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Adventists, Labor Unions & Hewlett-Packard

Part III

BY JERE PATZER

We were young and naïve in those days. I was in graduate school; my wife, Sue, was teaching in the public school system. When her first encounter with the representative of the MEA, the Michigan chapter of the National Education Association, was ended, Sue fled to the principal's office to try and regain her composure, calm her nerves and dry her eyes before facing her classroom. She had been harassed because she had chosen not to join the MEA.

That intimidation was just a minor introduction for us as to why the church has historically encouraged its members not to join labor unions. To say that unions have been all bad would be unfair. At a time when work place conditions were intolerable and child labor laws were inadequate, unions played a major role in eliminating abuse.

So what's the problem? Why are Adventists and Mormons virtually the only denominations that have not capitulated to the enticements of the unions? In discussing this topic with our own Greg Hamilton, public affairs and religious liberty director and an authority on these issues, along with Charles Steinberg, an attorney specialist in government relations, they outlined several points.

Political Pressure

The National Labor Relations Board and the EEOC investigate claims of discrimination in the workplace. However, if religious accommodation requests interfere with a bona fide seniority system, which is what most all unions have, it will lose.

Labor unions are technically answerable to Title VII of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prevents businesses from discriminating on the basis of race, sex, age, handicap, origin, and religion, etc., but conversely they have an exception so broad that it swallows up the entire rule, except in limited cases.

Individuals seeking a workplace accommodation in order to keep the Sabbath are at the mercy of labor unions to say yes or no. It is easy to see how labor unions could play a huge role in calling for a national Sunday law.

Terrorism

A recent book titled *Betrayal* by Linda Chavez,² a political analyst, syndicated columnist, talk show host, former labor union official, and nominee for secretary of labor, gives these chilling statistics.

- Labor unions collect upwards of \$17 billion a year, tax free.

- The unions have so much money at their disposal they can spend more on politics than both political parties.
- The vast reserves of forced dues give labor bosses unlimited power.
- The NEA now employs more paid political operatives than the Democratic and Republican National Committees combined.

Chavez documents another dark side in her chapter titled "Legalized Terrorism."

- She cites the 1986 Dupont Plaza Hotel fire in which 97 people were killed and 150 wounded in an act of violence by labor union activists.
- Unions are especially willing to engage in violence when employers hire replacement workers during a strike.
- During a three-year strike against Overnight Transportation Company, militants apparently committed dozens of violent acts. James Hoffa told a congressional hearing, "I can tell you that it was one of the [most] peaceful strikes that we have ever had ..."

Many years ago Ellen White wrote, "The trades unions will be one of the agencies that will bring upon this earth a time of trouble such as has not been since the world began" (Letter 200, 1903, published in *2 Selected Messages*, p. 142).

"The trades unions and confederacies of the world are a snare. Keep out of them, and away from them. ... Have nothing to do with them" (2 SM, p. 142).

So are labor unions an issue for Adventists today, or was this merely an issue in Ellen White's time? Hamilton, who counsels and represents many of our members when they have conflicts in their work places, says that members who are having challenges with labor unions are up 20–30 percent above the normal annual case load of a few years ago. This is not a nonissue that has gone away over time. Historically, Adventists have had a position of discouraging its members from joining unions. It appears that this position is still valid.

Once again, in the words of Hewlett Packard, we better ask ourselves, "Do we know what we already know?" •

¹ Wayne Judd, *Adventist Health Discussion Paper on Labor Unions*, April 2004.

² Linda Chavez and Daniel Gray, *Betrayal: How Union Bosses Shake Down Their Members and Corrupt American Politics*, Crown Forum, New York, N.Y., 2004.



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

Did You Know?

General Conference

Eike Müller and Rainer Wanitschek translate a session service into German. Professional translators from around the world translated every session meeting into 12 languages. Delegates could listen over earphones to the translation by tuning an FM radio to a specific frequency. ●



Besides the business of the 58th General Conference Session—elections of officers and departmental directors, discussions and voting—many sidebar moments took place. Here are just a few.

Church member Sir James Carlisle, governor general of Antigua and Barbuda, was recognized as a special guest at the session. During his short remarks, he related his experience of being knighted by Queen Elizabeth in Buckingham Palace after his convictions about Sabbath sacredness had caused him to decline an earlier opportunity to be knighted. John Gratz, GC PARL director, introduced him to the delegates and guests. ●



Once the Hope for the Big Cities offerings were collected during the two Sabbath worship hours, it took about 250 people hours to sort and count the money. Approximately \$155,000 was given in more than 10 different major national currencies, and many less well-known currencies, to plant new churches in the great cities of the world. ●



From left: Neil Wilson, retired Adventist world church president, has attended 15 Adventist church world sessions and every one since 1941. Kenneth Wood, retired Adventist Review editor, has attended 15 sessions since 1926. Bert Beach, retired religious liberty director, has attended 14 sessions. Roscoe S. Lowry, retired president of the Southern Asia region of the church, has attended 10 sessions beginning in 1936. Beach tells his friends that he was a page at the 1941 session.

Penny Shell's father, Norman Shell, president of Donco Steel and Erection, a division of MacDonald Construction Company, the general contractor for the project, was responsible for the inner steel structure of the Gateway Arch in St. Louis. Penny Shell, an attendee at the 58th General Conference Session from the Pacific Union, is the director of the Women's Resource Center at La Sierra University and the La Sierra University Church pastor for visitation.



A FAMILY AFFAIR

BY JERRY D. THOMAS

From where I sat in the press room of the Edward Jones Dome, six floors above the arena, the General Conference Session was a kaleidoscope of color, a thing of beauty. I could say to myself, “Look at my church. From this distance, the colors of skin and fabric blend together in a tapestry woven with love, bound by a commitment to a common mission. Ethnic or national origin is immaterial. It is a global church, God’s church on this earth.”

But it wasn’t until I was up close, on the front row next to the stage, surrounded by individuals who make up my church, that I realized its true beauty. It is not our blending together that is so remarkable. What is remarkable is that our blending does not erase our differences.

Those who think the Adventist Church is cult-like, that its members are somehow brainwashed into all thinking alike have not been to a church business session like this one. There are serious differences within our church and there is little hesitation to voice those concerns. During the business sessions, delegates found themselves in disagreement over policies, over statements, over individual words. It is clear that the Adventist Church does not function the same way in every church around the world and painfully obvious that all Adventists don’t think alike.

The evidence that this church is led by God is that in spite of our differences, we can come together and agree on elected leaders, statements of belief, and policy changes. We can argue, we can disagree—then we can worship together and move forward with our mission.

With his wife Kari beside him, Jan Paulsen accepts his election on July 1, 2005, as world president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.



Ella Simmons, Ed.D., the first woman to be elected as a General Conference general vice president, is introduced to the delegates by our president, Jere Patzer, nominating committee chair, and Jan Paulsen, General Conference president.



HIGHLIGHTS *of the* SESSION

THE REELECTION OF JAN PAULSEN

Elected to serve another five years as our church's leader, Paulsen called on Adventists to make their churches impact their communities. He continued his call for more involvement of youth in church decision-making. I was especially struck by a statement he made at his press conference when asked about trends in Adventist giving. Paulsen said, "No Adventist wants to meet Jesus with his banking account intact."

THE INCLUSION OF WOMEN IN CHURCH LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

This GC Session made history as the delegates elected the first woman to the position of GC vice president. Ella Simmons, former provost of La Sierra University and vice president of academic administration at Oakwood College, was elected to serve with responsibilities in the area of education. Later, Rosa Banks, former NAD director of human relations, was elected to serve as a GC associate secretary, also a first for women in our church. *These elections are recognition of the valuable contribution women are making in the administration of our world church.*

NEW STATEMENT OF BELIEF VOTED

The 28th fundamental belief voted—Growing in Christ—is not new, but it is a clear statement of our belief in God's power over evil forces in our world and the value of prayer and Bible study. This vote showed our recognition of differing needs in our global church, where



The city of St. Louis treated the General Conference delegates and guests to three nights of fireworks as a part of their 4th of July celebration.

some struggle daily with demonic powers. Even the last minute compromises on the exact words of the statement showed sensitivity to cultural differences.

ST. LOUIS' INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS

It was a treat for the delegates to be in St. Louis over the 4th of July weekend. The city's celebration stretched over three days, and the delegates were treated to air shows in the afternoon and fireworks displays after the evening meetings. The uniquely beautiful setting of the Arch and the Mississippi

Chiemela Ikonne, West-Central Africa Division education director, speaks to the delegates during a business meeting.



River made for treasured memories.

PARADE OF NATIONS

The high point of any GC Session is the Parade of Nations on the last Saturday night. Our church now has members in 204 of the 225 countries in this world, and representatives of each were proud to cross the stage and wave their flags as the crowd cheered and praised God for the miracle of seeing the gospel spread around the world. Like the opening ceremony of the Olympics, the flag bearers in their national costumes circled the floor of the auditorium as 40,000 Adventists waved glow sticks.

It was a sight to behold and a feeling that can barely be described. As the nations of each division cheered their flags, there was a sense of celebrating both what makes us all so different and what binds us so tightly together—our mission to the world.

In the end, what remains with me from the GC Session is a sense of how large our church is—not just because of the 13.9

million members or the more than 20 million people who worship in our churches each Sabbath. When I looked around that auditorium, through the hallways, and in the exhibit hall, I could see that our church is large enough to include people of differing races and cultures. It's large enough to include lovers of soy milk and lovers of cow's milk. Large enough for those who are opposed to women's ordination and those who see a place for women in leadership.

The 58th General Conference Session in St. Louis showed me the vast spectrum of people and practices within our church family. It made me proud to be a part of such a large family, proud to be a part of God's family on earth. •

Jerry D. Thomas, Southwestern Union Conference communication director, writes from Burleson, Texas.



Forming a kaleidoscope of color, more than 40,000 delegates and guests enjoy the worship service on Sabbath morning, July 9.

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NORTHWEST PEOPLE *in* ACTION

BY RICHARD DOWER

Many Northwest Adventists traveled to the 58th session of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, held in St. Louis, Missouri, June 30 to July 9. Some were delegates, others worked in booths in the exhibit hall, all were participants in many of the meetings, specialists worked as staff members on many administrative and media teams, and together they went there just to be a part of the General Conference (GC) experience.

GC sessions are held every five years to elect officers and departmental directors, to receive reports and to discuss and vote on issues. Ellen White wrote in *Testimonies*, Vol. 3, p. 492, that the General Conference . . . “is the highest authority that God has upon the earth . . . “She also wrote that, “The church, enfeebled and defective, needing to be reproved, warned, and counseled, is the only object upon Earth upon which Christ bestows His supreme regard” (*Testimonies to Ministers*, p. 49).

Does this mean that you can trust the decisions that were made during the GC session? Yes. Does this also mean that you can have confidence in the leadership of the church? Yes, but only when the leaders have surrendered their private independence and private judgment to the Lord.

How does the work of the GC in session get done, and why is it such a big event for the church? Perhaps this photo essay will help answer some of the questions. •

Richard Dower, GLEANER editor, writes from Vancouver, Washington.



Jere Patzer, NPUC president, and Ruth Farnsworth from Alaska were the two NPUC representatives on the GC nominating committee.



Jere Patzer, North Pacific Union Conference president, was selected by the members to be the chair of the nominating committee. It was his responsibility—along with, from left: Niels-Erik Andreassen, associate chair and Andrews University president; Harold Lee, associate secretary and Columbia Union Conference president; and Delbert Baker, nominating committee secretary and Oakwood College president—to bring the nominating committee report to the delegates from around the world. The committee’s work was to nominate the officers and departmental personnel of the General Conference and the administrators of the world divisions to serve for the next five-year term.



Emily Beth Bond, 12, from Condon, Montana, was a co-host for the Global Mission feature the first Sabbath afternoon of the GC Session and interviewed GC treasurer, Robert Lemon, about how the finances of the church support missionaries around the world.

Amy Schrader, Oregon Conference communication director, was on the public relations staff which published the daily newsletter and managed several events in the St. Louis community during the GC Session.



There were 18 North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC) delegates to the General Conference Session, including Jere Patzer, NPUC president, who led out in the caucus to choose the two NPUC representatives to the nominating committee.

North Pacific Union Conference Delegates

ADMINISTRATION

Jere Patzer, NPUC president
Bryce Pascoe, NPUC executive secretary
Norm Klam, NPUC treasurer
Ken Crawford, Alaska Conference president
Stephen McPherson, Idaho Conference president

John Loor Jr., Montana Conference president
Don Livesay, Oregon Conference president
Max Torkelsen II, Upper Columbia Conference president
John Freedman, Washington Conference president

DELEGATES AT LARGE (LAY MEMBERS)

Aurora Canals, Oregon
Gayle Harris, Montana
Bob Paulsen, Washington

LeRoy Washington, Washington
Ann Westermeyer, Oregon

NON-ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYEES

George Boundey, Montana
Ramon Canals, NPUC

Ruth Farnsworth, Alaska
Alphonso McCarthy, NPUC

GUESTS

Jon Dybdahl, Walla Walla College president

Erling Oksenholt, Oregon

The first order of business at a General Conference Session is for delegates to meet in their respective division caucuses to select their representatives to the nominating committee. Bryce Pascoe, NPUC executive secretary, hands the names of those selected by the NPUC delegates to Roscoe Howard, NAD executive secretary.



Robert Paulsen, a delegate from Washington, said that he considered it a privilege to be a delegate to the GC Session. "To me, it was important to be at every business session. Hopefully, the changes that were made will assist and improve the management and mission of the church," he said.



NPUC delegates George Boundey and Gail Harris from Montana and Ruth Farnsworth from Alaska (middle three people) listen carefully to the instructions during the caucus to choose the nominating committee members from the North American Division.

Using high-speed Internet technology, Mike Agee, one of 10 radio staff members at the GC Session and manager of KTSY in Caldwell, Idaho, worked to put daily news and feature broadcasts out to Adventist Radio Broadcaster's Association member stations around North America and the world.



Janet Evert from Inchelium, Washington, talks to some young people interested in the Young Disciple Ministries materials and mission. The Young Disciple Ministries booth was one of hundreds of booths visited by thousands of people in the exhibit hall.

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Richard Herard



Street art ministry leader Manny Cruz, from California, instructs Shaniya Bryant on the intricate details of graffiti art, one of many ministries generated by Impact St. Louis 2005. During the General Conference Session, 150 youth, ages 15–33, met at the University of Missouri, St. Louis campus for two hours of daily training each morning in 23 different areas of ministry. Then in the afternoon, they went out into various parts of the city to put their training to use.

