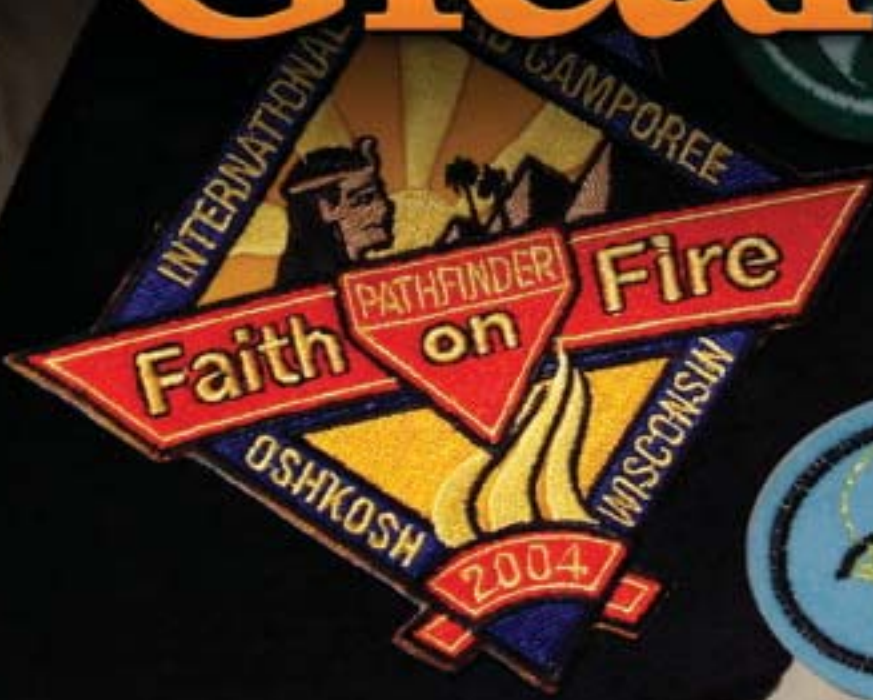


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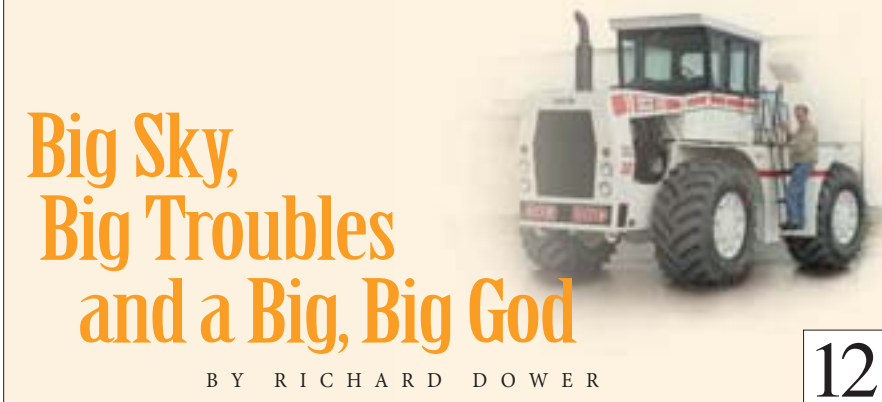


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Our Unsung Heroes in Uniform

BY JERE PATZER

Sue and I had the privilege of spending 10 years of our professional ministry in youth work. We would both agree that these were without question some of the happiest and most rewarding years of our lives.

While there are a number of reasons we look back with such fondness, one stands out in particular. It is the dedication, commitment and hard work of the lay youth leaders in general, and the Pathfinder staff in particular.

Who Else?

Who else would...

- take your kids snow camping to help them get an honor token?
 - take vacation time and drive halfway across the Union or the country only to sleep on the ground for a big camporee?
 - model the best in Christianity to kids who are otherwise bombarded by the media, video games and every conceivable invention of the devil?
 - spend one night a week teaching someone else's kids, some of whom have the attention span of a house fly?
 - demonstrate the love of Christ to the lovable and unlovable alike?
- And in general...
- be a role model to young men and women who often have no one else to look to?

The amazing thing to me is that after these leaders have done it in the cold, in the heat, in the rain and in the dark, they then agree to do it another year and another. Attending our Pathfinder

leadership conferences were people who had been leading for 20, 25 or 30 years. Incredible!

