for the surgery the problem appeared to have cleared up. A couple of months after Oregon Youth Challenge was over, Jesse again suffered severe pain. When medication did not relieve the pain, doctors discovered an aneurysm very close to his heart. Surgery and much prayer saved his life. Jesse's is surprising his doctors with an excellent recovery.

Oregon Youth Challenge is seeking young people who want to spend the summer not only earning a scholarship for school but who wish to help share the gospel with people in the Salem area. If you are interested in joining OYC for the summer, please contact Lorraine Anderson, (503) 695-5329, land224@myexcel.com or go to the OYC website www.ORYC.net. •

Lorraine Anderson, Oregon Youth Challenge sponsor

Jesse Ellingson spent eight weeks last summer working with the Oregon Youth Challenge team. He is looking forward to participating again this summer.



Young men and young women, if you are true disciples of Christ, you will consecrate every talent, and be able to reach out for the unconverted, by ways and methods that will be effective.

—Ellen G. White



Pasco Riverview Celebrates 100 Years of Service



The Riverview church as it appears today.

The Pasco Church celebrated two major anniversaries the weekend of Oct. 19–20, 2007—100 years of ministry in Pasco and the 50th year at the present location.

In 1907, Brother John Luther and W. W. Stewart conducted the first recorded evangelistic meetings in Pasco. They were warned that Pasco would be a very difficult field to work. It was a strong Catholic center and a railroad town. The workers found that to be true, but still the church made its start.

A small company of eight members met in various churches for a number of years before purchasing a little church owned by the Baptists for \$300. Membership continued to grow, and in 1941 construction began on a new church building. Their first church school was



Pasco pastors, from left: Don Kindig, Ralph Martin, Kurt Johnson, Teddy Shupe, Doug Johnson, Ed Gienger, John Davidson.

started in the basement of the church. As the group grew, so did their need of a bigger facility. In 1953, members purchased 2.5 acres of vineyard, and a new church building project began.

The late Norman Bowker was the church building foreman. The church was dedicated on Oct. 19, 1957.

Over the years there have been 12 pastors and 11 interns who have served the congregation. The Pasco “mother” church has planted five “daugh-

ter” churches in the area—the Richland Church, Country Haven Church, Kennewick Church, Ephesus Church and the Pasco Spanish Church.

Doug Johnson, Upper Columbia Conference executive secretary, gave the Sabbath message “God’s Leading.” Four former and two present pastors assisted during the weekend. A reunion of the singing group, The Impacts, which was formed under the leadership of Ralph Martin, the pastor then, presented a Sabbath afternoon concert. The Tri-City Men’s Chorus gave a Friday night concert. It was, indeed, a high Sabbath with approximately 500 in attendance. Former members came from as far away as Thailand, Hawaii and the East Coast. •

Suzanne Shephard Swisher, Pasco Church member



The Riverview Church as it appeared in 1957.

A Shared Easter Celebration Builds Bridges



For some time now the Anchor Point Church plant in Stanfield, Ore., has shared space with the Living Water Four Square Church in what many years ago was the Stanfield High School. Anchor Point members have enjoyed a good

A Four Square youth acts the part of Jesus healing a lady, played by Anchor Point member Toni Eddy.

relationship with their Four Square brothers and sisters, trading spaces Sabbaths and Sundays. As Easter weekend neared last year, both churches recognized a desire to celebrate with a special program for their friends and neighbors. They also recognized their limited resources, and so they decided to join forces. They wrote a script depicting the events surrounding Jesus’

death, mostly focusing on the experience of Peter. The services were a positive and moving experience for both congregations.

This coming Easter brings another opportunity for churches around the Northwest to build bridges and bring the gospel to our world. •

Claudia Flaiz, event attendee

Yakima Adventist School Features Fundraising Fiesta

A cooperative effort between Wapato Spanish and Central Valley Spanish churches resulted in an extraordinary event on Sunday, Nov. 2, 2007, to help Hispanic worthy students at Yakima Adventist Christian School (YACS).



Linda Villesenor of the Wapato Spanish Church sings traditional Mexican music during the Fiesta Mexicana, held to benefit Yakima Adventist Christian School worthy students.

Nearly 200 people attended the second annual Fiesta Mexicana at the school gym. They shared great food and enjoyed fun entertainment provided by our Hispanic brothers and sisters. Meals were served buffet style with a choice of vegetarian tacos, enchiladas, or flautas. There were homemade taco shells and hot (and very hot) sauce as well as rice, beans, salad and dessert. Traditional Mexican drinks, such as agua de horchata and agua de limon were available too.

In addition to satisfying guest's appetites, attendees also enjoyed traditional guitar, piano and singing. One highlight of the night was a contest between "gringos."



Nearly 200 people attended the second annual Fiesta Mexicana at the Yakima Adventist Christian School gym. More than \$2,600 was raised to help worthy students at the school.

After hearing a charro, an authentic "Mexican yell," the gringos were asked to do one as well. After several yip-yip-yip's, hee haaa's and even buc-buc-buc's, Wayne Wasiczko won the competition with his interpretation of a charro. He donated his piñata prize to the fifth- and sixth-grade class.

This year's fiesta raised over \$2,600 for the YACS Hispanic Worthy Student Fund. We are all looking forward to next year's event. •

Susan Bailey, YACS GLEANER correspondent

Principal's Head Is Shaved To Help Teacher

"Mr. Witas, if we raise enough money to send Mrs. McLin to Germany, can we shave your head?"

"Why would you want to send your teacher to Germany?" I asked. "What could she have possibly done to you to make you want to send her to Germany?"

"We found out she has a sick relative there, and her whole family is going to reunite at her bedside and oh, please, please, PLEASE, if we raise the money, can we shave your head?"

"No, but I suppose if you raise the money by Fall Festival, you could shave the hair on my head."

"Ha, ha, ha, Mr. Witas, very funny."

It wasn't but a few days after my conversation with my fourth- and fifth-graders that parents got wind of the challenge. It wasn't but a few days after that that money started to roll in.

At 8:45 p.m. during our Fall Festival in front of hundreds of cheering onlookers, my

hair was shaved like Samson. Winter is a little colder for me this year, but rewarding a class full of 9- and 10-year-olds by helping them do an act of kindness for a beloved teacher is well worth the absence of hair—at least for a little while.

In the meantime, Marita McLin just spent the most wonderful time in Germany with her family. •

Mark Witas, Cascade Christian Academy principal



Mark Witas, Cascade Christian Academy principal, has his head shaved to reward the fourth- and fifth-grade class for raising the money to help their teacher visit family in Germany.

Winning Souls One at a Time In Omak's Native American Community

Omak (Wash.) Church members have been active in reaching Native Americans in their area. Since April 2006, members have been involved in giving *Native New Day* Bible studies and showing the *Native New Day* DVDs to people in the Colville Tribal Convalescent Center and in the Confederated tribes of the Colville Reservation Correction Facility in Nespelem.

In the spring of 2007, we began studying with James



Brian and Denise Bechthold embrace James Traversie and Wanda McCragie after the couple has told them they want to join the Omak Church.

Traversie, a relatively young, Lakota Sioux man who was recovering at the convalescent center from a stroke. His biblical knowledge was vast. He was remarkable not only for his interest in the Bible, but for having a wonderfully teachable spirit. And as he learned new truths, he would immediately accept them and change. Our studies, however, ended after about three months when his wife took him home—home

being in their van. Much to our disappointment, we lost contact at that point even though we hoped to continue studying together later.

In the meantime, Monte Church, North Pacific Union (NPUC) Native Ministries director, arranged for Brian Bechthold and his wife Denise, to present a Native American evangelistic series in the fall. Brian and Denise, who live in Edmonton, Alberta, began

preaching in a large tent in Stampede Park. One night, several days into the series, to our absolute delight, in walked Traversie and his wife. They not only came to the meetings, but Traversie also sang special music more than once. We already knew he was a talented musician and singer, but we were further surprised to learn he was also a minister from another denomination, something we didn't know when we studied with him at the convalescent center.

Toward the end of the series, Traversie told us he and his wife wanted to join our church.

Though no baptisms have yet resulted from this effort, a strong core group of Native American friends continues meeting together, committed with us to reaching out to their own Native American community. •

Renée Goodwin, Omak Church member



Wanda McCragie and James Traversie enjoy the series of meetings in a tent in Omak, Wash.

Fairfield Bikers Rally for Jesus

Several years ago, a number of Fairfield Church members were semi-truck drivers, inspiring member and driver Doug Minett to hold a truck rally. One sunny Sabbath morning, a small fleet of gleaming tractor-trailers pulled in one by one making quite a show to the local community that truckers not only follow

the roads, but they also follow Jesus.

