PATHFINDERS ENJOY CAMPOREE

Arriving at the church around 6:20 a.m. on Wednesday morning, I was greeted with Pathfinders and their families full of excitement for the journey to Camp Kulaqua in High Springs, Florida. In all, there were 138 people travelling with us to the Southern Union Camporee. The buses were loaded, we had prayer with each vehicle, and we began our journey.

After a couple of short stops along the way, the trip was over. We arrived at Kulaqua and were directed to our campsite where the process of setting up camp began. Our campsite alone looked like a small city with 54 tents, two trailers and a large canopy set up in our area.

Thursday and Friday, we enjoyed many activities and honors, some of which included: go-karts, swimming in the

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COMMUNION HELD NOVEMBER 3

Communion will be held at all three services held in the Sanctuary on Sabbath, Nov. 3.

The ordinance of humility will be observed in the Fellowship Hall on a continuous basis from 8:15 a.m. to noon. Worshipers are invited to arrive at least twenty minutes before the service of their choice at 8:45, 10:15, or 11:45 a.m., and take part in the foot-washing ceremony.

The Collegedale Academy Choir and Orchestra will provide the music and Pastor Dave will provide the homily for the three worship services.

Come with prepared hearts to participate in this special Sabbath.

FAMILY LIFE

162 Reasons to Marry

Go to www.collegedalechurch.com, click on “Grow” and “162 Reasons to Marry”

Children of married parents are more engaged in school than children from all other family structures.

“What God has joined together, let man not separate.” Matthew 19:6

To build a marriage to last a lifetime, contact Tim Cross at timcross@southern.edu six months prior to your wedding, or any time you need a marriage vitamin.
EVERY MATURE CHRISTIAN ADULT IS A YOUTH MINISTER
by Pastor Will

Is our youth ministry traditional or family-focused? Traditional youth ministry has little to do with style or personality, it has to do with how often we isolate youth from the adult world and particularly from their own parents. It is not necessarily family-focused.

With traditional youth ministry we measure success by how many mature Christian teens we have, i.e. how many are involved in our programs. If our youth programs are well attended, we are satisfied with childish faith. But how many of our teens are actually transitioning into mature Christian adulthood?

Mature Christian adults are people who no longer depend on whistles and bells to motivate them to live out their faith. They have become proactive Christians—not reactive ones waiting to be entertained. Could it be that much of our youth ministry programming moves teens away from, rather than toward, mature Christian adulthood?

Here at Collegedale, our youth ministry is focusing on empowering young people to become mature Christian adults by uplifting their families, including adults in the extended church family. If you are a mature Christian adult, then welcome to youth ministry. Get involved by praying for our youth and encouraging them when possible. Our kids need you.

Camporee Tidbits

- Collegedale was the largest club in attendance
- Over 6,000 Pathfinders attended from across the Southern Union
- Collegedale Director, Bill Tracy, was invested as a Master Guide by his mom and by Allan Williamson (former Southern Union Pathfinder Director)

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water park, blow-up water slide, stilt relay, team building activities, obstacle course, and a variety of honors. Friday afternoon, several teams from our club participated in the blob contest. What a great time we had both participating and watching. Pin trading was an activity that we all enjoyed. We were able to meet new people, collect new pins, and have a blast while at it.

Sabbath morning the camp was buzzing as all clubs prepared to participate in the Grand Parade. Our club looked amazing with everyone in Class A uniform. As we lined up and waited for our turn to march, we watched other clubs and conferences march by. It was an amazing sight as they just seemed to keep coming. One of the staff commented on how awesome it was to see this many people marching to church. Just imagine what it will be like when we get to heaven and this sea of people is marching to meet with Jesus.

We spent Sabbath afternoon in the nature center, zoo and hiking trails of the camp enjoying the amazing things that God has created for us.

It was a wonderful Camporee with the theme and the messages centered on “Making a Difference”. Everyone in attendance was encouraged to remember that even though they are only one, they can make a monumental difference with God’s help. The challenge was made to every Pathfinder to return home and make a difference for God in the lives of others.
**CITIZENSHIP CLASS UPDATE**

*by Maria Barnes, ESL/Citizenship Instructor*

To date, fourteen individuals have become citizens of the United States and are eligible to vote in the upcoming election after going through the Church’s Citizenship Class. The last three individuals, the Garcia family from Honduras, were sworn in on September 18 in a special ceremony marking the 225th anniversary of the writing of the U.S. Constitution.

The Citizenship Class will be suspended until after the general election as we await changes both on the Federal and State levels.

The new U.S. citizens have asked me to convey their profound gratitude to the Collegedale Church for providing these classes, the outcome of which has changed their lives for the better.

**INDIAN RIVER FRUIT FOR ACADEMY MISSIONS**

Fresh Fruit From Florida, just in time for Thanksgiving and support missions at Collegedale Academy.