No Retirement Plan

We like to joke that in church work the pay isn't always the greatest, but "*the retirement is out of this world.*" If it is true for anyone, it is definitely true for our Pathfinder leaders. I just have to believe that God has a special place, a special reward in heaven for those who have given their lives in this type of service for His children.

As an Adventist Church we have many dedicated and hardworking members around the world who volunteer countless hours to His cause. But there is something extra-special about the DNA in Pathfinder leaders whether in Australia or Africa, the South Pacific or the North Pacific. Some of the finest people in the world are those who proudly wear the khaki or green and white colors of the Pathfinder uniform.

We Salute You

On behalf of our kids, their parents, our Lord and His church, we give you a smart and snappy Pathfinder salute. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

GLENER readers, you will be inspired as you read about just a few of our Pathfinder leaders in the next few pages. And you should know that these stories could be repeated over and over again. In fact, the impact of the lives of these heroes will only be fully realized when we get to heaven. •



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

Did You Know?

Pathfindingering



With nearly 2 million members around the world, Pathfinders is a worldwide organization of young people sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Church. This club accepts any young person who promises to abide by the Pathfinder Pledge and Law, regardless of church affiliation.

- Enlarging kids' windows on the world and building a relationship with God are the dual objectives of this club designed for children ages 10 to 16.
- Club activities range from community/civic service projects—both in their home community and across the globe—to nature and environmental conservation studies to marching to camping and high-adventure trips.
- “Pathfindingering” is built on an age-specific curriculum of six levels along with approximately 250 specialized skill development topics covering arts and crafts, aquatics, nature, household arts, recreation, spiritual development, health, and vocational training. These often serve as a launching point for lifetime careers or hobbies.

by the requirements of the Pathfinder Pledge and Law for the sole purpose of growing closer to their fellow men and women, and to their Creator.

Walk softly in the sanctuary,
Keep a song in my heart,
Go on God's errands.

Pathfinder Pledge:

By the grace of God, I will be pure, and kind, and true. I will keep the Pathfinder Law. I will be a servant of God and a friend to man.

Pathfinder Law:

The Pathfinder Law is for me to:
Keep the morning watch,
Do my honest part,
Care for my body,
Keep a level eye,
Be courteous and obedient,



- Pathfinders learn and choose to abide



www.pathfindersonline.org

All photos courtesy of Jason Meert

Momentum Satellite Meetings

The MOMENTUM Satellite Reaping Meetings will be downlinked to your church and school via the Hope TV satellite network (Saturday to Saturday, 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Pacific Time) from the Northwest's largest cities.

- April 21–28, 2007,* Ron Halvorsen Sr., from Metro Seattle
- November 3–10, 2007,* Jere Patzer, from Boise, Idaho
- Spring 2008, Shawn Boonstra, from Portland, Oregon
- Fall 2008, from Spokane, Washington
- Spring 2009, from Anchorage, Alaska
- Fall 2009, from Eugene-Springfield, Oregon
- Spring 2010, from Montana (location to be determined)

- Fall 2010, from Bellevue, Washington
- Spring 2011, from Salem, Oregon
- Fall 2011, from Bremerton or Olympia, Washington

* These dates indicate when the satellite reaping will be broadcast to the downlink sites. The actual events take place earlier (April 14–21 and October 20–27) and are filmed and edited for later broadcast on Hope TV at the times indicated above.

Feature

“God Knew What He Was Doing When He Invented Pathfinders”

by Maylan Schurch



Jason Meert

From left: Taylor Decker, Heather Schlaman, Natalie Dorland and Sasha Swenson do group knitting as Alyssa Beddoe (behind Sasha) looks on.

Rick does a great job of reminding us how much fun we’re having,” says Sojourner Pathfinder Club co-leader Jason Meert.



Co-leaders of the Bellevue and Kirkland Sojourner Pathfinder Club Jason Meert (left) and Rick Luce loved Pathfinders as kids, and decided to stay with it!



Sojourner club members Annea Umayam, Alivia Nye, Natalie Dorland and Chloe Hutson work on their Chemistry honor.

“Jason? He’s the oldest kid in Pathfinders!” says co-leader Rick Luce.

Along with a large staff—which includes both their wives—Jason and Rick shepherd 35 Pathfinders through their paces. The Sojourners are supported by the Bellevue and Kirkland (Washington) churches, but draw from other area congregations as well. One family living 30 miles north on Whidbey Island board a ferry and transport their kids to meetings through Eastside rush-hour traffic every week.

A couple of years ago the Sojourners spun off 10 kids to form a whole new club, but instead of shrinking, the main club grew. Why?