Recently, borrowing from the idea of the truck rally, head elder and motorcycle rider David Roberts organized a bike rally. A small town nearby was hosting its second annual bike rally of large proportion, and Roberts wanted to offer an alternative for bikers wanting

a more appropriate activity for the Sabbath hours. So the sounds of rolling thunder filled the air as bikers rolled in for a day devoted to them. Roberts offered the morning message "Why He Died, Why We Ride," focusing on the similarities between riding and the Christian experience in areas such as a sense of community,

freedom and heeding God's call of "Go!" Following a fellowship dinner, the bikers rode to the top of Steptoe Butte for a 138-mile round trip, returning for an ice cream social in the evening. •

Lisa Buell, Fairfield Church communication leader

Chasing a Dream

Filipino-American Church Debt-free in West Seattle

For a church group that began in the early 1980s as a branch Sabbath School and later organized as a group of 38 associated with the Volunteer Park Church, it was a step of faith 15 years ago to create a Filipino-American church in Seattle with a membership goal of 200.

“I am a bona fide American citizen, but I am a truly-blooded Filipino,” said Lowell Teves, pastor of the congregation. “I am also a dream chaser.”

The entire congregation—in fact—are dream chasers. Just two years after launching the plan, the company was officially organized as a 120-member church. With church growth blossoming, it was time to find a bigger home.

In October 1999, church members discovered a possible West Seattle location—a



Heidi Martella

Members and guests of the Seattle Filipino-American Church gather around to watch the burning of the Promissory Note. The church paid off its 10-year loan in seven years.

Methodist church valued at \$760,000. On Dec. 7, 1999, the Western Washington Corporation Board prequalified the church for a \$500,000 loan—the same amount the Methodist board had approved if the ministry in financial difficulty would pay \$500,000 and close before the end of the year. The offer was accepted

Christmas Eve, and the church family received the news the following day.

One requirement for borrowing from the North Pacific Union’s revolving fund is to have 50 percent of the purchase price in hand. The church only had \$220,000 in its building fund, but by the Monday after Christmas, the

final \$30,000 was available.

Monies were sent overnight from the union to be submitted with a cashier’s check to escrow on Wednesday so they could close on Thursday, the last day of business for 1999. An hour before the escrow office closed, the deal was completed.

With a 10-year Promissory Note in hand, the church set out to pay off their loan and accomplished the goal in only seven years. Church membership is now 237—and still chasing dreams while steadily growing. In fact, the day of the note burning—just before Thanksgiving—the church celebrated two baptisms. •

Heidi Martella, Washington Conference associate communication director, with Robert Grady retired Washington Conference trust services director

Bible Worker Conferences

Provide Training and Networking

Last fall, a delegation of Bible workers from Washington Conference attended the first Bible worker conference held in Colorado.

Presentations focused on preparing a personal testimony, realizing God’s call, studying the Bible with others and seeking decisions.

Besides enjoying a time of reconsecration, the conference attendees also found value in networking with other Bible workers and learning how God is using others in His work around the nation.

As a result of this experience, Washington Conference will host their



Gayle Lasher

Ethelene Brady, a Bible worker from Texas, shares part of her “Spiritual Boot Camp” presentation at a Bible worker conference in Colorado.

first annual Bible worker and prayer warrior conference next spring at Camp Berachah in Auburn. The focus of this April 4–6 conference is twofold. Not much can be accomplished without prayer, so training in prayer will be provided by Randy Maxwell, pastor and author of *If My People Pray*. Dan Knapp, a pastor with many years of experience in sharing his faith, will provide the training for Bible workers.

To learn more or to register, visit www.washingtonconference.org. •

Gayle Lasher, Washington Conference Bible worker/trainer

Puget Sound Students *Find Language No Barrier to God*

Exchange students add an interesting dynamic to the Puget Sound Adventist Academy family. The culture, belief system and language barrier is different than what is typically found in North America.

This was particularly evident during "Connect," the academy's annual three-day spiritual retreat at Walla Walla University's marine station at Rosario Beach.

"In Korea, we didn't have a mixture of education and

religion," says senior Terrance Ruan. "The opportunity to have a retreat like this wasn't there."

With Connect, students get to experience outreach activities at the beginning of the retreat by going around greater Seattle providing acts of community service. The remaining time the students participated in activities designed to help them form friendships with each other and most importantly Christ. The night of communion stands out the most to students.

"This is my third retreat," says junior Yo-Seob Shin. "When I was a freshman, I couldn't understand the language like I do now. However, the spiritual connection everyone received with God didn't need a language. We could all share in it even if we couldn't [fully] understand each other."

Young Suk, a junior, said, "It was very good to be able to learn how to pray and talk with God. To grow closer in my relationship and understanding

of God as well as growing closer to my friends was amazing."

The teachers were amazed to see the change in students. "Any words to describe the event are inadequate," said Howard Munson, Bible and history teacher. "It was powerful to observe these students and see how serious they were to be right with God." •

Scott Carlson, PSAA taskforce volunteer

The Power of Pink *Auburn Adventist Academy Shows Its True Colors*

Magenta, cherry, bubble-gum, and rose were just a few of the many shades of pink proudly worn on Oct. 25, 2007, at Auburn Adventist Academy. The sea of several hundred students made quite a spectacle as they passed each other in the halls, decked out in pink from head to toe.

In conjunction with the American Cancer Society (ACS), the freshman class asked the rest of the school to join with them to help support cancer research. The class also hosted a bake sale, raising about \$300 for the ACS.

"Over 80 percent of the student body wore pink," said Keith Hallam, Auburn Adventist Academy principal. "It not only allowed them to show support and unity



AAA students wearing pink in support of the fight against cancer, from left: Megan Strobel, Kelsey Gracias, Richard Meharry, Maurice Lake and Andrew Sharman.

for others, but it was a demonstration of the love that is in the hearts of our students. I believe that the students, parents and staff were greatly blessed."

"I wore pink because I wanted to support cancer victims," said Katie Herman, AAA freshman from Puyallup, Wash. "We not only raised money to help cure cancer, but it brought us together as a school. I think it is important for people to know that there is someone there to support you."

The support of the students for their loved ones who are fighting cancer proved that the power of pink is paving the road for a rosy tomorrow. •

Jondelle D. McGhee, AAA GLEANER correspondent

A Small World When God's Involved

Evangelists come into a church, present a series, and leave soon after, rarely having the opportunity to baptize all the people they worked with.

However, David Wolkwitz, Washington Conference trust services director, recently had a surprise when he and his wife, Gaylene, presented a Holy Spirit seminar at the Ferndale Church.

Just a week before the seminar, a woman was driving past the church and thought to herself, "I should go back to church."

The woman—Joyce Crane—arrived at church that Saturday after 50 years of not attending an Adventist church. The bulletin advertised the



Joyce Crane is all smiles as she reflects on her baptism along with Pat Grant, Ferndale pastor, and Dave Wolkwitz (right).

upcoming seminar, and she thought, "There can only be one Dave Wolkwitz."

Many years ago, Crane's brother, Dave, had been best

friends growing up with Wolkwitz in Kansas City, Missouri.

During the seminar, Crane introduced herself and

indicated she wanted to study for baptism. After studying with Pat Grant, district pastor, Crane asked Wolkwitz to baptize her last November.

"I rarely baptize anybody, as the pastor usually does, so this was a thrill to baptize the sister of my best friend," Wolkwitz said. "Who would have thought we would move here six years ago and would just now present the Holy Spirit series in Ferndale where I would meet my best friend's sister and baptize her into the Adventist church? It's a small world when God gets involved." •

Heidi Martella, Washington Conference associate communication director

Friday Harbor Embarks on Creation Outreach

Friday Harbor Church is starting a creation-nature center as an outreach ministry in the San Juan Islands.

"We want to expose the truth of God's loving creative power to people through an intellectually stimulating and interactive creation-nature center," said Bonnie Bowman, executive director of the new center.

As the center develops, it will have fossil and geological displays, a nature theater, a children's park and more.

The outreach ministry recently started out of a desire to reach the island community and tourists who come to enjoy the natural beauty and marine environment.

At this point, the creation-nature center is still under research and development. The plan is to create a scientifically credible center patterned after other creation centers across America, including the Institute of Creation Research in California; the \$27 million Answers in Genesis Creation Museum in Ohio; and A Key Adventure in Florida, an Adventist-founded creation center which attracts 60,000 people a year.

"We're networking with our Adventist universities and establishing relationships with prominent creation scientists who are excited to see a ministry like this happen in the San Juan Islands," Bowman



Friday Harbor members are banding together to begin the development of a new creation center in their community.

said. "We will rely on their expertise to advise us how to create a scientifically credible center."