Kay Blaklock, Riverside, California; Greg Nakashima, Portland, Oregon; Michael Polite, St. Louis, Missouri; Ruth Lisa Paul, Montreal, Quebec, Canada; and Joel Vaiti, Martinique, practice with their puppets during Impact St. Louis 2005. This training prepared the various delegates from around the world for a back-home outreach ministry.



Their official yellow voting cards held high, North America's delegates indicate their vote on one of the issues discussed during the session.



Melita Pujic



A reunion of present and former King's Heralds, the oldest continuous gospel quartet in the United States, performed at the July 8 Friday evening program.

Jere Wallack



From left: Stew Harty, Faith for Today television producer/director; Mark Brown, producer/director of several well-known Hollywood feature films, including "Barber Shop" and "Barber Shop 2;" and Karen Kirkland, producer/director with the Nickelodeon Channel, share the art of storytelling during a seminar at the SONscreen Film Festival. At the request of the General Conference president, this film festival was moved from its usual October date to coincide with the General Conference world session so more people would have the opportunity to see the work of talented, under-30 Adventist film makers.

From left, Chuck Sandefur, Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) president, presents checks to representatives of St. Louis charitable organizations. This money was the profit from the sale of items at ADRA's commercial booth. Sunny Schaefer of Operation Food Search accepts a check for \$10,000. Operation Food Search distributes 1.5 million pounds of food and household items each month. She said that 12 percent of the population of St. Louis is food insecure. Jim Clakson, Sunshine Ministries executive director, received a check for \$10,000. Sunshine Ministries is a shelter for homeless men. They plan to use the money to build a play school for disadvantaged children. Dawn Stringfield, Lydia's House executive director, received a check for \$10,000. Lydia's House is a shelter for abused women.

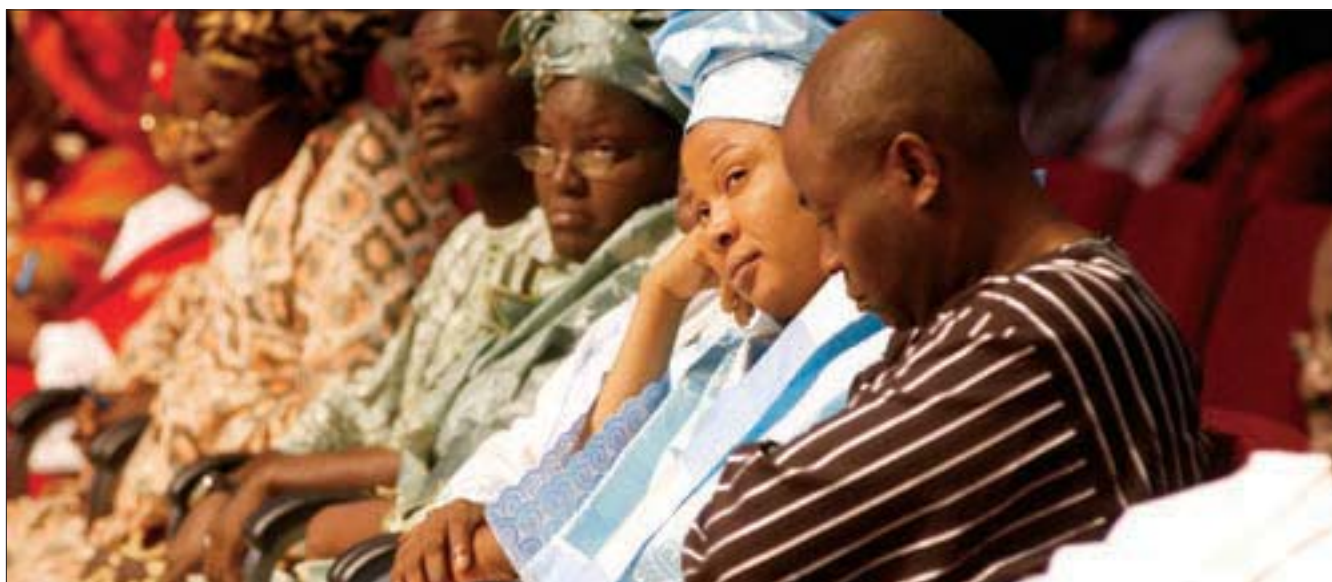


MORE PEOPLE & EVENTS

Many events took place simultaneously during the General Conference Session. Musical concerts, the SONscreen film festival, and Impact St. Louis 2005 were just a few. For more features, stories and pictures visit: www.adventistreview.org, nad.gcsession.org and news.adventist.org.



People came from all over the country to help teach children to love Jesus at the 58th Adventist Church world session in St. Louis.



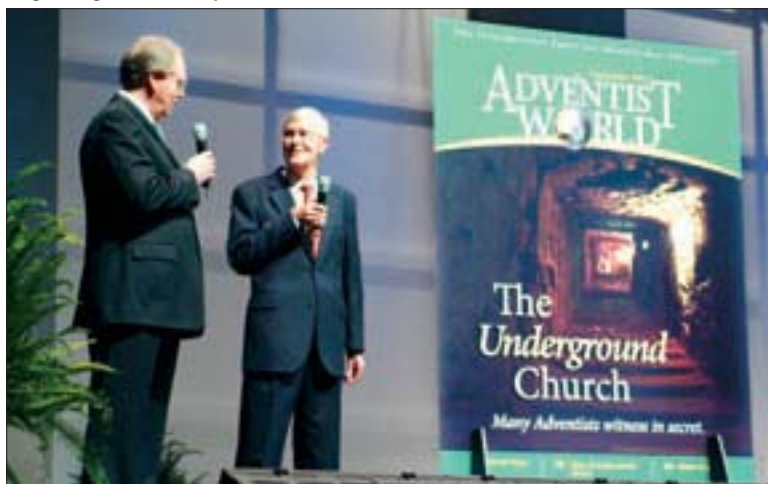
The West-Central Africa Division delegates wore their colorful traditional costumes on Sabbath. Native costumes provided a rainbow-hued pageant during the division reports from around the world.

Ron Quick



Joan and Merlin Fjarli from Medford, Oregon, were honored for their commitment to evangelism and church building in India during the Southern Asia Division report and again during the Global Mission feature on the first Sabbath. When asked about their love for India, Joan said that the people in India were thieves because they had stolen her heart.

William Johnsson, *Adventist Review* editor, presented Jan Paulsen, GC president, with a giant-sized mockup of the cover of a new magazine to be called *Adventist World*. This monthly magazine will be distributed to Adventist members, free of charge, throughout Asia, the South Pacific, northern Europe, the Americas and Africa beginning with the September issue.



Polish students gathered to march in a procession in honor of John Paul II.



Sylwek and Angelika were the two people who were baptized during the meetings in Poland.

Stalowa Wola residents lit candles and placed them along John Paul II Avenue.



POLAND, PRIESTS, POPES & PREACHING

The six mission-minded members from Florence, Oregon, teamed with the local Polish workers to conduct evangelistic meetings in Stalowa Wola and Tarnobrzeg.



The six of us from the Florence (Oregon) Church who arrived in Poland on March 29 had done everything within our power to prepare for our twin evangelistic campaigns. Months of training and planning were behind us. We had carefully researched the culture we would encounter as we conducted morning meetings in Tarnobrzeg and evening meetings in neighboring Stalowa Wola each day.

We knew before we left the airport in Warsaw that Roman Catholicism and Poland have been inseparable for centuries. We knew that Pope John Paul II was Polish, and that the Polish people identified particularly strongly with his papacy. We knew that roughly 95 percent of Poles are Catholics, and around 75 percent regularly attend mass. We had even heard that at least 25 percent of ordained Catholic priests in Europe today are Poles. We had been warned against identifying the Catholic Church in any explicit way in our public teachings on Biblical prophecy. There was no doubt in our minds that we were about to experience a Catholic culture in a big way.

We had no idea.

The visual impact of the churches is similar to that in other regions of Europe, with their roof lines and steeples soaring above the buildings around them. It is not uncommon to drive for hours and never be out of sight of a church. In contrast, in two cities, of 40,000 and 70,000, we have one organized church. It meets in a rented storefront with two rooms and a lavatory shared with other renters.

Our education continued when we met with the local congregation the Thursday evening before our meetings were to begin. We outlined our program, then invited questions. One that sticks in my mind asked if the American government was making any progress toward enforcing Sunday laws. As I probed the reasoning behind the question, it became clear that they identify Sunday laws in America as an indication that Jesus will return soon and deliver them from oppression. As I shared with them some perspectives on conditions elsewhere in the world, I saw a look of shock on their faces as they began to comprehend that in America, we do not live in constant fear of the local priests like they do.

The priests play a unique role in their society. If a priest opposes the renting of a room for public meetings, generally the

meetings will need a different site. We rented a room in our second city, thanks to the willingness of a landlord to resist the pressure. We learned later that the news of our scheduled meetings reached the local priests in advance, and they warned their members against any contact with the Adventists. The Catholic deacons assigned to each of the large apartment buildings in one of our cities went through and tore down our promotional posters in their buildings.

As we began our meetings on Friday we knew that the pope's health had been failing for several weeks. We anticipated that his death might have an effect on our effort, but there was no way to predict whether that might take place during our three-week visit. By Saturday night, we had completed our second full day of meetings. I was just drifting off to sleep when a knock came on the door, and one of my teammates told us that he had heard church bells ringing outside and turned on the BBC news to hear that the pope had died moments earlier.

My attention was centered on the mission we came to do, and it took a while before I began to absorb what a unique glimpse of this culture we were being given. School holidays were declared so students could march in processions. Portraits of John Paul appeared in the windows of homes and shops everywhere, draped in black. Somber and weeping people made their way to masses held throughout the day. No bright clothing was seen on the street for a week; no laughter or loud voices were heard in public. Many of the people seen on the street were carrying flowers or candles for the John Paul shrines that appeared everywhere. Every church had portraits of John Paul on the altars, draped in black, along with the icons of Mary and the saints. Many had bronze statues of John Paul outside, some had golden statues at the altars inside.

A public memorial mass was announced at the central cathedral in Stalowa Wola for Friday evening, just blocks from our hotel. I discovered at least 10,000 people standing in the front courtyard of the church around the statue, and spilling across the street in all directions. Many more were still on their way. Four lines of candles stretched for two kilometers down the avenue.

Priests preached, choirs sang, and excerpts from John Paul's speeches were played on loudspeakers. As the moment of his death,

six days earlier, approached, a bugler played taps, and the voice of that crowd repeating "Hail Marys" in unison could be physically felt as well as heard.

In the middle of all this, a small company of Seventh-day Adventists came out faithfully day by day to participate in evangelistic meetings. A handful of guests came regularly. Adventist teenagers eagerly gave handbills announcing our meetings to strangers they met on the streets. Adventists gave literature to business contacts, public officials, and hitchhikers picked up along the highways.



JoAnn Wheeler and Peggy Smitherman from Florence, Oregon, taught the children to sing "Father Abraham."

I knew that evangelism would be difficult in Poland. But when the local leader told me that he had never expected any baptisms during our meetings, I realized that I had still expected to be involved in "reaping." Everyone knows that mission trips mean baptisms, right? When I asked just what objectives he had in mind, he replied that he hoped we would encourage the believers in our two cities and strengthen the work of the gospel in that part of Poland. He reassured me that our visit met those objectives, plus two people were baptized and four people made public commitments to prepare for baptism.

I am humbled to think that anything our team might have said or done could encourage those Polish believers, working under such difficult circumstances. And I will rejoice to hear news that God's people in Poland are ready for the harvest. •

Lary Brown, Florence and Reedsport Church pastor, writes from Florence, Oregon

Fresh Start

The theme of the *Gleaner* this month reminds me of Kevin Costner and a restroom.

I'd better explain that. Some years ago I attended a game at the Forum to watch the Los Angeles Lakers host the New York Knicks. At halftime, my brother, Paul, and I were moseying toward center court when we spotted Kevin Costner. We gawked at the Hollywood superstar sitting no more than 20 feet away.

"Let's see if we can't get a little closer," I suggested.

"Great idea," Paul agreed.

Suddenly Costner got up and headed for a roped-off area on the main floor. Galloping toward a posse of security officers, I whispered to Paul, "Just follow him into that room. Act like we know where we are going, and don't look at anybody."

We eased into the restricted area like FBI agents at a crime scene. We slid through a tunnel of tinsel created by the Lakers dance team and watched Costner disappear through a stately, mahogany door—into a restroom.

Suddenly Kevin Costner looked *very* human. The big screen persona disappeared.

Famous people have always intrigued me. Of course, this isn't true only for Hollywood legends. I've long admired spiritual giants as well.

Take Ellen White, for example. To think of God calling a frail, 17-year-old girl to change the world is remarkable to me. She wrote more than

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50,000 pages of literature and sparked a prophetic movement and denomination that now includes nearly 15 million adherents around the world. It's no wonder that I stand in awe of this woman. Millions share my feelings of wonder and respect for her. Nevertheless, she was just a regular person.

Read up on the personal side of Ellen White, and you'll discover that she panicked when her 2-year-old son was dead for 20 minutes. She felt butterflies when she fell in love with James. She recoiled at the unsavory task of delivering a message of rebuke from God. She was as ordinary as you or me, with an extraordinary gift of prophecy.

To this day her legacy continues in the strong leadership of our church. I watched the 58th General Conference Session with great interest and admiration for our leaders. God is still calling

and empowering people in this church to change the world. Every day roughly 3,000 people join our church—reminiscent of Pentecost. Every decade our membership doubles. Why? Because God is working through thousands of leaders in our community of faith. The GC president, conference presidents, deacons, Sabbath School teachers, and millions of other common folk like you and me continue to work together to fulfill God's prophetic mission for this church.

Now and again I'll think of Kevin Costner and how ordinary he seemed when I saw him in real life. While I still admire him, seeing the real Kevin Costner clued me in that he's not much different from you or me. The same is true of Jan Paulsen and every other Seventh-day Adventist on earth. We're all ordinary people called by God to do extraordinary things.

It was no different for Ellen White. Read her stories for yourself, and I trust that you will see her not only as a prophet but also as a person. All in all, she was a legend with a brave heart. Yet she was as ordinary as a tin cup. •

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



John Kriegelstein



With threatening thunderstorms in the distance, Odea Sigh, Fairbanks pastor, waited patiently for pleasure boats to pass before Melody McDaniel and her two daughters, Megan and Tessa, joined God's family through baptism.

