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The LORD is slow to anger but great in power ... His way is in the whirlwind and the storm, and clouds are the dust of His feet.

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'A Gathering' by Dean Huggins of Otis Orchards, Washington.

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In Heartfelt Appreciation



Her sharp sense for the written word, passion for punctuation and gift for grammar have gilded *GLEANER* pages since our February 2008 issue. By the time you read this, however, Cindy Chamberlin, *GLEANER* managing editor, will have left her role and begun her new position as communication director for the Illinois Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. There, she will serve as head of a department and concentrate on both print and broadcast journalism.

This change is due to an increased North Pacific Union Conference focus toward enhanced digital communication channels. Northwest members will begin to see some of these enhancements in the coming year.

But we shall miss Cindy. Many readers of the *GLEANER* and Cindy's Garden Blog appreciated her thorough research and frequent articles of well-known tithe-payers. Her attention to detail and her determined work ethic have been almost beyond compare, perhaps even irreplaceable. Yet, we are delighted that Cindy's spiritual gifts will continue to thrive in a new arena for our church. We invite your prayers for her and her family as this new journey begins.

Thank you, Cindy, for the four-plus years of blessings you brought to all of us here in the Northwest.

Steve Vistaunet, GLEANER editor

Letters

Prayers for Chaplains

The June 2012 *GLEANER* was exceptional from beginning to end. The report on Adventist chaplains added to my prayer list — both a thank-you to God for their services and for His wisdom to continue guiding them. I was inspired by all those spending heartfelt witness in one form or another. Having labored there, reports each month from Alaska and Montana get our special interest and prayers. Let's Talk, a favorite of all issues, always gives me a smile and a challenge.

Velma Beavon, Dayton, Montana

Why Celebrate Easter?

Regarding the June issue and the article regarding Easter outreach events, I wish to pose one question. Why are these events held on the Easter weekend? We all know that Easter is a pagan holiday and has an idol worship background.

Irene Lyon, Silverlake, Washington

Note from the Editors: Similar questions have been raised about Christmas and the origins of some of its traditions. Ellen White did speak out against the inordinate celebration of Easter (see The Great Controversy, pp. 386-387). However, the world church has seen fit to leave this particular

area of concern to local church discretion. All such Adventist pageants and commemorations of which we are aware are carefully focused on the joy of a risen Lord. This belief, at the core of Adventist theology, is something we share with many other Christian denominations.

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He Put Them There

I had been in winter storms before, but this was a blizzard. It's not that I wasn't an experienced snow-machine driver. I had driven sleds since I was a boy; it's just that I hadn't experienced anything like this before.

Colleen and I had arrived nearly six months before as volunteer missionaries in Savoonga, on St. Lawrence Island, located in this remote part of arctic Alaska. Wilson Okoomelingok and his wife, Hortense, were our first Bible studies, and what a thrill it was to open the Bible and share the beautiful plan of salvation and see the lights of understanding wink on.

But, believe me, there was no light on this hunting trip with Wilson. Wilson was an experienced Eskimo hunter, and, in what I considered a raging blizzard with white-out conditions. I followed his taillight almost on top of him. I knew if I lost that little red light, it was all over for me on this trackless tundra. Then suddenly the taillight brightened as Wilson stopped, got off his machine and walked to an arctic fox trap hidden in the snow. Then off we went again in the blinding storm. After another short distance, he repeated the same action, and there was another trap.

As we traveled, my mind was whirling: "How can a man find a fox trap in a blinding snowstorm, when you can't see three feet in front of you? I just don't get it." Finally after several times, in exasperation, I blurted out, "Wilson! How do you do that? How do you find them in this blizzard? You can't see a thing — white ground, white snow and white out. This is

an impossibility!" By now I was almost shouting in his ear over the howling wind.

Wilson gave me a bewildered, quizzical look and then said in his soft-spoken voice, "I put them there!" I stood in dumbfounded wonder at this Eskimo man. Of course he knew where they were — he had put them there.

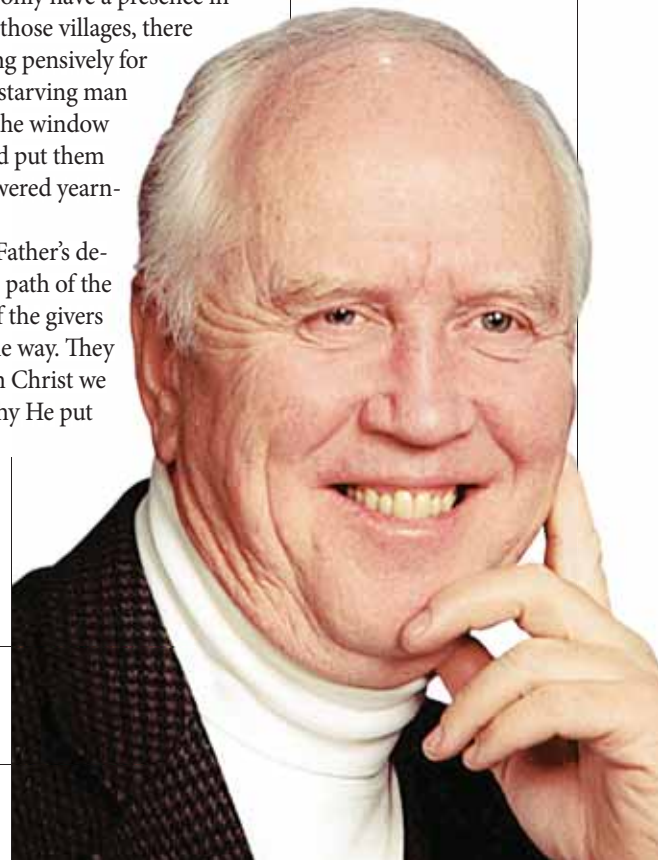
How often I have thought of that profound answer from Wilson: "I know where they are, for I put them there."

It brings to mind the words from Ephesians: "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do" (Ephesians 2:10, NIV).

Think about it: He put them there. Here in Alaska more than 80 percent of the towns and villages can only be reached by airplane. In Alaska we have more than 230 villages, and we only have a presence in about 10. In every one of those villages, there are people who are looking pensively for the light of salvation as a starving man looks longingly through the window of a lavish restaurant. God put them there and put that unanswered yearning in their hearts.

I believe our heavenly Father's delight is in intersecting the path of the searchers with the path of the givers so they can show them the way. They have the questions, and in Christ we have the answer. That's why He put them there.

"There are people looking pensively for the light of salvation."



KEN CRAWFORD
ALASKA CONFERENCE PRESIDENT



Revive!

When the Voice of Prophecy (VOP) broadcast ministry discussed initial ideas for their 2012 Family Reunion Music Camp Meeting at Sea cruise, all votes pointed toward Alaska. That was the beginning of a project that grew into one of the most ambitious evangelistic outreach projects in Alaska's history.

Lance Liebelt, VOP manager, asked, "If we're going to Alaska, what more can we do?" In previous cruises, the VOP group had discovered the joy of doing a special project at their destination. In fact, many said the projects were an even greater adventure than the cruise itself.

So they decided to set a project goal for the cruise destination in Anchorage. The *Discover* Bible School (DBS) and its director, Kurt Johnson, got involved. "What would it be like to send *Discover* invita-

tion cards to every person in every city and village in Alaska?" they wondered. And when they called Ken Crawford, Alaska Conference president, he was ecstatic about the potential.

Thus was born the Reach Alaska project, designed to bring Bible studies to all Alaskans in every community, no matter how remote, through *Discover*, *KidZone* or *Native New Day* Bible lessons.

But there was more to this plan, as well. "What if we held a special series of meetings at



José Rojas brings his unique style to the Revive! series, sharing a message in word and song during the Friday evening meeting.



Dan Rotoff, who coordinates the work in the village of Togiak, describes the Arctic Mission potential to an interested member. Long before he volunteered to help in Togiak, Rotoff donated land from his Idaho ranch to help begin Project PATCH.



Kurt Johnson, *Discover* Bible School (DBS) director, confers with Tina Steenmeyer, Alaska Conference DBS coordinator. Johnson made multiple trips to Alaska during the year preceding the Revive! series and stayed in daily phone contact with Steenmeyer.

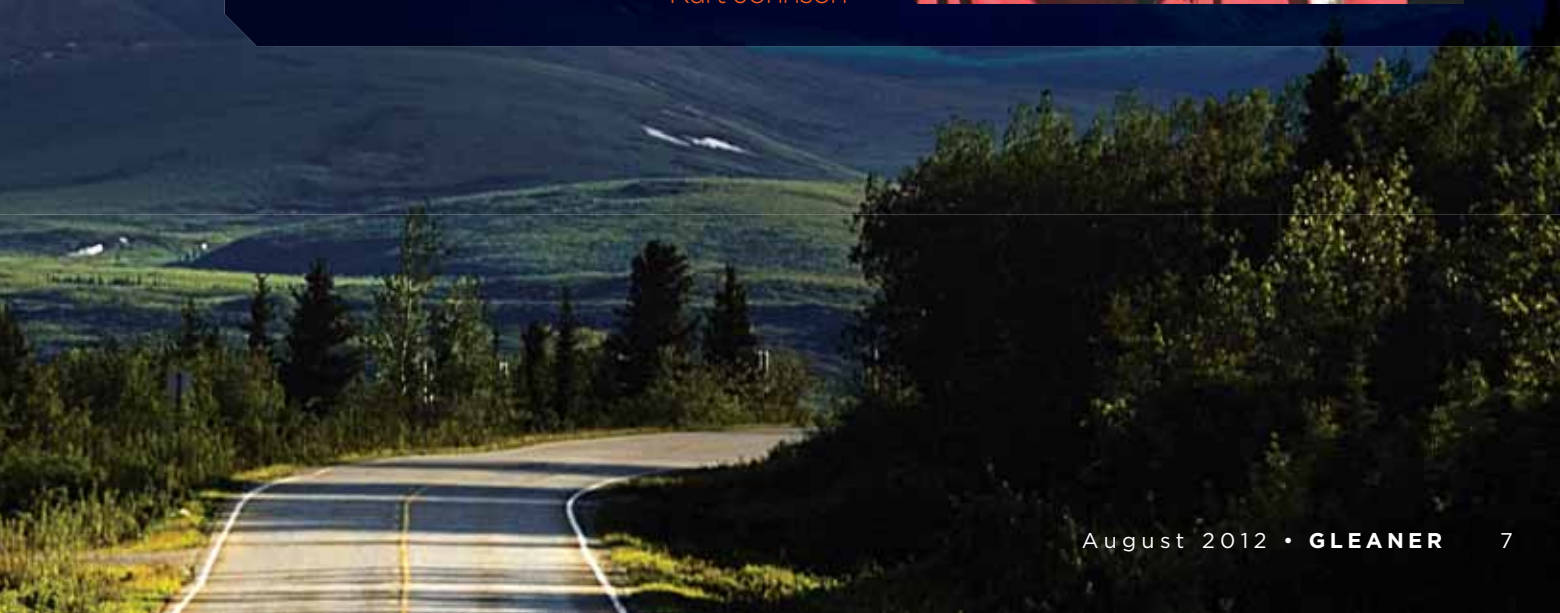


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“This is the first wave of what we hope will be a revival in outreach throughout Alaska.”

Kurt Johnson





The Samoan Choir sings an inspiring song that brings loud “amens” from the crowd on Sabbath morning. Series musicians also included popular gospel artist Larry Ford and Homecoming favorite Gayle Jones Murphy.

the end of the cruise?” creative minds wondered. “And, what if we asked the best and brightest Adventist speakers we can think of to each take one night?” The series would not only affect the greater Anchorage area, but would also be recorded for broadcast on the Hope Channel. “Let’s call it ‘Revive!’” they decided.

So, well over a year ago, plans were laid to enhance the North American Division outreach strategy by mailing invitation cards to every Alaskan household. More than 280,000 cards were sent out across the vast Alaskan territory — twice. And the response? Bible studies soon outnumbered the total active membership of the conference

— at least 200 studies were started in the Fairbanks/North Pole area alone and more than 130 in the far-flung reaches of Nome!

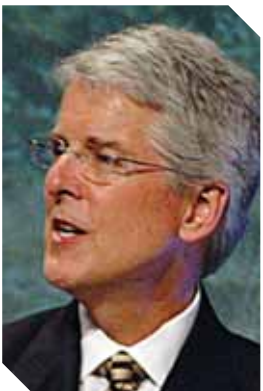
Thus also began a remarkable partnership between the VOP and the Alaska Conference. Johnson established regular coordination with Tina Steenmeyer, the conference DBS coordinator. Prayer teams were formed, meeting every week via the phone. Some modified their work schedules to accommodate this as a new priority.

So, by the time more than 500 guests embarked on the VOP cruise on June 1, more than 2,000 DBS students were in process or ready for graduation. And the Adventist Media

Center/Adventist Media Productions (AMC/AMP) crews were en route to Anchorage to begin setting up for the meetings to follow.

A 40-foot container filled with 10 tons of lights, trusses, cameras, electronics and broadcast equipment had been trucked to Seattle and put on a ship to Anchorage. It was waiting at the dock when team members arrived in Anchorage to begin the complex technical set up in the downtown William A. Egan Civic and Convention Center. Everything was ready and working in time for the VOP Family Reunion concert program the first weekend following the cruise.

And then came the full



Dwight Nelson



Derek Morris



Jon Henderson



Karl Haffner



Randy Roberts



Adventist Media Center crew members take care of all the setup and technical production during the week-long Revive! series, recorded for broadcast via the Hope Channel.



Gospel artist Allison Durham-Speer sings her heart out during the first weekend's Voice of Prophecy Family Reunion concert. More than 40 VOP-related musicians performed as well as many local artists.



Kurt Johnson hands out *Discover Bible* School graduation certificates to several new baptismal candidates as Revive! host Connie Vandeman-Jeffrey (left), looks on.

week series of Revive!, June 9–16, with a virtual dream team of Adventist speakers — Dwight Nelson, Derek Morris, Jon Henderson, Karl Haffner, Randy Roberts, Elizabeth Talbot, Carlton Byrd, José Rojas and Ron Halvorsen. “When Lance Liebelt asked, ‘What more can we do?’” says Johnson, “who would have thought that all these gifted speakers would answer the call, willing to be part of this special week?”