“Our outstanding staff is one reason,” Jason says. “They clearly care about the kids and their relationship with Jesus. Also, there’s nonstop encouragement and prayer from pastors, church members and the Kirkland Adventist School. A week doesn’t pass without someone saying, ‘Thanks for being a Pathfinder leader.’ That really helps keep us from getting burned out.”

“An additional reason we’re growing,” Rick suggests, “might be that we teach kids it’s possible to have friends beyond just home and school—not only kid-to-kid rapport but with leaders as well. It’s really fun to go to church and have dozens of kids say hello to me. I get the feeling they’re beginning to value my friendship as much as I value theirs.”

“Still another reason for our growth might be that we’re teaching kids ‘common sense,’” Rick continues. “In school, kids get great book-learning and sports instruction, but Pathfinders teaches them how to build campfires, how to pitch a tent so it stays dry and protected from the wind, how to do a lot of out-of-the-ordinary things and be the best they can be.”

Spiritual growth happens too. Jiaqian is a perfect example. The daughter of an Adventist father and a Buddhist mother, she joined the Sojourners shortly after arriving from China. “She knew only about 10 words of English,” Rick says, “so we had to communicate by sign language and demonstration. The first word I taught her to say was ‘Excellent.’ To this day, she’ll say to me, ‘Excellent, Mr. Luce!’”

As Jiaqian’s English vocabulary increased, so did her love for Jesus. Finally, she decided on baptism. Delighted, her dad suggested that she be baptized at the church they attend. “No,” Jiaqian replied, “I want to be baptized at the Pathfinder Fair, because Pathfinders is where I met Jesus.”

Jason sums it up perfectly: “God knew what He was doing when He invented Pathfinders.” •

Maylan Schurch, Bellevue Church pastor, writes from Bellevue, Washington.

It's Not the Size of the Church

It's the Size of the Heart for God and His Kids

by **Eve Rusk**

Linda Hecker didn't grow up as an Adventist and wasn't a Pathfinder in her youth. The church her three older daughters grew up in didn't have a Pathfinder club. Perhaps this is what motivated her to make sure her youngest daughter would have the opportunities for service and meeting Jesus that a Pathfinder ministry can provide.

Linda first became involved with Pathfinders in 2005 with Eleanor Brandon, wife of Tony Brandon, Baker City (Oregon) Church pastor. The two saw that the youth of their church needed something to belong to and with encouragement from their area coordinators, Darrin James and Andy Shaw, they started the Baker Valley Mountaineers. The Homedale (Idaho) Hawks Pathfinder Club came up to present a church service and demonstrate to the Pathfinder-age kids what being a Pathfinder was about.

Tony Brandon says, "The kids are excited to have a club that is just for them. Pathfinders is a way they can stay involved with the church and experience Jesus."

"Linda has been great," he says. "Her energy and passion for Pathfinders is tremendous. Her sole concern for the youth is that they know and experience Jesus and become passionate and dedicated Seventh-day Adventists."

In their second year of existence, the Baker Valley Mountaineers are finding lots of ways to reach out to their community. Last Christmas the 10 Pathfinders threw

a Christmas party for the children and moms at a local drug rehabilitation facility, complete with gifts. Linda said it was fun to watch the Pathfinders interact with the other children.

The Mountaineers are also involved with their own church. During a recent church service, Terry Rusk, Idaho Conference Pathfinder director, with most of the conference coordinator staff, helped conduct an induction ceremony. Comments after the service were so positive—the church members loved to see their kids affirmed during church. They understand the importance of keeping their youth connected to the church.

The church members have also been supportive financially. Transportation to community service events and Pathfinder events has sometimes been a challenge, especially with a small staff and 10 Pathfinders. Linda went to the church board with a request for a 12-passenger van. They contacted a donor who purchased the van and donated it to the church!

Linda Hecker is a true Pathfinder. No, she didn't grow up as a Pathfinder, didn't spend many years as a staff member, isn't even a Master Guide (yet), and hadn't done anything like this before. What she does have are three qualities that any Pathfinder staff member should have: 1) a committed love for Jesus, 2) a genuine love for kids, and 3) a "can-do" attitude—whatever it is she can't do, God will provide! It's not the size of the church

or the experience of the staff that make a ministry for youth successful. It's the size of the heart for God and His kids. •

Eve Rusk, administrative assistant to the Idaho Conference vice president for administration, writes from Boise, Idaho.