Not only does the church want to reach the nature-loving tourists who visit the beautiful islands but they are thinking of ways to become a caring presence in their island community. Natural extension ministries from this creation center include taking care of the Earth through an environmental ministry, and

our bodies through health ministry, both subjects Islanders are passionate about.

Want to partner with this growing ministry? There are many opportunities for you to contribute your expertise to the development of this creation-nature center. E-mail Bonnie Bowman at rbbowman1@msn.com to participate and to share ideas and contacts. •

Bonnie Bowman, executive director, with Heidi Martella

Waters Elected

As NPUC Associate Director of Education

Keith Waters became the North Pacific Union associate director for secondary education on Sept. 1. He replaces Dennis Plubell, who accepted the position of North American Division associate director of education.

Waters was born in Belfast, Maine. A lifelong Adventist, he graduated from South Lancaster Academy and from Atlantic Union College with a degree in elementary education. He also earned a master's degree from Eastern Connecticut State University.

His wife Deanna is currently teaching at Upper Columbia Academy Elementary School



Keith Waters, North Pacific Union Conference associate director for secondary education

in Spangle, Wash. They have two sons, Michael, a teacher at El Dorado Adventist School in Placerville, Calif., and David, a recent graduate from Walla Walla University.

Waters began his teaching career with his wife in a two-teacher school in the Southern New England Conference where he taught grades five through eight and she taught the first four grades. After their son Michael was born, he taught all of the grades before becoming a teacher and principal at a junior academy in Rehoboth, Mass. They moved to the Upper Columbia Conference in 1990, where he served as the associate

superintendent for about five years before becoming the superintendent in 1996.

"It is my goal to get to know the principals and teachers as we work together to strengthen the secondary school programs in the North Pacific Union," Waters says. "I believe the Lord has led in each move our family has made over the years. I don't yet know what specific plans God has for me in this new position but I am anxious and willing to see where He will lead and what can be accomplished with His blessing in this new endeavor." •

Richard Dower, retired GLEANER editor

Venn Named

NPUC Disaster Response Coordinator



Douglas Venn, North Pacific Union Conference disaster response coordinator

Douglas Venn was recently elected as the North Pacific Union disaster response coordinator. As an unsalaried volunteer, Venn is accountable to the officers of the North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) and receives counsel and support from the NPUC disaster response coordination committee. Venn replaces Dennis Olson, who served for a three-year term.

Venn was born in Puyallup, Wash., spending much of his younger years in western Washington. After the death of his father, his mother married

Frank Venn, a Presbyterian minister. He graduated from Spirit Lake High School in Idaho and then from Whitworth University in Spokane. He was active in football, music and the student newspaper. After graduation he joined the Peace Corps and served a term in Columbia, South America.

Throughout Venn's career in Washington State's civil service, he has been active in many aspects of disaster relief and has served on the board and as president of the Washington Voluntary Organization Active in Disaster.

Venn met his wife Maria while he was in the Peace Corps in Columbia. They have three adult children, Doug, Carolina and Carla.

"I look forward to working with all segments of the church, geographically, ethnically, politically and institutionally," Venn says. "If each household and individual is prepared, then they will be able to be a responder and not a victim of a disaster." •

Richard Dower

Learning for a Lifetime

WWU Enlightens All Ages With Upcoming Events

The mission of the Seventh-day Adventist educational system is to prepare young people for success in the 21st century and beyond. Walla Walla University's (WWU) goals are even higher—striving not only to educate students, but to provide thoughtful Christian educational experiences to people of all ages.

The Center for Bible, Faith and Mission (CBFM), formerly the Institute for Bible, Church and Culture, is a subsidiary organization of WWU focused on providing valuable opportunities for lifelong learning. "CBFM seeks to be a source of timely and relevant information, relating the Bible to issues of our day," says David Thomas, WWU School of Theology dean.



The WWU 2007 Distinguished Scholar Lecture will be presented by David R. Williams in January.

WWU and the CBFM invite you to attend four upcoming events:

- The first is a CBFM seminar entitled, **"What On Earth Are We Doing: Christians and the Environment."** This series of presentations, held Jan. 18–20 at the Sunnyside Church in Portland, Ore., will provide a Christian response to the current frenzy regarding the environment. "Given the discussions about global warming and our potential for running out of fossil fuels, this is a good time for Christians to weigh in on the subject," says Thomas. Speakers include Thomas, Jon Cole, professor of engineering, and Jim Nestler, professor of biology. Each presentation will be followed by a question-and-answer session.
- WWU presents the annual Distinguished Scholar Lecture on Jan. 24–25. This year the distinguished guest will be David R. Williams, Florence and Laura Norman professor of public health at the Harvard School of Public Health. Williams is also a professor of sociology, African, and African American studies at Harvard University. During the three-part lecture, this international authority on the social influences of health will present:

- **"Social Inequalities in Health: Patterns, Causes, Interventions,"** Thursday, Jan. 24, 7 p.m., Walla Walla Valley Academy Auditorium.
- **"Moderate Alcohol Consumption and Health: Evidence, Questions, Interpretations,"** Friday, Jan. 25, 1–3 p.m., Melvin K. West Fine Arts Center Auditorium
- **"Religion and Health: Scientific Findings and Unanswered Questions,"** Friday, Jan. 25, 6 p.m., Walla Walla Valley Academy Auditorium
- Tony Campolo, professor emeritus at Eastern University and founder of the Evangelical Association for the Promotion of Education, will be the featured speaker for Black History Weekend at WWU, held Feb. 1–2. A Sabbath afternoon forum, **"The God of Intimacy and Action: The Challenge to Welcome and Embrace Diversity,"** is jointly sponsored by the Black Faculty and Staff Fellowship, the Faculty Development Committee, the School of Theology and the Association of Adventist Forums.
- March brings the annual CBFM Retreat to the WWU campus. George Knight,



Tony Campolo will speak at WWU in February.

professor emeritus at Andrews University, and Craig Newborn, pastor of Oakwood College Church and past director of the Ellen G. White Institute at Oakwood College, will speak on **"Ellen White: The Myth and the Reality: Adventists and the Prophetic Gift."** The three-day retreat will examine how White's writings have affected Adventism and will address ways to reawaken an interest in her gift.

These events are free and open to the public. Continuing education credits are available for select presentations. For more information, please contact the School of Theology at (509) 527-2194. •

*Kristi Spurgeon, WWU
 GLEANER correspondent*

WALLA WALLA UNIVERSITY

NewsNotes

Portland Hospital Offers Elite Home Care Services

Adventist Health Home Care Services is the recipient of the 2007 HomeCare Elite award. The Portland-based home care agency is the only home health provider in Oregon and the Pacific Northwest to be named among the top 100 home care agencies in North America.

Outcome Concept Systems, Inc., a Seattle-based company, evaluated 7,422 national agencies for performance measures in quality outcomes, quality improvement and financial performance. This is the second consecutive year Portland's Adventist Health Home Care Services has been provided the prestigious Elite Award, moving up from the top 500 ranking last year to the nation's top 100 agencies in 2007.

Carmen Cafferky, Adventist Health Home Care Services administrative director, credits the dedicated team of skilled nurses, rehab specialists, home health aides and leaders who comprise the 55-person team for being named among the nation's best. "Providing our patients compassionate quality care remains our top priority," adds Cafferky.



Adventist Health Home Care Services ranks among the nation's elite. Learn more by visiting www.adventisthealth.org

Adventist Health and Generations Break Ground on Paradise Village

In the summer, Adventist Health and Generations broke ground on a 497-unit senior living community located in the San Diego area. Slated to open October 2008, Paradise Village will offer affordable senior housing options as well as wellness opportunities and access to outstanding services and amenities. Specifically, the complex will include 419 independent liv-

ing units and 74 assisted living units. Residents will enjoy month-to-month leases, allowing them to move to different units as their needs require.

The retirement center is a joint venture between Adventist Health and Generations, LLC, the same Portland, Oregon-based company that partnered with Adventist Medical Center to create CherryWood Village and Walla Walla General Hospital to create Wheatland Village.

Eastern Washington Gets New GI Services

Walla Walla General Hospital opened a new gastro-intestinal/endoscopy lab in an effort to better serve its patients. This new GI lab includes

a state-of-the-art automated endoscope reprocessing unit, which significantly reduces the risk that an endoscope would be reprocessed incorrectly and virtually eliminates exposure to liquid chemical germicide agents and fumes. Procedures are now being performed in the lab five days a week and on the weekends for emergencies.