In fact, it is likely the first time that such a group has combined its efforts for such a week. Instead of a typical doctrinal approach to evangelism, the focus of each night's topic was a relational appeal of “Experiencing God” in areas such

as grace, peace, forgiveness and hope. It was new, fresh and well-received. And each speaker went away saying, “What a wonderful experience. Let's do it again.”

Throughout the series, the first fruits of the Bible students came to the forefront. More than 100 graduates received their diplomas on the first weekend. Several who had completed additional studies were baptized. And there are hundreds, if not thousands, of ongoing students who are still working to complete the course.

Viewers across North America, from Hawaii to the East Coast, also capitalized on the nightly broadcast via the Hope Channel. Many invited

their own Bible-study students to watch with them.

Those involved with ongoing Bible courses realized quickly it is not a one-way-street. The inspiration flows both ways. Along with the interests, members have also been revived with a growing commitment to minister and a fresh passion to bring people to a saving relationship with Jesus Christ.

It is clear the combined efforts of *Discover Bible* lessons and the Revive! series have indeed been catalysts to spiritual revival — for new believers and current members alike in Alaska and beyond. Viewers across North America, from Hawaii to the East Coast, had their own *Discover Bible*

lessons underway, and were blessed by this unique broadcast to their area via the Hope Channel.

“This is the first wave of what we hope will be a revival in outreach throughout Alaska,” says Johnson. His sentiments are echoed by Crawford and hundreds of Alaska members, who plan to make this a continued emphasis throughout the conference.

If you missed the Revive! series, you can watch each archived program online at adventistchannel.org or hopetv.org.

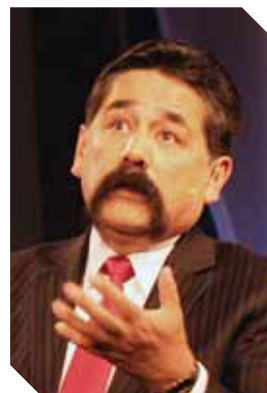
Steve Vistaunet, GLEANER editor, and Ephraim Palmero, Alaska Conference communication director



Elizabeth Talbot



Carlton Byrd



José Rojas



Ron Halvorsen

For the first time in recent memory, this special Revive! series selected a different well-known Adventist speaker for each evening program. Their presentations are available online at <http://reviveseries.com/program.html>.

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La Comunidad Reconoce el Servicio de la Iglesia Hispana de Nampa

El viernes 6 de abril del año en curso, la rutina de los miembros del ministerio de servicios a la comunidad de la Iglesia Hispana de Nampa se vio alterada. Ese día tocaba distribuir alimentos, labor que este grupo de buenos hermanos ha venido realizando fielmente durante los últimos cuatro años. Fuera del edificio, varias decenas de personas hacían fila ya. Dentro, los miembros del equipo desempacaban cajas



Miembros de la iglesia preparando las cajas con alimentos que han de ser entregadas a la comunidad. para volverlas a empacar con un surtido de productos variados. Mientras, dos periodistas y un camarógrafo del diario más importante de Idaho, el *Idaho Press-Tribune*, alternaban su presencia tanto dentro como fuera del edificio. Observaban, formulaban preguntas casuales, hacían cortas entrevistas a las familias que habían venido a buscar alimentos y escribían en

su libreta de apuntes.

El reportaje, publicado a la siguiente semana, reconocía el esfuerzo y el efecto benéfico del trabajo de la Iglesia Adventista en estos días de crisis económica. Como resultado de ese reportaje, se incrementó el número de personas que llamaban solicitando información sobre la iglesia. Pero además, ayudó a crear conciencia en la comunidad respecto a la labor social de la Iglesia Adventista en nuestra área. Fue uno de esos reportajes periodísticos que produjo un acercamiento amistoso entre la comunidad tanto Hispana como caucásica y nuestra iglesia.

AL-ANON TAMBIÉN AGRADECE A LA IGLESIA

Un mes más tarde, otro evento tuvo lugar en el templo de la Iglesia Adventista Hispana: Mediante una sencilla ceremonia, la organización mundial Al-anon celebró su primer aniversario de reuniones en nuestras instalaciones. El grupo expresó su profundo agradecimiento a la Iglesia Adventista Hispana por su apoyo a las familias azotadas por el alcoholismo y otros tipos de problemas. Al-anon es una comunidad de parientes y de amigos de personas alcohólicas (y/o de personas con

problemas de drogadicción y de comportamientos abusivos) que creen que sus vidas han sido perjudicadas por el vicio o la conducta de otra persona. Toda persona que asiste a las reuniones de Al-anon recibe herramientas espirituales y emocionales para manejar efectivamente los desafíos generados por la presencia en la familia de una persona adicta al alcohol o a otras sustancias.

De manera creciente, la Iglesia Adventista Hispana de Nampa es vista por la comunidad circundante como un cuerpo cristiano maduro, comprometido con la visión de Jesús de traer sanidad y esperanza de manera práctica a una sociedad enferma. Los miembros de la Iglesia Adventista de Nampa entienden que no pueden aislarse de la vida de la **Portada del diario *Idaho Press-Tribune*, reflejando el trabajo del ministerio de servicios a la comunidad de la Iglesia de Nampa.**



Reunión regular del grupo Al-anon en uno de los salones de la iglesia.

comunidad. Por el contrario, necesitan ser parte de ella de manera genuina. Elena de White describió así al Maestro: "Sólo el método de Cristo será el que dará verdadero éxito para llegar a la gente. El Salvador trataba con los hombres como quien deseaba hacerles bien. Les mostraba simpatía, atendía a sus necesidades y se ganaba su confianza. Entonces les decía 'Seguidme'" (*Ministerio de Curación*, p. 102).

Edwin Lopez, pastor y coordinador Hispano de la Conferencia de Idaho



Alaska Delegates Expand the Vision

A bold new plan to enhance Adventist work throughout the Alaskan arctic was tentatively set in motion by 131 Alaska Conference delegates during the conference constituency session held June 17 at Anchorage Junior Academy. They voted to request that the North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) and North American Division (NAD) re-designate the arctic and native village portions of Alaska back to mission status. While it may be a long-shot for NAD approval, Alaska members are hopeful.

Indeed the vast distances and differences throughout Alaska are unique. More than half of the conference members live and worship within the greater Anchorage area. The concerns of members there are in sharp contrast to the needs of those who live and worship in far-flung arctic villages. This diversity is something constituent delegates asked the executive committee to address in future meetings.

Delegates affirmed the vision of current conference leadership by re-electing all four officers: Ken Crawford, president; Quentin Purvis, vice president



The newly re-elected officers of the Alaska Conference are (from left): Quentin Purvis, Sharon Staddon, Ken Crawford and Kevin Miller.

for secretariat; Kevin Miller, vice president for ministerial; and Sharon Staddon, vice president for finance. Each of these officers also covers additional departments and responsibilities for the conference beyond his or her official roles. In fact, in addition to their conference duties, both Purvis and Miller are part-time pastors in Anchorage.

Conference finances have stabilized during the past four years with careful financial management. With this solid foundation, the conference-wide REACH vision is moving forward. This five-part plan involves first of all revival: a four-year plan of spiritual

renewal for church leaders, pastors and teachers. The second part is evangelism: to spread the Adventist message with *Discover* Bible School invitations, expand radio outreach and encourage churches to win 10 percent of their active membership each year with new converts. Part three is to target the 230 indigenous villages throughout Alaska — the Arctic Mission Adventure. The fourth will be to buck the downward slide in Christian education in some parts of North America by aggressively supporting Alaska Adventist schools. The final component is to help others by encouraging and supporting

every member to be involved in some form of community outreach and ministry.

It's an audacious mission for a vast territory. Crawford had it right in his address to the delegates: "What we have to do today is nothing compared to what we have to do tomorrow and the next day and the next," he declared.

But leaders and members in Alaska are ready to stand and be counted, full of the missionary spirit in this final frontier for the gospel message in North America.

Steve Vistaunet,
GLEANER editor



Women's Ministries Partner with Copper Basin Pregnancy Center

Attendees of the third-annual Chistochina (Alaska) Women's Retreat made more than 50 mother/baby fleece blankets and put together bags of baby clothing, diapers and toiletry items donated by Adventist churches from across Alaska for the Copper Basin Pregnancy Center in Glennallen, Alaska.

The center is the only agency of its kind in this remote area, which is a five-hour drive from Anchorage, Alaska. It provides testing, maternity clothing, baby clothing, counseling and emotional support, and hope for pregnant teens.

One church member told how he had gone to a thrift store and spied a low-priced file cabinet. When he opened it,

Baby items for the Copper Basin Pregnancy Center are collected during the Chistochina (Alaska) Women's Retreat.



he was amazed to find it full of brand-new baby diapers. The shop manager told him that the price would be the same despite the discovery, so he took the cabinet and diapers home. Only then did he find out through his church about the women's

ministries request for baby donations.

"All of us at the pregnancy center want to thank you and your church for all the wonderful baby items you donated to us," says Sue Roscovius, Copper Center Pregnancy Center direc-

tor. "We appreciate all of you and your partnership with us to help needy moms and their babies. The diapers were our biggest need."

Jean Francis-Gobah, Alaska women's ministries director



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Idaho Pathfinders

Finish the Year

The Idaho Conference Pathfinders brought the Pathfinder year to a close at the fair on Sunday, May 6. With eight of the conference's nine clubs in attendance, the Gem State Academy (Caldwell, Idaho) gym was filled with the sounds of laughter, drill commands and clubs being brought to attention for inspection. Wafting through the gym were the smells of hamburgers, french fries, enchiladas, corn dogs, pies, cinnamon rolls and other food, making mouths water.

Every year there is a Simon Says drill down. Even the Adventurers have fun with this. (Some of them last longer than the staff members who participate.) Each club sets up a booth, showcasing what they have accomplished throughout

the year. Skills are tested. This year, because of the Summer Olympics, the afternoon activity for the Pathfinders was the Pathfinder heptathlon. Pathfinders had to bandage an arm, build three different fires (just build, not light), recite the Pathfinder Pledge and Law, sing the Pathfinder Song, follow a compass course, tie knots, and set up a tent.

One of the highlights of the

fair is the recognition of the Pathfinder Bible Achievement teams. This year, Caldwell, Baker City, Ore., and Eagle, Idaho, fielded teams. The Caldwell Flames team achieved a first place at the conference level and traveled to Gladstone, Ore., for the union-level contest. There they took a third place. Each team member was given a certificate with the team picture, and each club received a framed

certificate, indicating their accomplishment at the conference level. John Coneff, Pathfinder Bible Achievement coordinator, says, "It's exciting to see Pathfinders get excited about studying the Bible. That's really the purpose of the program."

Eve Rusk, Idaho Conference assistant communication director

The Pathfinder Bible Achievement teams receive their certificates during the fair on May 6.



Small Church Hosts

Public High School Graduation

The Cove (Ore.) Church is a small church in a small community. The membership of the church is 69, with the population of Cove at 637. This small church hosted the Cove High School graduation on Wednesday, May 23.

Pictured here: The Cove High School Class of 2012 are welcomed to the Cove (Ore.) Church for their graduation



The baccalaureate service began with a welcome by Alannah Jones, one of the 27 graduating seniors. Clayson McBride offered the opening prayer.

The Cove High School Choir, directed by TedRay McBride, sang "Bound for Jubilee" and

"True Colors," which featured Maddie Ford as soloist. Scott Brazil, pastor, introduced by his son Micah, gave the baccalaureate address, titled "Busting Popular Graduation Myths." His thoughts were well-received by the graduating class and the audience.

The graduating class then shared more of their musical talent. Micah and Hannah Brazil performed a violin and piano duet, and Maddie Ford and Mollie Baum accompanied themselves on guitar as they sang "Nothing Without You." Following the closing prayer by C.J. Ruth and Kegan Gilstrap,

the group of nearly 100, including the seniors, their friends and families, and community members, enjoyed refreshments.

"It was an honor to have the graduation service in our church," says Leona Garrett, Cove Church member. "Although we are small, we do our best to be of service to our community." Sometimes small churches in small communities have to be creative in the way they reach out to their neighbors.

Leona Garrett, Cove Church communication leader

Montana Conference Hosts 24th-annual Educational Festival

If it wasn't bright-colored noodles to deal with, it was raptors. If it wasn't raptors, it was figuring out the correct ending to a proverb. Sixty-six students in grades 5–8 enjoyed this and more with their teachers and sponsors during the 24th-annual Education Festival (EdFest), held May 7–9 at Mount Ellis Academy (MEA) in Bozeman, Mont.

The event included a showcase of student art and social studies projects, creative relay races, a scavenger hunt, and an evening at Bozeman Hot Springs. There were also track and field events, including a hockey game with bright-colored pool noodles. The Montana Raptor Conservation Center provided an up-close



ROBIN BROWNING

Sixty-six fifth- through eighth-graders from around Montana gather at Mount Ellis Academy for their annual Educational Festival.

view of owls, hawks and a vulture.

Bill Whitney, the Hamilton (Mont.) District pastor, led music and shared stories about ministering to prison inmates. His title, *Missing Heaven by 18 Inches*, puzzled attendees until the event's conclusion.

During "brain games," teams answered questions about state facts and had to

complete ancient proverbs, such as, "Teachers open the door..." (The correct conclusion is: "you enter by yourself.") James Stuart, MEA science teacher, demonstrated how different metals react to water (some with fire and smoke) and exploded a can with the perfect ratio of oxygen to hydrogen.

EdFest concluded with the

distribution of awards and pins, a slide show recapping the event's activities and worship. During worship, Whitney explained his title—that one could miss heaven by 18 inches for having head-knowledge of God, but not heart-knowledge.

Kristi Rich, Montana Conference accountant

Spring Brings New Beginnings in Stevensville



Grace Thompson and Bill Whitney, Stevensville Church pastor, prepare for Thompson's baptism.

As spring brought about new beginnings in the lush Bitterroot Valley of Montana, two souls began their own new beginnings. Grace Thompson and James Bibee were lowered under the waters of baptism in the Stevensville Church on June 2.

Thompson and Bibee attended the *Prophecy Decoded* evangelistic series last fall and have been studying and attending church faithfully since that time. When asked why she decided to be baptized, Thompson replied, "I have wanted to be baptized for a

long time. The Holy Spirit was urging me to do it now."

When asked the same question, Bibee replied, "I just felt I should. I was baptized by sprinkling when I was younger but felt I needed to be baptized by immersion, and now was the time."

Attendance for the baptismal Sabbath was almost doubled, attesting to the fact that Stevensville wholeheartedly welcomed them into the family.