Linda Hecker, Baker Valley Pathfinder leader, stands by the newly donated Pathfinder van.



Baker Valley Pathfinders stand in a receiving line after their induction ceremony.



The 10 Pathfinders host a Christmas party for the children and moms at a local drug rehabilitation facility, complete with gifts.

Feature

Director Mel MacPhee and the Hood View Mountaineers enjoy honors activities such as woodcarving.



Amy L. Schrader

“Kids’ Ministry Is What It’s All About”

by Amy L. Schrader

“Attention!” Every Wednesday evening at 6:45, Pathfinder director Mel MacPhee calls the Hood View Mountaineers to order. Standing in a “U” formation, the 23 Pathfinders and seven staff members face MacPhee as he leads them through the Pledge of Allegiance, reciting the Pathfinder pledge and law, and listening to a devotional thought before heading off to work on honors activities.

MacPhee first experienced Pathfinders as an 8-year-old tagging along with his two older sisters. His dad was a counselor

in the club, so MacPhee was able to participate in the activities and campouts before he could “officially” join at age 10.

Today MacPhee is still involved in Pathfinders in addition to being a husband, father of six, optometrist and church elder. “Being involved in Pathfinders has made me prioritize what’s really important,” he says. “Loving God with everything we have and loving others are at the top.”

Under MacPhee’s leadership the Hood View club has changed focus from classwork and points-based programs

to honors and activities. “We want to create a good, healthy, fun Christian environment while ultimately looking to lead kids to the cross.”

The Mountaineers have enjoyed tubing, skiing, archery, rock climbing and even geocaching.

MacPhee planned a “Discover

Scuba” class for the club where the kids could try on the gear, get tips from a certified instructor, and swim around in a pool trying out how to breathe under water. In addition, MacPhee has updated the club’s t-shirts and sweatshirts.

Tracy Wood, Oregon Conference Pathfinder director and associate youth director, affirms MacPhee’s ministry and vision. He says last year MacPhee wrote and submitted the wakeboarding honor to the North American Division Pathfinder Committee, and it was accepted. “This year, he has a teen Pathfinder, [Ryan Robinson], creating the unicycle honor,” says Wood, “and Mel is teaching him the process.”

MacPhee feels called to teach kids what they need to know to be good people. His goal is to introduce the kids to Jesus and to good Christian fun, and he believes it is important to teach them about loving God, working as a team and serving others.

“Kids’ ministry is what it’s all about; without the Bible, we’re just Scouts.” Quick to credit the dedication of his talented staff and the support of the church congregation, MacPhee says, “we’re blessed at Hood View.” •

Amy L. Schrader, Oregon Conference communication director, writes from Gladstone, Oregon.



During the devotional time, director Mel MacPhee sits with Pathfinders Jeremiah Woods and Ryan Robinson and staff member Greg Robinson.



Tammy and Mark Harris flank their Hamilton, Montana, Pathfinder club.

“Pathfinders Is Such a Worthwhile Program”

by Joy Swift

Mark and Tammy Harris know how life-changing Pathfinders and Adventurer Clubs can be. They were in the clubs themselves.

Tammy, who grew up in Kingman, Arizona, joined Pre-Pathfinders (the precursor to Adventurers) when she was in

Each year, Mark plans activities and honors around a particular theme. The Pioneer project ended with a three-day trip by wagon and horseback along the Oregon Trail.

Through the years, the Indian Lore honor class has been popular. An Indian campout is the perfect setting to learn how arrowheads are made, create beadwork, earn certification in CPR/first aid, and honors in outdoor skills.

“The campout brings the club closer together,” says Tammy. “It is a relaxing time at the end of the year when they can enjoy stories around the campfire and just talk to one another.”

Three years ago, Pathfinders rose to the challenge of riding 50 miles on their bikes. Adventurers joined in, too, though they were only expected to ride five miles. That same year was the Oshkosh Camporee, the most exciting trip of their Pathfinder leadership career.

Probably the biggest Montana event is the annual Pinewood Derby held in Missoula. Pathfinders from all over the state gather to compete.

Club members are encouraged to design and build their own derby cars to compete in a full day of racing. Meetings are a flurry of activity with work-stations for sanding, painting and wheel assembly.

Pathfinders isn’t all fun and games. There is serious work going on as well. Each year the clubs collect 600 to 1,000 food items to be given away during the holidays. They also do yard work, clean homes and shovel snow for elderly citizens.