Coastal Oregon Golf Tournament Swings Into Success

Golfers at the 2007 Tillamook County General Hospital Classic Tournament enjoyed a beautiful morning at Bay Breeze Golf Course. Nearly \$4,000 in net proceeds was raised in support of the hospital's Simulation Education program, which features SimMan, a cutting-edge computerized manikin that nursing students and clinical staff use to hone their life-saving skills.

Portland Staff Builds Housing for the Needy

In the fall, a group of Adventist Medical Center staff partnered with Mt. Hood Habitat for Humanity to work on a five-unit housing structure in Gresham, Ore., known as Jubilee Commons. Employees spent time nailing panels of exterior sheathing to the frame of the structures. When complete, Jubilee Commons will be a 22-unit complex that will house 44 adults and 56 children. The goal of the complex is to help eliminate substandard housing in east Multnomah County. •

Shawna Malvini, Adventist Health GLEANER correspondent



Learn more about Paradise Village by visiting www.liveatparadise.com

FYI

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS?

The Adventist Channel

The beginnings of an Adventist YouTube? A new ministry resource sponsored by the North American Division (NAD) provides high-quality video clips and programs through the technology of “BiggyTV.” The NAD Web site at <http://www.nadadventist.org>, provides a front page link and instructions on how to imbed the player into a local church Web site. A direct link is <http://www.theadventistchannel.org>.



Sunset Calculator Works Anywhere

This special feature of the GLEANER Web site lets you enter your local zip code, then pops up a personal calendar that displays the sunset for any day of the month as you hover over each date. Check it out at <http://www.gleaneronline.org>. It’s at the top left on the main page.

Answers For Me

This Web site, sponsored by the Pacific Union Conference ministry resources center, is coordinated by Northwest member Rich DuBose, and offers free support for life’s questions and issues. It includes answers to critical issues, links to health, financial and even retirement resources, and even some tasty recipes. The Web site address is <http://www.answersforme.org>.

INSIDE SCOOP

Ricardo Graham Begins as President of Pacific Union

Ricardo Graham, executive secretary of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists since February 2006, begins the new year as president of the Pacific Union, replacing Tom Mostert, who retired in December after serving as president of North America’s second largest union conference since 1986. Graham will coordinate the many-faceted mission of the church in the Pacific Southwest area of the United States, which covers Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, and Utah.



Ricardo Graham

Oakwood College Becomes Oakwood University

In a special constituency meeting held Sunday, Dec. 2, on the campus of Oakwood College, constituent members overwhelmingly voted to change the institutional name from Oakwood College to Oakwood University, effective Jan. 1, 2008. For more information go the university’s Web site at <http://www.oakwood.edu>.

Week of Devotion

“The Matchless Charms of Christ,” Jan. 12–19
Programs will be broadcast on the Loma Linda Broadcasting Network (LLBN) at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. (Pacific). For more information go to <http://www.lluc.org> or see the ad on page 38 of this GLEANER.

Health Summit—Orlando

Orlando, Florida, Feb. 1–9
This event is sponsored by the North American Division and offers several tracks of intensive, ongoing education. More information is available at <http://www.nadadventisthealthsummit.com>.

OOPS!

In our November issue, the Idaho Conference news article titled “CERT to the Rescue” mistakenly defined CERT as Citizens Emergency Response Team. The correct name is Community Emergency Response Team, which is a national program available in many cities. Our thanks to Dr. Harry Smedes, a CERT member from Merlin, Oregon, for this reminder.

Look for this page to develop over the next few months to include several items of interest to GLEANER readers, including the following:

The Advent Movement

Where is my former pastor or teacher? A monthly listing, hopefully beginning with the March or April issue, of who has recently moved where, including pastors, teachers and administrators who have worked in the Northwest;

Inside Scoop

Starting this issue with special new services, ministry options or other information of interest to Northwest Adventist members; and

Have You Seen This?

Starting this issue with links to Web sites and other new media sources.



Chittenden 50th

Bruce and Jan Chittenden celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception on June 30, 2007, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Bruce G. Chittenden and Janet L. Plummer were married June 30, 1957, in Deer Park, Calif. Bruce first became a pastor and worked for several years before deciding to go back to school and get his teaching degree. He then taught mostly elementary school and some high school/principal until his retirement. Janet got her nursing degree and was a nurse for many years. Then she too went back to school and became a nurse practitioner, working in that capacity until her retirement. They now enjoy gardening, cycling and taking care of their grandkids.

The Chittenden family includes Laura and Gary Mack of Shingle Springs, Calif.; Cheryl and Kent Roberts of Coeur d'Alene; Jennifer and Jeff Youker of Loma Linda, Calif.; and 5 grandchildren.

Gilman 100th

Dorothy Gilman, born Dec. 19, 1907, celebrated her 100th birthday with family



Dorothy Gilman

members from North Dakota, California, Washington, Canada and Arkansas.

Dorothy Stewart was born in North Dakota, the youngest of nine children born to Isaac and Nettie Stewart. She married Franklyn Gilman in 1934 and moved to Idaho. They lived there until 1949 when the family moved to Oregon City, Ore., to farm until 1954 when they moved to Gladstone, Ore. Frank and Dorothy owned and operated a nursing home in Gladstone and were involved in senior living until they retired in 1968. Franklyn died in 1993. Dorothy is a longtime member of the Oregon City Church, which later became the Gladstone Park Church.

The Gilman family includes Donna of Milwaukie, Ore.; Diane and Duane Maxwell of Gladstone, Ore.; Sharon and

John Tonack of Clackamas, Ore.; stepsons Paul and Edwin Gilman whose wives are deceased; 13 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Hegstad 90th

Mildred L. Hegstad celebrated her 90th birthday on Aug. 25, 2007, at home with 60 family members from California, Maryland and Portland, Ore. Later in the afternoon she had a reception with her church family from Tabernacle Church, where she has been member for approximately 60 years.

Millie Coles was born in Quincy, Ore., on August 22, 1917. She married Vernon K. Hegstad on Aug. 24, 1935. They moved to Portland in 1941. Millie worked with Vern at Vern's Auto Sales until he passed away in 1987. She still resides in the house they moved into 61 years ago.

The Hegstad family includes Bruce and Mickey Hegstad of Nisharjuna, N.Y.; Loretta and Wally Johnson of Monroe, Wash.; and Marilyn Nicholson of Portland, Ore.; 10 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

Matson 50th

Vic and Ruth Matson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 29, 2007, at the Bonney Lake Church, where they are members, at a luncheon in the fellowship hall. Their children had a reception for them at their home in Enumclaw on Oct. 7, 2007.

Vic Matson married Ruth Weckhorst on Oct. 6, 1957, in Shelton, Wash. After graduating from Walla Walla

College in 1971, Vic taught in Adventist schools for 22 years, both in Washington and California. Ruth taught along with Vic for many of those years. They currently live in Bonney Lake, Wash., and enjoy being close to their family.

The Matson family includes Greg Matson of Bonney Lake; Lora Matson of Shoreline, Wash.; Paula Matson of Shoreline; and Jeff and Jane Matson of Enumclaw, Wash.; and 3 grandchildren.

G U I D E L I N E S

GLEANER Milestones in the print edition are for 50th, 60th and 70th anniversaries and 90th and 100th birthdays. Original color prints or 300 dpi JPG photos (file size at least 1 meg.) for 60th and 70th anniversaries and 100th birthdays are published in the print edition. Photos of 50th, 55th and 65th anniversaries and 90th and 95th birthdays are included in the Web edition. After a brief description of their lives and careers, only the honorees' children and their spouses are mentioned by name—no extended family—along with each one's city and state of residence. Include the total number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren—not their names. Remember to include all women's maiden names in parentheses. Be sure every piece of information is verified before submission, because after publication corrections can only be made in the Web edition listings. Submit by e-mail to gleaner@nw.npuc.org or go to www.gleaneronline.org and click on "Contributor's Information" to find printer-friendly PDF forms and online forms for submission.



Doyle and Lorelei Saxby

Saxby 60th

Doyle and Lorelei Saxby celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with friends and family on several occasions.

Doyle B. Saxby and Lorelei L. Pierce were married July 27, 1947, in College Place, Wash. Doyle has been a certified public accountant, California Legislature auditor, Montana State Controller, consultant to Alaska and Thailand, assistant general manager for California Marin Municipal Water District, Walla Walla University Alumni Association president, and served in the U.S. Army in WWII. Lorelei has been an elementary school teacher, physician's office manager, Walla Walla Committee of 500 treasurer, ordained as a local elder and held numerous church offices.

The Saxby family includes Kent and Vicki (Saulter) Saxby of Kalispell, Mont.; Monte and June (Fearing) Saxby of Bozeman, Mont.; the late Gayle Lucille Saxby; and 4 grandchildren.