- Navels: $32 a box, or $18 a half box
- Ruby Red Grapefruit: $27 a box or $16 a half box
- Tangerines: $24 a half box

Orders may be placed through November 8. Pickup is one day only, Sunday, Nov. 18, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Academy gym parking lot. To order, call 396-2124 ext. 555 and record your order, or go to www.collegedaleacademy.com/citrus.

**PIRATES, DEMOCRACY, AND PROPERTY RIGHTS**

Members of the 55+Club, and anyone of this age, are invited to attend the Sunday, Nov. 11, meeting featuring Lisa Clark Diller, Chair of the Southern’s History Department. Her fascinating topic will be “Pirates, Democracy and Property Rights.” She will talk about the Golden Age of Piracy and how it shaped the world we have inherited today. How did pirates help create modern nation states? How did piracy contribute to our ideas of intellectual property rights? What role did pirates play in the formation of capitalism? If Peter Pan contributed to your ideas of pirates, you have a lot of surprises in store! A question and answer period will follow.

Members are encouraged to bring their food ready for serving by 11:30 a.m. The speaker follows the vegetarian potluck luncheon which begins at 12 noon with Thanksgiving theme food assignments as follows:

- A-C Holiday Entrees
- D-H White/Sweet Potato dish
- I-M Vegetable
- N-P Pumpkin or Apple Pie
- R-S Soft Dinner Rolls
- T-V Cranberry/Jellied Salad
- W-Z Tossed Salad or Vegetable Tray with Dip

Call Erling Odell (423) 591-4779 with questions.

**SANDY ERICKSON RACE FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Sandy Erickson Race for Christian Education benefiting the Greater Collegedale School System is Sunday, Nov. 4.

The Kids Fun Run (1 mile) starts at 1:30 p.m. for pre K - 2nd grade and at 2:00 p.m. for the 5K race (3.2 miles) for grades 3-12 and adults. Meet at Collegedale Adventist Middle School (CAMS).

The race proceeds benefit the school system’s Worthy Student Fund.

Register at www.sandyericksonfunrun.com. To donate, go to www.sandyericksonfunrun.com and click on the donate link, or you may sponsor a runner from one of the GCSS schools.

**ARW ARTS, CRAFTS, AND HOBBIES FAIR**

The Adventist Retired Workers Club invites the community to attend this event, to be held on Sunday, Nov. 18, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

Exhibitors will be showing off their many talents, including crafts and hobbies of a wide variety. Many will be offering items that are just right for holiday gifts. See dolls and doll clothes, embroidered items, books, coin and stamp collections, homemade toys, canes, photography and oil paintings, woodworking, sea shells, etc.

This occasion is free and open to the general public. Contact Jim Hoffer for further information, kw8tjim@catt.com or (706) 965-2425.
VBS 2013: Too early to start thinking about it? Those planning on it don’t think so! Mark your calendars, June 24-28, for an exciting adventure.

AS CHRISTIANS we are commanded not only to preach the gospel, but also to be stewards of our environment and health. Spend an afternoon learning about organic agriculture at the University’s Food Summit. This event will be held Sunday, Nov. 4 in Lynnwood Hall from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. Join members of the Chattanooga community as founder of Sunizona Farms, and guest speaker, Byron Smith, teaches us practical ways of promoting Agricultural Sustainability in the local community. To register, please go to gpssau.com.

JAIME JORGE, violinist and author, is celebrating 25 years of music ministry with a memorable concert on Sunday, Nov. 25, at 6:30 p.m. at the Collegedale Community Church. Enjoy an orchestra, choir, and a host of guest musicians, including Michael Card, Larnelle Harris, Kirk Whalum, Jennifer LaMountain, and more. Make plans to attend, receive a tremendous blessing, and support Jaime.

IN MEMORY

Landrew Webster, son of Jon and Becky Webster and brother of Libby Webster, passed away October 14. Services were held October 19. Memorial donations may be made to Orange Grove Center, 615 Derby Street, Chattanooga, TN 37404.

Seating is limited. Tickets are available only at: www.jaimejorge.com

YOU ARE INVITED to Chattanooga First Church Homecoming on November 10. The day includes: Sabbath School (9:30 a.m.), Church (10:55 a.m.), Fellowship lunch (1:00 p.m.), and Vespers (5:00 p.m.). Many previous Chattanooga First pastors will be attending. The church service will be led by Pastor Obed Graham. All are invited to participate in the combined church choir.

SUSTAINABLE PREPAREDNESS EXPO at the McDonald Road Church will be held November 11, starting at 10 a.m. There will be a wide variety of seminars and vendor booths/products for sale on topics such as renewable energy, water systems, natural remedies, soap making and old fashioned skills, agriculture/heirloom seeds, etc. For more info go to MountainMediaMinistries.org or contact Marilyn or Ron at (423) 236-5138.

STUDENT AID APPLICATIONS are available at the Church Office and due back in by November 16.

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