Virginia L. Davis, Stevensville Church communication leader



Bill Whitney (right) talks with James Bibee just prior to Bibee's baptism.

From Disaster to a Man of Purpose

As Lynn Bryson, a long-time McMinnville (Ore.) Church pastor, walked into the seminary building of Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich., this spring, his mind flashed back to March 26, 1986, when he was a 24-year-old seminary student on a mission trip to Mexico.

Lynn Bryson spent a week in a coma after crashing in a plane during a mission trip to Mexico.



Bryson was one of several injured in a plane crash during a mission trip in 1986.



During that trip, the Piper Cherokee 6 carrying Bryson lost power and crashed into the foothills of the Sierra Madre Mountains. Bryson's leg was broken and his lower back was injured, leaving him mostly paralyzed from the waist down. Bryson was told he probably would never be able to walk again, and would likely never have children.

Then, a short time after returning home, Bryson was diagnosed with a brain tumor, which could only be partially removed without destroying his brain stem. For a second time he left his fate in the hands of God, and following surgery and radiation therapy, he was pronounced cancer-free.



Pictured here from the left, front row are: Lynn Bryson, Debbie Bryson, Meleah Bryson; second row: Dale Bryson, Arlene Bryson, Emily Mitchell, Robyn Mitchell, Joey Mitchell; third row: Matthew Bryson, Michael Bryson, Ryan Mitchell.

After more than three years on a medical leave of absence, Bryson became a pastoral intern at the Rockwood Church (Portland, Ore.). He began walking with forearm crutches and married Debbie, a well-wisher and correspondent during his challenges. While the Brysons served throughout the Oregon Conference, God blessed them with three children.

At last God has opened

the door for Bryson to return to the seminary to complete what he began so long ago — his master's degree. He is preparing for a doctoral program as well. As God promises, "... I know the plans I have for you ... plans to give you hope and a future" (Jeremiah 29:11, NIV).

Sharon Mathiesen, McMinnville Church communication leader

A Very Special Graduate

Gets Diploma at Last

Portland Adventist Academy (PAA) opened its doors as the Doremus Union School for the first time in the fall of 1910 in Portland, Ore. Two months later, a child was born to the young Blair family.



Orville Blair's great-granddaughter, Courtney Meske (left), receives her diploma from Gale Crosby.

They named him Orville Blair. When he was ready for school, the family made sacrifices in order to give him an Adventist education.

When he was 18 years old, the Great Depression hit home, and Blair had to drop out of school during his senior year. He literally worked to bring food to the family table. Blair went on to get married, raise a family, and eventually have grandchildren and even great-grandchildren.

When his three great-granddaughters needed a home, he and his wife, Evelyn, opened up their hearts and raised them as their own.

Blair never did finish high school and, as far as anyone knows, at 101 years old, he is the oldest living attendee of PAA.

The rest of the story is that the youngest of those three great-grandchildren, Courtney Meske, is a member of the



During Portland Adventist Academy's (PAA's) 2012 graduation, 101-year-old Orville Blair (right) is presented with his PAA diploma by Gale Crosby, PAA principal.

graduating class of 2012. She was only 18 months old when she came to live with her great-grandparents.

Although Blair was in the hospital two days before, he and his wife were present for Meske's graduation consecration program. They did not know that there was a very special

presentation planned.

The crowd that night was so moved that they stood and clapped as Gale Crosby, PAA principal, made his way off the stage and through hundreds of people cheering for Blair as he was at last handed his PAA diploma and made the oldest living PAA graduate.

Liesl Vistaunet, PAA GLEANER correspondent, with Gale Crosby, PAA principal

Blair attended Doremus Union School (which later became PAA) but had to quit school in order to help support his family during the Great Depression.



God Blesses Investment Project



Luther Behney shared one Sabbath that he had been discouraged with his investment project. He couldn't seem to raise any money for missions. He had a few cans in his house and decided to collect some more to raise a few cents for Jesus.

While visiting his wife one day at the Hood River (Ore.) Care Center, he saw many cans being thrown away. As Behney picked up the discarded cans, a worker asked him if he wanted a "few more." Behney gladly accepted.

The next day, the same worker said she had a few cans for him and wondered where she should put them. Behney replied, "Thank you! Just set them by my car." That night when he left, he was surprised to find bags and bags of cans. He loaded them into the trunk, into the back seat and into the front seat until there was barely room left for him to drive the cans home.

Will God bless an investment project? Ask Luther Behney!

Irene Hill, White Salmon Church communication leader

Vancouver Hosts ‘Hands On’ Gardening Workshop

Master gardener and agriculturist Lynn Hoag, who operates suncountrygardens.com and has made a life-long study and practice of Ellen White’s planting methods, held a “Hands On” Gardening Workshop at the request of the Vancouver (Wash.) Adventist Community Church, May 20–23.

Despite a rainy day, more than 70 attended this outreach ministry, including church members, community members and children.

The children especially enjoyed the hands-on preparation of the soil, making rows, and planting seeds and plants. Besides planting a garden full of veggies, the group planted a

fruit tree using methods given by inspiration more than 100 years ago. “Grandma White’s” planting method for fruit trees has been proven to grow 300 percent faster than ordinary methods.

Members of Vancouver’s Garden Club are maintaining the garden at the church and are looking forward to harvesting the tastiest and most nutritious vegetables they have ever tasted. Another outcome of the workshop is that some of the children from the community made good friends and will be coming to Vacation Bible School.

At age 13 Hoag learned this method for planting fruit trees, which was revealed by White

more than 100 years ago. Since then, Hoag has used this method extensively with fruit trees and other deep-rooted plants with great success.

Hoag is a master gardener and shares what he has learned to help others. He is a member

of the Placerville Church in California, where he teaches gardening classes and has a test garden.

Marilyn Puccinelli, Vancouver Adventist Community Church member

Children learn by doing during a gardening workshop hosted by the Vancouver Adventist Community Church.



Medford Connects With Community for Women’s Tea

What do butterfly kisses, Nana’s family and nature’s kaleidoscope have in common? Women decorated tables with these themes for the Raindrops on Roses Women’s Tea hosted by the Medford (Ore.) Church on April 22.

Sandy Baker sets her tea table with the theme “Everything’s Coming Up Roses.”



The annual women’s tea provides an innovative way for women to celebrate feminine nurture and creativity while building a bridge between church and community. Nearly 140 women ages 4 to 92 shared their hearts this year in an enchanting setting with food,

music and fellowship. One third of those who attended were not church members.

The women enjoyed food from a rainbow of dainty treats, with something scrumptious for every palate. Marlene Bischoff, women’s ministries leader, called on each table hostess to describe the inspiration for her table. Table styles ranged from elegant to whimsical. The youngest table hostess was Bischoff’s granddaughter, Hailey, who is only 11 years old.

In case creativity took over and perfectionism got the best of anyone, Sara Withers, Valley View Church (Medford, Ore.)

pastor, gave an inspirational talk about her own struggles with perfection. Withers shared Paul’s advice from Philippians, explaining how we can avoid anxiety by giving thanks to God in all things.

The program began and ended with Dona Allen singing about Jesus as the center of fellowship. The tea was such an encouragement that the women of Medford are already planning how they will decorate and whom they will invite for next year’s tea.

Cherilyn Clough, Medford Church communication leader

Grants Pass Celebrates Baptisms

The Grants Pass (Ore.) Church celebrated six baptisms on May 5. Family and friends filled the sanctuary on a beautiful Sabbath morning to witness this blessing. Marvin Clark, pastor, performed the baptisms, providing a brief story about each baptismal candidate.

Peter Cousland was invited by a friend to church one Sabbath. He quickly saw the love and truth for which he had been searching and now thanks Jesus for never leaving or forsaking him.

Donny Beaudin, a sixth-grade student at Grants Pass Adventist School (GPAS), says to Jesus,

“Thank You for having a place in heaven for me. I can’t wait to spend eternity with You!”

Alesha Rose, a third-grade student at GPAS, was baptized on her ninth birthday after falling in love with Jesus.

John Herscher is a physician who felt the tugs on his heart from the Holy Spirit to be bap-

tized. “You mean everything to me,” Herscher says to his Lord. “Thank You for never letting me go.”

Jack Abernathy visited church and was hooked. The love of the congregation and the love of Jesus won him to the Savior.

Katie Glassel, a 10th-grade student who loves to bake, says, “No words can express the thanks and gratitude in my heart for You, my Lord Jesus.”

The church expects to celebrate yet more baptisms this summer.

Jennifer Burkes, Grants Pass Church communication leader



Peter Cousland



Donny Beaudin



Alesha Rose



John Herscher



Jack Abernathy



Katie Glassel

Graduations and Baptisms Combine

to Create New Beginning

Graduation is a time of celebration of life accomplishments. At Milo Adventist Academy and Milo Adventist Elementary School, both in Days Creek, Ore., some students chose to combine graduation with a commitment to their future — a future with God.

Karina Bovee and Luke Starr, the only two eighth-grade graduates this year, planned their graduations completely around their baptisms which were held immediately after graduation in the nearby Umpqua River. Both were excited to study the Bible with Will Hurtado, Milo Academy Church pastor.

“It made it very memorable to have two big milestones in my life right together,” says Bovee. “I wanted to be baptized in the river because it’s special to us here at Milo.”

As the graduation exercises continued at Milo, three more students dedicated their lives to the Lord. Andrew Bovee, 11, has had many “God moments” during his battle with leukemia. “I wanted to get baptized in the river because it flows steadily,” he explains. “It has always meant a lot to me, and it washes clean just like Jesus.”

Melody Morgan, a sophomore, has also been studying with Hurtado and wanted to

be baptized before moving to Indiana.

Katherine Vaught, a graduating senior from Alaska, loved getting baptized in the outdoors. She and a group of her friends sang “I Went Down to the River to Pray” just before her baptism.

Having students celebrate accomplishments at graduation time is a blessing — one made even better by their commitment to standing with Jesus in the future.

Carol Bovee, MAA GLEANER correspondent

Will Hurtado, Milo Academy Church pastor, stands with Karina Bovee and Luke Starr before their baptisms.



CAROL BOVEE

First Tent Meeting in 70 Years

Shelters UCC Camp Meeting

The second Upper Columbia Conference (UCC) Camp Meeting on the campus of Upper Columbia Academy (UCA) in Spangle, Wash., has come and gone. Judging from positive comments from the more than 2,200 attendees, it was a success.

“Thank you for being forward-thinking,” says Debbie Williams, one attendee. “The meetings were charged with the love of Jesus and fervor for souls!”

This was the 133rd-annual UCC Camp Meeting, a tradition started in 1879. And it was the first time in 70 years that the main meeting was held in a tent. According to



BRENT HARDINGE

Dwight Nelson speaks on Sabbath morning in the tent.

the ride. You're an angel!”

The theme this year was “Consumed With His Cause,” something each speaker touched on in his own way. John Bradshaw gave practical, down-to-earth sermons, with a bit of humor. On Thursday morning he said, “God does not want you to make any promises to Him. Instead God wants you to believe His promises to you.”

Marvin Moore gave two seminars each afternoon and taught the Sabbath School lesson on how to let the church know what is going on — in other words, reporting what you do. Moore said, “You have to do something to have something to report. Those who are consumed with His [Christ’s] cause will!”

Attendees were further charged by Dwight Nelson to let Jesus completely cover their sins. He said, “There are two options. You can pay the price of sin yourself, or you can let Someone else pay it for

you. There is no third option.”

And a thought-provoking perspective on how to live for Jesus came from Mike Ryan, who spoke on Sabbath evening. He told a story about an Adventist Development and Relief Agency worker who had been injured and whom he visited in his country. He said to the worker, “I will pray for your success here.”

The worker replied in the words often quoted from Mother Teresa of Calcutta, “God has not asked me to be

successful. He has only asked me to be faithful.”

Faithful to following Jesus and being consumed with what He wants us to do was also the theme in many of the children’s meetings.

As people arrived at camp meeting, they were met by Pathfinders who helped them locate their camping spots on a map. The Pathfinders offered to pray for them, asking for God to bless their stay and that they would be inspired and encouraged by the messages they would hear at camp meeting.

Next year the UCC Camp Meeting will be held June 19–22, 2013, at UCA. Speakers will include David Asscherick, co-founder and director of Arise Institute; Jerry Page, General Conference ministerial director; and Leslie Pollard, Oakwood University president. Registration opens on Sept. 1, 2012.

Kathy Marson, UCC communication administrative assistant

A 2,000-person-capacity tent shelters the main meetings at this year’s camp meeting on the campus of Upper Columbia Academy.



BRENT HARDINGE



UCC ARCHIVES

One of the last tent camp meetings in Upper Columbia was held in 1923 in Spokane, Wash.

Spokane County officials, the mammoth 19,000-square-foot tent is the biggest temporary structure of its kind in the Inland Northwest.

Another first was the hop-on shuttle service that assisted people in the long trek up to the ballfield. This was especially nice for those who camped on the airstrip. One happy passenger said to the driver, “Thanks so much for

Pathfinders and Pastors Attend 2012 Fair

The first thing I noticed upon arriving at Upper Columbia Academy (Spangle, Wash.) was the Pathfinders. They were all over the place! Thirty-four clubs, 850 Pathfinders and staff, and 44 pastors convened for the Upper Columbia Conference's 2012 Pastors' Appreciation Pathfinder Fair the weekend of May 18–20. I was one of them.

After setting up camp, we attended the opening meeting, during which Karl Haffner spoke about God's call to people in the Bible and how He calls us too — a theme that continued throughout the weekend. Immediately after the sermon, we had a baptism.

Sabbath morning every Pathfinder was up bright and early. After inspection we all marched in the grand parade — what grand fun! After a morning sermon by Haffner, four young people were baptized, which made church really special. During the baptisms, 96 Pathfinders made the decision to be baptized by filling out a commitment card. Another Sabbath morning highlight was the Teen Pathfinder of the Year award ceremony, during which all teens who met certain high standards of participation in Pathfinders this year received a shoulder braid. I got my first-year braid; only one teen got the

sixth-year (and last) year braid.

Afternoon door-to-door outreach gave us an opportunity to share Jesus with the community by taking short surveys for the local church and sharing literature.

Sunday morning activities included drilling and marching and a fantastic soapbox car game in which pastors drove Pathfinder-powered soapbox cars through a challenge course.

The cars varied greatly and were exceptionally creative in both design and color.