Summer Mission Extends Its Reach

For the sixth consecutive year, nine people sponsored by the Delta Junction/Tok District made the trek to Shungnak via Adventist World Aviation aircraft. This Eskimo village of 350 people, situated north of the Arctic Circle on the banks of the Kobuk River, has become more and more receptive and connected to these yearly

Mission work in Selawik was begun in the 1930s and 40s by early Adventist flying missionaries. The first baptisms took place in the Selawik River. Several young people from the village spent some years at the Bristol Bay Mission School during the 50s and 60s. In this growing village of some 950 people there are currently only about

15 members, but many local people have a connection to the church via family affiliation. "Why don't you come back and have regular leadership here? You have a lot of members here!" was heard frequently as the mission team walked the board-walk streets of the village

This mission trip once again illustrated the crying need of North American missions.

As indigenous people worldwide have developed a global view, their desire for an understanding of biblical truth has increased. Alaska needs committed young people willing to invest several years of their lives living in an Alaskan village working side-by-side with these people while being Spirit led to prepare them for Jesus' soon return.

For more information or to obtain an application, contact the Alaska Conference at (907) 346-1004. •

Jim Kincaid, Alaska native ministries director

returning missionaries. It is amazing to see how taking the time to learn a child's name and to remember the child's birthday with a card can make a difference.

After spending five days in Shungnak, the mission team was transported to Selawik for four days of VBS, building improvements and general cleanup. No Adventist mission team had been in Selawik for many years.



Adventist World Aviation pilots and folks from Wasilla, Palmer, Delta Junction, and Fairbanks ready themselves for flight beyond the Arctic Circle.

Interior Camp Energizes Members

John Kriegelstein



"Jesus" distributed loaves and fishes to the primary children at Alaska's interior camp meeting July 16.

"I don't have to protect what is mine because it is God's," said Byron Dulan, guest speaker for the Alaska interior camp meeting held July 14-16 at Harding Lake state campground, halfway between Fairbanks and Delta Junction on the Alaska Highway. "The trouble is we are trying to do heavenly things with human resources," Dulan continued. "Success doesn't depend on others or resources; it depends on obedience."

Dulan, Washington Conference Adventist Community Services and regional affairs director, called the 160 attendees from Fairbanks, North Pole, Delta Junction and Tok to action. He encouraged the attendees to minister to the outcasts of society and to the strangers within our midst.

One of the highlights of the weekend was the baptism in Harding Lake on Sabbath afternoon of Melody McDaniel and her two daughters, Megan and Tessa. They are joining the Fairbanks Church. •

Jim Kincaid, Alaska Conference executive secretary



Kids listen attentively as Jeanne Jarnes teaches them about Africa's wild animals.

“Kingdom of the Son” Comes to Caldwell

Children from the Treasure Valley took a walk on the wild side at Kingdom of the Son Vacation Bible School held at the Caldwell Adventist Church July 18–22. During this spectacular prayer safari kids journeyed through the Serengeti—the magnificent grassland region of Tanzania and Kenya. They discovered exotic animals, created safari crafts, played exciting games, sang upbeat songs and enjoyed delicious safari snacks!

And while kids were having safari fun, they also learned to talk to God as they explored the Lord’s Prayer, and went on an expedition into the pages of God’s Word.

“We had an average of 50 children per day,” says Becky Bindernagel, director, “and 12 of those children were unchurched. We included a salvation message in every lesson to help lead kids to Jesus.”

At the Friday evening graduation ceremony, 48 students received their

graduation certificates and free tickets to the Boise Zoo as their prize for perfect attendance. “The kids were so excited!” says Jeanne Jarnes, teacher. “To them it seemed like they had won a million bucks!”

Travis, a VBS student, said, “I never knew what the Lord’s Prayer was until I came to VBS. Now I know how to pray and talk to God myself.” •

Becky Bindernagel, Caldwell Church VBS director



Nicole Franklin teaches the Bible lesson, letting the children know that God listens, provides, forgives, protects and rules, and that they can talk to Him.

Gem State Science Teacher Identifies and Names New Species of Shrimp

Who’d guess that the famous Scripps Institution of Oceanography, one of the oldest, largest, and most important centers for marine science research, graduate training, and public service in the world, would contact a teacher right on the Gem State Adventist Academy campus to confirm a possible new species of sea shrimp?

That is just what happened to Robert Wasmer, Ph.D., Gem State Adventist Academy science professor and a recognized world expert on shrimp *taxonomy*, the identification and naming of oceanic pelagic shrimps and their parasites.

The new species is described and illustrated in the April 26 issue of *Proceedings of the Biological Society of Washington*, at the National Museum of Natural History (or Smithsonian Institution) in Washington, D.C.

Wasmer received his Ph.D. in invertebrate zoology, with an emphasis in biological oceanography, from Oregon State University. He has published 12 previous papers dealing with shrimps from oceanographic expeditions conducted in the North and South Pacific Ocean, the South Atlantic Ocean, the Indian Ocean, and the Antarctic Ocean. These studies have resulted in the description of five other new species of

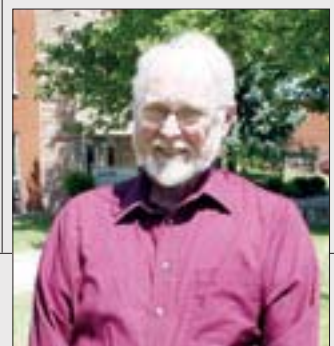
shrimps and the redescription of two others.

Wasmer previously taught for 27 years at colleges in Alabama and Maryland before moving to Idaho to return to teaching at the high school level. He hopes to be able to continue to publish in his chosen field of expertise. He has specimens of two other not yet described species on which to work. Such research gives him the opportunity to communicate with scientists from Russia, France, Japan, and other countries. “I find it intellectually rewarding,” says Wasmer. “It gives me the opportunity to make a contribution to science.”

To find out about the Gem State Adventist Academy science program, including two college-level classes, visit www.gemstate.org; or call (208) 459-1627. •

Debra McCarver, GSAA GLEANER correspondent, with Robert Wasmer, GSAA science teacher

Robert Wasmer, world renowned expert on shrimp taxonomy, is a science professor at Gem State Adventist Academy.





Gary Swanson, Collegiate Bible Study Guide editor, visited the Ronan Church in May to honor six church members who authored lessons in CQ for the second quarter 2005.

Special Guest Comes to Ronan

The Ronan Church was privileged to have Gary Swanson, from the GC Sabbath School/personal ministries department, as a guest speaker all day Sabbath May 14. Swanson is the editor of CQ, formerly known as Collegiate Quarterly. The purpose for his visit was to honor six Ronan Church members who authored lessons in the second quarter's CQ. Those members are: Katie Baer, Cheryl Des Jarlais, Lorraine Frost, Donna Peck, Nancy Rider, and Betty Toews. Sabbath afternoon, Swanson held a very informative Sabbath School workshop. •

Laurie McElvain, Ronan Church communication leader

Kalispell Baby Dedication

During His ministry, Jesus took the little children, brought to Him by their mothers, in His arms and blessed them.

Four Kalispell families brought their little children to be dedicated to Jesus on May 28 in the Kalispell Church—Andrew and Sarah Hohnberger for baby Landon, James and Becky Mularczyk and little brothers Zack and Josh for baby Luke, Allen and Darlene Schott for little Wynter, and Matt and Ronda Thomas and little sisters Rebecca and Rachel for young Eli.

Prior to the dedication prayers, the parents and the church family pledged to do their part to guide, train, teach, and pray for the little ones



From left: Matt and Donna Thomas family, James and Becky Mularczyk family, Allen and Darlene Schott, and Andrew and Sarah Hohnberger family.

to live, serve, and obey their loving Master, Jesus.

Pictures of the families were shown on the screen as Tayler Bond and his father, Mark,

sang “Jesus Loves Me” and “I Want To Be Just Like You.” •

Velma Beacon, Kalispell Church assistant communication leader

The Gift of Life Mount Ellis Academy Hosts Blood Drive

Emily McFadden, a senior at Mount Ellis Academy, donated blood along with her schoolmates on Wednesday, March 30. MEA hosted a blood drive with the American Red Cross at the MEA gym. Faculty, students, MEA parents, and local-area businesspeople donated time and blood to help the Red Cross.

“My grandmother died recently, and her life was extended because of people who donated blood. It made me want to help someone else,” McFadden said. She was really nervous about donating because she is uncomfortable around needles, but afterwards she realized how little it hurt and how much good she could do easily.

MEA was honored to play a part to help save lives and plans to continue hosting the blood drive in the future. “I encourage everyone that can donate blood to do it. It feels so good to help people,” said Megan Dale, a junior at MEA. Dale was one of several MEA students that walked the streets of downtown Bozeman recruiting potential donors from the local businesses. The event brought the community together in service at MEA. •

Stephanie Halvorsen, MEA sophomore.

“I encourage everyone that can donate blood to do it, it feels so good to help people.”

MONTANA

We Are the Pathfinders Strong

I came to church one Pathfinder Sabbath and noticed a deacon looking at my green uniform with red, gold, white, and blue patches; multicolored award ribbons; and honor patches with honors of practically every color of the rainbow. I laughed and told him, “I bet you can’t guess what my ministry is!”

Even though we stand out in a crowd, we are sometimes known as the “quiet ministry,” (Not that Pathfinders are quiet!) because unless it is Pathfinder Sabbath or we take part in helping out in a church function, our ministry is not seen on a weekly basis by the average church member. And then, some churches don’t even have Pathfinder clubs.

Some years ago, some discussion was even voiced about the relevance of the Pathfinder program. After all, how relevant is it to the TV, MP3, computer, video-game-playing 10- to 16-year-old to wear a uniform, march, learn braiding and wilderness skills?

Our relevance is what we do, and how we impact young lives. We teach biblical values in worships. We take part in Bible Achievement competitions, where we are tested on one book of the Bible. Our staff models Christian values to the children. We have a program where no child can fail, unless they choose to.

Pathfinders is a supportive place where a child is always loved. It is a consistent program where staff members are always there for the Pathfinder, no matter what chaos of problems, divorce,

etc., may be happening at home.

Many times I have had young men and women in their 20s and 30s come up to me and tell me how much they appreciated the Pathfinder program when they were members, because it was their only “port in the storm” of their lives. They felt needed and loved and found stability when they so desperately needed it.

The Pathfinder program teaches Christian leadership and gives Pathfinders leadership responsibilities as soon as they show they can handle them. Many Pathfinders go on to become

leaders in school, church, and society because of the skills and confidence the program has given them.

Why do we march? It’s fun! It teaches discipline, teamwork, and cooperation like little else does. It is also an excellent way to organize a group of people.

The program is constantly changing. Our uniforms have changed, the class work is constantly being updated, and the honors are updated and new honors are written every year. We now have new honors in computers, blood and body defenses, basketball and the Sanctuary, to name a few.

Pathfinders is open to all children 10–16, and soon that will be extended to age 19, if they pledge to live by the Pathfinder Pledge and Law. Living by this code, which we repeat every week, is what makes us special, especially in a world that has no code of conduct.

There is a saying: “Pathfinder membership is not a right, it is a privilege.” Unfortunately, not every child can be a Pathfinder member. A very few cannot live by the code and cannot discipline themselves enough to obey their counselors and staff, even with the help of the parents and staff working together to help them. No child should ever be forced to be in Pathfinders who doesn’t want to be there.

Pathfinders is a special ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. It is fun! Children learn skills they would learn nowhere else, and they are always challenged to improve. They take part in camporees, fairs, campouts and special events. Above all, they draw closer to Jesus, to each other, and to Christian staff members. They become members of a “family” that is a world-wide ministry.

“We are the Pathfinders strong. The servants of God are we,” the Pathfinder song tells us. Some day in heaven we will all get together and march in perfect step, shoulder-to-shoulder down the golden streets, just for old-time’s sake! •

Jeffrey Ward, Gresham Pathfinder director

Big Lake Youth Camp’s rock wall was a major attraction for Pathfinders of all ages.



Amy L. Schrader

The Central Point Samoan Club was a crowd favorite during the fancy drill competition. With unique moves and catchy rhythm, nobody could tell they had practiced only one month.



Suzanne Bustemante, East Salem Club chaplain, instructs visitors to her club's booth in the finer points of braiding.

Donna Kennedy of the Roseburg club introduces her albino rosy boa to visitors at her club's reptile display.



Pathfinder Fair 2005 Theme: Chains of Love

May 15, 2005
Linn County Fair and Expo Center
Albany, Oregon



Monte Torkelsen, Jeff Deming and Don Livesay salute the clubs as the Pathfinder parade passes by.

The food booths, providing everything from pronto pups to pie to cotton candy, were bustling with hungry customers.



More than 600 Pathfinders and staff from 33 clubs participated in the 2005 Oregon Conference Pathfinder Fair. Cindy Lou Bailey's 11-year-old son (Roseburg Club) didn't know Pathfinders was so big. "It helps him have a bigger view of our church—that's really awesome!"

Photos by Amy L. Schrader



Both the Lebanon and the Sweet Home churches came together to celebrate the dedication of their new pastor. From left: Garrett Wright, Sweet Home head elder; Randy Robinson, Oregon Conference vice president for finance; Allan Nielsen; and Karl Brower, Lebanon head elder.

Unusual Situation Brings Rejoicing

to Sweet Home and Lebanon Churches

On Sabbath, July 9, a rare event occurred at the Sweet Home Church: a young pastor was installed in his first district after serving as interim pastor there for six months. “You don’t often see this,” said Randy Robinson, Oregon Conference vice president for finance, who served as the conference representative at the dedication service. “But at such a young age, Allan Nielsen has demonstrated a very clear call to pastoral ministry.”

Nielsen completed a Master of Divinity degree from Andrews University in 2004 and came by request to serve as the interim pastor for the Sweet Home and Lebanon churches, while they searched for a new full-time minister. As his term of service drew to a close, the churches’ search committee had narrowed the

list of candidates to three; Nielsen was third on that list. However, before the committee could even interview the other two individuals, they had chosen other ministry opportunities. “If the Lord shut two doors, He must have opened the door for Allan Nielsen,” said Karl Brower, Lebanon Church head elder. “We didn’t even interview; we just accepted him.”

According to Brower, Nielsen is a very spiritual pastor who is deeply committed to and involved in his churches. “His sermons are thought-provoking, and he supports church programs. I hope we can keep him for a few years.” •

Amy L. Schrader, Oregon Conference communication director

A New Church Is Born

The congregations of both Hazel Dell and Ridge Dell churches met together in a joint business meeting on July 25, and voted to become one congregation under the name Whipple Creek Seventh-day Adventist Church.