Though Mark and Tammy encourage their members to earn honors, they were

surprised last year to see how dedicated the members were to completing the scriptural portions of the Pathfinder Manual. Several members have made the decision to be baptized.

“Pathfinders is such a worthwhile program,” Mark says. “It teaches skills centered on a relationship with the Lord. While I can’t say Pathfinders is the only positive influence in these kids’ lives, I know it has played a vital part.” •

Joy Swift writes from Bozeman, Montana.



“The campout brings the club closer together,” says Tammy Harris.

third grade. Mark became a Pathfinder at 14, when his parents and friends started a club in Springerville, Arizona. By the time Mark was 17, he was serving as deputy director for that same club.

When the two met and began to plan their lives together, youth leadership just felt like a natural fit. The couple served as leaders in Arizona for several years, and served another eight years in Idaho. So when they moved to Hamilton, Montana, and volunteered to take on the leadership duties, they were greeted with open arms.

Mark and Tammy have been leading the Hamilton clubs since 2002, with Mark focusing on Pathfinders while Tammy devotes her time to Adventurers. Club membership has fluctuated, with an average enrollment of 14 young people.



Mark Harris leads the Hamilton Pathfinders in a song during a service at their church.



The Hamilton Pathfinders help in their community by cleaning yards and homes for seniors.

Feature

Pathfinders Brings Kids Closer to Christ

by Garrett Caldwell Sr.

Stop! Stop! I can't find my glasses!" cried the young man. The last bit of daylight was fading and with it any reasonable chance of finding the glasses before they might be crushed by the searchers. They had been playing a friendly game of catch before peace gave way to panic at a white sandy beach near Salmon River, Idaho.

He and his family had joined the Waiilatpu Pathfinder Club on the weekend's whitewater rafting trip at the invitation of the director because there was room for a few more participants. They had gladly accepted. Now, they wondered if the trip would exact a price they could not have anticipated.

As dusk gave way to darkness Pathfinder director Steve Meharry suggested that they pray for God's help. They finished praying, and they all began to stand up. The boy who lost his glasses reached for the ground to support himself as he stood, but when his hand should have hit the surface it instead fell right on his glasses.

Everyone was happy that the glasses were found, but for Steve there was an additional joy in another real-life example of how God hears and answers our prayers. "The main goal of Pathfinders is to get kids closer to Christ through nature and other activities," Steve says. That's why his personal objective is to see every Adventist young person in a Pathfinder club.

Although the 12 years that Steve has served as leader of his Pathfinder club have been fulfilling, his desire to participate as a leader in the ministry grew out of many years of involvement as a Pathfinder himself.

"I couldn't wait to become a Pathfinder when I was a child," he says. As soon

as Steve turned 10 years old, he joined the Stateline Pathfinder Club where his parents also served; his dad was a counselor and his mom was deputy director. The involvement of his parents and his friends, as well as the outings and Sabbath activities, all made it an irresistible attraction for him.

The Waiilatpu (which means "where the rag grass grows") Club not only consists of members of the College Place Church, but also draws kids from other churches and schools in the valley. They are a community service-oriented club that participates in activities such as leaf raking, can collecting, and giving Christmas baskets to families in need through the local YWCA.

One family brings 10 kids to Pathfinders and Adventurers each week in their large van—including extended family and friends—attesting to the value that adults place on this activity for their children. Approximately 80 percent of his Pathfinders come from Adventist families. Each year the club has baptismal classes. Steve's own sons were among the many through the years that have chosen to be baptized because of the classes.

Upper Columbia Conference Pathfinder director Wayne Hicks is proud to have a

roster of excellent club leaders. He counts Steve Meharry as one of the best. •

Garrett Caldwell Sr., Upper Columbia Conference communication director, writes from Spokane, Washington.



Waiilatpu members get ready for the bike rodeo.



A well-decorated director, Steve Meharry, shows off his brightest badge, his smile.



Teens line up for an exciting event.



Vernon Osborn, Anchorage Pathfinder director (second row, second from left), marches in the Grand Parade with the Alaska delegation at the Faith On Fire Pathfinder Camporee in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, in August 2004.

We Do It for ‘the Kids’

by John Kriegelstein

Vernon Osborn is gone again. Sometimes it’s for a few weeks. Other times it is for several months. This time it is to Mississippi and then to Israel. Don’t worry, though. The 40-member Anchorage Pathfinder Club will go on as planned under the direction of Mary Osborn, Vernon’s wife.