After the awards ceremony, many tired Pathfinders piled back into vehicles for their rides home. You'll have to ask some other Pathfinders how that went for them. I'm not sure — you see, I was asleep in the back!

Araya Frohne, UCC Pathfinder

Pastors line up at attention during the 2012 Pathfinder Fair.



The Othello (Wash.) Club marches in the annual Pathfinder parade.



Republic Church Sports New Sign



A new sign welcomes visitors and members to the Republic (Wash.) Church. Thanks to the construction and rock work of Bob Charbonneau, Bob Nehler, Jack Knight, Al Fleck and Leonard Klein, the sign is a fitting beacon of hope for the community.

Designed and engraved by Charbonneau, the sign features an old-growth fir log slab, milled and donated by Jack Knight. It includes the Adventist logo as well as Sabbath School and church times. An additional banner can be hung at the top of the sign to feature coming events. Church members are already getting favorable comments from community members.

Darlene Clark, Republic Church communication leader

UCC Teacher Receives National Award

Anita Roberts, third- and fourth-grade teacher at Lake City Junior Academy (LCJA) in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, was presented with a national award at the close of the 2011–2012 school year. The award includes a \$2,000 gift and a medallion.



Students link up to congratulate and shower Anita Roberts with flowers for being a 2012 Excellence in Teaching Award winner.

Roberts was among 10 teachers selected this spring by the Alumni Awards Foundation (AAF) to receive a 2012 Excellence in Teaching Award. The AAF is a foundation that supports Adventist schools in North America.

"If you were to ask Anita Roberts what makes her exceptional in her field, she would look at you questioningly," says Ron Jacaban, LCJA principal. Roberts does not feel that she has "made it" to the top of her field, although many would argue

otherwise. "It is a daunting task to compile the numerous ways Anita has brought excellence to our school," Jacaban explains. "Her attitude has shaped the culture of our school, resulting in an enrollment increase over the past several years."

"We consider her 'best in class,' so to speak," says Larry Marsh, Upper Columbia Conference (UCC) vice president for education.

Inspired by her personal journey of losing 200 pounds, health instruction is a key component of Roberts' mission. She has designed the Fitness Expedition: Project Healthy Kids curriculum that promotes a lifestyle of exercise and nutrition for her



Pictured from left to right are: Bob Folkenberg Jr., Upper Columbia Conference (UCC) president; Ron Jacaban, Lake City Junior Academy principal; Anita Roberts; Larry Marsh, UCC vice president for education; and Carla Lidner-Baum, Alumni Awards Foundation board member.

students. The curriculum is also available through Walla Walla University (College Place, Wash.).

In the classroom, Roberts has an experiential learning philosophy that makes learning fun and effective. She takes her students to many exciting destinations, such as the Spokane Symphony, Carver Farms, Kellogg Silver Mine, historic Cataldo Mission, IMAX films, and a hands-on art pottery studio.

Roberts' Book of the Month program is a highly anticipated experience for students at LCJA. Students get to choose a character from their books and present from those characters' perspectives. "The art, writing and presentation skills learned provide a solid foundation for future success," says Jacaban.

Roberts was chosen to be one of UCC's lead teachers for the new Pathways language arts program and was responsible for training other teachers in the conference about how to implement it.

"I wanted to change the world and begin the change in my classroom," Roberts says. "I deem it a privilege and honor to serve my Savior in an Adventist school."

Nominated by principals, superintendents, colleagues and former students, 10 teachers were honored across the nation by the AAF for the impact they have had in their local Adventist schools.

AAF is a nonprofit organization working to improve Adventist K–12 education. It has awarded grants totaling more than \$2 million to Adventist schools and educators. Since its establishment in 1995, the organization has recognized 106 exceptional teachers with an Excellence in Teaching Award.

Jay Wintermeyer, UCC communication director



Anita Roberts, a third- and fourth-grade teacher in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, receives her award from Carla Lidner-Baum, Alumni Awards Foundation board member.

He's Alive Broadcasting *Reaches Listeners Through Sale*

He's Alive Broadcasting served the greater Spokane, Wash., neighborhood by holding its first-ever yard sale.

When volunteer Doug Cameron offered to plan a huge yard sale for the TV station, the board decided to try it even though they had never done this before.

Truckloads of items were brought to the local Staples parking lot Memorial Day weekend for the two-day sale. More than 25 tables, racks and grocery carts were full of decorations, clothing, garden supplies and everything in between.

More than just sales happened. Most people checking out took the free copy of *The Great*

Controversy offered. They were also offered a postcard sharing He's Alive and how to watch it. Several people asked volunteers how to pick up the station, and one volunteer received several Bible-study leads.

You never know the impact of introducing hundreds of people to a Christian broadcasting station with four channels of spirit-filled programming. Some of the shoppers lifted items and even ran away with them, but volunteers pray they will think about the ministry of He's Alive Broadcasting and watch the channels.

The proceeds of the yard sale, which exceeded \$5,700, will

nearly cover the station's broadcasting costs for an entire month. Many unsold items will bless the Teen Challenge recovery ministry.

Station manager Joe Stanfill and board member Jeff Moore served as security guards for the massive sale on Saturday and Sunday nights. Despite being out in the cold, both said "Yes!" when asked if they thought another sale should be held next year.

He's Alive Broadcasting offers Spokane and the surrounding community four channels of programming on UHF channel 39, including Hope TV, 3ABN, Russian Open Book channel, and



MICHELLE STANFILL

Customers of the He's Alive yard sale were given books, such as *The Great Controversy*, for free.

a blend of Hope Esperanza and Loma Linda Broadcasting. He's Alive is in its 20th year of broadcasting and shining the light of Jesus' love.

Kathy Marson, UCC communication administrative assistant

Fond Farewells and Welcome Greetings *Extended to UCC Administrators*

Upper Columbia Conference (UCC) announces the departure of Dave Livermore, personal ministries and discipleship director. He has served with distinction in this post. His contagious energy and passion for sharing Jesus will be missed. Livermore is

leaving the Northwest to serve as the executive secretary for the Gulf States Conference, which is headquartered in Montgomery, Ala.

At the same time, the conference also bids farewell to Wayne Searson, who is retiring after serving for 40 years in the UCC.

Searson has served as a pastor, trust officer and director of the trust department. His compassion and heart for reaching people have been a blessing to countless in this conference.

The conference executive committee met June 5 to review candidates for these two posi-

tions. The committee is pleased to announce the selection of Andrew McCrary as trust services director and John Stanton as personal ministries director.

Jay Wintermeyer, UCC communication director



Dave Livermore



Wayne Searson



John Stanton



Andrew McCrary

Cascade Eagles Soar

at Pathfinder Bible Achievement

The Cascade Eagles Pathfinder Bible Achievement Team from Burlington, Wash., received first place at the final division event held at Andrews University (Berrien Springs, Mich.) on April 21.

The team recognized that even though they put in hours of study time, it was God who helped them remember what they had learned and blessed their efforts.

This was the fourth and final event of the year for Bible Achievement and the highlight of a wonderful trip to Illinois, Indiana and Michigan for the team and parents too.

Pathfinder Bible Achievement is a great opportunity for children to learn more about the God of the Bible. Each

team consists of six Pathfinders in grades 5–10. This year, teams studied the book of Isaiah and the associated material in the *Adventist Bible Commentary*. At area-, conference- and union-level events, they answered in-depth questions that showed their knowledge of the subject material, qualifying them for the final event.

Only nine Pathfinder Bible Achievement teams qualified to participate at Andrews University this year. They came from various parts of North America, including Canada, to participate in the event. Each team was hoping to show the judges they had the right answers for 90 increasingly difficult questions.

It was inspiring to watch



The Cascade Eagles Pathfinder Bible Achievement Team from Burlington, Wash., receives first place at the final Bible Achievement division event at Andrews University in April.

these youth work together to achieve their dreams. Hopefully many more teams will qualify next year. Lots of excitement to study the Bible is expected. This is a way to

encourage young people to put God's Word into their hearts and minds.

Kathy West, Cascade Eagles team coach

The team memorizes 55 chapters of Isaiah for this year's Bible Achievement program.



the **BIG**
PICTURE
of ministry

Washington Conference churches are preparing once again for a united Reach Washington fall evangelism outreach scheduled to begin Oct. 5.

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Southcenter Celebrates

a New Church and a New Building

Washington Conference welcomed a new church into their sisterhood of churches in May. The Southcenter Church, now located in Des Moines, Wash., began as a dream with 10 charter members in the fall of 2007.



Lowell Teves, pastor, signs the charter of the Southcenter Church (Des Moines, Wash.), the newest full-status church in Washington Conference.

The goal was to plant a multi-ethnic church founded on the Bible and focused on study, prayer and discipleship. The church also wanted to focus on spreading the Third Angel's Message both locally and globally.

Working with the Washington Conference to fulfill that dream, the group soon found themselves worshipping in rented facilities in Federal Way, Wash.

They became active in mission trips to proclaim the message, in meetings, and in medical missions. Locally they are also involved in VegFest, a large vegetarian festival in the Seattle, Wash., region.

In the midst of this activity, the church outgrew the rented

space and moved to the Washington Conference office auditorium. There, in March 2009, they were formally organized into a company.

By March 2010 they were able to move closer to their targeted location in the Southcenter region and rented facilities close to Boeing Field. At this location they held their first evangelistic campaign, followed closely by a second campaign held in a hotel meeting room.

During this second campaign, a series of miracles took place in which God provided an opportunity for them to purchase a permanent place of worship. They were able to complete the evangelistic campaign in the very church that they were then able to purchase.

In the month they were to be recognized as a new church congregation, they were able to complete the purchase of their new building. The building located close to Southcenter is in a great location, and already the church is planning more outreach efforts into their new community.

Southcenter Church members are looking forward to seeing how the Lord will continue to lead their new congregation and the many people who will know Jesus better as a result of their witness.

Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president for administration

BV Students Decorate Pillowcases

for Young Patients

Sixth-graders at Buena Vista Adventist Elementary School in Auburn, Wash., turned plain white pillowcases into brightly decorated pillowcases for young patients at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital and Health Center in Tacoma, Wash.

Mary Bridge Hospital allows each of their patients to select a personal pillowcase to live with the pillow they keep with them when they are admitted for tests or treatments such as chemotherapy. The staff are always delighted when children are the ones providing the special designs on the pillowcases.

When Buena Vista students



Sixth-graders from Buena Vista Adventist Elementary School (Auburn, Wash.) decorate pillowcases for young patients at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital and Health Center.

got involved in the Create a Smile program, they partnered with Guest House Inn, which provided the pillowcases, and

Wal-Mart, which donated a gift card for art supplies.

After the pillowcases were decorated in the classroom,

a delegation of four students delivered the pillowcases to hospital representative Barbara Bartolatz. When Bartolatz asked the students why they decided to get involved, they responded, "We wanted to bring a little comfort and cheer to the children who were sick or going through unpleasant procedures."

The hospital distributes nearly 900 pillowcases a month, so this won't be the last time Buena Vista students visit Mary Bridge Hospital.

Gina Hubin, Buena Vista GLEANER correspondent

Canoe Project Turns Into Service Project

Trei Decker, Auburn Adventist Academy (AAA) senior, wanted to do something impossible.

At least that was one of his three personal requirements for his senior research physics project. The project only required 20 hours, but Decker clocked in more than 120 hours building a cedar wood-strip canoe.

Decker also wanted the project to be meaningful and purposeful. He wanted to tangibly give back to the academy. Decker found a donor for the materials and a way to benefit AAA, by putting the canoe in the school's annual Hearts of Gold benefit auction.

"This project has given me

a purpose, something to work towards during the year," says Decker, "and a memory of my senior year that I will never forget."

Each stage of the process since February has been new for Decker. This was not just because he hadn't worked on a woodworking project before, but also because this is not a standard woodworking project. He consulted books, DVDs and experts in the field to get it right the first time.

"A project such as this requires endurance, craftsmanship, creativity, trust and divine aid," says Tom Allen, Decker's teacher and project supervisor. "From a teacher-student

perspective, this project is very rewarding for both of us."

With its award-winning design, beautiful finish and all the love that Decker painstakingly invested, it is sure to benefit the academy when it goes up

for auction on Feb. 24, 2013, in more ways than he could have ever imagined.

Jessi Turner, AAA GLEANER correspondent

Trei Decker, Auburn Adventist Academy senior, invests 120 hours in his senior research physics project to build a cedar wood-strip canoe.



Baker View and Poulsbo Students Visit Washington, D.C.

It wasn't that first glimpse of the Capitol dome in the distance that got students jabbering; no, it was that first long journey down the gigantic escalator into the depths of the Metro transit system that jazzed up students from Baker View

Christian School (Bellingham, Wash.) and Poulsbo (Wash.) Adventist School during their visit to Washington, D.C.

You wouldn't think escalators would generate much excitement, but apparently they're rare in Whatcom County. And

Students from Bellingham and Poulsbo, Wash., discover Washington, D.C., together and add a new dimension to their academic learning.



that's the wonder of travel — you never know exactly what experience is going to be the most memorable or produce the most wonder.

Was it the glorious art deco of the Library of Congress or gazing into the inside of the Capitol dome surrounded by famous paintings depicting the highlights of American history? Was it the dignity of the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier or cruising down the Potomac River to tour Mount Vernon? Was it standing on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial or the powerful message contained within the walls of the National

Holocaust Museum?

Whatever the indelible images etched in their minds, the 40 students and parents from the Baker View and Poulsbo schools who partnered to journey to our nation's capital at the end of April will certainly have something to remember. Along with a greater understanding of where our country came from and how it works, maybe that spark of wonder ignited on this trip will lead to a life of learning and travel. They definitely know this: Books and videos are great, but nothing beats being there.

W. Keith Lindsey, Baker View Christian School principal

WWU Supports Next Generation of Evangelists

Students who grew up hearing stories of their grandparents sharing the gospel door to door now have an opportunity to follow in their footsteps and become evangelists and Bible workers in their own right when they enroll in leadership classes at the Northwest Mission Institute (NMI) on the campus of Walla Walla University (WWU) in College Place, Wash.

Funded separately from WWU, the NMI operates two training sessions, the most recent of which was the inaugural session, the NMI Boot Camp

worker coordinator certificate that increases employment opportunities at the local church-leadership level.

According to NMI director Jason Worf, the mission of the training school is “to train a new generation of personal evangelism leaders who can not only give a Bible study or do health ministries, or do literature distribution, but are also able to provide leadership in all of those areas, motivating and training church members to be involved in personal evangelism.”