This new church, currently under construction, is located on the former Ridge Dell property at 302 N.W. 179th St., Ridgefield, Wash., directly across 179th Street from the Clark County Fairgrounds.

The merging of the two churches seemed an impossible dream until a mold problem developed at the Ridge Dell Church. Extensive work was needed to remove the mold and mildew, and Hazel Dell invited Ridge Dell to worship with them until the problem could be solved.

Both churches found how much they enjoyed and needed each other. The Hazel Dell Church members met at their regular monthly meeting in June and were amazed when—

after being asked by Donavon Kack, church pastor, how they liked meeting together—all the board members indicated they would like to make meeting together permanent. It did not take Pastor Kack very long to bring back word that the Ridge Dell board was very receptive to this proposition.

In a very short time, the proposal was submitted to a joint business meeting of the two churches, and the vote was unanimous. Each member joyfully voted to merge the two groups into the Whipple Creek Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Worship services will continue at the Hazel Dell location until Whipple Creek is ready for occupancy. The target date to jointly occupy the new building is Sept. 9, when the church will begin their *Revelation Now* evangelistic series with Jac Colon. •

Euna Givens, Whipple Creek Church communication leader

The Hazel Dell and Ridge Dell churches have decided to join forces and become one congregation to be known as the Whipple Creek Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Tina Shafer



Are You In?

For more than 100 years, Adventists have accepted, adopted, and promoted healthful living as a lifestyle, and today the world recognizes us as a valuable resource.

Adventists are a unique group for health research because we are similar in many characteristics and behaviors. That is, we have similar beliefs and religious practices, and we are non-smokers; yet, we have different diets. These differences in diet among North American Adventists make them ideal subjects for health research.

From the first Adventist Health Study, which took place in the 1970s, the medical community has learned that eating plenty of fruits and vegetables reduces the risk of cancer, and eating nuts reduces the risk of heart disease.

Once again, Adventists are being asked to participate in health research. Adventist Health Study-2 researchers are looking for Adventist participants who are at least 35 years of age and have a variety of health habits.

The overall goal is to get 200,000 participants. Another 25,000 need to enroll before Nov. 1, 2005, to ensure continued NIH funding for the analysis phase of the project. The Oregon Conference needs almost 1,700 more people to participate to reach our goal.

To enroll in the Adventist Health Study-2, contact the Oregon Conference health ministries department at (503) 652-2225; or go to www.ahs2.org.

Let's do our part to reach the goal! •

Marilyn Renk, Oregon Conference health ministries director

Canyonville Women's Ministries Hosts Community Women

In honor of Mother's Day, the Canyonville Church fellowship hall buzzed with excitement as ladies began to arrive, wearing hats and dressed in their best, bringing their own favorite china tea cups and saucers to sip herbal tea. The ladies were seated at the delicately decorated tables as church musicians provided live background music.

Attendees enjoyed delicacies such as edible fresh flowers with delicate tea sandwiches, scones with Devonshire cream, fresh fruit,



Betty Skeels, Nellie James and Ruth Harder sing a cappella at the afternoon tea put on by the Canyonville women's ministries team.

and dozens of mini desserts. The tea party program included musical numbers, and surprise gifts were given

out to those who found a "lady" bug under the top of their place mats.

According to Jo Sanders, tea coordinator, there were 90 in attendance. Martha Chaffin filled her table with three generations of family from California and Oregon. Adventist women invited their friends from the community. All the food was prepared by the women's ministries team, and God provided a lovely day. •

Martha Chaffin, Canyonville Church communication leader

Christi Nelson-Oberg Ordained/Commissioned *Portland Girl Now Senior Pastor of Calimesa Church*

A former Portland area resident, Christi Nelson-Oberg, now of Grand Terrace, Calif., was ordained/commissioned to the gospel

Christi Nelson-Oberg, a Vancouver native, was ordained/commissioned to the gospel ministry June 11 at the La Sierra Church, Riverside, Calif.



ministry June 11, 2005, at the La Sierra University Church, Riverside, Calif. Oberg is the daughter of LeRoy and Ruth Nelson, 40-year residents of Vancouver, Wash., and daughter-in-law of Calvin and Ethelyn Oberg, residents of Forest Grove, Ore., for the past 30 years.

Oberg took up leadership responsibilities as the senior pastor of the 1,240-member church in Calimesa, Calif., 100 miles east of Los Angeles, on April 1.

Oberg completed a master's degree in religion, New Testament and ethics in May

2005 at La Sierra University. She received a degree in nutrition from Walla Walla College in 1983 and another undergraduate degree in religious studies from La Sierra University in 2000.

Oberg is the mother of two teen-age girls who attend Redlands Adventist Academy. Her husband, Kerby Oberg, M.D., is on the faculty of the Loma Linda University School of Medicine. •

Don Roth, retired General Conference associate secretary, now serving as Calimesa Church communication leader

Yellow House Float Enters in Estacada 4th of July Parade

On the morning of July 4, two years of planning, dreaming and just wishful thinking finally became reality.

The crew from the Yellow House, which houses Estacada Adventist Community Services, started early in the morning to put the finishing touches on the Yellow House float for the Estacada 4th of July parade. Someone had suggested that the old ugly green trash trailer could become a float. It was cleaned, sanded and painted yellow. Church members put a roof on it and refurbished it.

During the parade, three Yellow House ladies rode in



Arlea Stern waves to the crowd from the Yellow House float.

back of the pickup and threw out small stuffed animals for the kids. A couple of the adults and several children passed

out more than 1,000 little paper Yellow Houses with our mission statement printed on them.

The following week two ladies came to the Yellow House and asked to tour our church. One of the ladies had an Adventist mother. They said they would be back for church. We also had a call from another lady, as a direct result of the float, offering remnants from an estate sale.

A lot of people said that they had not heard of us before. We are looking forward to more evangelistic programs that build on the Yellow House this year. •

Wesley Clark, Estacada head elder and participant in planning and construction

Fall Creek Centennial

A centennial celebration was held at the former Unity Methodist Church in Fall Creek, Ore. The joint service was attended by more than 130 Methodists, Seventh-day Adventists and friends on Saturday, May 7. Many former members traveled from distant parts of the state to attend.

Built about 1904–05, the church was owned by the Methodist Church for more than 70 years. In 1973, the building was rented and later purchased by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, which owns and operates it today.

The two-part program started with a chronology of the church followed by a

narrative history of facts about the church over the last century. The narrative was accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation of baptisms in nearby Fall Creek, weddings, familiar faces, burning of the mortgage and other interesting moments in the life of the church. Songs, such as “The Old Country Church” performed by talented vocalists punctuated the presentation. Nine members of the audience whose lives spanned several generations shared their recollections. The first half of the program closed with the audience standing, holding hands, and singing “Side by Side We Stand,” led by a guitar trio and piano.

The worship service featured keynote speaker Dwight K. Nelson, Pioneer Memorial Church senior pastor, Berrien Springs, Mich. Nelson recounted how this church was his first pastorate after graduating from the seminary 30 years ago. Several other ministers who had served in this church as young men also participated in the program, and a number of guests responded to the appeal, making decisions for Christ. A roll call of the generations concluded the service.

As the near-capacity crowd left the historic church, each guest tolled one peal on the



Nealy 140 Methodists, Adventists, friends and family gathered at the Fall Creek Adventist Church for the centennial services.

belfry bell, rendering a 100-bell salute to the old building. After a group photograph on the church steps, the guests enjoyed a fellowship luncheon together. •

Cedric Hayden, head elder and amateur local historian

Upper Columbia Conference Celebrates 125 years

The Upper Columbia Conference celebrated its 125th anniversary in the Walla Walla Valley the weekend of June 17–18, at Walla Walla College. The celebration took place at the church’s annual camp meeting and included a dramatization depicting how the church was organized in 1880 and what life was like for people in the Walla Walla Valley in those days. There was also an 1880s-style Sabbath School and several other historical features.

The dramatization featured full costumes and language used at the 1880 camp meeting in Milton, Ore., which was attended by two of the worldwide Adventist Church’s founders, Ellen G. White and Stephen Haskell. At that time, the Walla Walla Valley had just four Adventist churches and 119 members and was considered a very remote frontier.

On Sabbath morning, the Sabbath School was conducted the way it would have been in the 1880s. “Much has changed since then,” says



Gerald Haeger, Herman Schreven, Kathy Marson and Gordon Pifer were among several Upper Columbia Conference office staff members who participated in the dramatization of a story about how Seventh-day Adventists in the inland Northwest organized the Upper Columbia Conference.

Doug Johnson, historian, “but we still conduct camp meetings and look forward to the return of Jesus.”

Those who attended camp meeting received

a free historical booklet with a decade-by-decade history of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the inland Northwest. The booklet contains nearly 100 historical photographs from around the Upper Columbia Conference.

A self-guided history tour package was also created to guide people to Adventist historical sites throughout the inland Northwest. The history tour package is available through Upper Columbia Adventist Book Center stores. It includes directions to 64 historical sites as well as audiotapes and audio CDs with human-interest stories for each location. Many of

the sites also have geocaches for those interested in the geocaching sport.

The keynote speaker for the two-day event was Jim Nix, Ellen G. White Estate director. Speaking on Friday and Sabbath evenings, he shared many inspirational stories from the life of Ellen White and other historical church information. During his meetings on Friday night, an old-fashioned pump organ was used to play hymns that were special favorites of James and Ellen White.

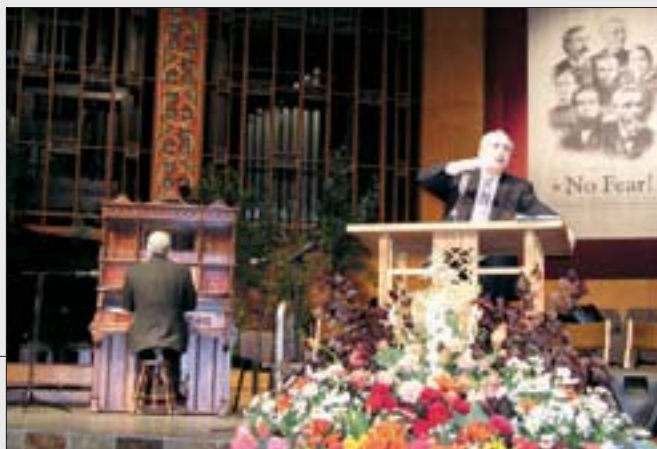
All of the living, current and former Upper Columbia Conference presidents shared their memories of UCC ministry at special meeting on Sabbath afternoon. Former conference presidents Richard Fearing and Don Reynolds also presented the Sabbath School lesson at the Walla Walla College Church and the College Place Village Church respectively.

Former conference president Jere Patzer, now the North Pacific Union Conference president, spoke for the worship service in the Walla Walla College Church.

The Sabbath afternoon service concluded with a reunion concert of about 40 former members of the WWC Messengers, a Walla Walla College men’s quartet, directed by Mike Loewen, that toured the Pacific Northwest on behalf of the college. •

UCC communication department

Jim Nix shares stories about James and Ellen White’s favorite hymns, which were played by Lyle Hatley on an old fashioned pump organ.



UCA Team Emphasizes Outreach

"The Bible says that whatever you do, do it for the glory of God," says Faith Sparrow, student captain of the Upper Columbia Academy gymnastics team, "so when we do gymnastics, we do it to honor God." Under Coach John Soulé and his student leaders, the team has had many opportunities to witness.

Their reputation for captivating performances has resulted in invitations to do half-time shows at three area universities/colleges: Eastern Washington University, for their Eagles' basketball team; Whitworth college, operated by the Presbyterians, for their Missionaries basketball team; and for a sold-out crowd at the Catholic-operated Gonzaga University for their very popular and successful Zags basketball team. At all their performances, while the team rolls out the mats, the announcer reads an introduction to the team that includes the explanation that they are from Upper Columbia Academy, a Seventh-day

Adventist Christian boarding school.

The team also enjoys getting around to both Adventist and public elementary schools. One special performance this last year was at the All-Nations Center in Wapato for Native American children. Another was for HOPE Taskforce, UCA's community service program, at Broadview Elementary School, a public school in Spokane. In both cases, the team combined their show with a mini-clinic, teaching the younger students about safety and spotting as well as about trust, choosing good friends and being positive leaders.

UCA has hosted two one-day clinics on campus. Due to extreme snow conditions, the most recent one brought in only about 75 people, but the first one attracted nearly 300. The team's 43 members practice four times each week. •

Cheri Corder, UCA GLEANER correspondent

The UCA 2004–05 gymnastics team performs to honor God.



Gary and Ilene Evans stand with Max Torkelsen II, Upper Columbia Conference president, after Gary's ordination service in Republic.

Gary Evans Ordained in Republic

Gary Evans, pastor of the Republic and Grand Coulee churches, was ordained to the gospel ministry on June 11, 2005, in Republic, Wash. Early in life he was introduced to ministry by his father, who served as an Adventist pastor in the Northwest. Though initially drawn to this type of work, he later strayed from both God and the church.

Years later, Evans and his wife, Ilene, joined a Seventh-day Adventist Church in Oregon, and in time Evans felt called to follow in his father's footsteps. Though he had worked as a respiratory therapist for more than 20 years, he stepped out in faith and began serving as a lay pastor in western Oregon. In 2001, Gary started full-time ministry in the Upper Columbia Conference at his present location.

Describing his ministry focus, Evans points to three areas of special interest. He wants to help people deepen their relationship with God and help his churches become healthier congregations with a passion for the unchurched. He also believes that it is important for Adventists to interact frequently and in a variety of ways with the community in an attempt to uplift Jesus.

The ordination service was well attended by family, church members and conference leaders. During the service, Evans pointed to the power of God to take a prodigal son and make him a shepherd of the flock. •

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

Teen Pathfinders Discover “Rock-Solid Faith”

Teen Pathfinders in the Upper Columbia Conference learned all about rock climbing, what faith is, and how to step out in faith at the Teen Extreme rock-climbing event April 8–10 at Horse Thief Butte, Wash.

Instead of just hearing about what faith is, the participants experienced what it means to trust someone: first by being led blindfolded, then by falling backward and trusting the group to catch them, and eventually by leaning away from the cliff, trusting

the rope, and rappelling down the rock.