ANDREJOWICH-ORDELHEIDE—Heidi Andrejowich and Albert Ordelheide were married Oct. 20, 2007, in Seven Sisters, Manitoba, Canada. They are making their home in Olympia, Wash. Heidi is the daughter of Walter and Daniela Andrejowich. Albert is the son of Dr. Karl and Bobbi (Clark) Ordelheide.

BARTHOLOMEW-SIVERTSON—Irene M. Bartholomew and Guy L. Siverson were married March 18, 2007, in Spangle, Wash. They are making their home in Spokane, Wash. Irene is the daughter of Alvin and Dorothy Bartholomew. Guy is the son of Sally and Mike Sturman.

BENNETT-HARRISON—Alicia A. Bennett and David L. Harrison were married July 28, 2007, in Oceanside, Ore. They are making their home in Tillamook, Ore. Alicia is the daughter of Jim and Jo Smith. David is the daughter of Don and Irene Harrison.

BUTLER-MOORE—Ginger Butler and Glenn Moore were married Oct. 7, 2007, in Eugene, Ore. They are making their home in Creswell, Ore. Ginger is

the daughter of Larry and LaDonna (Reeve) Butler. Glenn is the son of Don and Dale (McCan) Moore.

FONTENOT-OPP-KELLEY—Deborah Fontenot-Opp and Rick Kelley were married Oct. 26, 2007, in Oregon City, Ore. They are making their home in Mount Juliet, Tenn. Deborah is the daughter of Howard and Ruth E. (Duplichin) Fontenot. Rick is the son of Harold A. and Merna E. (Meckler) Kelley.

JACKSON-SHREVE—Venessa Jackson and Mathew Shreve were married July 28, 2007, in Pacific City, Ore. They are making their home in Portland, Ore. Venessa is the daughter of Steven Jackson (deceased). Mathew is the son of Jerry and Helen (Hathaway) Shreve.

KELLOGG-THOMPSON—Julie Kellogg and Phillip Thompson were married Nov. 4, 2007, in College Place, Wash., where they are making their home. Julie is the daughter of Don and Linda (Lefore) Kellogg. Phillip is the son of Albert G. and Myra (Ladd) Thompson.

KINGERY-WHITE—Randi D. Kingery and Justin White were married Sept. 23, 2007, in Bandon, Ore. They are making their home in Vancouver, Wash. Randi is the daughter of Rondi (Cram) VanBuren. Justin is the son of Terry and Carol (Walker) White.

KNAUFF-MCCALEB—Janell Knauff and Donovan McCaleb II were married Oct. 7, 2007, in Grants Pass, Ore. They are making their home in Kent, Wash. Janell is the daughter of Roger and Gayle (Cook) Knauff. Donovan is the son of Donovan and Alice (Gates) McCaleb.

NICE-HARTWELL—Jessica Nice and Jeremy Hartwell were married Oct. 7, 2007, in McMinnville, Ore. They are making their home in Gaston, Ore. Jessica is the daughter of Steve and Janet (Furakawa) Nice and William and Diane (Swanson) Walton. Jeremy is the son of Kenneth and Juella (Rossel) Hartwell and Arlys (Stephenson) Woolsey.

RADER-DIGGINS—Bethany Ellen Rader and Bryan Alan Diggins were married Aug. 26, 2007, in Portland, Ore. They are making their home in Eagle Creek, Ore. Bethany is the daughter of Phil Rader and Nancy Rader. Bryan is the son of Henry Diggins (deceased) and Sherrie Keeler.

ROSTAD-NORTRUP—Lisa Rostad and Ryan Nortrup were married Nov. 18, 2007, in Rosburg, Wash., where they are making their home. Lisa is the daughter of Bjarne and Kathy (Thompson) Rostad. Ryan is the son of Michael and Carrie (Badger) Nortrup.



Family
B I R T H S

BARTOLOME—Brooklyn was born Oct. 23, 2007, to Ira G. and Daisie (Dimalibot) Bartolome, Sedro-Woolley, Wash.

CHRISTENSEN—Joshua Lee was born Oct. 29, 2007, to Joe and Shannon (Feldman) Christensen, Portland, Ore.

DIETRICH—Grant William was born Aug. 13, 2007, to Burton M. and Susana (Alvarez) Dietrich, Albany, Ore.

FERRARI—Maya Louise was born May 27, 2007, to Omar and Brenda (Bixel) Ferrari, Mare Island, Calif.

FLEMMER—Alea Dawn was born Oct. 28, 2007, to Brian and Kendra (Gertz) Flemmer, Molalla, Ore.

GARVEY—Sonia was born Oct. 18, 2007, to Brad and Daisy (Loeffler) Garvey, Stanwood, Wash.

JUHL—Amelia Rose was born Oct. 15, 2007, to Ben and Melissa (Robbins) Juhl, Salem, Ore.

MCCOMBS—Dante Richard was born Oct. 14, 2007, to John and Tonya (Lingenfelter) McCombs, Bridgeport, Wash.

MITTLEIDER—Elina Ann was born Nov. 1, 2007, to Jeff and Andrea (Phillips) Mittleider, Springfield, Ore.

PATTERSON—Tyler D. was born Dec. 2, 2005, to Danny and Leanne (Straub) Patterson, Spokane, Wash.

POOLEY—Oliver Dean was born Oct. 14, 2007, to Ethan and Caryn (Boyd) Pooley, Walla Walla, Wash.

RUSSELL—Lucy Grace was born Oct. 17, 2007, to Jonathan and Jaclyn (Dove) Russell, Berrien Springs, Mich.

SAUER—Alliana Emily was born March 19, 2007, to Dennis and Amanda (Ludwick) Sauer, Emmett, Idaho.

SOWERS—Korbon Allan was born Sept. 7, 2007, to Burton A. and Jainnine Y. (Graham) Sowers, Olympia, Wash.

STOLP—Amilia Lorelai was born Oct. 2, 2007, to Joshua D. and Amanda (Golden) Stolp, Brewster, Wash.

WARREN—Manon Kael was born Oct. 2, 2007, to Scott and Laura (Lane) Warren, Glen Burnie, Md.

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ANLIKER—Arnold “Dean,” 74; born July 21, 1933, Falls City, Ore.; died July 26, 2007, Sutherlin, Ore. Surviving: wife, Jean (Hall) Thorburn; daughter, Sheri D. Blasio, Independence, Ore.; stepdaughter, Deborah J. (Thorburn) Moreland, Oakland, Ore.; brother, Darrel Anliker, Redding, Calif.; sisters, Ferne Costley, Sutherlin; Margaret Severance, Cloride, Ariz.; May Carlin, Cove, Ore.; 2 grandchildren and 4 step-grandchildren.

ATKINS—Leonard E., 59; born Sept. 24, 1947, Portland, Ore.; died June 24, 2007, Spokane, Wash. Surviving: wife, Ann (Wilson), Newport, Wash.; son, Shane, Long Beach, Calif.; daughter, Tonya Awuor, Erie, Pa.; brother, Lester, La Center, Wash.; sister, Lorraine Gray, La Grande, Ore.; and 2 grandchildren.

CHRISTENSEN—Barbara B. (Deford), 83; born June 13, 1924, Spokane, Wash.; died Aug. 27, 2007, College Place, Wash. Surviving: husband,

John; son, Stan, Touchet, Wash.; daughters, Shirley Heisey, College Place; Cheri Armstrong, Athena, Ore.; 8 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

CHROWL—Calvin E., 75; born Dec. 23, 1931, Seattle; died Oct. 24, 2007, Klamath Falls, Ore. Surviving: wife, Nola (Banta); and daughter, Jan Chrowl, Klamath Falls.

CLARK—Myrtle “Pat” (Gloor), 85; born April 25, 1922, Stoneham, Mass.; died Oct. 29, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: sons, Richard, Roseville, Calif.; Norman, Zimbabwe, Africa; Steve, Walla Walla; brother, Bud Gloor, Barre, Vt.; sister, Ruth Templin, Kirkland, Wash.; 5 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

EDWARDS—Vivian B. (Hartman) Fitzwater, 99; born Sept. 2, 1907, Chillicothe, Mo.; died Jan. 24, 2007, Nampa, Idaho. Surviving: son, Norman Fitzwater, New Plymouth, Idaho; daughter, Ardyth Coppin, Nampa;

brother, Donald Hartman, Castro Valley, Calif.; 2 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

ELLISON—Julia O. (Hallback), 94; born Jan. 2, 1913, Mawer, Saskatchewan, Canada; died Oct. 19, 2007, Yakima, Wash. Surviving: son, Gerald, Yakima; daughters, Joyce Jensen Wallewein, Angwin, Calif.; 8 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

FARNSWORTH—Harold L., 91; born Dec. 14, 1915, Stoneham, Mass.; died Oct. 21, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Geneva (Kite) Galusha; son, Erwin L., Anchorage, Alaska; stepsons, Joseph Galusha, Walla Walla; Fred Galusha, Spokane, Wash.; daughter, Virginia Farnsworth, Baltimore, Md.; stepdaughters, Myra (Galusha) Keller, Climax, Mich.; Claretta (Galusha) Kluge, Benton Harbor, Mich.; 3 grandchildren, 9 step-grandchildren, a

great-grandchild and 4 step-great-grandchildren.