Northwest physician Ron Fleck instructs classes on administering basic life support and using health education resources in personal and public evangelism.



held in Pasco, Wash., on June 17. As part of the boot camp, NMI also offered some free health evangelism training at the Kennewick (Wash.) Church.

As a ministry of the North Pacific Union Conference and in partnership with WWU, the institute serves as a personal evangelism leadership training school with “a strong academic foundation, practical hands-on experience and nonstop mentorship.” Graduates from the institute receive a Bible

Worf explains some of the ways that the institute hopes to fulfill that mission by attracting students to their program. “Our core classes are accredited through the university,” he says, “and students can take our course without losing any scholarships or student aid. We also offer non-accredited enrollment options for non-WWU students, including significant tuition discounts.”

Worf continues, “Our focus is on leadership development.



Pictured here: Paddy McCoy, Walla Walla University chaplain, meets with students. Giving Bible studies and teaching others to give Bible studies will be part of the Northwest Mission Institute’s mission, says the institute’s director, Jason Worf.

This means that students will be expected to get church members involved, teaching them what they’ve recently learned in class. Students will also be given opportunities to exercise that leadership in the churches we partner with in a mentored setting.”

Church placement for NMI students places a priority on one-on-one time with pastors and elders. There is also a plan being developed to allow third-year theology majors at WWU to enroll in the NMI program without having to reschedule classes or delay graduation.

David Thomas, WWU School of Theology dean, sits on the NMI board and shares the benefits of having an evangelism leadership training school on campus. Thomas says that Bible workers and evangelists are part of a “group of people that Adventism has lost over the past 20 to 30 years.

“I have been impressed. Enrollment in NMI is open to

all interested people,” Thomas says. “The goal of the institute is to develop a group of people who are out knocking on doors, doing what I like to call front-line work.”

To learn more about the program, see <http://missioninstitute.org/>.

Martin Surridge, WWU graduate

Jason Worf is the director for the Northwest Mission Institute.



Walla Walla General Joins Elite Circle

The Society of Chest Pain Centers (SCPC) has granted the designation of Accredited Chest Pain Center to Walla Walla General Hospital (WWGH), making it the eighth accredited Chest Pain Center in Washington.

“The society’s seal of accreditation is an important distinction for Walla Walla General Hospital,” says David Woolever, WWGH chief medical officer. “This accreditation certifies that our hospital and staff are totally prepared to care for patients with heart attack symptoms

cardiology team, hospitalists, nurses and Walla Walla County EMS,” says Linda Givens, WWGH emergency and critical care services director. “This team ensures that rapid assessment, diagnosis and high-quality care is delivered to each patient who comes to our hospital with chest pain.”

Chest pain is among the top symptoms of patients who visit the WWGH emergency center. The Chest Pain Center designation ensures that any patient who arrives at WWGH complaining of chest pain or



commitment to quality patient care by undergoing a rigorous evaluation of its care and processes by SCPC. For the Walla Walla community, this means processes are in place that meet strict criteria aimed at:

- Reducing the time from an onset of symptoms to diagnosis and treatment;
- Treating patients more quickly during the critical window of time when the integrity of the heart muscle can be preserved;
- Monitoring patients when it is not certain that they are having a heart attack to ensure that they are not sent home too quickly or needlessly admitted to the hospital.

“We are proud of this recognition of our commitment to providing excellent emergency and cardiac care to the Walla Walla area,” says Monty Knittel, WWGH president and CEO. “Our mission calls us to heal, and working to receive this accreditation demonstrates that commitment to our community. This is the next step in our ongoing efforts to provide the best

cardiac care in Walla Walla.”

During the last few years, WWGH has focused on improving the speed and quality of the emergency center, brought on a highly qualified cardiologist, opened a cardiac catheterization lab, and started the area’s only STEMI program performing emergency angioplasties and stents.

Kristi Spurgeon Johnson, Walla Walla General Hospital marketing and communication director



Dr. Titus from WWGH.



Pictured here is the Cath Lab at Walla Walla General Hospital.

more quickly during the critical early stages of a heart attack when treatments are more effective and patients recover more easily.”

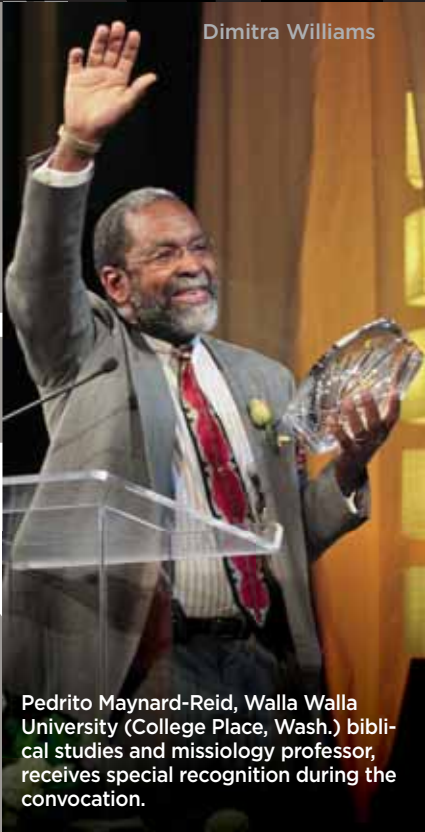
The investment in establishing an Accredited Chest Pain Center demonstrates WWGH’s ongoing commitment to providing superior team-centered cardiac care. “Chest Pain Center accreditation is possible because of the ongoing collaboration between our emergency center,

other symptoms of a heart attack can be confident he or she is receiving care that meets or exceeds the highest national standards of care. Hospitals that have received SCPC accreditation have achieved a higher level of expertise and constantly emphasize the importance of standardized diagnostic and treatment programs.

To become an Accredited Chest Pain Center, WWGH has demonstrated its expertise and

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REGIONAL CONVOCAATION



Dimitra Williams

Pedrito Maynard-Reid, Walla Walla University (College Place, Wash.) biblical studies and missiology professor, receives special recognition during the convocation.

There is nothing quite like the North Pacific Union Conference Regional Convocation. Nowhere is the multicultural blending of our church in the Northwest more evident. This year's event, held May 17–20 at Camp Berachah in Auburn, Wash., was no exception.

More than a thousand excited, energetic Adventists came from all points of the Northwest, with even an enthusiastic group from Canada. They enjoyed a spiritual repast on a theme taken from Philipians 2 — Let His Mind Be in You. Carlton Byrd, *Breath of Life* director/speaker, was the keynote speaker for both the Friday evening program and the Sabbath morning sermon.

Those who attended heard presentations from Northwest pastors Festus Gumbo,

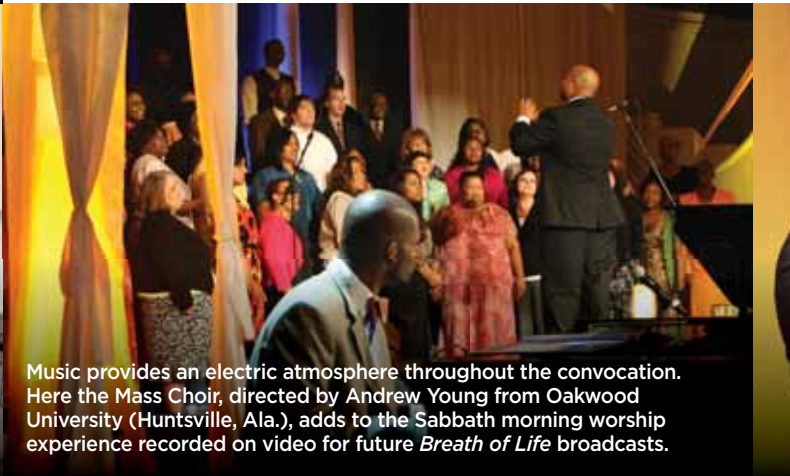
Nathaniel Good, Colin Dunbar and Kevin Rhamie. Other participants came from across the nation: Lawrence Dorsey of Living Word Ministries, musicians Wayne Bucknor and Andrew Benjamin Young from Oakwood University, and youth speakers Mike Lowe and Deon Chatman.

The photos here tell part of the story. But there's no substitute for being there in person. Make plans now to attend next year's convocation to see and hear for yourself.



Dimitra Williams

Terrance Taylor, Pasco (Wash.) Ephesus Church pastor, leads out during a young adult program.

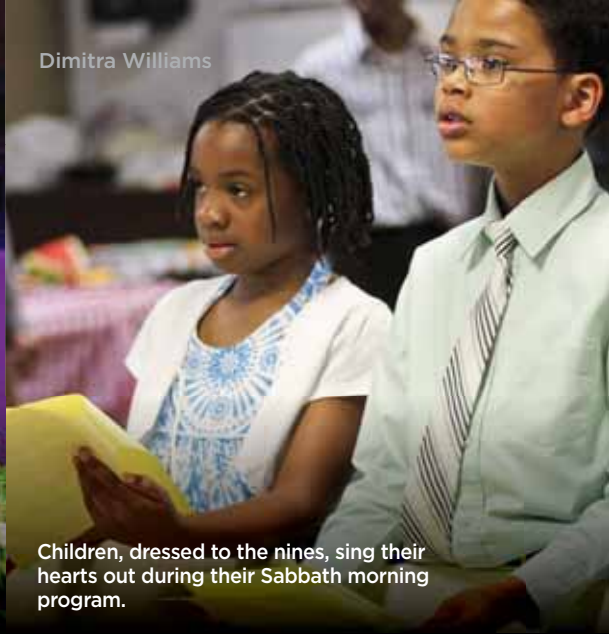


Music provides an electric atmosphere throughout the convocation. Here the Mass Choir, directed by Andrew Young from Oakwood University (Huntsville, Ala.), adds to the Sabbath morning worship experience recorded on video for future *Breath of Life* broadcasts.



Dimitra Williams

Alphonso McCarthy, North Pacific Union Conference vice president for regional affairs, welcomes the crowd. McCarthy coordinates this annual event along with his administrative assistant, Patric Parris, and a team of Northwest pastors and members.



Dimitra Williams

Children, dressed to the nines, sing their hearts out during their Sabbath morning program.

Be in You



Dimitra Williams

During the Friday morning devotional, Nathaniel Good, Breath of Life Church (Seattle, Wash.) pastor, commits the day to prayer.



Dimitra Williams

Lawrence Dorsey, Living Word Ministries speaker/director, challenges the audience during the Friday morning program.



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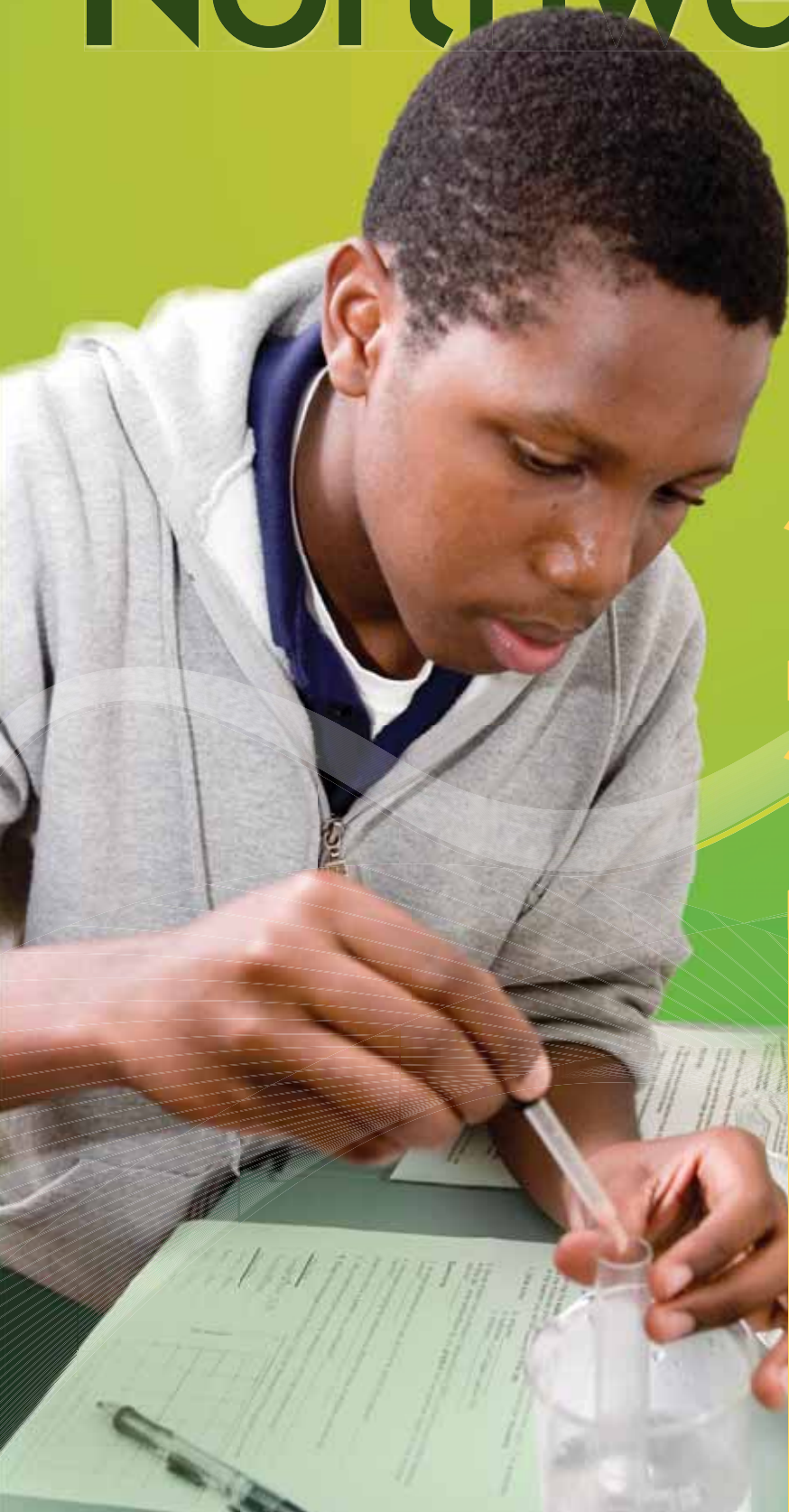
Carlton Byrd, *Breath of Life* director/speaker and convocation keynote speaker, reinforces his message with Scripture.