This is the second year that the Upper Columbia Conference has sponsored the event, organized by Rick Pummel of Walla Walla and taught by Bob Gaede and Glen Campbell of Hillsboro, Ore. Gaede and Campbell have been holding this event for the past nine years in the Oregon Conference and for the past two years for the Upper Columbia Conference. The participating teens and adults were able to earn their rock-climbing honor during the weekend.

Just like the climber learns to trust the person holding the rope by leaning his weight on it,

so the Christian learns to trust God by getting to know Him and then stepping out in faith and following His instructions. As we experience following God, we learn to trust Him more and more and are able to take bigger and bigger steps in faith, just like the climbers were able to climb higher and higher as they learned to trust the person securing the rope.

Other Teen Pathfinder Extreme events that Pummel puts on throughout the year include caving and mountain biking. The idea, according to Pummel, is to use fun, physically challenging activities to teach spiritual lessons, acting on the premise that kids learn



Kylie Phillips learns to trust the rope while rappelling.

by experiencing much better than by just listening. The next upcoming event will be mountain biking, Oct. 7–9. •

Rusty Hottal, Republic Church Pathfinder director

Ordained To Be an Instrument for God

Family is important to Calixto Ruiz, pastor of the Grandview, Sunnyside and Mattawa churches in Upper Columbia Conference.

And family gathered at his ordination—both immediate family and the larger church family. Ruiz was ordained at the Spanish camp meeting

on Sabbath, June 18, at Walla Walla Valley Academy.

“My main goal is to be an instrument in the hands of God,” said Ruiz, “I want God to prepare me in the area of family relationships.” Pastor Ruiz and his wife Ninfa have three children—Nancy, 16, Anabel, 14, and Eric Daniel, 12.

The three Ruiz children, playing the piano, flute and violin, performed, “Friends” and “Hoy Tu Nombre al la Vare” at the ordination ceremony. They often use their musical talents in their

church, assisting their father in ministry.

Ruiz was born in Mexico City in 1962. He graduated from the University of Montemorelos in 1994. In 1996 he worked in Fertile Valley, Nev., as a Bible instructor and in 1998 as a pastor in Ogden, Utah. In 2000 he came to the Upper Columbia Conference as pastor of the Grandview, Sunnyside and Mattawa churches. •

Kathy Marson, Upper Columbia Conference communication department secretary

At his ordination, Calixto Ruiz and his wife Ninfa and their children are surrounded by conference officers and friends.

Isaac Schlittenhart



International Children's Care Drilling Project

What is a 1942 GMC military truck drilling rig with an Oregon company's name on it doing at an Adventist school in rural Guatemala? It is drilling wells for International Children's Care. The drilling project is a result of the providence of God and the efforts of several dedicated families in the Upper Columbia Conference.

International Children's Care is a non-profit organization started by Ken and Alcyon Fleck of Vancouver, Wash. ICC operates orphanages in 17 countries and several primary and secondary schools. The largest secondary school ICC operates in Guatemala is near Poptun. That facility consists of Los Pinos, an elementary school for about 160 children, and Instituto de Capacitacion Adventista del Peten, a secondary school with nearly 350 students. About 700 students, staff and their families live on the ICC campus.

This well-drilling project culminates a four-year effort to solve a serious water problem. The river water, on which the people had depended for many years, became contaminated. Many efforts were made and a lot of money was spent to solve this problem, but they all failed. So the Bartholomew family of Spokane sought help from their fellow tradesmen in the well-drilling industry.

God inspired people to be generous, and a well-maintained drilling rig, tools, pumps and equipment were



Gary and Rod Bartholomew and Donaldo Lopez work on the well.

donated to ICC. The rig was transported to Houston, placed on a ship to Guatemala and moved miraculously through the Guatemala customs process. Day after day God's leading was evident.

From January to March 2005, several members of the Bartholomew family, Glen and Michelle Frachiseur and their daughter Holly, and Tim and Annette Rasmussen traveled to Guatemala to help with this project. By the grace of God, there are now three wells on the ICC campus, producing

150 gallons of clean water per minute. For the first time in many years, the children of Los Pinos and ICAP can drink water from the faucets without fear of illness.

The Guatemala Well Project has plans to drill wells for the people in nearby villages, where they can make friends and share the gospel. For more information, contact Gary Bartholomew at (509) 466-5075. •

Annette Rasmussen, well project participant

Living Water Servant Evangelism

It was a lovely Sabbath morning on May 14 when the members of the Zillah (Wash.) Community Church handed out free bottles of water to hot, thirsty people during the annual Zillah Days Parade.

In the past, the Zillah Community Church closed their doors during the Zillah Days Parade because the roads coming and going from the church are closed for the parade. About three years ago, the members decided to do something for the community during this time, since the parade goes right by the church.

This is the third year the church has handed out water. The passing parade participants stretched out their arms in anticipation of receiving the cold refreshing water we provided. Unfortunately, we ran out of water (10 cases) before the parade was half finished.

This event has become a blessing for both the Zillah Community Church members and the Zillah community. •

Saundra Parker-Trzinski, Zillah Church secretary

Jasmine quickly gives the water to these thirsty young ladies on their float.



Spanish Women's Retreat, First Ever Held in Washington Conference, a Success

Wilma Bing

Washington Conference recently held its first women's retreat for the

Wilma Bing



Miriam Gonzales, White Memorial Church pastor from Los Angeles, Calif., energetically preached throughout the weekend.

rapidly growing Spanish membership. The retreat, held May 14 at the Holiday Inn in Renton, Wash., was planned to accommodate 140 women. However, more than 175 women registered and attended the event.

The theme of the event was "Sweet Fragrance." Miriam Gonzales, White Memorial Church pastor for evangelism and visitation from Los Angeles, Calif., shared how each woman is a wonderful fragrance for the Lord. She also described how each one could continue to be that sweet savor to God and to those around her.

The event was organized by Wilma Bing, Washington Conference women's ministry



Blowing bubbles was just one of the things that made the retreat an enjoyable time for all who attended.

director, along with the Spanish pastors' spouses and representatives from each of the Washington Conference districts. Plans are already

being laid for a 2006 Spanish women's retreat. •

Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president

New Places and Faces at AAA 2005-06 School Year

Auburn Adventist Academy opened its doors to the 2005-06 school year Aug. 21. As students arrived on campus, a variety of new places and faces greeted them. Over the summer, two buildings were completed, including the girls' dormitory and the family consumer science center.

As girls moved into the dorm, they were excited about the spacious rooms, brand new grand piano, and beautiful lobby area, not to mention a bathroom in each dorm room, a recreation area, and card access keys.

The brand new family consumer science building holds classes like International Foods, Sewing, Interior Design, Foreign Languages, and Health for Life.

Auburn's administration building was also recently remodeled, complete with painted walls and new carpeting.

There were also new additions to AAA's faculty family. Auburn welcomed Spanish teacher Melissa Saunders, a recent graduate of Pacific Union College.

Walter Turner, a veteran teacher, came with his family to Auburn from Stockton, Calif., and is teaching Bible, history, and geography. Dahlie Conferido, former La Sierra University teacher, joined the team to teach English, advanced writing, history and stage performance.

Auburn is also blessed to have several taskforce workers on board. Kim Brown, a graduate of AAA and a student at Walla Walla College, is working as an assistant girls' dean in our new dormitory. Joshua

Woods, a theology major from Southern Adventist University, is working as the assistant boys' dean. Jennifer McGhee, former missionary to Korea, is the new youth pastor at the AAA Church and is working with Auburn's international students and youth Sabbath School.

Students and staff look forward to an excellent school year as they are blessed by the new places and faces that God has provided. •

Jondelle McGhee, AAA GLEANER correspondent

Doug Bing



David Yeagley, Washington Conference youth director, gave the opening evening presentation in Rainier Auditorium.

Camp Meeting 2005

After a year without camp meeting, it was wonderful to have a full 10-day camp meeting this year on the campus of Auburn Academy. While the dorm was still not finished and construction continued on the new family and consumer science building, the meetings went forward.

The theme for camp meeting, "It's All about Jesus—Preparing for His Return," was reflected throughout the entire week. The first weekend featured Ty Gibson, Light Bearers Ministry president, who focused on Jesus. Charles Sandefur, Adventist Development and Relief Agency president, shared how the agency is dealing with the tsunami crisis in the Indian Ocean. Well-known recording

artist Wintley Phipps, a Florida church pastor and Dream Academy president, shared a powerful concert Sabbath afternoon.

Well attended during the week were Bible-related study classes; training classes in Pathfinders, Adventurers and disaster preparedness; Adventist Church history classes; and classes that presented very important

health information. Most importantly, throughout the week there were baptisms of those who had been preparing to take that important step in their lives.

The second weekend featured Ron Smith, Review and Herald Publishing Association vice president and *Message* editor; the King's Heralds male quartet; and the Belko Brass ensemble. The camp meeting drew to a close with the anticipation that, if Jesus doesn't return, we will once again gather to share in the spiritual feast of camp meeting 2006. •

Doug Bing



Damien Chandler, Emerald City Church youth pastor, energetically shared a message.

Doug Bing



Ty Gibson, Light Bearers Ministry president, shared inspirational messages that focused on Jesus.

Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president

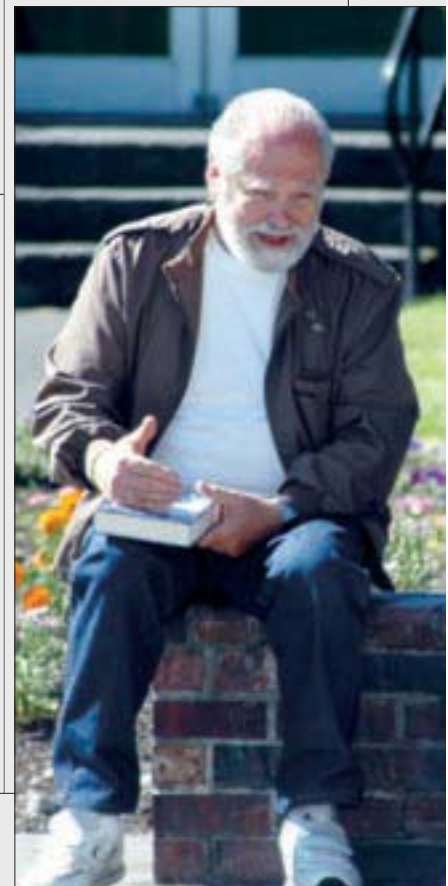
Camp meeting is a good time to share with a friend.



The kids loved their programs.



Charles Sandefur, ADRA president, shared stories in both the adult and children's divisions.





Popular baritone, Wintley Phipps, founder of Dream Academy, gave a powerful Sabbath afternoon concert the first weekend.



Joy Matthews and her giant schnauzer, Zion, were a big hit on the campground.

Doug Bing



The junior tent was blessed with Joel Thompsen's talents. He is the creator and producer of the Come Meet Jesus series, from Berrien Springs, Mich.

Bell Choir Jump-Starts Building Campaign

The Olympia Christian School Bell Choir kicked off a campaign to build a new school by presenting a concert titled, "Possibilities," on April 23. "I had no idea what the response would be," says director Anita McKown, "but I felt God impressing me to present the concert and leave the results with Him." One of the results was a freewill offering of \$17,000.

The inspiration for the concert was a combination of need for a new school facility and a desire to honor former OCS parent and board member, Joyce Peterson. Peterson, who succumbed to cancer in January 2005, was a staunch supporter of the bell choir. She played her flute as a solo instrument accompanied by the bells and also donated the funds for a three-octave set of chimes. John Peterson, M.D., Joyce's husband, established a memorial fund to replace the school's aging buildings.

The year 2005 marks the 10-year anniversary of the Olympia Christian School Bell Choir. This year's 12 ringers, students in grades 6-10, have had a busy schedule of performances and workshops, including traveling to Gem State Academy in Caldwell, Idaho, for *Total Workout!* and performing a concert in the Washington

state capitol rotunda for the YMCA Youth and Government Breakfast with guest speaker Governor Christine Gregoire.

"Working with my young ringers over the past 10 years has been a blessing to me," said McKown, who also teaches grades five and six at the school. "Bell choir is totally a team effort. The students learn discipline, responsibility, and commitment, while striving for excellence in performance. I try to impress upon them that they are ambassadors, not only for Olympia Christian School, but more importantly, for Jesus Christ."

"The OCS Bell Choir is a powerful witnessing tool," adds Karen Mallory, OCS board chair. Under McKown's gentle, patient leadership, the bell choir serves as a draw for new students, as well as for younger students currently enrolled. It's a way to bless our local area churches, and it's a beautiful and effective method to share the love of the Lord with our community."

One of the bell handles is inscribed: *To the glory of God. May our music ever praise Him.* "That's our motto," said McKown. •

Gerry Buckner, Olympia Christian School principal

The Olympia Christian School Bell Choir gave a concert to jump-start the fundraising for a new school building.



Sara Strickland



The Walla Walla Suzuki Institute included world-renowned master teachers.

Suzuki Institute Plays On at Walla Walla College

The sound of strings filled the air, and master teachers filled Walla Walla College buildings as the college hosted the Walla Walla Suzuki Institute.

The WWSI is an opportunity for students, parents, and teachers to study the art of string playing using the philosophy and teaching techniques recommended by Shinichi Suzuki. The Suzuki Method encourages young children to play their instruments by imitation, not by reading music. The method also stresses parental involvement.

Eighty students from around the Northwest were enrolled in the Institute, along with 16 adults enrolled in the teacher-training program. Classes were offered in violin, viola, and cello. Students took part in a master class, group classes, an orchestra, and other optional classes. Many students also participated in solo recitals during the week.

"This is an amazing experience for the students," said Benjamin Gish, director of the WWSI and WWC cello

teacher. "And I think they're really enjoying it."

This was the WWSI's first year, although Gish said it is a continuation of the Suzuki Institute of the Palouse, which had been held for many years at Washington State University. This year the institute included 12 master teachers from around the world, including Moshe Neumann, a violin teacher who lives in Israel and studied with Suzuki in Japan, and William and Doris Preucil, violin and viola teachers who founded the Preucil School of Music, a Suzuki school with more than 700 students. Other teachers included Kraig Scott, Walla Walla College Church minister of music; Glenn Spring, WWC professor emeritus; Kathleen Spring, WWC alumnus; and Gayle Norton, Walla Walla Valley Academy art and Bible teacher.