FOWLER—Barbara A. (Randall), 80; born Aug. 31, 1927, San Bernardino, Calif.; died Sept. 23, 2007, Bremerton, Wash. Surviving: sons, John, San Diego, Calif.; Les, Redding, Calif.; daughter, Debra Finley, Bremerton; 8 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

GRIGGS—Rose J. (Bunch), 89; born Feb. 9, 1918, Eminence, Mo.; died Oct. 19, 2007, Mt. Angel, Ore. Surviving: sons, Dwain, Boise, Idaho; James, Salem, Ore.; daughters, Joyce Goitein, Portland, Ore.; Carol Henry, Fresno, Calif.; brother, Luke Bunch, Douglasville, Ga.; sister, Vergie Broadfoot, College Place, Wash.; 8 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

HAMMOND—Rachel (Pasillas), 61; born Sept. 26, 1947, Chemult, Ore.; died Oct. 27, 2007, Klamath Falls, Ore. Surviving: sons, Charlie and Gary, both of Klamath

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Falls; daughters, Tiffany Avalos, Bakersfield, Calif.; Lisa Pasillas, Vancouver, Wash.; 19 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

HANSON—Otto B., 96; born Dec. 8, 1910, Monitor, Ore.; died Aug. 31, 2007, Calistoga, Calif. Surviving: wife, Geneva (Jones); son, Steve, Rogue River, Ore.; daughter, JuDee Martin, Calistoga, Calif.; and a grandchild.

HARDIE—Agnes E. (Reeves), 90; born Aug. 16, 1917, Centralia, Okla.; died Oct. 14, 2007, Corvallis, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Delma “Dee” Lytle, Corvallis; sister, Betty Whorton, Dobbins, Calif.; and 2 grandchildren.

HENDERSON—Janet (Baird), 70; born Sept. 6, 1936, Staples, Minn.; died Aug. 1, 2007, Richland, Wash. Surviving: husband, Donald, Pendleton, Ore.; son, Jerry, Enumclaw, Wash.; daughters, Debbie LaClaire, Enumclaw; Tana Crow, Meridian, Idaho; Dawn Henderson, Echo, Ore.;

mother, Harriet (Noble) Baird, College Place, Wash.; brothers, Rex Baird, Pendleton; Dennis Baird, Elgin, Ore.; sister, Connie Wick, Billings, Mont.; 10 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

HENRY—Marvin L., 101; born Aug. 7, 1906, Pomona, Calif.; died Oct. 20, 2007, Bandon, Ore. Surviving: son, Glen, Bandon.

LOEWE—Waunetta M. (Cates), 94; born Dec. 26, 1912, Kansas City, Kan.; died Aug. 13, 2007, Henrietta, N.Y. Surviving: son, Robert R., Fallon, Nev.; daughters, Gloria J. McNamara, Henrietta; Nancy “Nickie” Linder, Juneau, Alaska; 4 grandchildren, a step-grandchild, 11 great-grandchildren and 2 step-great-grandchildren.

MARCH—Fred, 76; born Jan. 10, 1931, Spokane, Wash.; died Oct. 15, 2007, College Place, Wash. Surviving: sons, Fred March, Centralia, Wash.; Chuck McGill, San Diego, Calif.; stepson, Randy Turley, Kennewick, Wash.; daughter, Nancy (March) Parry, Vancouver, Wash.; stepdaughters, Vicki Collier, Kingman, Ariz.; Debbie Isitt, Lake Chelan, Wash.; Terri Kellison, Issaquah, Wash.; Jacque Shaw, Portland, Ore.; Jerri Maiuri, Walla Walla, Wash.; and sister, Marcia Hall, Milton-Freewater, Ore.

MCNEALY—Eva M. (Trowbridge) Stephens, 89; born Feb. 8, 1918, Mt. Vernon, Ohio; died Nov. 11, 2007, Portland, Ore. Surviving: husband, William; son, Thomas Stephens III, Portland; daughter, Constance Stephens, Portland; 6 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

MISSINNE—Laura P. (Johnson), 72; born Sept. 19, 1934, Huron, S.D.; died Sept.

15, 2007, Tumwater, Wash. Surviving: husband, Duane; son, Kevin, Vancouver, Wash.; daughter, Robin Missinee and Tarin Angel, both of Tumwater; and 3 grandchildren.

RASMUSSEN—Marla L., 42; born Sept. 15, 1965, Portland, Ore.; died Nov. 2, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, Paul; sons, Brandon and Dustin, both of Walla Walla; mother, Marilyn (Schlehuber) Brown, Walla Walla; half-brothers, Wade G. Brown Jr., Oceanside, Calif.; Douglas Brown, Sandpoint, Idaho; half-sisters, Diane (Brown) Whitney, Sequim, Wash.; and Judy (Brown) Gill, Mead, Wash.

RIEDEL—Beryl D. (Milk), 85; born Jan. 8, 1922, Corvallis, Ore.; died Nov. 1, 2007, Pendleton, Ore. Surviving: sons, Alan, of South Dakota; Ernie, of Pennsylvania; daughters, Darlynn Norton, Pendleton; Cherie Jackson, Omah, Wash.; Jayne Riedel, Milton-Freewater, Ore.; Susie Hanks, Wenatchee, Wash.; and 17 grandchildren.

SAUNDERS—June E. (Barnard), 94; born Sept. 10, 1913, Krischa, Gornitz, Germany; died Sept. 30, 2007, Roseburg, Ore. Surviving: stepson, David S. Saunders, Pasco, Wash.; stepdaughter, Emily Harschbarger, Fontana, Calif.; and 5 step-grandchildren.

STORZ—Edwin N., 57; born June 22, 1949, Bangkok, Thailand; died May 20, 2007, Portland, Ore. Surviving: sons, Benjamin, Salt Lake City, Utah; Ryan and Christopher, both of Portland; Anthony, Vancouver, Wash.; daughter Katie Talbot, Coarsegold, Calif.; mother,

Mabel (Pope) Storz, Gresham, Ore.; and 2 grandchildren.

TETZLER—Joseph R., 85; born March 8, 1922, Conover, Wis.; died Oct. 15, 2007, Eugene, Ore. Surviving: wife, Nina (Smith); son, Dan, Eugene; daughters, Charlene Tetzler, Eugene; Jeanni Williams, Springfield, Ore.; brother, Chuck Tetzler, Eugene; sisters, Louise Mayo, Las Vegas, Nev.; Claire Chistinson, of Wisconsin; 7 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

WELLS—James E., 82; born July 23, 1925, Boulder, Colo.; died Oct. 10, 2007, Pendleton, Ore. Surviving: wife, Sylvia (McDonald); sons, Gary E., Fruita, Colo.; Daniel J., Abbotsford, British Columbia, Canada; sister, Hazel Day, Medford, Ore.; 3 grandchildren and a great-grandchildren.

WESTON—Casey M., 29; born Feb. 2, 1978, Coos Bay, Ore.; died Sept. 18, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Becky (Stevenson), Waitsburg, Wash.; stepsons, CJ Lute and Brayden Mohney, both of Waitsburg; stepdaughter, Brittany Lute, Waitsburg; parents, Dennis and Debi (Larter) Weston, Walla Walla; and brother, Shane Weston, Walla Walla.

WHISENNAND—DeAnna R. (Brown) Barritt, 63; born Nov. 1, 1943, Walla Walla, Wash.; died Oct. 20, 2007, Anacortes, Wash. Surviving: husband, Lyle W.; son, Tony L. Barritt, Sedro-Woolley, Wash.; daughter, Leatriss (Whisenand) Nielson, Anacortes; brother, Daniel R. Brown, Walla Walla; sister, Sonja L. Brown, Vancouver, Wash.; and 4 grandchildren.