Dimitra Williams

The praise and worship team leads a very active youth group in a gospel chorus during the weekend program.

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Adventist Schools

ALASKA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

6100 O'Malley Rd · Anchorage, AK 99507 · (907) 346-1004
 Superintendent - Tom Maher (Interim)

SCHOOL NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	PRINCIPAL	GR.
Amazing Grace Academy	PO Box 3229, Palmer, AK 99645	(907) 745-2691	Dane Bailey	K-9
Anchorage Seventh-day Adventist School	5511 O'Malley Rd, Anchorage, AK 99507	(907) 346-2164	Boyde Hosey	K-8
Dillingham Adventist School	PO Box 182, Dillingham, AK 99576	(907) 842-2496	Rod Rau	K-8
Golden Heart Christian School	PO Box 82997, Fairbanks, AK 99708	(907) 479-2904	Barbara Quaille	K-8
Juneau Adventist Christian School	4890 Glacier Hwy, Juneau, AK 99801	(907) 780-4336	Nickie Romine	1-8
Sitka Adventist School	1613 Halibut Point Rd, Sitka, AK 99835	(907) 747-8855	Kallie Adams	1-8

IDAHO CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

7777 Fairview Ave · Boise, ID 83704 · (208) 375-7524
 Superintendent - Patrick Frey

Gem State Adventist Academy	16115 S Montana Ave, Caldwell, ID 83607	(208) 459-1627	Peter McPherson	9-12
Adventist Christian School	PO Box 50156, Idaho Falls, ID 83405	(208) 528-8582	Melissa Sturgis	1-8
Baker Valley Adventist School	42171 Chico Rd, Baker City, OR 97814	(541) 523-4165	To be determined	1-8
Boise Valley Adventist School	925 N Cloverdale Rd, Boise, ID 83713	(208) 376-7141	Don Driver	K-8
Caldwell Adventist Elementary School	2317 Wisconsin Ave, Caldwell, ID 83605	(208) 459-4313	Bonny Smith	K-8
Desert View Christian School	PO Box 124, Mountain Home, ID 83647	(208) 580-0512	Carrie Tow	1-8
Eagle Adventist Christian School	538 W State St, Eagle, ID 83616	(208) 938-0093	Laurie James	K-8
Enterprise Adventist School	PO Box N, Enterprise, OR 97828	(541) 426-8339	Dan Webster	1-8
Hilltop Adventist School	131 Grandview Dr, Twin Falls, ID 83301	(208) 736-5934	Stewart Lewis	K-8
Jessie Clark Christian School	1451 Jessie Clark Ln, Pocatello, ID 83202	(208) 237-3338	Pam Butherus	K-8
La Grande Adventist School	PO Box 1025, La Grande, OR 97850	(541) 963-6203	Cheryl De La Rosa	1-8
Salmon Adventist School	400 Fairmont St, Salmon, ID 83467	(208) 756-4439	April Copley	1-8
Treasure Valley Adventist School	PO Box 396, Payette, ID 83661	(208) 642-2410	Valerie Iwasa	1-8

MONTANA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

175 Canyon View Rd · Bozeman, MT 59715 · (406) 587-3101
 Superintendent - Archie Harris

Mount Ellis Academy	3641 Bozeman Trail Rd, Bozeman, MT 59715	(406) 587-5178	Darren Wilkins	9-12
Blodgett View Christian School	119 Westbridge Rd, Hamilton, MT 59840	(406) 363-0575	Laura Boldman	1-8
Central Acres Christian School	3204 Broadwater Ave, Billings, MT 59102	(406) 652-1799	Autumn Paskell	1-8
Five Falls Christian School	2930 Flood Rd, Great Falls, MT 59404	(406) 452-6883	Marty Knapp	K-8
Glacier View Adventist Christian School	36332 Mud Creek Lane, Ronan, MT 59864	(406) 676-5142	Karen Sharpe	1-8
Helena Adventist Christian School	2410 Belt View Dr, Helena, MT 59601	(406) 465-6451	Arlene Lambert	1-8
Highland View Christian School	2504 Grand Ave, Butte, MT 59701	(406) 221-7044	Kathy Edwards	1-8
Libby Adventist Christian School	206 Airfield Rd, Libby, MT 59923	(406) 293-8613	Cathy Law	1-8
Mount Ellis Adventist Elementary	3835 Bozeman Trail Rd, Bozeman, MT 59715	(406) 587-5430	Ric Peinado	K-8
Mountain View Adventist School	1010 Clements Rd, Missoula, MT 59804	(406) 543-6223	Jared Meharry	1-8
Trout Creek Adventist School	3020 MT Highway 200, Trout Creek, MT 59874	(406) 827-3099	Brian Iseminger	1-8
Valley Adventist Christian School	1275 Helena Flats Rd, Kalispell, MT 59901	(406) 752-0830	Ben Pflugrad	1-8
Valley View Adventist Christian School	264 Hwy 200 S, Glendive, MT 59330	406-687-3472	Sharon Pitcher	1-8



OREGON CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

19800 Oatfield Rd · Gladstone, OR 97027 · (503) 850-3500
 Superintendent - Wayne Wentland

SCHOOL NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	PRINCIPAL	GR.
Columbia Adventist Academy	11100 NE 189th St, Battle Ground, WA 98604	(360) 687-3161	Matthew Butte	9-12
Livingstone Adventist Academy	5771 Fruitland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97301	(503) 363-9408	Trevor Kendall	K-12
Milo Adventist Academy	PO Box 278, Days Creek, OR 97429	(541) 825-3200	Randy Thornton	9-12
Portland Adventist Academy	1500 SE 96th Ave, Portland, OR 97216	(503) 255-8372	Gale Crosby	9-12
Rogue Valley Adventist Academy	3675 S Stage Rd, Medford, OR 97501	(541) 773-2988	Larry Aldred	K-12
Canyonville Adventist Elementary School	PO Box 1155, Canyonville, OR 97417	(541) 839-4053	Doug Hartzell	1-8
Central Valley Christian School	31630 Highway 34, Tangent, OR 97389	(541) 928-7820	Julia Dewey	K-8
Countryside Christian School	88401 Huston Rd, Veneta, OR 97487	(541) 935-6446	Darlene Armstrong	1-8
Emerald Christian Academy	35582 Zephyr Way, Pleasant Hill, OR 97455	(541) 746-1708	Chris Tait	K-10
Gold Coast Christian School	2175 Newmark Ave, North Bend, OR 97420	(541) 756-6307	Peggy Fisher	1-8
Grants Pass Adventist School	2250 NW Heidi Ln, Grants Pass, OR 97526	(541) 479-2293	Thomas Kennedy	K-8
Hood View Junior Academy	PO Box 128, Boring, OR 97009	(503) 663-4568	Holley Bryant	K-8
Kelso-Longview Adventist School	96 Garden St, Kelso, WA 98626	(360) 423-9250	To be determined	K-8
Klamath Falls Adventist Christian School	2499 Main St, Klamath Falls, OR 97601	(541) 882-4151	Roberta Crenshaw	1-8
Lincoln City Adventist School	2126 NE Surf Ave, Lincoln City, OR 97367	(541) 994-5181	Edward Hollister	1-12
Madrone Adventist School	4300 Holland Loop Rd, Cave Junction, OR 97523	(541) 592-3330	Amy Whitchurch	1-8
McMinnville Adventist Christian School	1349 NW Elm St, McMinnville, OR 97128	(503) 472-3336	Bruce Schmidt	K-8
Meadow Glade Adventist Elementary School	18717 NE 109th Ave, Battle Ground, WA 98604	(360) 687-5121	Brian Allison	K-8
Mid Columbia Adventist Christian School	1100 22nd St, Hood River, OR 97031	(541) 386-3187	Peter Hardy	K-10
Milo Adventist Elementary School	PO Box 278, Days Creek, OR 97429	(541) 825-3514	Rita Sue Callahan	1-8
Portland Adventist Elementary	3990 NW 1st St, Gresham, OR 97030	(503) 665-4102	Robert McDonald	K-8
Rivergate Adventist Elementary School	1505 Ohlson Rd, Gladstone, OR 97027	(503) 656-0544	Ann Campbell	K-8
Riverside Adventist Christian School	PO Box 367, Washougal, WA 98671	(360) 835-5600	Dan Wister	K-8
Roseburg Junior Academy	1653 NW Troost St, Roseburg, OR 97471	(541) 673-5278	Dan Wilbanks	K-8
Scappoose Adventist School	PO Box 889, Scappoose, OR 97056	(503) 543-6939	Ricardo Peinado	K-8
Shady Point Adventist School	PO Box 216, Eagle Point, OR 97524	(541) 826-2255	Connalyn Allred	1-8
Three Sisters Adventist Christian School	21155 Tumalo Rd, Bend, OR 97701	(541) 389-2091	To be determined	K-10
Tillamook Adventist School	4300 12th St, Tillamook, OR 97141	(503) 842-6533	Hector Alvarez Jr.	K-9
Tualatin Valley Academy	21975 SW Baseline Rd, Hillsboro, OR 97123	(503) 649-5518	To be determined	K-10
West Valley Christian School	PO Box 38, Willamina, OR 97396	(503) 879-5812	Rebecca Aylsworth	1-8

UPPER COLUMBIA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

PO Box 19039 · Spokane, WA 99219 · (509) 838-2761
Superintendent - Larry Marsh

SCHOOL NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	PRINCIPAL	GR.
Cascade Christian Academy	600 N Western Ave, Wenatchee, WA 98801	(509) 662-2723	Stephanie Gates	K-12
Upper Columbia Academy	3025 E Spangle-Waverly Rd, Spangle, WA 99031	(509) 245-3600	John Winslow	9-12
Walla Walla Valley Academy	300 SW Academy Way, College Place, WA 99324	(509) 525-1050	Brian Harris	9-12
Beacon Christian School	615 Stewart Ave, Lewiston, ID 83501	(208) 743-8361	Richard Rasmussen	1-8
Brewster Adventist Christian School	115 Valley Rd, Brewster, WA 98812	(509) 689-3213	Gordon Smith	1-8
Colville Valley Adventist School	139 E Cedar Loop, Colville, WA 99114	(509) 684-6830	Lisa Cook	1-8
Cornerstone Christian School	PO Box 1877, Bonners Ferry, ID 83805	(208) 267-1644	Dennis Shelton	K-8
Countryside Adventist Elementary School	12109 W Seven Mile Rd, Spokane, WA 99224	(509) 466-8982	Phyllis Radu	1-8
Crestview Christian School	1601 W Valley Rd, Moses Lake, WA 98837	(509) 765-4632	Melissia Wallen	K-9
Goldendale Adventist School	PO Box 241, Goldendale, WA 98620	(509) 773-3120	To be determined	1-8
Grandview Adventist School	106 N Elm St, Grandview, WA 98930	(509) 882-3817	June Graham	K-8
Harris Junior Academy	3121 SW Hailey Ave, Pendleton, OR 97801	(541) 276-0615	Laurie Hosey	K-10
Hermiston Junior Academy	1300 NW Academy Ln, Hermiston, OR 97838	(541) 567-8523	Randy Foss	K-9
Lake City Junior Academy	111 E Locust Ave, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814	(208) 667-0877	Ron Jacaban	K-10
Milton-Stateline Adventist School	53565 W Crockett Rd, Milton-Freewater, OR 97862	(541) 938-7131	Leslie Briggs	K-8
Omak Adventist Christian School	PO Box 3294, Omak, WA 98841	(509) 826-5341	Jennifer Hoffpauir	1-8
Palisades Christian Academy	1115 N Government Way, Spokane, WA 99224	(509) 325-1985	To be determined	K-10
Palouse Hills Christian School	3148 Tomer St, Moscow, ID 83843	(208) 882-0350	Daniel Tyler	K-8
Peaceful Valley Christian School	PO Box 1062, Tonasket, WA 98855	(509) 486-4345	Jacqueline Jager	1-8
Rogers Adventist School	200 SW Academy Way, College Place, WA 99324	(509) 529-1850	Clare Thompson (interim)	K-8
Sandpoint Junior Academy	2255 W Pine St, Sandpoint, ID 83864	(208) 263-3584	Charla Suppe	K-10
Spokane Valley Adventist School	1603 S Sullivan Rd, Spokane Valley, WA 99037	(509) 926-0955	Terry Lee	K-9
Tri-City Junior Academy	4115 W Henry St, Pasco, WA 99301	(509) 547-8092	Anthony Oucharek	K-10
Upper Columbia Academy Elementary	3025 E Spangle-Waverly Rd, Spangle, WA 99031	(509) 245-3629	Christopher Duckett	1-8
Yakima Adventist Christian School	1200 City Reservoir Rd, Yakima, WA 98908	(509) 966-1933	Renae Young	K-10

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

32229 Weyerhauser Way S · Federal Way, WA 98001 · (253) 681-6008
Superintendent - Kelly Bock

Auburn Adventist Academy	5000 Auburn Way S, Auburn, WA 98092	(253) 939-5000	Samir Berbawy	9-12
Orcas Christian School	PO Box 669, Eastsound, WA 98245	(360) 376-6683	Tom Roosma	K-12
Puget Sound Adventist Academy	5320 108th Ave NE, Kirkland, WA 98033	(425) 822-7554	Linda Taber	9-12
Skagit Adventist Academy	530 N Section St, Burlington, WA 98233	(360) 755-9261	Doug White	K-12
Baker View Christian School	5353 Waschke Rd, Bellingham, WA 98226	(360) 384-8155	Keith Lindsey	K-8
Buena Vista Adventist Elementary School	3320 Academy Dr SE, Auburn, WA 98092	(253) 833-0718	Ron Trautwein	K-8
Cedarbrook Adventist Christian School	PO Box 150, Port Hadlock, WA 98339	(360) 385-4610	Greg Reseck	1-8
Cedarhome Adventist Christian School	28505 68th Ave NW, Stanwood, WA 98292	(360) 629-5340	Amanda Kobberstad	1-8
Cypress Adventist School	21500 Cypress Way, Lynnwood, WA 98036	(425) 775-3578	Lowell Dunston	K-8
Forest Park Adventist Christian School	4120 Federal Ave, Everett, WA 98203	(425) 258-6911	Shannon Whidden	1-8
Grays Harbor Adventist Christian School	1216 US Highway 12, Montesano, WA 98563	(360) 249-1115	Adria Hay	1-8
Kirkland Adventist School	5320 108th Ave NE, Kirkland, WA 98033	(425) 822-7554	Linda Taber	K-8
Kitsap Adventist Christian School	5088 NW Taylor Rd, Bremerton, WA 98312	(360) 377-4542	Becky Rae	K-8
Lewis County Adventist School	2104 S Scheuber Rd, Chehalis, WA 98532	(360) 748-3213	Dan Baker	K-10
Mountain View Christian School	255 Medsker Rd, Sequim, WA 98382	(360) 683-6170	Brian Gang	1-8
Northwest Christian School	904 Shaw Rd, Puyallup, WA 98372	(253) 845-5722	Allan Sather	K-8
Olympia Christian School	1215 Ethel St NW, Olympia, WA 98502	(360) 352-1831	Anita McKown	K-8
Poulsbo Adventist School	1700 NE Lincoln Rd, Poulsbo, WA 98370	(360) 779-6290	Susan Schilt	1-8
Shelton Valley Christian School	201 W Shelton Valley Rd, Shelton, WA 98584	(360) 426-4198	Judy McCain	K-8
Sky Valley Adventist School	200 Academy Way, Monroe, WA 98272	(360) 794-7655	Angela Campanello	K-8
Whidbey Christian Elementary School	31830 SR 20, Oak Harbor, WA 98277	(360) 279-1812	Dan Nickolatos	1-8

MILESTONES

Bohlman 100th

Stella Bohlman of College Place, Wash., celebrated her 100th birthday on March 18, 2012, with a come-and-go reception.