You see, Vernon is a member of the Alaska Air National Guard and has been deployed at least three times in the past four years. Mary explains that this is nothing unusual. As a military family, they have become used to continuing on while Master Sergeant Vernon Osborn is off to faraway places doing his part to support troops.

Mary admits that while Vernon has carefully worked and planned with Mary for these absences, it would not be possible without the dedicated volunteer staff that have consistently stepped up to fill in the gaps left during his temporary absences.

Last Wednesday night I caught up with Mary at her hairdresser’s shop. She had brought a small group of lady Pathfinders to work on the Hairdressing honor. When I knocked on the glass door, it was obvious by what I could see that she and the young ladies were having fun conversation while learning some hairstyling techniques.

That safe friendliness is what the Osborns have made a priority since they began their Pathfinder ministry

almost eight years ago. What began as an invitation by another family to help provide some Christian activities for their own kids has grown to as many as 50 club members even though their own kids are now away from home.

I asked Mary what sparked her passion for continuing to work with Pathfinders. She paused and then gave one of the Pathfinder’s names—a young man who calls every week for a ride to Pathfinders. She then said, “The kids. I love the kids.”

She went on to tell the story she read on the hall wall of the church school one day. Apparently the students had been given the assignment to write about someone in their lives who had had a strong, positive, Christian influence on them. Adam had written about his first contact with “Mr. and Mrs. O” and how they had been so nice to him and his family. “Just knowing that we were there for those kids and that they appreciated it moved me to tears,” says Mary.

Master Sergeant Osborn will return, and Pathfinders will continue as long as there are people who want it and willing to assist as staff. “We will continue as directors until there is someone else who wants to do it more than we do. At that point, they should be doing it,” says Mary. •

John Kriegelstein, Alaska Conference communication director, writes from Anchorage, Alaska.



Mary Osborn, Anchorage Pathfinders co-director, recently brought several Pathfinder members to her beauty shop as part of fulfilling the requirements for the Hairdressing honor. Mary and her Pathfinder staff carry on the Anchorage Club during the absence of her husband, Vernon, who has been deployed as Master Sergeant in the Alaska Air National Guard.



Formed last fall, Alaska’s newest Pathfinders, the 14-member Samoan Pathfinder Club, gathered for a photo following their induction service on December 16. Alaska has five active Pathfinder clubs plus some very small groups that meet informally.

Northwest Spirit



Built with proven industrial components and equipped with a 1,000-horsepower engine, this one-of-a-kind Big Bud 747 tractor is the most powerful agricultural tractor in the world. Depending on the application, Big Bud can work at an acre-a-minute clip.

Big Sky, Big Troubles and a Big, Big God

It takes a big man to face life's blows and come away happier and more in touch with God than ever. But Montana's "Big Sky Country" has a way of growing such men, and Ron Harmon of Havre, Montana, is no exception.

Ron was born and raised on a farm set amid the prairies of north-central Montana. Later, his dad sold the farm and moved the family to nearby Havre, a small farming town with a Burlington Northern railroad center. When a tractor dealership was built next door to his dad's truck stop, it captured Ron's imagination and he spent many hours during his high school years with the salesmen and mechanics.

Following his high school graduation in 1965, Ron spent two years in college, but his entrepreneurial spirit drove him to open a performance parts business in his father's truck stop. Soon more and more time was spent selling big tires, mag



Ron Harmon is the chair of the Havre Church building committee. John Loor, Montana Conference president, and other members of the building committee, broke ground in June 2006 to begin the construction of the new church. From left: Elmer Dow, pastor; John Loor, Montana Conference president; Ron Harmon; Allen Beardsley; George Walker, church treasurer; and Leo Beardsley.



Ron's wife Patty says, "It is the most wonderful thing to share your faith with someone that you love."

wheels and engine parts, effectively ending Ron's academic career.

Always ready for bigger challenges, Ron spent some time in the Army before buying a motorcycle, snowmobile and recreational vehicle dealership. Finally, in 1974, he was able to buy the tractor dealership that had captured his interest years before.

Building better tractors became Ron's manufacturing focus, and shop foreman Bud Nelson spent a year building Big Bud, a tractor with a cab that tilted up for easy access to its powerful engine and transmission. This field-serviceable machine also included drive-train elements that could slide in and out for easy upgrades.

Needing more manufacturing space, Ron opened a new plant in 1978 and increased production to 120 tractors a year. Soon he had 200 employees, a marketing department and a dealer network.