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NORTH PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE

Offerings

Jan. 5—Local Church Budget; **Jan. 12**—Local Conference Advance; **Jan. 19**—Local Church Budget; **Jan. 26**—NAD Budget: Religious Liberty*; **Feb. 2**—Local Church Budget; **Feb. 9**—World Budget: Adventist Television Ministries.†

† Packets containing bulletin inserts and bulletin announcements have been sent to each church for the Feb. 9 Adventist Television Ministries offering.

Special Days

Curriculum Focus for the Month—Friendship Evangelism~

Jan. 5—Day of Prayer; **Jan. 20–26**—Religious Liberty Week*

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

* Packets containing bulletin inserts, a DVD and other Liberty offering materials from the Northwest Religious Liberty Association have already arrived at each church addressed to Treasurer/Religious Liberty Leader.

WALLA WALLA UNIVERSITY

Jan. 21—Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial service, 11 a.m., University Church. **Jan. 26**—Choral and Orchestra Festival Concert, featuring musicians from several NPUC academies, 4 p.m., University Church. **Jan. 26**—Annual OPS (WWU Men's Club) Amateur Hour, featuring drama, music, and performances of all kind by WWU students, 8 p.m., Winter Education Complex Alumni Gym.

OREGON

Grants Pass Seminars

Jan. 4–5—Cheri Peters will be speaking once on Friday and

twice on Sabbath. The titles of her sessions will be: "Miracle from the Streets," "Unlikely Ambassador," and "Celebrating Life in Recovery." For exact times, please call (541) 476-6313. **Jan. 12**—Judi Clark will be giving a seminar, "What Can I Do on the Sabbath?" at 3 p.m., Grants Pass Church, 1360 N.E. 9th Street, Grants Pass. For information, call (541) 476-6313.

Stone Tower Series

Jan. 5—The Stone Tower Church is hosting a series, "Worship Him Who Made: Remembering Your Creator," by Jed Daniel Lee beginning Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. It is designed to acquaint non-believers with the truthfulness of the biblical Creator God. The topics covered will also equip and empower believers with answers to questions such as: Does God exist? Is the Bible trustworthy? How do you reconcile the biblical account of creation with all the scientific evidence and the fossil

record? Stone Tower Church, 3010 N.E. Holladay St., Portland, Ore., (503) 232-6018, church@stonetowersda.com.

"To Your Health" in 2008

Get out of the winter doldrums and get a jumpstart on your health for 2008! The Riverside Church will present two health programs beginning in January. The programs will be presented by Jack McIntosh, health educator, and the members of Riverside Church. The community is invited to attend at 463 N. Shepherd Rd., Washougal, WA 98671. Call (360) 835-3114 by **Jan. 14** to register. A fee for each seminar covers the cost of the materials. **Jan. 19–20**—A Wellness Weekend features a sermon on the healing ministry of Christ at the 11 a.m. church service and a 2 p.m. program, which examines the biblical basis for healthful living and introduces the Eden diet, plus 40 reasons to exercise. A fellowship luncheon will follow the church service. Sunday's

program includes a biometric screening, a delicious vegan breakfast, lectures by McIntosh on metabolic syndrome (diabetes, high cholesterol, obesity and hypertension), cooking demonstrations to illustrate the Eden diet, and a SMART action plan with Lifestyle Monitoring forms to measure progress toward new health habits. **Jan. 26–March 29**—A 10-week Depression Recovery seminar presented Saturdays at 9 a.m. by Dr. Neil Nedley on DVD, Jack McIntosh, and Riverside Church members. Each class introduces a step in a spiritual and health-based plan for positive living. Covers causes of depression and suggests methods for recovery without primary dependence on prescription drugs.

ASAM Activities

Jan. 19—Fellowship dinner at 1 p.m., Adventist Single Adult Ministries with the Beaverton Church. Please bring a dish, enough for yourself and another person. Then meet early at: OMNIMAX Theatre in Portland to see "Antarctica" (8 p.m. show time) www.oms.org/visit/ExtSched.cfm. **Jan. 20**—Meet at the Beaverton Church, 14645 S.W. Davis Rd., Beaverton, Ore., at 10 a.m. for cross country skiing at Meadows on Mt. Hood <http://skihood.com/Mountain/NordicCenter/Default.aspx>. You can rent skis or bring your own. Bring a sack lunch. Questions, contact Tom at: (503) 684-7971 or tom.te@verizon.net; Charlotte at (503) 579-9549; or Karen at (503) 332-3563. This event is open to all singles. Your supervised children are welcome. Save **March 14–16** for Big Lake.

Oregon SAGE Activities

Jan. 19—Seaside Church service, potluck, barbershop quartets. **Feb. 10**—Valentine luncheon at the Gladstone cafeteria. Call Wynn at (503) 343-9548 for details.

"Healing the Mind"

Jan. 19—This all-day seminar by Timothy Jennings, M.D., a

Thinking Ahead

To help church communication leaders with ideas for stories, the editors are starting with this issue to publish topics for stories the editors are seeking for the next two issues. We will fit in as many stories as possible in the print edition, and publish more in the Web edition of the GLEANER on www.gleaneronline.com.

MARCH—Community Service

SUBMISSION DEADLINE—February 4

How has the "Dorcas" society changed in your church? What is your church doing to be of real service to its community today?

APRIL—Stewardship

SUBMISSION DEADLINE—March 3

Do you know of someone in your church who has put God's promise to the test, trusted Him with every aspect of their lives, and found Him able and willing to care for their needs?

Follow the same instructions for submission as in "Tips for Authors" on page 35.



board-certified psychiatrist, is coming to Rockwood Church. Do you or someone you care about suffer from panic attacks, depression, forgiveness issues, or low self-esteem? Dr. Jennings successfully uses a biblical model to treat patients that traditional psychiatry was unable to help. 9 a.m.–5 p.m., at the Rockwood Church, 1910 S.E. 182nd Ave., Portland. Register by calling (503) 661-4100. The registration fee will be waived for the first 200 registrants to call. Free lunch.

Financial Peace University

Jan. 21–April 14—Sunnyside’s next FPU class runs on Mondays. Come learn how to get on a budget, pay off debt and learn to invest according to biblical principles. This fun class is taught by Dave Ramsey with DVD and small-group time for accountability. Contact Becky Gentry at (503) 804-1863 or sunnysidefpu@yahoo.com for more details or www.daveramsey.com/fpu.

Ohana Offers Addictions Seminar

Jan. 23–24—Ohana Christian Fellowship is offering an Addictions seminar at the West Linn Adult Community Center from 7–9 p.m. Karen McGee, CADC 1, a counselor for the chemically dependent, will be the presenter. This seminar is open to anyone with an interest in learning about the disease of addiction. Topics of discussion will include the development of the disease, the effect of drugs on the brain and issues of co-dependency as well as treatment options and the recovery process. The address is 1180 Rosemont Road, West Linn, Ore. This program is offered free of charge to the community, but registration is requested. To register or to obtain more information, please contact Ronald O. Franzke, M.D., at ronnanfranzke@yahoo.com, (503) 655-4828 or 2590 Beacon Hill, West Linn, OR 97068-3690.

Milo Senior Recognition

Jan. 25–26—Parents, relatives and friends are invited to Senior

Recognition, starting Friday at 7:30 p.m. for vespers, and all day Sabbath. Salad and dessert potluck on Sabbath with entree, vegetable and tableware provided. Benefit program Saturday night. For details, call (541) 825-3200; 324 Milo Drive, Days Creek, OR 97429.

Calling All Alumni

Emerald Christian Academy is updating its alumni records. If you attended Eugene Junior Academy, Pleasant Hill/Springfield Junior Academy, Emerald Junior Academy or Emerald Christian Academy, please contact us with updated information. You can e-mail us at office@emeraldchristianacademy.org. Auction Notice: **Feb. 10**—Emerald Christian Academy presents an encore benefit dinner and auction.

Life Renewal Institute—Abuse Seminar

March 22–23—Those who have been abused suffer with feelings of rejection, anger, fear and incredible sadness. In this seminar, learn from doctors Ron and Nancy Rockey what precipitates emotional, verbal, physical and sexual abuse, and gain the tools to undo the results of childhood/adult wounding that comes from it. Gladstone Park Conference Center, 19800 Oatfield Rd., Gladstone, Ore., 9 a.m.–5 p.m. both days (lunch included). Seating is limited so register early at www.yourlri.com or call toll-free (888) 800-0574. For local information, contact Audrey Woods, (503) 252-2112.

UPPER COLUMBIA

UCA Class of ‘88

In preparation for their 20-year reunion May 2–3, 2008, at Upper Columbia Academy, the class of 1988 is looking for these former classmates: Eric Adams, Becky Ball, Kim Anderson Bradford, Rick Burgess, Christina Clayton, Jeff Cooper, Melissa Donahey, Shane Elliot, Christine Gray Harvey, Jim James, Dan

TIPS FOR AUTHORS

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Have you noticed?