Stella was born to a family of six children: two girls and four boys. She never married but has had a very eventful life. Additionally, she used to keep a large garden with many flowers. Stella has been an active member of the College Place (Wash.) Village Church in past years. She is no longer able to go to church but watches it on Blue Mountain Television.

Many friends and relatives came to help her celebrate, and Stella really enjoyed seeing and talking with them.

Chinn 90th

Catherine Chinn celebrated her 90th birthday on May 5, 2012, with a party in College Place, Wash.

Catherine was born in Hemaruka, Alberta, Canada, to Dimitrious and Sophia Sankey. She was the seventh of 11 children. After attending grade school in Kinnear, doing high school by correspondence, and graduating from Consort High School, she attended the University of Alberta and taught grade school for five years. Thereafter she attended Union College (Lincoln, Neb.) and graduated in 1951 with a bachelor's degree in nursing.

Catherine then moved to Portland, Ore., where she met her husband, Clarence Chinn. They lived in Corvallis, Ore., while he finished his doctorate. They then spent 11 years in Collegedale, Tenn. At last they moved to College Place, where Catherine has lived for the past 45 years.

She practiced nursing in a variety of settings before retiring in 1994 at the age of 72

to spend more time with her grandchildren. She enjoys hiking, traveling, reading, flower gardening, sewing, knitting, crocheting, music and birding. Catherine enjoys visiting with friends and family. She is now the eldest of her surviving siblings: one brother, Steven Sankey of Little Gem near Veteran, Alberta, Canada; two sisters, Pauline White of Woodland, Wash.; and Muriel Kline of Welches, Ore.

Her family also includes Duane and Lori (Kappel) Chinn of Auburn, Wash.; Dale and Michelle (Grigsby) Chinn of College Place; Donna Chinn of Walla Walla, Wash.; 7 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Collier 60th

Everett and Ada Collier were honored with a 60th-anniversary celebration following potluck at the new Yacolt (Wash.) Church fellowship hall on March 3 with family and church family.

Everett Collier married Ada Feaster on Feb. 17, 1952, at the Coquille (Ore.) Church he helped build. He worked in the Coquille Plywood Mill and later in the timber industry. All four of their children were born while they were living in Coquille. Ada worked as a teacher's aide at the church



Ada and Everett Collier

school, served as president of the Dorcas Federation for two years, and did nursing at the Coquille Valley Hospital.

In 1970, they moved to Battle Ground, Wash., to be near Columbia Adventist Academy for their children's education. Everett went into the construction business and worked on several church building projects.

The couple moved to Republic, Wash., in 1980 to get involved in a mission project, which included the building of a beautiful log church. Everett opened an auto parts and repair store. Ada worked as a teacher's aide at the Republic School until 1984, when the winters became too cold. So they moved back to Coquille, Ore., where Everett worked in the timber industry and helped build the present church.

In 1991, they moved back to the Battle Ground area and built a new home where they now reside. He is overseeing the building of the Yacolt Church in the small community where they live. They like to travel south in their motorhome in the winter months.

Their children are Bonnita MacDougall of Tucson, Ariz.; Dean Collier of Tucson; Cindee and Lynn Horsch of Yacolt, Wash.; and Gail and Joe Corn of Yacolt. They have 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

Juberg 90th

Relatives from three area states joined Lorraine Juberg in celebrating her 90th birthday on March 25, 2012, at Somerset Lodge, in Gladstone, Ore.

Born to homesteaders in a semi-desert country of northwestern Wyoming, Marjorie Lorraine Davis spent her grow-

ing up years on a farm near Deaver. After graduating from high school in Greybull, Wyo., she managed a shopping guide in connection with the local newspaper office. There, an Adventist evangelist placed an ad in the papers and invited her to attend his meetings.

Baptized in Shell Creek, Wyo., she dedicated her life to Jesus. She then studied at Union College in Lincoln, Neb., where she met Morten "Mort" J. Juberg as they collaborated on the college newspaper.

The couple was married in 1947 in Powell, Wyo. Mort began his denominational service in Wyoming as departmental director. They moved on to work in the Michigan, Southern California, Columbia Union and North Pacific Union conferences, where Mort directed communication and edited the church's magazines.

Lorraine spent 50 years in ministry for children, teaching and leading in Sabbath Schools, branch Sabbath Schools, Vacation Bible Schools and camp meetings. She wrote Sabbath School materials for the North American Division and presented workshops in various conferences. Lorraine also handled publicity for churches wherever they lived as well as working as an office secretary.

Mort (now deceased) and Lorraine raised three children: two sons, Terry Keith of Portland, Ore., and Randall Lynn of Florida; and a daughter, Lorelei Juberg-Moore (deceased).

Lorraine has two grandsons, one step-grandson, two granddaughters and one great-granddaughter, Lorelei Moore.

Lorraine says one of her greatest joys in life has been singing in choirs, and she plans on someday singing in a heavenly choir.

BIRTHS

HAGER — Elizabeth Lorraine was born March 5, 2012, to Alex and Tiffany (Jessel) Hager, Creswell, Ore.

PERRIN — Maisey Kiplee Joy was born May 29, 2012, to Daniel and Heather (Kellogg) Perrin, College Place, Wash.

PONRAJ — June Nandini was born May 18, 2012, to Erwin and Noelle (Smith) Ponraj, Portland, Ore.

RAE — Gavin Douglas was born May 16, 2012, to David and Melissa (Tessier) Rae, Everett, Wash.

WEDDINGS

ECHELBARGER-WINTER — Nancy (Peake) Echelbarger and Robert Winter were married on April 22, 2012, in Stanwood, Wash. Nancy is the daughter of Roswell B. and Agnes Margaret (Baland) Peake. Bob is the son of Robert Joshua and Thelma (Payne) Winter.

EDDY-PIÑANGO — Kyra Eddy and Henry Piñango were married July 24, 2011, in Livingston, Mont. They are making their home in Winter Park, Fla. Kyra is the daughter of Dan and Tara (Brusett) Eddy. Henry is the son of Henry J. Piñango and Niove Jacobo.

HANLEY-GENSIL — Sheran Elaine (Bentt) Hanley and Carlton Franklin Gensil Jr. were married on April 10, 2012, in Volcano, Hawaii. They are making their home in Arlington, Wash. Sheran is the daughter of Altimont Bentt (deceased) and Hilda (Manning) Bentt (deceased). Carlton is the son of Carlton Gensil (deceased) and Blanche M. (Tester) Gensil (deceased).

HERNANDEZ-MARTINEZ

— Esperanza Hernandez and Pablo Martinez were married April 22, 2012, in Central Point, Ore. They are making their home in Medford, Ore.

WEAVER-JENSEN —

Raylee (Waters) Weaver and Larry Jensen were married Oct. 28, 2011, in Bainbridge Island, Wash. They are making their home in Yakima, Wash. Raylee is the daughter of Bruce Waters and Patricia (McRoberts) Waters (deceased). Larry is the son of Ray Jensen (deceased) and Joyce (Ellison) Wallenwein.

WILSON-AKERS — Kari

Wilson and Pete Akers were married May 26, 2012, in Charleston, S.C. They are making their home in Goose Creek, S.C. Kari is the daughter of Duane and Linda Wilson. Pete is the son of Norm and Sharon Akers.

AT REST

AYERS — Leonard Leon, 82; born Aug. 4, 1929, Hot Springs, Ark.; died March 9, 2012, Portland, Ore. Surviving: wife, Vera (Curtis); sons, Douglas, Vancouver, Wash.; Marlon, Dayton, Ore.; Kevin, Pasco, Wash.; 6 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

BANFE — Ray, 78; born July 26, 1934, Emery, Wis.; died March 22, 2012, Portland, Ore. Surviving: wife, Marie (Hatley) Banfe; daughter, Shelley Banfe, Portland; brothers, Paul of Missouri; Jerry of Minnesota; sisters, Edwina of Wisconsin; and Susan of Minnesota.

BIETZ — Pearl (Zinn) Abernathy Cleveland, 100; born Aug. 30, 1911, Curtis, Okla.; died Feb. 19, 2012, Vancouver,

Wash. Surviving: stepsons, Ed Cleveland, Livingston, Texas; Sid Cleveland, Haslet, Texas; Duane Bietz, Portland, Ore.; Gordon Bietz, Ooltewah, Tenn.; numerous step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

BRUNT — S. Anita Marie (Heytz), 93; born Oct. 20, 1918, Muskogee, Okla.; died March 7, 2012, College Place, Wash. Surviving: sons, John and David, both of Riverside, Calif.; daughter, Joy Veverka, College Place; 5 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

CARR — Leon R., 69; born June 26, 1942, Walla Walla, Wash.; died March 15, 2012, Pendleton, Ore. Surviving: wife, Sherlene (Gourley); sons, Glen, Pendleton; Scott, Caulfield, Mo.; daughter, Connie Woodruff, Pendleton; sister, Nelda King, Pendleton; 16 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

CASEBOLT — Kathryn W. “Sunnie” (Smith), 87; born June 22, 1924, Girard, Kan.; died March 24, 2012, College Place, Wash. Surviving: husband, Donald; sons, Douglas G., San Diego, Calif.; Keith D., Medford, Ore.; daughter, Constance E. Casebolt, Spartanburg, S.C.; sister, Ruth Burgener, Holladay, Utah; 8 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

CHANEY — Lyle Harvey, 89; born Jan. 23, 1923, Myrtle Creek, Ore.; died March 18, 2012, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Alice I. (May); son, Robert L. Sr., Myrtle Creek; daughters, Renee Powers, Pottstown, Pa.; Mona Ratzloff, John Day, Ore.; Cindy Baker, Mount Vernon, Ore.; sister, Faye Schmidt, Toppenish, Wash.; 9 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

CHAPMAN — LeAnn, 60; born April 1, 1951, Grants Pass, Ore.; died Jan. 27, 2012, Panama City Beach, Fla. Surviving: brothers, Lance Chapman and Steve Chapman, both of Medford, Ore.

CHRISTENSEN — John E., 85; born Feb. 18, 1926, Kelso, Wash.; died Feb. 12, 2012, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: son, Stanley D., Walla Walla; daughters, Shirley M. Heisey, Walla Walla; Cheri L. Armstrong, Athena, Ore.; 8 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

DAVIS — Kirby Hal, 80; born Jan. 26, 1932, Colville, Wash.; died April 6, 2012, Malo, Wash. Surviving: wife, Shirley L. (Van Derschelden); and sister, Helen Hull, Sandpoint, Idaho.

DRAKE — Willard “Jack,” 91; born Feb. 16, 1920, Emmett, Idaho; died Feb. 14, 2012, Emmett. Surviving: son, Richard, Emmett.

GALLOWAY — Leia Maree, 15 months; born Oct. 10, 2010, Yakima, Wash.; died Feb. 5, 2012, Yakima. Surviving: Leonard and Melonie (Webber) Galloway, Yakima.

HANEY — Phillip Alvin, 90; born Jan. 11, 1922, Gainesville, Texas; died April 8, 2012, Auburn, Wash. Surviving: wife, Barbara (Tapper), Pacific, Wash.; sons, Michael, Pacific; Matthew, Keller, Wash.; 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

HEACOCK — Lucille “Lucy” (Chase), 86; born Nov. 4, 1925, Prescott, Ariz.; died April 9, 2012, Riverside, Calif. Surviving: daughters, Jeanie Scheeter, Valley Village, Calif.; Kathy Fowler, Simi Valley, Calif.; Julie Cox, Riverside; 9 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

AT REST

HOLMES — Arthur Dean, 81; born Dec. 17, 1930, Enterprise, Kan.; died March 13, 2012, Nampa, Idaho. Surviving: son, Larry; daughters, Jeanie Amen; Cheryl Ringering; and 9 grandchildren.

IVY — Lulu M. (Archer), 74; born Dec. 24, 1937, Eureka, Calif.; died April 12, 2012, Yuma, Ariz. Surviving: husband, Jack C., Grants Pass, Ore.; son, Jerry, Lostine, Ore.; daughter, Linda Ivy, College Place, Wash.; brother, Don Archer, Redding, Calif.; and 4 grandchildren.

KNAUFT — Emil H., 96; born April 21, 1915, Spokane, Wash.; died March 18, 2012, Nampa, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Marguerite (Dodge); sons, Richard, Portsmouth, Va.; Daniel, Fall City, Wash.; daughter, Joan Baker, Nampa; brother, Henry, Spokane; sisters, Doretta Knauft, of Southern California; Martha Carman, Spokane; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

LOVE — Gary Wayne Funk Davis, 71; born Feb. 15, 1940, Bakersfield, Calif.; died Dec. 22, 2011, Twin Falls, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Judy Love; sons, Mitchell Davis, Elverta, Calif.; Forrest Davis, El Segundo, Calif.; daughters, Carlene Davis, Citrus Heights, Calif.; Melissa (Davis) Trotter, Portland, Ore.; Misty Love, Boise, Idaho; Amber (Love) Stone, Twin Falls; and 12 grandchildren.