But his plans to stabilize production at 200 tractors a year were brought to a halt when a supplier failed to deliver a critical part. With tractor

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Ron and Keith Richardson, long-time employee and tractor designer, discuss the rebuilding of a transmission for a Big Bud tractor.

delivery delayed, Ron's company was financially crippled, and he was forced to lay off 150 workers.

Ron was devastated. A capable and can-do person, he suddenly felt unable to take care of anything correctly. He spent most of his time trying to solve the company's problems and neglected his family, his church and his God. Before long, he found himself without the business or his family.

After a divorce from his first wife, Ron took another blow when Linda, his second wife, died. Ron had known Linda and her sister, Patty, since their high school years.

A couple years after losing Linda, Ron started dating Patty, who had been divorced for some time. Patty had become an Adventist and sent her children to Adventist schools, including Mt. Ellis Academy in Bozeman, Montana.

Although Ron was a member of the Nazarene Church, he occasionally went with Patty to her church, where he met Jim Jenkins, the Havre District pastor at that time, and they soon became good friends.

"I had been attending church with Patty quite regularly and was getting bits and pieces of Adventist thought," Ron says. But it took something bigger to bring the Adventist message home to him.

That opportunity came when David Prest, Montana Conference trust and stewardship director, held some evangelistic meetings in Havre three years ago. Both Jim and Patty invited Ron to attend.

During the meetings, Ron learned a lot of new things, like why Saturday is the true Sabbath. "The meetings were a nice progression of topics through the doctrines," Ron says. "When they passed out the cards, I indicated that I was interested in being baptized."

When Jim came to talk to him about baptism, Ron wasn't quite ready. Jim remained patient. "He gave me all the time I needed, and we did Bible studies together," Ron says. "I kept looking for problems. I thought, 'It cannot be quite this simple. There has got to be something they believe that I can't.'"

As time went by, it became apparent Ron's suspicions simply weren't well-founded. "It was biblical. There wasn't something to be afraid of, some great unknown out there," he says. It took him the better part of a year to get through

that process of searching before he became convinced that he wanted to be baptized. "The turning point for me was that the Adventist faith is Bible-based. If it wasn't in the Bible, then you really did not have to worry about it."

Bible-based truth was all Ron needed to satisfy his mind. "You don't have to be around Adventists very long to understand that the doctrines are based on the Bible," he explains. "It is wholesome and right and the truth, and you really cannot argue with the truth when it is proven to you in the Bible. The constant use of the Bible is what attracted me."

When Ron was baptized in 2004, the Havre Church members have graciously accepted Ron. "He is well-loved [by the church members]," Patty says. "He is so talented, so capable. There isn't anything he cannot do. He is a take-charge guy and gets things done one way or another, and everyone looks up to him." As the chair of the building committee for the new Havre church, Ron is helping members reach their goal to do most of the construction work themselves and stay within budget.

Despite the terrible blows Ron has faced, God has led him to even greater successes. He and Patty have found their way into a deeper relationship with each other and with God. "It is the most wonderful thing to share your faith with someone that you love," Patty explains. "We are both still growing, and it is exciting to see that happen."

And Ron is still in the tractor business. He owns the Big Equipment Company, which rebuilds high-horsepower tractors and buys, sells and rebuilds other farm equipment.

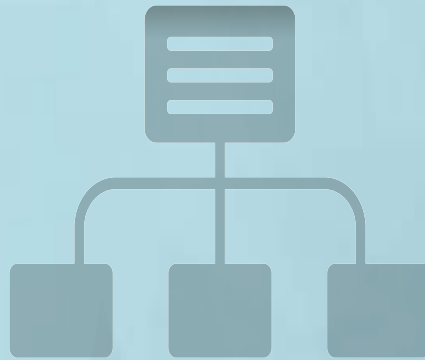
"It is amazing how God works," Patty says. "Ron is a very capable person and sometimes people like that really don't feel they have a need of God. That is the reason I couldn't imagine him surrendering that part of himself. But God never gave up on him. To see someone respond and to see how the Holy Spirit works is such a miracle." •

Adapted from *Adventist World*, September 2006.

Richard Dower is the North Pacific Union GLEANER editor and writes from Ridgefield, Washington.

The Big Bud tractors are so large that the drivers must use a ladder to climb into the 14-foot-tall cabs.





Free *netAdventist* Web Sites

Now Offered to Each Northwest Church

The North Pacific Union Conference (NPUC), in conjunction with the local conferences and TAGnet, an ASI member, has voted to provide *netAdventist* Web sites at no cost to the more than 400 churches throughout this union, effective immediately.

