Adventist Heritage Centre

Newsletter, 13 March 2014

A call for any Avondale stories
I am currently pulling together resources for a display in the Adventist Heritage Centre on student dorm life in Avondale, and would be very interested in any stories that people have. This is particularly in relation to any chaffs you and your peers may have pulled off over the years that you are proud of or similar adventures in love, spirituality and life. These will be put on display as part of an exhibit which current students will be able to view, and the public, Monday to Thursday at the centre itself. If you wish we can make your contribution anonymous.

I am particularly interested in the day to day normalities that have changed over the years. Now days what with computers and technologies it is difficult for us students to imagine typing up essays with typewriters or even, shock horror, by hand. Any other contrasts in technology, or even culture (how has the dating realm changed over the years for instance) I imagine will be quite interesting and entertaining. ~ Tash

Aviation in Oceania – Exhibition at South Sea Islands Museum
We had a special opening for the ‘Jubilee of Aviation’ on March 1. I wish you could have been there as the exhibits created much discussion and storytelling. This exhibition will be on display until the end of May.

On the Friday of this amazing weekend of celebrations, we received the wings of the ‘Andrew Stewart’ plane back from being cleaned of all paint. They were then placed on exhibit in the church, which as you can imagine created some stir (they really looked great!). I also had the privilege of recording some of the stories. If you want to learn about how God protects his pilots, then ask them. I learned: how one pilot got back safely with no steering; how the suns reflection off the Sopas hospital roof enable a safe landing; and how God part a tunnel through a wild storm, so the pilot could get home. There will be a DVD produced of the weekend by HOPE TV, it will be a must see. We will try and let you know when it is released. ~ Rose-lee

Items for film shoot
In February the Adventist Media Centre asked us to supply objects for a film shoot. I never knew it took so long to setup and take video footage of just a title sequence for a film. Lighting, positioning of objects, wind movement, etc. all played a part. Some of our Bible’s, books, lantern, inkwells, wooden box, etc. will appear in the introduction to a new feature film/series on the beginnings of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The final product will also be a must see for me. I am sure you will hear about it, when it is released. ~ Rose-lee

Changes in the Adventist Heritage Centre
Corresponding with our new opening hours, Monday to Thursday 1pm-5pm, we’ve had a few changes in our staff. Rebecca is now working Mondays and Wednesdays, along with
Penny, who is now in charge of serials. Kayla has taken over artefacts while Tash remains on photographs. These changes also allow more work to go on with upcoming exhibitions in both the South Sea Islands Museum and the Adventist Heritage Centre. ~ Kayla

**100 Years Ago**
From the March Issue of the Australian Record from 1914, a total summary of Sabbath School Reports.

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**Donations**
How we love the people who care about history and wish to see it preserved. Since the last newsletter we have received a wonderful collection of objects from the estate of Ted and Ivy Jones (Solomon Island ethnographic items); a collection of textiles (baskets, bags, etc.) from PNG and Fiji; and a collection of books, documents and photographs from AAA NNSW.

Everyday something new arrives, and we truly appreciate and feel honoured to be able to preserve these for future generations. These donations will not only answer researcher questions, but will go on exhibit in either the Centre or the Museum.

A big thank-you to all who have enabled us to build a nationally significant collection about the Seventh-day Adventist Church and its entities within the South Pacific. ~ From the AHC team.

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Looking forward to an exciting 2014!

*Your AHC Team*

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