MATTISON — Glenn B., 89; born Sept. 10, 1922, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada; died Nov. 30, 2011, Forest Grove, Ore. Surviving: wife, Lucille A. (Blackman); 23 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

MEHLING — Elynor V. (Kruger), 87; born July 7, 1923,

McClusky, N.D.; died May 23, 2011, Portland, Ore. Surviving: husband, William "Bill" E.; and son, D. William "Bill," Eagle Creek, Ore.

MEHLING — William "Bill" E., 88; born April 12, 1923, Hardin, Mont.; died Aug. 2, 2011, Portland, Ore. Surviving: son, D. William "Bill," Eagle Creek, Ore.; brothers, Sam, Burlington, Wash.; Bert, Talent, Ore.; John, Ryderwood, Wash.; sisters, Vera Robertson, Longview, Wash.; Clara Toews, Denton, Texas; and Lillian Stutz, Burlington.

MOLINA — Robert L., 85; born April 24, 1926, Atlantic City, N.J.; died Feb. 26, 2012, Longview, Wash. Surviving: wife, Pauline (Drake), Castle Rock, Wash.; son, Robert, Alma, Mich.; daughters, Robin Molina, Goldendale, Wash.; Annette Ward, Castle Rock; and 2 grandchildren.

NOYES — Terri Lynn, 51; born Nov. 15, 1960, Portland, Ore.; died Jan. 19, 2012, Forest Grove, Ore. Surviving: parents, Edwin A. and Emma R. (Vaselenko) Noyes, Forest Grove; and brother, Michael Noyes, Sandy, Utah.

PARMELE — Eola Rose (Stephens), 91; born Sept. 2, 1920, Sutherlin, Ore.; died April 3, 2012, Napavine, Wash. Surviving: husband, Earl; daughter, Earlene Wohlers, Chehalis, Wash.; sons, Gary, Portland, Ore.; Joe, Columbia, Mich.; brothers, Ardmore Stephens and Alva Stephens, both of Falls City, Ore.; sister, Esther Daniels, Roseburg, Ore.; 8 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

PLINE — Larry F., 76; born Dec. 6, 1935, Nampa, Idaho; died April 11, 2012, Caldwell, Idaho. Surviving: sons, Ken,

Nampa; Steve, Boise, Idaho; daughter, Teresa Laudi, Meridian, Idaho; and 5 grandchildren.

PORTER — Ken, 47; born Feb. 1, 1965, Portland, Tenn.; died Feb. 9, 2012, Spokane, Wash. Surviving: brothers, Dennis, Davenport, Wash.; and Duane, Spokane.

RICE — Wanda R., 73; born July 18, 1936, Britton, S.D.; died March 14, 2012, Pendleton, Ore. Surviving: brothers, Dayle, Pendleton; Larry, Medford, Ore.; R.J. "Jim," Redding, Calif.; sisters, Pat Maupin, Dee Johnson and Jeri Lee Master, all of Merlin, Ore.

RIFFEL — Gordon William, 82; born June 24, 1929, Legazpi City, Albay, Philippines; died Feb. 20, 2012, Spokane, Wash. Surviving: son, William F., Spangle, Wash.; daughters, Krista Woodruff; Debbie Shrock; Karen Marshall; sisters, Retta Snider, Nashville, Tenn.; Dorothy Hugg, Redding, Calif.; 13 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

RITCHIE — David John, 89; born May 11, 1922, Wibaux, Mont.; died Aug. 12, 2011, College Place, Wash. Surviving: wife, Donna (Jendresen); sons, David L., Loveland, Colo.; Daniel L., Brandon, Miss.; daughters, Doris "Dodie" Brueggeman, College Place; Dixie Cramer, Walla Walla, Wash.; brothers, Carl "Bob" R., Sacramento, Calif.; and 2 grandchildren.

SCHULER — Ruth Erville (Furber), 99; born Aug. 25, 1912, Irvine, Alberta, Canada; died March 4, 1912, Boise, Idaho. Surviving: sons, Randall, Sunnyside, Wash.; Willard, Elbert, Colo.; David, Napa, Calif.; Darrell, Commerce City, Colo.; Dennis, Boise; daughters, JoAnn Vipond, Brookings, Ore.; Vir-

ginia Smith, Rogue River, Ore.; Judith Balkins, Boise; sister, Carole Ford, Portland, Ore.; 15 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

SMITH — Gladys Marie (Salter), 96; born March 31, 1914, Casey Township, Wis.; died Jan. 25, 2011, Gaston, Ore. Surviving: son, Jim, Gaston; 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

SMITH — Nellie J. (Martin), 97; born March 5, 1914, Crofton, Neb.; died Feb. 22, 2012, Moses Lake, Wash. Surviving: daughter, Sandra Larsen, Moses Lake; 12 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren.

TODD — Caren Pennie (Jewell), 86; born Oct. 26, 1925, Rhodes, Iowa; died March 11, 2012, Bozeman, Mont. Surviving: sons, Dan, Tucson, Ariz.; Mark, Roseburg, Ore.; daughter, Tami Todd, Bozeman; brother, Rodney Jewell, Grand Island, Neb.; sisters, Wanda Ballard, Humble, Texas; and Beverly Herndon, Hastings, Neb.

WALLACE — Kirby E., 95; born Aug. 3, 1916, Richland, Ore.; died March 10, 2012, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: sons, Darl, College Place, Wash.; Kirby Jr., Oregon City, Ore.; 4 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

ZUMWALT — Wilda Verna (Carnahan), 92; born June 18, 1919, Caldwell, Idaho; died March 18, 2012, Emmett, Idaho. Surviving: son, Glen, Vancouver, Wash.; daughter, Patricia Zumwalt, Boise, Idaho; brother, Clarence Zumwalt, Burns, Ore.; 5 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

North Pacific Union Conference

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Aug. 4 — Local Church Budget;

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Walla Walla University

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Aug. 12 — Master of Social Work Hooding and Graduation Ceremony for the Billings (Mont.) Campus, 1 p.m., Crowne Plaza Hotel Billings;

Aug. 24-25 — Rosario Sabbath, WWU Alumni Event at Rosario Beach Marine Laboratory. Call 800-377-2586 or visit www.alumni.wallawalla.edu;

Sept. 4 — Financial clearance for fall quarter opens. See enrollment checklist online at www.wallawalla.edu/newsteps. Questions? Call 800-656-2815 or email stufin@wallawalla.edu.

Oregon

Asante East Africa Children's Choir

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CHIP at Mount Tabor

Sept. 11-12 — The 2012 CHIP program at Mount Tabor Church begins in September. The free information and registration sessions will be Sept. 11 and 12, at 7 p.m. Each session is approximately one hour long. Those wishing to participate in the program will need to attend one of these sessions prior to the starting date of Sept. 16. Location: Mount Tabor Church Community Life Center, 1001 S.E. 60th Ave., Portland, OR. For more information, call 503-233-7607 or email mttaborchip@gmail.com. Brochures are available on request. Call Vera Perez, director, at 503-233-7607 or email mttaborchip@gmail.com.

Columbia Classics

Sept. 14-15 — This is a Columbia Adventist Academy event at Zull Hall at the Gladstone campground, 19800 Oatfield Rd., Gladstone, OR. Newest Columbia Classics, Class of 1962. Begins Friday evening at 6 p.m., with soups and breads. For further information, contact George Pifer, at 503-604-6948.

Upper Columbia

Gorge Camp Meeting

Sept. 7-9 — At the Project PATCH Conference Center in Goldendale, WA. Ty Gibson will present "The Healing Journey." Starts Friday evening at 7:15 p.m. Sites for tents/RVs with hook-ups; cabins and motel-style rooms available, so call 509-314-1163 for costs/reservations. For more information, call 509-493-1463. Directions are available at www.projectpatch.org/family/directions. Come to be inspired!

Walla Walla Valley Academy Homecoming Weekend

Sept. 21-22 — Plan to attend WWVA's alumni weekend, 300 S.W. Academy Way, College Place, WA 99324. Please come and join the honor classes of 2002, 1992, 1987, 1982, 1972, 1962, 1952 and Golden Alumni. For more information, contact the WWVA Alumni office. Call 509-525-1050 ext. 223 or email evanch@wwva.org.

Washington

Car and Bike Show

Aug. 19 — Car and bike enthusiasts are invited to the eighth-annual Shelton Valley Christian Show 'N' Shine held 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on the Shelton Valley Christian School Campus, 201 W. Shelton Valley Rd., Shelton, WA. This is a family event with kids' jumper, door prizes, great food, a raffle and trophies. To register or for more information, call 360-426-2776 or 360-426-8741 or see our website at www.sheltonshowandshine.com.

Missing Members

Tacoma Central Church in Tacoma, WA, is looking for any information on the following missing members: Sylvia Kelly, Fred Kracht, Christina Laine, Dawn Lewis, Doris Lewis, Michael Reigle, Michelle Reigle, Timothy Shupien, Chole Ruder, Rick Spear, Dana Stevens, Kristina Stockwell, Amy Tekaas, David Tekaas, Martina Tekaas, Loralee Traub, Laurie Tuck, Matthew Walker, Heidi Ward, Richard Ward, Melody Wilson, Richard Zanto, Adam Zukowski-Schmidt, Jason Reding, Kenneth Reed, Bethany Facinelli and Michael Pritchard. If you have any information regarding these missing members, please contact Scott Tyman, pastor, at 253-230-5324 or scotttyman@comast.net.

Missing Members

The Auburn City Church is looking for the following missing members: Carolyn Barr, Jacklyn Buckland, Carol Caldwell, Karrin Cook, Cindy Farrar, Brook and Milton Guinn, Anna Kallis, Karen Livingston, Brenda Longmire, Donald McGurty, Tom Ness, Greg Petzold, Kimberly Reghetti and Karen Schager. Contact the Auburn City Church at 402 29th Street S.E., Auburn, WA 98002 or 253-833-2560 if you have any information about these missing members.

World Church

Sunnydale Adventist Academy Alumni Weekend

Oct. 4-7 — Honor classes are: 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002 and 2007. Activities begin Thursday evening with the Silver Showcase Banquet and continue on Friday with Career Day. The Sabbath speaker is Mike Ryan, class of 1967, former Sunnydale Academy boys' dean and current General Conference vice president. Sunday is the Alumni Golf Tournament. For additional information, call 573-682-2164 or visit www.sunnydale.org.

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Alaska Conference

Anchorage	10:34	10:15	9:54	9:33	9:11
Fairbanks	10:56	10:31	10:06	9:40	9:14
Juneau	9:31	8:57	8:39	8:20	8:00
Ketchikan	8:48	8:33	8:18	8:01	7:43

Idaho Conference

Boise	8:06	8:57	8:46	8:35	8:23
La Grande	8:18	8:08	7:57	7:45	7:33
Pocatello	8:49	7:40	8:30	8:19	8:07

Montana Conference

Billings	8:41	8:31	8:20	8:08	7:55
Havre	8:54	8:43	8:31	8:17	8:04
Helena	8:57	8:47	8:35	8:23	8:10
Miles City	8:32	8:22	8:10	7:58	7:45
Missoula	9:06	8:56	8:44	8:32	8:18

Oregon Conference

Coos Bay	8:37	8:28	8:18	8:07	7:55
Medford	8:29	8:20	8:10	7:59	7:48
Portland	8:37	8:27	8:16	8:04	7:51

Upper Columbia Conference

Pendleton	8:22	8:12	8:01	7:49	7:36
Spokane	8:22	8:11	7:59	7:47	7:33
Walla Walla	8:21	8:11	8:00	7:47	7:35
Wenatchee	8:33	8:22	8:11	7:58	7:44
Yakima	8:31	8:21	8:10	7:57	7:44


Washington Conference

Bellingham	8:46	8:35	8:22	8:09	7:55
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In *Alaska Mission History*, a scrapbook of Alaska Mission work, Nadine Hansen includes fascinating stories of early work around the vast territory.

In one account, we find Thomas Watson clearing the dishes from the evening meal and preparing for additional study with his student, Nicolia. In the pre-Depression era of the 1920s, Watson had already worked for years as a government teacher in Alaska. Now he had been assigned to the little schoolhouse on a knoll overlooking Kulukak Bay, west of Dillingham and Bristol Bay.

Outside over the frozen bay, an icy wind howled, swirling snow and ice crystals across the landscape. Watson had gathered study materials near a lighted lamp when the impression hit: “Move the lamp over to the window.” Watson didn’t hesitate. Together, he and his student sat down at the table by the window in the warm light of the lamp as they began their study.

Out in the gathering darkness, stumbling through the teeth of the gale and blinding drifts, a traveler drove his weary dog team through the wilderness, disoriented, lost and shivering with cold. He knew what it would mean to be forever lost on such a night, in such a place. As he paused one more time in an attempt to gain any sense of direction a light faintly glimmered like a far-off twinkling star. It disappeared, only to reappear. He wondered at first if his mind was playing tricks. But each time the drifting snow cleared, the light was still there. Hope surged, and he pressed his dogs forward, always bearing toward the light. Two hours later, he staggered, half-frozen, into the little schoolhouse, with the light beaming in its place at the window.

The weary traveler’s name was Frank Waskey. Watson was impressed that God had saved Waskey’s life for a reason. When he resumed his journey a few days later, he left with literature filled with the story of salvation.

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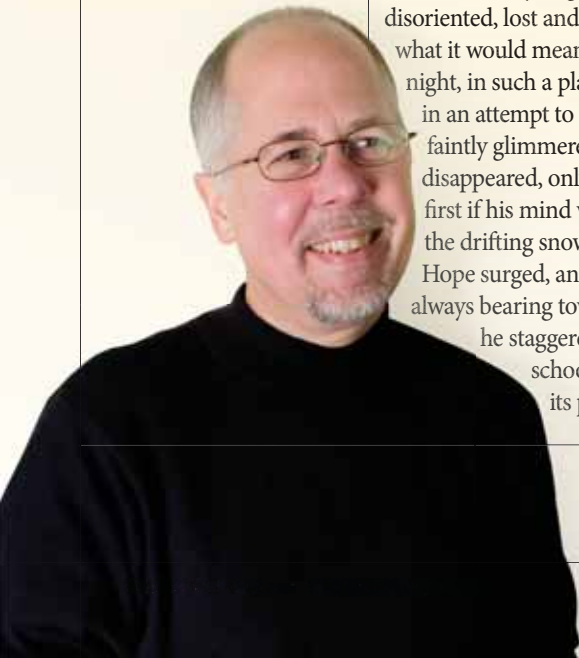
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