"I'm excited about all the faculty who have agreed to be here, and I hope this is the beginning of a long tradition of the Suzuki Institute at Walla Walla College," says Gish. •

*Kristi Spurgeon, WWC
GLEANER correspondent*

SIFE Teams Up with Local Red Cross Chapter

SIFE team photo



WWC's SIFE team wins regional competition. From left: Breanna Mayne, Lynn Boyd, Curtis Grant, Amber Wold, Arthur Ketcham, Brian Kay, Aly Pritchard, Sonia McCarthy, Ashley Farnsworth, Melissa Tessier.

Walla Walla College's Students in Free Enterprise team and the Blue Mountain Chapter of the American Red Cross teamed up to launch a new Web site for the chapter. "We're very excited about the new Web site," says Terry Hackney, Blue Mountain Chapter executive director. "It will help us communicate better with the community." Students designed, built, and wrote copy for the Web site with input from Hackney.

"The most challenging part of the project was figuring out what information needed to be included on the Web site," says Christa Mowry, a freshman computer engineering major and main designer for the project. "The students were creative and very responsive to our needs," says Hackney. "It's been a great way to connect with local students, and I hope it gave them some experience working with clients." SIFE is an international organization designed to encourage local business growth and provide students with valuable real-world experience. Walla Walla College's SIFE team placed first in the SIFE regional competition in Seattle

this spring and attended the national competition in Kansas. "We try to find projects that are worthwhile, both for the students and the businesses," said WWC SIFE director Lynn Boyd, assistant professor of marketing at WWC. "That way everyone wins." •

*Kristi Spurgeon, WWC
GLEANER correspondent*

The WWC SIFE team makes its presentation at the regional competition in Seattle.



SIFE team photo

Healthvan Takes Healing Ministry on the Road

When Adventist Medical Center's (AMC) Healthvan pulls up to O'Bryant Square in Portland, Ore., a crowd has already formed, waiting eagerly for the nearly 40-foot-long clinic on wheels to set up shop. Once a month, the hospital's Healthvan provides basic medical care to the area's homeless population via a team of volunteer physicians and other health-care professionals.

According to Ed Hoover, AMC wellness services manager, the Healthvan provides services to approximately 800 homeless individuals a year. Not only are they able to see a doctor, they receive toothbrushes, combs, shampoo and other personal hygiene items. In addition, hospital employees donate clothes that are doled out with flu-shots during the cold winter months.

"This is just one of the many wonderful services we provide

AMC's Healthvan provides health education and free or low-cost health screenings at various locations throughout the Portland metropolitan area.

via our community Healthvan program," said Hoover. "It is a great opportunity to take our mission to the streets and meet people where they are."

Educating the Community

AMC's Healthvan partners with many community organizations to bring health education and services to people from all walks of life. Whether it is a homeless individual or a group of corporate employees, the goal is still the same: to improve quality of life through healthy living.

On any given day, the Healthvan can be found providing health education and free or low-cost health screenings at community events, senior centers, community service centers, low income housing developments, corporate offices, churches, schools and migrant farm camps. In 2004 alone, the clinic on wheels provided screenings to 2,249 people at more than 38 sites around the greater Portland area.

Tests and screenings vary by location but can include: blood pressure, cholesterol,



Ed Hoover, AMC wellness services manager, consults with a patient inside the Healthvan.

diabetes, osteoporosis and stroke screenings, flu shots and computerized health profiles. All test and screening results are supported by educational material and one-on-one counseling.

"Our goal is to give people simple information that will help them understand how they can improve their health," said Hoover.

Taking Health Care to Churches and Schools

Hoover and his team also visit area schools with interactive events aimed at teaching children the importance of healthy living. They set up demonstrations of the digestive tract and give age-appropriate lectures with supporting materials on the importance of good nutrition, daily exercise and adequate rest.

Area churches also partner with the Healthvan for various events. For instance, the mobile clinic is a popular attraction at the Oregon Conference camp meeting where it serves as a first aid station and administers a variety of low-cost screenings to attendees.

According to Hoover, the purpose of the Healthvan can be summed up in what he calls the "Three Es." *Engage* people where they live, work, play and worship. *Equip* them with information about themselves and how to care for their health. And *encourage* them to live healthier, more fulfilling lives.

For more information about AMC's Healthvan program, please contact wellness services at (503) 261-6611. •

*Heather Preston Wheeler,
Adventist Health GLEANER
correspondent*





Jim and Beverly Brewer

Brewer 60th

Jim and Beverly Brewer celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 12, 2005, with a reception at the Forest Grove Senior Center.

Jim Brewer married Beverly Jenkins in Charleston, S.C., on June 11, 1945. Jim taught public school for several years, then went into administration for a total of 36 years in education. Beverly worked as a bookkeeper for several companies.

The Brewer family includes Thomas J. Brewer of Portland, Ore.; Margi Brewer (deceased); Constance Brewer (deceased); and a grandchild.

Clemenson 90th

Helen (Fuller) Blehm Clemenson, born April 29, 1915, in Great Falls, Mont., celebrated her 90th birthday with family and friends at her daughter's home.

Helen Fuller graduated from Commerce High School in Portland, Ore. and took "normal" (teacher training) classes in the summer. She married Wesley Blehm in 1935. Helen was a teacher at the church school in Gresham, Ore. and Plainview Academy in Redfield, S.D. Wes passed away in 1967. Helen married Harvey

Clemenson in 1986. Harvey passed away in 1992. Helen is now residing at the Vintage Suites Assisted Living in Forest Grove, Ore.

The Clemenson family includes Muylrene and Fred Morris, of Gaston, Ore.; Lloyd and June (Thyngenson) Blehm of Lincoln, Neb.; Jerry Blehm of Alaska; and 9 grandchildren.

Dupper 90th

John Dupper celebrated his 90th birthday with family and friends gathered at the home of Don and Lavenia Casey in Hermiston, Ore. They have been members of the Hermiston Church for the past 16 years.

John Dupper was born to John and Rachael Dupper in La Salle, Colo., May 5, 1915. He is the eldest of three brothers and an adopted sister. During his early years, he worked hard on the family farm, which prevented him from obtaining an education past the eighth grade. He married Hazel Thorpe Dec. 25, 1936, in Greeley, Colo. Don continued farming in Colorado. He later moved to Oregon where he worked in the woods for Harris Pine Mills and did cat skinning for Tupper Mills in Sandy, Ore. He returned to Colorado and took up farming once again,

but later moved to California where he worked with bees and eventually had his own bee business in Idaho.

His family includes his wife, Hazel; Aldean Warren of Pennsylvania; Lavenia and Don Casey of Hermiston, Ore.; Gilbert and Mimi Dupper of Redlands, Calif.; Charles Dupper (deceased); Lee and Lu Dupper of Tuscon, Ariz.; Robert Dupper; 27 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren.

Griffin 50th

Clarence and Jeanine Griffin celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on a Mexican cruise, a gift from their children. They are members of the Walla Walla Eastgate Church.

Clarence Griffin married Jeanine Neiswanger May 29, 1955, in Walla Walla. Jeanine was attending Southwestern Junior College in Keene, Texas, and Clarence was there with a construction crew building a new girls' dormitory. Clarence

was a brick mason for 48 years, working in several states and two foreign countries. He enjoys photography, building model airplanes, and rock hounding. Jeanine worked in health care and as a construction office manager. She is currently employed by the Walla Walla School District in food service. She enjoys playing the piano and organ, going to the coast and collecting shells, scrapbooking and gardening.

The Griffin family includes Karen and Paul Kellner of Jeffersonville, Vt.; Karla and Jay Broughton of Walla Walla, Wash.; Ray and Noemi Griffin of San Diego, Calif.; Kelly Griffin of Portland, Ore.; and 9 grandchildren.

Haney 90th

Irene Haney celebrated her 90th birthday with friends and family on Dec. 12, 2004, in the activity center at the Lents Church where she is a member.

Irene Pitcher was born Dec. 11, 1914, in England. She had four sisters and three brothers. One sister, Olive Robbins, still resides in England. Irene worked as a volunteer nurse and nurse's aid before marrying Calvin Haney in 1945. Calvin was a medical technician in the Air Force in England. The young couple came to the U.S. in 1946 and lived in Granger, Wash., for 10 years before settling in Portland, Ore. Widowed since 1987, Irene has been very active in her church and volunteer work. She delights in telling children's stories and welcoming visitors to church. She has volunteered for 28 years at Adventist Medical Center as her "labor of love."

The Haney family includes Rodney and Lynette Haney of

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Vancouver, Wash.; Jeffrey and Amber Haney of Battle Ground, Wash.; a grandchild and a great-grandchild.

Lampson 50th

Warren and Darlene Lampson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 6, in Victoria, B.C. They were treated to a dinner at the Inn at the Quay in Vancouver, Wash., by their children when they returned. They will continue their celebration of 50 years on a train trip across the United States later this year.

Warren Lampson married Darlene Edgar June 6, 1955, at the Village Church in College Place, Wash. They have lived in their home in Ridgefield, Wash., for 48 years. They are members of the Vancouver Church.

Warren worked in Clark County as a real estate appraiser for 41 years, retiring in 1996. Darlene spent her career as a nurse.

The couple also owned and operated Lampson's U-pick strawberry farm for 25 years. Their retirement consists of gardening, traveling, reading, and enjoying family gatherings.

The Lampson family includes Eldon and Debbie Lampson of Portland, Ore.; Caryn and Patrick Earl, of Ridgefield, Wash.; and 4 grandchildren.

Larson 50th

Pat and Dorothy Larson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with friends and family June 5, 2005, in the Fireside Room of the Sunnyside Church in Portland, Ore.

James Patrick Larson and Dorothy Radke met at Walla Walla College where Pat was a PE and education major, and Dorothy was a secretarial major. They were married in the Sunnyside Methodist Church, in Portland, Ore., on June 5, 1955, by Dorothy's brother-in-law, Elder Roland Hegstad.

Pat's career in education began in Montana where he taught junior high grades for several years. His career as principal of elementary and junior academies then took them to Great Falls, Mont.; Battle Ground, Wash.; Silver Spring, Md.; Lansing, Mich.; and finally to the Ohio Conference where he retired. Pat also taught PE and music. While Pat was busy with his students, Dorothy was using her talents as a secretary at Columbia Adventist Academy, Portland Adventist Medical Center, the General Conference office, the Michigan Conference office, and for the University of Akron (Ohio) School of Law. Pat and Dorothy now reside at The Village in Gresham, Ore., during the summer and in Desert Hot Springs, Calif., during the winter.

The Larson family includes Steve and Darlene (White) Larson of Blackfoot, Idaho; Laurie and Tom Marshall of

Troutdale, Ore.; and Kari and Russ Banks of Silver Spring, Md.; and 8 grandchildren.

Reynolds 90th

Frank and Evelyn (Biastock) Reynolds of Milwaukie, Ore., both celebrated their 90th birthdays May 21, 2005, with their family and Sunnyside Church friends at the home of their daughter, Claudia Blair.

Evelyn's father built the original Sunnyside Church in 1927. Frank was the building committee chairman of the new Sunnyside Church, of which they are still members. The couple also celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary on May 16, 2005.

The Reynolds family includes Carolyn Hanson of Aloha, Ore.; Claudia Blair of Gladstone, Ore.; Jim and Sheila (Knecht) Reynolds of Portland, Ore.; and Pam and Guy Hamer of Tucson, Ariz.; 6 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

BELDEN—Mason L. was born March 23, 2005, to Jerome and Amber (Gibson) Belden, Collegedale, Tenn.

BENNETT—Keslyn Isabella was born June 8, 2005, to Brad and Yasmin (Perez) Bennett, Medford, Ore.

BROST—Luke Patrick was born July 7, 2005, to Tom and Colleen (duPlessis) Brost, Gladstone, Ore.

CLARK—Amy Lee was born May 12, 2005, to Robert and Lisa (Van Skike) Clark, Lynnwood, Wash.

COX—Carson K. was born April 15, 2005, to Kenton and Becky (Hernandez) Cox, Spokane, Wash.

DE CLUE—Phillip Scylar was born April 14, 2005, to Paul and Linda (Colvin) De Clue, Memphis, Tenn.

ERBENICH—Cole Ryan was born June 10, 2005, to Matthew and Krystle (Young) Erbenich, Joplin, Mo.

GATES—Jedidiah Nicholas was born June 14, 2005, to Timothy and Stephanie (Beasley) Gates, Federal Way, Wash.

GRIFFIN—Isabella Sage was born June 4, 2005, to Jeremy and Kimberly (Anthes) Griffin, Puyallup, Wash.

HAEGER—Jonathan Z. was born June 29, 2005, to Eric and Michelle (Stout) Haeger, Pateros, Wash.

HEINRICH—Abigail Katherine was born April 16, 2005, to Kendall and Karen (Byrd) Heinrich, Oregon City, Ore.

KEARBEBY—Mason D. was born April 21, 2005, to Mike and Kim (Coleman) Kearbey, College Place, Wash.

KIST—Charlotte Mei-Ya was born June 7, 2004, and ad-

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KOHRING—Leonardo R. was born Dec. 3, 2004, to Charles and Paula (Rigby) Kohring, Lopez Island, Wash.

KORCEK—Ava C. was born Feb. 24, 2005, to Nate and Chantelle (Jensen) Korcek, Walla Walla, Wash.

KRAUSE—Caitlin L. was born May 28, 2005, to Kirby and Kristi (Bowlsby) Krause, Spokane, Wash.

MITSOUROV—Anna Andreevna was born June 19, 2005, to Andrei and Rachel (Walter) Mitsourov, Walla Walla, Wash.

OFFICER—Alyssa L. was born May 5, 2005, to Glenn W. and Zoe A. (Proffitt) Officer, Sunnyside, Wash.

OLIVER—Peyton Brodie was born June 28, 2005, to Charlie and Tanya (Marsa) Oliver, Tacoma, Wash.

PARKHURST—Abigail Marie was born June 12, 2005, to David A. and Donna M. (Ahlers) Parkhurst, Snoqualmie Pass, Wash.

SMITH—Ryland James was born Jan. 29, 2005, to Jason and Jerrine (Bennett) Smith, Kent, Wash.

TOOLEY—John David Andrew was born June 27, 2005, to Sam W. and Lynn (Grams) Tooley, Tacoma, Wash.

VAUGHAN—Sasha McKenna was born April 28, 2005, to Anthony and RoDawna (Couch) Vaughan, Portland, Ore.

WEBSTER—Wesley Thomas was born April 24, 2005, to Blayne and Dawn (Nolan) Webster, Garden Valley, Idaho.

BARTHOLOMEW-FLEMING—Summer Bartholomew and Areil Fleming were married July 3, 2005, in Burlington, Wash. Summer is the daughter of Gary and Angie Bartholomew. Areil is the son of Andrew and Arlo Fleming. The Flemings are making their home in Kenmore, Wash.