The www.gleaneronline.org Web site is posting timely stories in **GleanerNOW!** as soon as we receive them.

Keep up with what’s happening in the Adventist Church in the Northwest. If you send us stories and photos of something that has happened at your school or church IMMEDIATELY, your members and everyone else will be able to see your report within days or even hours of the event instead of the weeks it takes to come out in the print edition of GLEANER.

Let everyone know about the event at your church or school and, if help is needed, exactly what would be the most helpful. Just be sure to verify your facts first.

In December, the site was showing information about what schools and churches in the flooded areas of the Northwest were affected. Then came the stories about how individuals, churches and schools could help. Have you sent in a story about what your organization or institution is doing to help? Don’t be surprised if your story becomes part of a larger story.

Include complete contact information at

the end of your story in this order: name of the contact person who can answer questions or obtain answers for the editors; the organization you represent; your daytime telephone number (including area code); and your e-mail address. Do keep your local conference communication department informed. They will also have access to any stories you send for **GleanerNOW!** You may submit your story and photos online at **www.gleaneronline.org**; click on **Contributors’ Information** in the left panel and follow the directions. Or e-mail your story with the photos *attached* (not embedded in a Word document or e-mail message), and the photo captions following the story, to **gleaner@nw.npuc.org**. Be sure to include “GleanerNOW!” in the e-mail’s Subject line, so the message is recognized as a timely story that needs immediate attention.

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AAA Class of '78 Seeking Classmates

Auburn Adventist Academy class of 1978 will be having their 30th class reunion in May. We are looking for addresses on the following classmates. Please e-mail Linda Jennings at 78reunion@comcast.net if you see your name listed or know the addresses of the classmates who are listed: Mike Back, Ted Brothers, Juanita Watrous Corson, Carol Covey, Dennis Dickerson, David Eilertsen, Alan Esselback, Kirk Grunewald, Marie Harris, Cynthia Duterrow Hawkins, Marty Hirschhorn, Rex Hughes, Julie Johnson, Cynthia Krause, Bryan Kuehl, Cindy Knutson Lindaman, Rick Long, Seth Lott, Luis and Heide Monteroso, Tom Page, Shelley Blakely Palmer, Paula Pfieffe, Vicki Bredeson Rico, Deane Robins, Cindy Smith, Jeanine Anderson Stabile, Darla Pagan Tillinghast, Ted Twis, Earl Vogt, Thomas Wiedmann, Rosalind Wilkerson, and Cindy Wilmot.

Matchless Attraction Seminar

Jan. 11-12—Ty Gibson will present Matchless Attraction: A Seminar That Explores the Transformative Beauty and Power of God's Love. This seminar begins Friday at 7 p.m. with "What You Want." The seminar continues Sabbath morning at 8:30 a.m. when Gibson will present: "A Lingering Fragrance," "The Zenith of God's Love," "The Center of God's Love," and "Closer than Angels." A fellowship dinner will follow the 11 a.m. church

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Washington SAGE Events

Feb. 10—Valentine Banquet at La Quinta Inn Tacoma featuring the Gary Parks Singers, delicious vegetarian buffet, Valentine door prizes. Bring your sweetheart, family and friends for another outstanding SAGE event! Tickets are going fast! Call today! April 20-25—Sunset Lake Workbee. General repairs and clean-up. Meals provided. Bring your RV or stay in a cabin. April 28-May 15—Openings available for the Seven Churches of Revelation Tour in Turkey. Includes a Greek Islands Cruise and a tour of Cappadocia. Contact Joan Libby at (253) 681-6008, joan.libby@wc.npuc.org, www.washingtonconference.org, or 32229 Weyerhaeuser Way South, Federal Way, WA 98001.

PSAA Alumni Sabbath

Feb. 23—Kirkland School gym. We will be honoring the first 10th year class from 1998, as well as the fifth year class of 2002.

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Ketchikan	3:30	3:41	3:53	4:07
IDAHO CONFERENCE				
Boise	5:21	5:29	5:37	5:46
La Grande	4:23	4:31	4:39	4:49
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▼ **Sabbath, January 12**

8:30 am* Randy Roberts, *Senior Pastor*
Loma Linda University Church
"The Purpose Which Drives Him"

11:15 am Repeat of 8:30 a.m. program

6:00 pm Hyveth Williams, *Senior Pastor*
Loma Linda University
Campus Hill Church
"Tough and Tender"



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▼ **Monday, January 14**

11:00 am Dwight Nelson, *Senior Pastor*
Andrews University
Pioneer Memorial Church
"When Mercy Grew on Trees"

7:00 pm Craig Newborn, *Senior Pastor*
Oakwood College Church
"Don't Wash Your Hands"



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▼ **Tuesday, January 15**

11:00 am Gordon Bietz, *President*
Southern Adventist University
"The Danger of Being Right"

7:00 pm Andy McDonald, *Senior Pastor*
Florida Hospital College Church
"Life Outside the Bubble"



Steve Green

▼ **Wednesday, January 16**

11:00 am John McVay, *President*
Walla Walla University
"Alabaster Disaster"

7:00 pm Mic Thurber, *Senior Pastor*
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"When Jesus Enters Your Story"



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▼ **Thursday, January 17**

11:00 am Tim Mitchell, *Senior Pastor*
Pacific Union College Church
"The Heavenly Host"

7:00 pm Pat Morrison, *Senior Pastor*
Atlantic Union College Church
"Oh, To Be Young Again"

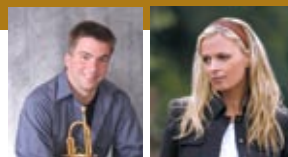


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▼ **Friday, January 18**

11:00 am Dan Smith, *Senior Pastor*
La Sierra University Church
"The All-Star"

7:00 pm Ron Halvorsen, *Senior Pastor*
Union College, College View Church
"The Painful Paradox"



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▼ **Sabbath, January 19**

8:30 am Karl Haffner, *Senior Pastor*
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"The Gospel of Getting Stoned"

11:15 am Repeat of 8:30 a.m. program



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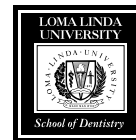
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A Nose-Worthy Issue



When the first note came, we chuckled. One of our loyal readers complained that her issue of the GLEANER smelled so bad she could hardly stand it. An isolated incident, we thought. At times we have struggled with poor spelling, but never bad smelling.

But then the next letter came, and the next. So, at the risk of admitting to something you, dear reader, may not have personally noticed, here are the facts: Our September, October and November issues of the GLEANER stunk. Literally. People were holding them at arm's length, hanging them out on clotheslines, hoping a dose of fresh air would improve the cachet. Scripture was quoted unceremoniously out of context as if a little known prophecy had come to pass: "Instead of a sweet savor, there shall be a stink..." (Isaiah 3:24)

We in the Northwest were not alone. Our sister publication to the south, the Pacific Union RECORDER, had also been visited by this scourge. My colleague there, Gerry Chudleigh, described how his wife went into the kitchen one morning and immediately noticed a foul odor. She emptied the trash, sanitized the trash can, scoured under the sink, cleaned the garbage disposal, all to no avail. She finally discovered that the smell was coming from the union magazine on the counter, so she put it in a plastic bag and dropped it out on the porch.

That didn't suffice for another saint who found a shovel, dug a hole in her back yard and buried the offending periodical.

Phone calls and e-mails hummed back and forth. In the mind's eye, one can almost enjoy the image of Pacific Press and union conference executives closeted in an upper room, their noses primed, sniffing doggedly through stacks of GLEANERS and RECORDERS, seeking the elusive source of the stink. Had our design team at MCM Design introduced a new "scratch and sniff" feature gone

horribly awry? Was it the paper, the ink? Was it, we wondered, the quality of our writing which had sunk to a malodorous level? Or, as one regrettable Northwest slogan used to proclaim, was it "the water?"

At the point of calling in CSI, or hiring volunteers to baptize each GLEANER by immersion in cologne, repeated investigation provided our Pacific Press cohorts with a plausible answer. And, indeed, a practical solution was in place for the December issue which smelled non-offensively like...well, paper. Hallelujah!

So apologize to your dog. It wasn't him. It was us.

For the New Year, I offer you this freshly minted edition of the GLEANER, hoping that you will not be forced hereafter to choose between odor and info. We wish to reflect the sentiments of Paul's letter to the Philippians, whose "generous gifts were like sweet perfume—a fragrant offering, pleasing to God" (Phil. 4:18).

BTW...if you feel the GLEANER still needs better "circulation," you can reach me at talk@gleaneronline.org.



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