From the pen of Donna Jackson...

Friend,
Thank you for all that you gave of yourself during this past year to spread God’s love within our division. As we bid adieu to 2014, my prayer is that you will grasp God’s plan throughout 2015 to prosper you (Jer. 29:11) in body, mind and spirit. Thus, in this issue, we offer a menu of topics from which you will hopefully find something of interest and of practical benefit. May God breathe His blessing into your whole being as you journey through this issue and throughout 2015.

Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health just as your soul prospers. ~ 3 John 1:2 (NKJV)

Donna Jackson
NAD Ministerial Spouses Association Leader

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Prayer and Praise
Download the following two free ebooks (click on each book)
FAITH ALIVE!

Pray One Million

What would happen if every Seventh-day Adventist in North America would spend just a few minutes each day - or maybe just one minute each day - praying for one specific person...a neighbor, a colleague, someone special that God lays on your heart? What if even half of our members would catch that vision?

Well, if just half of us made that commitment between now and the next three or four months, and if we spent only a minute each a day - one minute each day - over the next ten weeks or so we would storm the gates of heaven with more than a million hours of focused intercession! Read More

FAMILY MATTERS

Love & Respect and its Fruits

In two different Mad About Marriage interviews, hosted by Pastors Gayle and Mike Tucker, the importance of respect and wholesome communication is discussed and its far-reaching effects.

Love and Respect are key to fulfilling relationships and well-bred, considerate children. Dr. Emerson Eggerichs, author of Love and Respect and founder of the Institute by the same name, is featured in this episode of Mad About Marriage.

Communion with God: A Devotional Guide for the School of Prayer

Special Prayer Requests

Please pray for the health of Gerry Chudleigh, Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Sr., Warren Judd, young Edward DeVasher and James Wright.

Artistic Musings

Prestonwood Choir

"I Then Shall Live"

This powerful piece - music:
Dr. Willie and Elaine Oliver, Family Ministries directors of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, in this interview talk with the Tuckers about the mystery of oneness.

FIT FOR LIFE

Detox for the New Year
Dr. Wes Youngberg

Finlandia by Jean Sebelius; lyrics by Gloria Gaither - greatly impacted those attending the 2014 NAD Year End Meetings and since has been requested by some conferences and world division.

In this charming director's cut, Dr. Angelou (deceased May 28, 2014) speaks about the beauty of language, poetry and humanity.

In this section, we want to feature what you have created: a poem you've written, a painting you've completed or original music you've performed, etc. Submit here.

New Recipe

Roasted Vegetable Phyllo Rolls
Debi Pedersen

(click here for the recipe)

Debi Pedersen says that she created Roasted Vegetable Phyllo...
Ministerial Spouses' PELC Gathering at Oakwood University
by Linda Penick

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Rolls for holiday entertaining because she feels that the vegetarian entrees should be very special! She also says, "This looks like a lot of ingredients, but it makes 3 rolls and if you don’t need all 3, they freeze well for future use.

To make it vegan, leave out the cheese (though it doesn’t hold quite as well when you cut it). Also, change the 1 T. of butter for sauteing the onions to vegan margarine. And only use the olive oil between the layers of the phyllo.

Submitted by:
Debi Pedersen, Trust Officer, Northern California Conference and co author of two vegetarian cookbooks

Share health tips that work for you, like how you lost weight; healthy, quick, delicious recipes; depression busters, etc.
MINISTRY STORIES

Pastors' Wives Speak Out
Mid-South View Point's host, Byron Tyler

Interview of three community pastors' wives - Christy Poindexter, Pamela Helton, and Elizabeth Nichols

2015 NAD MINISTERIAL CONVENTION

Early bird registration has been extended to January 31, 2015.
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316, the theme for the council, permeated the spouses’ presentations and Linda Penick’s challenge: “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

The charge given was to concentrate on the four highlighted words, God, gave, whosoever, life. Linda presented three questions. First, What are those words saying to you? Secondly, Do you really believe what it says? Thirdly, How are you applying this concept to your life? The practical application being BEFORE ministering to others - the gospel must resonate in our lives and we will treat ourselves well and share that with others! This is how we LIVE John 3:16!

Written by Linda Penick
Parents, make sure that your PK comes on down to

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- Special activities for male spouses as well as inclusive programming.

**Early Bird Registration until December 31, 2014!**

Ministerial Spouses $169 | Children (ages 3-17) $99 | Includes two lunch meals

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Roasted Vegetable Phyllo Rolls

This is one of my favorite holiday recipes, which may look daunting, but it really isn’t. The filling can be prepared one day, and rolled in the phyllo the next. Whatever your thoughts are about phyllo, I hope you will give this a try. If it breaks, no worries! Just hide, patch, and butter it and keep on going. No one will ever know! It works well to freeze the rolls to be baked later, straight from the freezer. Just add 10 or so minutes to the baking time. This makes a wonderful addition to those special occasion meals.

- 2 lb. butternut squash, peeled and cubed in ½ inch dice
- 2 medium zucchini, diced small
- 2 medium carrots, grated
- 8 oz. mushrooms, sliced and diced
- 1 medium eggplant, peeled and cubed in ½ inch dice
- ½ c. dried cranberries
- 2 T. fresh sage, chopped fine or 2 t. dried
- 2 T. fresh oregano, chopped fine or 2 t. dried
- 2 T. fresh rosemary, chopped fine or 2 t. dried
- 2 T. fresh thyme, chopped fine or 2 t. dried
- 5 cloves garlic, crushed
- 2 t. salt
- 1/3 c. olive oil
- 1 c. pecans, coarsely chopped
- 1 12.5 oz. can Worthington® Fri Chik® Original, squeezed dry and cubed
- 1 T. butter
- 1 small onion, peeled and chopped fine
- 8 oz. gruyere or ementeller cheese, shredded
- ½ c. butter, melted (could also use olive oil for a healthier fat!)
- 1 16 oz. package phyllo dough, thawed

Mix squash, zucchini, carrots, mushrooms, eggplant, cranberries, herbs, garlic, salt and olive oil in a large bowl. Spray 2 baking sheets with non-stick cooking spray. Spread mixture on baking sheets. Roast in preheated 375-degree oven for 20 minutes, stirring once during baking. Lower oven temperature to 350 degrees.

Meanwhile, in a medium sized fry pan, toast pecans. Remove to the large bowl. In same fry pan sauté Fri Chik® till crunchy. Remove to the large bowl. In the same fry pan melt butter. Sauté onion until soft. Remove to the large bowl. Place roasted vegetables into the large bowl. Add cheese and mix well.

Using one-third of phyllo sheets (approx. 8), begin by laying out 1 sheet; spread it thoroughly with melted butter. Add second sheet, third, etc., buttering between each layer.

Place one-third of filling in log-type roll on long side of sheets, leaving one inch uncovered along edges. Press filling together to make a compact roll. Tuck in sides and roll jellyroll fashion, pressing phyllo firmly around filling. Place “seam” on the underside. Butter top and sides of completed roll. Repeat with remaining ingredients, making 2 more rolls. Place rolls on baking sheet(s) sprayed with nonstick cooking spray. Bake for approximately 45 minutes until golden.

Cut each roll into 8 pieces. Serves 12