BULLARD-WEEKLY—Maegan C. Bullard and Nicholas O. Weekly were married June 26, 2005, in Philomath, Ore. Maegan is the daughter of Mark and Susan Bullard. Nicholas is the son of Todd and Cindi Weekly. The Weeklys are making their home in Albany, Ore.

CAMPBELL-SPANO—Constance A. Campbell and Jared Spano were married May 8, 2005, in College Place, Wash., where they are making their home.

Constance is the daughter of Enrique and Carolina Campbell. Jared is the son of John and Donna Spano.

CORTEZ-DEMIAR—Naila Cortez and Jason Demiar were married June 12, 2005, in Grandview, Wash. Naila is the daughter of J. Carmelo and S. Patricia Cortez. Jason is the son of Ovi and Fe Demiar. The Demiar are making their home in Kennewick, Wash.

GENSTLER-GATWARD—Anne Genstler and Alan Gatward were married June 19, 2005, in Albany, Ore. Anne is the daughter of Darrell and Geraldine Genstler. Alan is the son of James and Patricia Gatward. The Gatwards are marking their home in Loma Linda, Calif.

GOHL-HETTICK—Marie Gohl and Dean Hettick were married May 29, 2005, in Lacey, Wash. Marie is the daughter of Larry and Barbara (Dixon)

Gohl. Dean is the son of Larry and Dearah (Shenk) Hettick. The Hetticks are making their home in Mukilteo, Wash.

HAMILTON-O'CONNOR—Kellie N. Hamilton and Kirt M. O'Connor were married July 17, 2005, in Chehalis, Wash. Kellie is the daughter of Larry and Rita Hamilton. Kirt is the son of Kerry and Kathy O'Connor. The O'Connors are making their home in Walla Walla, Wash.

JOICE-ASHLOCK—Heather Joice and Tyler Ashlock were married June 26, 2005, in Vancouver, Wash. Heather is the daughter of Paul and Linda (Bakke) Joice. Tyler is the son of Tom and Judy (Meske) Ashlock. The Ashlocks are making their home in Portland, Ore.

KNITTEL-SHERMAN—Carrie Knittel and Lonnie Sherman were married June 26, 2005, in Chehalis, Wash. Carrie is the daughter of Orlando and Jean Knittle. Lonnie is the son of Jack and Lois Sherman. The Shermans are making their home in Everett, Wash.

MULLIGAN-PIERCE—Debbie L. Mulligan and Troy M. Pierce were married May 30, 2005, in Portland, Ore. Debbie is the daughter of Keith and Joyce Mulligan. Troy is the son of Michael and Sharon (Bartlett) Pierce. The Pierces are making their home in Battle Ground, Wash.

NOËL-OLSON—Connie M. (Haynes) Noël and Terry D. Olson were married May 8, 2005, in Merlin, Ore. The Olsons are making their home in Grants Pass, Ore.

PERSINGER-BARNES—Kassie Persinger and Kristopher Barnes were married June 19, 2005, in Boise, Idaho. Kassie is the daughter of Randy and

Pauline Persinger. Kristopher is the son of Ken and Joni Barnes. The Barneses are making their home in Boise, Idaho.

QUAILE-MEHARRY—Jannetta M. Quaile and Jared A. Meharry were married June 12, 2005, in Walla Walla, Wash. Jannetta is the daughter of Leonard and Janna Quaile. Jared is the son of Steve and Sheila Meharry. The Meharrys are making their home in Goldendale, Wash.

SEVERANCE-HEINRICH—Marla Severance and Roger Heinrich were married July 10, 2005, in Albany, Ore. Marla is the daughter of Paul and Marlee Severance. Roger is the son of Harley Heinrich and Joannette Claridge. The Heinrichs are making their home in Walla Walla, Wash.

WINKLE-PELLOW—Julie A. Winkle and James A. Pellow were married April 24, 2005, in College Place, Wash. Julie is the daughter of Jerold and Judy Winkle. James is the son of Bill and Nancy Pellow. The Pellow are making their home in College Place.

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Information to include: couple's first and last names including the bride's maiden name (and previous married name); wedding date and location; full names (including mothers' maiden names) of the couple's parents (and step-parents); contact's name and daytime phone number. Submit the online form or print out a PDF form at www.GLEANERonline.org > Contributor's Information and mail it. Corrections will only be made in the GLEANERonline edition listings.

ANDERSON—Ruth M. (Moore), 85; born July 8, 1919, Buhl, Idaho; died May 26, 2005, Twin Falls, Idaho. Surviving: sons, Gale, Moses Lake, Wash.; Bruce, Soap Lake, Wash.; sisters, Ema Nesland and Roberta Craig, both of Los Angeles.

BARDELL—Eleanor L. (Plouff), 78; born March 18, 1927, Portland, Ore.; died June 15, 2005, Portland. Surviving: sons, Steven W., Long Beach, Wash.; Rod J., Lebanon, Ore.; sisters, Doloris Tomanka, St. Helens, Ore.; Deanna Norred, Mollala, Ore.; 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

BECKER—Dorothy May (Kelly), 82; born May 13, 1923, Centralia, Wash.; died May 23, 2005, College Place, Wash. Surviving: son, Robert, College Place; daughters, Beverley Becker, Riverside, Calif.; Cheryl Horne, Walla Walla, Wash.; 4 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

BINGMAN—Alice (Rathbun), 100; born Sept 22, 1904, Moscow, Idaho; died May 19, 2005, Milton Freewater, Ore. Surviving: sons, Art, Mill Creek, Wash.; Jim, Dillingham, Alaska; Phil, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; daughters, Dixie Robinson, Kirkland, Wash.; Maxine Pearson, Walla Walla, Wash.; Donna Rothrock, Milton Freewater; 27 grandchildren, 3 step-grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

BLACKSHIRE—Lisbeth A. (Killough) Reynolds, 66; born July 19, 1938, Pasco, Wash.; died July 6, 2005, Richland, Wash. Surviving: husband, Dana, Pasco; sons, Rodney Reynolds, Pendleton,

Ore.; Roscoe Reynolds, Portland, Ore.; Dan Reynolds, Kennewick, Wash.; daughter, Vanessa Chance, White Salmon, Wash.; brother, Monte Killough, Wallula, Wash.; and 10 grandchildren.

BRYAN—Barbara E. (Jarrett), 66; born June 12, 1939, Sheridan, Wyo.; died June 14, 2005, College Place, Wash. Surviving: husband, Marlin; sons, Doug, Jacksonville, Fla.; Don, Spokane, Wash.; Dennis, Bremerton, Wash.; Dan, Pasco, Wash.; brothers, Richard Jarrett, Electric City, Wash.; David Jarrett, College Place; Ron Jarrett, Caldwell, Idaho; and 12 grandchildren.

CANADAY—Ruby C. (Thomas) Gregg, 91; born Jan. 30, 1914, Lavinia, Tenn.; died June 29, 2005, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, Roland, Milton Freewater, Ore.; sons, Doug Gregg, Lacey, Wash.; Tom Gregg, Milton Freewater; Ernie Gregg, LaGrande, Ore.; stepson, Steve Canaday, Tri-

Cities, Wash.; daughter, Bev McDow, Milton Freewater; and stepdaughter, Patty Haugstad, Pendleton, Ore.

CARTER—Velma A. (McDonald), 93; born Aug. 2, 1911, Prague, Okla.; died Dec. 27, 2004, Roseburg, Ore. Surviving: sons, Don, Wagner, Okla.; Lance, Bend, Ore.; 12 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

CLARK—Stanley G., 88; born May 27, 1916, Stoneham, Maine; died May 9, 2005, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Myrtle (Gloor); sons, Dick, Sacramento, Calif.; Norman, Harare, Zimbabwe; Steve, Walla Walla; brother, Russ, Portland, Tenn.; sister, Madeleine Kirby, Tempe, Ariz.; 5 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

CLEMENTS—Charlene (Lowe), 77; born April 13, 1928, Wilmar, Calif.; died June 29, 2005, Milton Freewater, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Linda Camarillo, Milton Freewater.

DEHART—Josephine (Turpin), 99; born Aug. 12, 1905, Floyd County, Va.; died May 29, 2005, Bonners Ferry, Idaho. Surviving: son, Jerry V., Sandpoint, Idaho; sister, Helen Quesenberry, Virginia Beach, Va.; 6 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

FOWLER—Virginia A. (Rogers), 93; born July 26, 1911, New Castle, Penn.; died March 27, 2005, Longview, Wash. Surviving: daughters, Leeta B. Setters, Castle Rock, Wash.; Donna J. Schuh, Wasco, Ore.; Janyce C. Urie, Richland, Wash.; sisters, Marjorie Ross, Longview; Dorothy Goodrow, Seattle; Patricia Pardee and Phyllis

Bess, both of Longview; Vivian Osborne, Kelso, Wash.; 15 grandchildren, 8 step-grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren, 4 step-great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren.

FREEMAN—Corene C. (Stober), 75; born Aug. 1, 1929, Goodrich, N.D.; died Dec. 5, 2004, Spokane, Wash. Surviving: son, Lawrence A., Van Nuys, Calif.; daughter, Linda Freeman, Spokane; brothers, Floyd Stober, Chico, Calif.; Alvin Stober, Sequim, Wash.; and sister, Marcella Fries, Banning, Calif.

GRANT—Mary L. (Galway) Marlow Roberts, 90; born June 5, 1914, Fowler, Kan.; died Feb. 13, 2005, Splendora, Texas. Surviving: sons, Roylee Marlow, Springfield, Ore.; Paul Marlow, Decatur, Ill.; Richard Marlow, Splendora; daughters, Georgetta Pudewell, Yuma, Ariz.; Joyce Beatty, Medical Lake, Wash.; sisters, Alma Bingner and Alta Sype, both of Tonasket, Wash.; 13 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

HARDY—F. Ellen (Yeatts), 92; born Jan. 21, 1913, Beaverton, Mont.; died June 30, 2005, Goldendale, Wash. Surviving: daughters, Alice Lewis, Goldendale; Ruth Gillaspie, Winlock, Wash.; 8 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

HENDERSON—Esther (Roesler), 91; born June 1, 1913, Washburn, N.D.; died April 30, 2005, Edmonds, Wash. Surviving: daughter, Debra Seaver, Edmonds.

HERR—Theodore G., 89; born Feb. 4, 1916, McClusky, N.D.; died May 22, 2005,

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Sequim, Wash. Surviving: wife, June M. (Layman); son, Larry, LaCombe, Alberta, Canada; daughter, Ladonna Krenz, Auburn, Wash.; brothers, John, Keene, Texas; Ben, Lincoln, Neb.; Lloyd, Keizer, Ore.; Jim, Keene; sisters, Elsie Lehman, St. Paul, Minn.; Helen Rice, Lenora Copey and Darlene Rouse, all of Avon Park, Fla.; Shirley Andersen, Durango, Colo.; and 2 grandchildren.

KEENE—Robert L., 74; born Nov. 4, 1930, Long Beach, Calif.; died March 14, 2005, Woodland, Wash. Surviving: wife, Mereta (Kuhnke), Amboy, Wash.; son, Tom, Amboy; daughter, Annette Keene, Amboy; parent, Doris Catlett, Vacaville, Calif.; brother, Jim, Moses Lake, Wash.; and 2 grandchildren.

KIEFIUK—Judith D. (Dederer), 56; born Sept. 15, 1948, Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada; died Sept. 26, 2004, Keizer, Ore. Surviving: husband, Mike, Albany, Ore.; daughters, Christina Yates, Keizer; Shauna Kiefiuk, Albany; and 2 grandchildren.

KULISEK—David M., 75; born May 23, 1929, Port Clinton, Ohio; died May 16, 2005, Milton Freewater, Ore. Surviving: wife, Dorothy (Wright); sons, Steve, Walla Walla, Wash.; Bill, Otis Orchards, Wash.; sisters, Marguerite Entz, Milton Freewater; Dorothy Kulisek, Apache Junction, Ariz.; and 7 grandchildren.

LARSEN—June W. (Wood), 80; born Dec. 24, 1924, Wenatchee, Wash.; died April 6, 2005, Dryden, Wash. Surviving: son, David B., Lincoln City, Ore.; daughter, Dina Martz, Entiat, Wash.; brothers, Jerry Wood, Entiat;

David Wood, Waterville, Wash.; Mike and John Wood, both of East Wenatchee, Wash.; sister, Wanda Smith, Wenatchee; 4 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

LAU—Cleo B. (Stevens), 89; born May 15, 1916, Monticello, Iowa; died June 26, 2005, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, Drexel “Drex”; son, Robert, Walla Walla; and 3 grandchildren.

LUTTS—Donald N.M.I. Jr., 77; born March 2, 1928, Norwalk, Ohio; died April 30, 2005, Portland, Ore. Surviving: wife, Darla (Kloss), Boring, Ore.; daughters, Cheryl Royce and Vicky Hitt, both of Portland; Suzanne Lutts, Vancouver, Wash.; and a grandchild.

MILLER—Paul J., 91; born Nov. 20, 1912, North Platte, Neb.; died Oct. 7, 2004, Lodi, Calif. Surviving: son, Charles P. Miller, Lodi; stepsons Clark Bender, Ontario, Ore.; Rodney Bender, of Florida; daughters, Clara Belle Cox, Popular Bluff, Mo.; Betty Lou Boyd, Sequim, Wash.; 6 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

NAKAMURA—Harold Tsuneo, 79; born April 24, 1926, Honolulu, Hawaii; died June 30, 2005, Portland, Ore. Surviving: wife, Bernice Tazue (Nakano), Gresham, Ore.; sons, Robert K., Redlands, Calif.; Steven Y., Smith River, Calif.; Alvin K., Portland; daughter, Aileen L. Stanley, Boring, Ore.; sister, Thelma M. Fukutani, Honolulu; and 5 grandchildren.

OLSON—Elizabeth Laura (Wester), 91; born Feb. 13, 1914, Whitefish Bay, Wis.; died May 27, 2005, Berrien Springs, Mich. Surviving: son, Jon, State College, Pa.; daughters, Judy Aitken, Berrien

Springs, Mich.; Jane Berry, Sequim, Wash.; sisters, Judy McTaggart and Edna Samarza, both of Loma Linda, Calif.; Violet Graham, Edinburgh, Ind.; 8 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

SAMPLE—Phyllis J. (Clifton), 75; born June 9, 1930, Stockton, Calif.; died June 14, 2005, Redding, Calif. Surviving: sons, Russell, Roseburg, Ore.; Jack, Talmage, Neb.; daughters, Larose McCluskey, Spokane, Wash.; Jeanie Billington, Redding; brother, Percy Clifton, Sutherlin, Ore.; sister, Gwen Howard, Glide, Ore.; and 11 grandchildren.

SCHIMKE—Albert, 92; born Aug. 28, 1912, Forbes, N.D.; died May 16, 2005, Port Charlotte, Fla. Surviving: wife, Alice (Sauer); sons, Dallas, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Clyde, Port Charlotte; daughter, Sharon Walsh, Port Charlotte; 5 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

SCHWARTZ—Richard C., 79; born Aug. 7, 1925, Startup, Wash.; died Oct. 14, 2004, Leskosia, Cyprus. Surviving: wife, DeNelda (Jensen), Portland, Ore.; daughter, Judy Schwartz, Tigard, Ore.; Janette Sweeny, Scappoose, Ore.; Karen Porter, Strovolos, Cyprus; sisters, Darlene Sanders, Grants Pass, Ore.; Pat Wallen, Greenville, S.C.; Sylvia Higgenbotham, Seattle; and 2 grandchildren.

THOBOIS—Nina June (Warren), 69; born June 11, 1935, Zillah, Wash.; died March 10, 2005, Vancouver, Wash. Surviving: sons, George, of Florida; Dale, Greg and Dean, all of Battle Ground, Wash.; daughters, Paula Riley and Michelle Brewer, both of Vancouver; brother, Dan

Warren, Nashville, Tenn.; sister, Marty Kleinhans, of Oregon; 7 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

THOMAS—Russell, 64; born Aug. 17, 1940, Walla Walla, Wash.; died, June 15, 2005, Wenatchee, Wash. Surviving: wife, Imogene (Chong), East Wenatchee; son, William, Wenatchee; daughter, Leilani Dipaula, Seattle; surrogate daughter, Lori Thomas, Seattle; father, Robert, Brewster, Wash.; sisters, Leona Thomas, Brewster; Jani Trousdale, Seattle; and 5 grandchildren.

WATER—Millie (Enneberg), 80; born Dec. 21, 1924, Corvallis, Ore.; died June 20, 2005, Portland, Ore. Surviving: daughter, Carlene Lewis, Oregon City, Ore.; brother, Harold Enneberg, Gresham, Ore.; sisters, Florence Henderson, Onyx, Calif.; Ginger Dunn, Carbondale, Colo.; and 2 grandchildren.

WEBBERLEY—Cathryn L. (Powell), 59; born Sept. 1, 1945, McMinnville, Ore.; died May 18, 2005, Camas, Wash. Surviving: sons, Dean, Camas; David, Vancouver, Wash.; Danny, Everett, Wash.; daughters, Donna Youngquist, Antioch, Calif.; Darlene Parks, Camas; brothers, Mark Powell, Vacaville, Calif.; Brian Powell of Washington; sisters, Jolene Ayers, Riverside, Calif.; Wanda Driver, Santa Cruz, Calif.; Jennifer MeBeth, Dallas, Ore.; Shirleen Powell, Ben Lomond, Calif.; and 12 grandchildren.

WELSH—Ora Dell, 85; born May 23, 1919, Sheffield, Ala.; died Oct. 5, 2004, Pendleton, Ore. Surviving: son, Clifford Kelly, Pendleton, Ore.; and 2 grandchildren.



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NORTH PACIFIC UNION

Offerings

Sept. 3—Local Church Budget; **Sept. 10**—Fall Mission Appeal; **Sept. 17**—Local Church Budget; **Sept. 24**—Local Conference Advance; *13th Sabbath offering: Northern Asia Pacific Division*; **Oct. 1**—Local Church Budget.

Special Days

Sept. 3—Men's Day of Prayer; **Sept. 4-10**—Nurture Periodicals (*Adventist Review, Insight, Guide, Primary Treasure, Little Friend*); **Sept. 11-17**—Family Togetherness Week; **Sept. 18-24**—Hispanic Heritage Week; **Oct. 1**—Children's Sabbath.

Chapel Dedication

Project PATCH is pleased to announce the dedication of its new chapel on Sept. 10 at 10:30 a.m. in Garden Valley, Idaho. The chapel was built by Maranatha volunteers, who also raised the necessary funds. The dedication service will be preceded by "Around the World with Maranatha" at 9 a.m. All are welcome. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to (503) 653-8086 or nrader@projectpatch.org.

WALLA WALLA COLLEGE

Calendar of Events

Sept. 12-14—KGTS Sharathon; **Sept. 19-25**—Freshman orientation. New students and their parents are invited to attend the president's welcome luncheon on Sunday, **Sept. 18** at 11:45 a.m. in the Alumni Gymnasium. For more information on WWC orientation, visit The Journey at <http://thejourney.wwc.edu>. **Sept. 26**—Instruction begins on campus.

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Sept. 17—Danny Shelton, Tommy and Melody Shelton and others will be at Albertson College of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho. Morning

meeting starts at 11 a.m. in the Jewett Auditorium, with afternoon meeting to follow. Contact: Dr. Alvin Schnell at (208) 459-8505

OREGON

Sunnyside Concerts

Sabbath, Sept. 3—Bobbie McGhee will hold vespers at the Sunnyside Church at 7 p.m., 10501 S.E. Market St., Portland, OR 97216; (503) 252-8080.

Sunday, Sept. 18—Come and enjoy The Salvation Army Band as they present an exciting and inspirational concert at 7 p.m. in the Sunnyside Church.

We are looking for new symphony orchestra members for our **Nov. 5** concert. The concert explores the close relationship between English and Scottish folk tunes and hymns. The featured music is by Ralph Vaughn Williams and Beethoven. Rehearsals are on Sunday evenings beginning **Sept. 25**. Please contact Travis Hatton at (360) 882-5153; or e-mail him at travishatton@comcast.net.

Riverside School 25th

Sept. 24—Riverside Adventist Christian School is celebrating the 25th anniversary of its reopening. All former teachers, students, friends, and family are invited to join us for a day full of activity. Come and share your memories! For more information, call (360) 835-5600.

Interviewing, Listening, and Referral Skills

Sept. 25—Attend this workshop presented by Marilyn K. Renk, Oregon Conference Adventist Community Services director, on Sunday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m., at the Oregon Conference office. She teaches essential people skills for strong relationship building as well as how to conduct interviews, assess needs, make use of the entire range of resources in your community and introduce appropriate opportunities for spiritual ministry. It leads to conference certification as an interviewer for Adventist Community Services organizations. This is a must for community service

volunteers and leaders, but anyone who wishes to improve skills in dealing with others is invited. Register by **Sept. 12** at Linda. Schrader@oc.npuc.org or by calling (503) 652-2225, ext. 413.

Retired Workers' Fellowship

Sept. 13—All retired denominational workers are invited to meet at 11:30 a.m. Bernard Penner will present a nature slide show. This monthly potluck meeting is held in the downstairs multipurpose room of the Oregon Conference office at 13455 S.E. 97th Ave., Clackamas, Ore. Bring food to share and your own table service.

Seeking Missing Members

The Gresham Church is seeking addresses for the following members: Susan Bohr, Lavonne Boland, Michael and Mondy Clem, Connie Davis, Erin Davis, Matt Davis, Jim Gallentine, Laka Kaululaau, Deanna Payne, Kelly Pratt, Janis and Gary Schrader II. If you have any information, please contact the church at (503) 658-6046, aji@access4less, or Gresham Adventist Church, 223 S.E. Cleveland Ave., Gresham OR 97080.

Adventist Singles Activities

Sept. 17—Church service starts at 10:45 a.m. followed by singles potluck at 12:30 p.m. Please bring a dish to share. We will carpool from the church after lunch to go on a hike at Silver Falls State Park. Bring good hiking shoes, camera, water and a snack. For more information, call Tom Terry at (503) 684-7971 or Charlotte at (503) 579-9549. Maps will be available in the Beaverton Church foyer and at the potluck. This activity is open to all singles.

Aug. 19-21—Lost Lake camp out. Friday: check in at 4 p.m. No reservations are available. Come early for a good spot. Set up your tent and then enjoy the evening with a short worship. Sabbath: morning worship after breakfast. Please bring a dish to share for the potluck lunch. We will then go on a hike around the lake. It has a gorgeous view of Mt. Hood.

Bring: tent, sleeping bag, blanket, pillow, warm clothes, swim suit, towel, Bible, camera, food (to share if you like). For information, call Charlotte or Tom. Maps will be made available at the Beaverton Church foyer or see Charlotte or Tom.

It's All about Him

Oct. 14-15—Men and their sons are invited to our 2005 Northwest Men's Conference, "It's All About Him," to be held in the Holden Conference Center at the Gladstone Convention Center. Friday: registration, 4:15–6:15 p.m.; supper, 6:30–7:30 p.m.; first session begins at 8 p.m. The conference concludes on Sabbath at 6:30 p.m. Please pre-register at www.plusline.org or (800) 732-7587 before Oct. 4 to receive a discounted price. For more information, call Oregon Conference family ministries at (503) 654-6054. (See display ad on page 46.)

UPPER COLUMBIA

Wenatchee Area Camp Meeting

Sept. 23-25—will be held at the Wenatchee Adventist Church, 508 N. Western Ave. Meetings begin at 7 p.m., Friday. Speaker for the adults will be Ty Gibson, host of the national network TV programs, *A Closer Look* and *Lift Him Up*. Speaker for the youth and young adults will be announced soon. There will be programming for the children. For more information please call (509) 663-4032.

Valley View Church, 1201 10th St. N.E., East Wenatchee will be presenting a lecture by Hans Diehl for CHIP alumni. This meeting will serve as an introduction to Ty Gibson's seminar "See With New Eyes" which begins Sept. 11th and ends Sept. 24th at the Wenatchee Area Camp Meeting.

WASHINGTON

Regeneration Recovery Retreat

Oct. 14-16—Regeneration Recovery Retreat for Christ-



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centered 12-steppers! This annual event is held at Fort Flagler near Port Townsend. The registration fee includes five meals and lodging for two nights. There is an early registration discount for couples who pre-register by **Sept. 30** by calling Marjie Noll at (253) 681-6008. On-site registration begins at 3 p.m. on Friday and ends on Sunday at 11 a.m. This is a Washington Conference health ministries sponsored event. Any questions, call Marjie!

Green Lake Church Fall Lecture Series

Oct. 21–22—Jon Dybdahl, Walla Walla College president and former Andrews University Department of World Missions chair, examines the role of missions in Adventism today. Friday, 7:30 p.m.; Sabbath services and 1:30 p.m. at the Green Lake Church, 6350 E. Green Lake Way N., Seattle.

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Oak Park Academy Alumni Homecoming

Sept. 16–17—If you attended Oak Park Academy in Nevada, Iowa, at any time during the 1940s, please join several of your former OPA classmates from 60 years ago at the Walla Walla College Alumni Center on Friday evening at 7 p.m. and Sabbath at 9:45 a.m. to renew old acquaintances. A complementary light noon meal will be served in the college cafeteria and pizza on Saturday evening. The Sabbath program will emphasize fellowship. For more information, contact

Palmer Wick at (503) 263-3620 or PalmerGWick@aol.com.

Andrews University Homecoming

Sept. 29–Oct. 2—Attn: Andrews alumni (1975) Harambe Chorale and Our Father's Children Chorale! Reconnect with those you sang with in 1975. Let's "put the band back together" for Andrews University alumni weekend, 2005! Contact interfaith2000@yahoo.com.

DAA/PVA/SRA Alumni Homecoming

Sept. 30–Oct. 2—Come and reminisce with old school friends from DAA/PVA/SRA at the alumni gathering at Dakota Adventist Academy, Bismarck, N.D. Honor classes include 2001, 1996, '86, '81, '76, '66, '56, '51, '46. Contact Judy Liebelt, alumni association president, at (701) 428-3382 if you have any questions.

NASDAD Convention 2005

Oct. 12–15—The 62nd annual meeting of the National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists (NASDAD) will be held in Washington, D.C. The NASDAD officers and members enthusiastically invite all dentists, dental hygienists and their families interested in the worldwide dental mission outreach of NASDAD to join them for a weekend filled with spiritual, educational, and recreational activities. Reservations at the JW Marriott will need to be made early! For more information, please contact the NASDAD office at (909) 558-8187 or nasdad@llu.edu.

Looking for Stories about Teachers

Pacific Press will soon publish a book of stories about outstanding Adventist K–12 teachers and administrators. We are soliciting 400–800 word stories about how an Adventist teacher, dean or administrator positively impacted your life. For story ideas and complete guidelines, go to www.nadeducation.org. If you have questions, contact Ann Fisher at fishan@wwc.edu or (509) 527-2210.

Sunset Table

Daylight Saving Time	Sept. 2	Sept. 9	Sept. 16	Sept. 23	Sept. 30
ALASKA CONFERENCE					
Anchorage	9:02	8:39	8:17	7:55	7:33
Fairbanks	9:04	8:38	8:12	7:47	7:21
Juneau	7:53	7:33	7:13	6:53	6:33
Ketchikan	7:36	7:18	7:00	6:42	6:24
IDAHO CONFERENCE					
Boise	8:18	8:05	7:53	7:40	7:27
La Grande	7:27	7:14	7:01	6:47	6:34
Pocatello	8:02	7:50	7:37	7:25	7:12
MONTANA CONFERENCE					
Billings	7:50	7:36	7:23	7:09	6:56
Havre	7:58	7:43	7:29	7:14	6:59
Helena	8:05	7:51	7:37	7:23	7:09
Miles City	7:40	7:26	7:12	6:58	6:45
Missoula	8:13	7:59	7:45	7:31	7:17
OREGON CONFERENCE					
Coos Bay	7:50	7:37	7:25	7:12	6:59
Medford	7:43	7:31	7:19	7:06	6:54
Portland	7:46	7:33	7:19	7:06	6:52
UPPER COLUMBIA					
Pendleton	7:31	7:17	7:04	6:50	6:37
Spokane	7:28	7:13	6:59	6:45	6:30
Walla Walla	7:29	7:16	7:02	6:48	6:35
Wenatchee	7:39	7:25	7:11	6:56	6:42
Yakima	7:39	7:25	7:11	6:57	6:43
WASHINGTON CONFERENCE					
Bellingham	7:49	7:35	7:20	7:05	6:50
Seattle	7:47	7:33	7:19	7:04	6:50

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