“We’ve estimated that nearly 80 percent of our Northwest churches have either no active Web site or one that is seldom updated,” says Jere Patzer, NPUC president. “We need to dramatically change that statistic. The Internet is the go-to place for information and personal connections. It’s high time that we aggressively use this communication tool for God’s glory and to further the evangelistic mission of our church.”

After looking at other alternatives, the NPUC chose to sponsor the *netAdventist* program for several reasons. It is easy to use and includes powerful evangelism and communication tools, including online Bible studies, links to media ministries and simple processes to make sermons available online or as podcasts.

The *netAdventist* program is also being viewed positively by the worldwide church as a viable communication platform. Thus, it potentially will not only create a more consistent menu of news and information sharing within Northwest churches, schools and conferences, but also for the entire worldwide family of Seventh-day Adventists.

Northwest churches can certainly still choose to use other Web authoring services, yet other options will not likely provide the

You do not need to know how to program a Web site to be able to organize your site. If you can “drag and drop” in a word processing program, you can do this. Tutorial videos are available online, and a weekly newsletter, “*netAdventist.com* News & Notes,” full of ideas for making your Web site evangelistic, is e-mailed to each site’s Webmaster.

The North American Division is making available eGraceNotes targeted to several age/interest groups. The notes change frequently without your Webmaster having to do anything.



"Now every church in the North Pacific Union can have an attractive, up-to-date and functional Web site."

same level of information sharing capability that churches using the *netAdventist* service will experience.

While the full Web site program is included in the no-cost package, technical support is available for an fee from TAGnet.

"Most churches should probably sign up for the \$10 per month e-mail and chat support package for the first year at least," recommends Danny Houghton, TAGnet executive vice president, parent company of *netAdventist*. "*NetAdventist* will make sure your Web site is fully functional and that you have complete access to its programming features. After that, with the \$10 per month support package, our experts will answer your questions by e-mail, usually within a few minutes. Or you can click on the online chat link and get an answer almost immediately."

For just \$20 a month, *netAdventist* also offers unlimited phone support in addition to the basic e-mail and chat.

For smaller churches that may struggle with even the basic level of paid support, local conference or NPUC communication departments will offer limited assistance for common questions.

Web site design is another question to consider. "Churches can currently choose from dozens of standard themes," says Houghton. "But some churches will want a custom design."

NetAdventist does design work for an hourly fee. Houghton notes that most such designs are done in two hours or less, especially if a church simply wants to modify a standard theme. Extensive designs might take several hours. Contact *netAdventist* for more information.

Under an older program plan, some Northwest churches are already using *netAdventist* programming for their Web sites. The NPUC is willing to help churches that have already paid a monthly fee for the *netAdventist* programming. In conjunction with the local conference, the NPUC will reimburse \$15 for each month in 2007 that a church has prepaid. Those churches will continue to receive full phone, e-mail and chat support until the original expiration date and then will be asked by *netAdventist* if they wish to purchase continuing support under the new \$10 or \$20 a month plans.

These full-service *netAdventist* Web sites have many options, including special evangelistic event pages and interest follow-up, opinion polls and forums, and live streaming video from the Hope Channel among others. Future plans for *netAdventist* include a greatly increased platform of program modules written by young aspiring Adventist programmers around the world.

Due to some significant donors, free *netAdventist* Web sites have been available to Adventist schools for some time. Now, due to this NPUC decision, the free sites are also available to Northwest churches.

"I believe this program boils a sophisticated set of technological tools down to a simple, easy-to-use, yet highly profes-



Show dates on your public calendar so non-members can see what events they might attend—church and mid-week services, special programs and more. Appointments of interest only to members (committee and board meetings) can be made available only to your members who log in to your Web site.

sional and powerful channel that any of our churches can use," says Patzer. "Some of our churches are already doing amazing things via the Internet. But for the rest of our churches, here's an unbeatable opportunity to establish and maintain an attractive, up-to-date and functional Web site. Free sites were already available to our schools. Now there is no excuse for a church to not have a great Web site. We are praying that the Holy Spirit will work through this tool to touch many within our circle of influence."

Churches and schools can get more information and sign up for a free *netAdventist* Web site online at www.netAdventist.org. Northwest members are also encouraged to catch the vision of *netAdventist* by visiting the online site for a quick tour. •

Steve Vistaunet, North Pacific Union assistant to the president for communication, writes from Ridgefield, Washington.

Small Groups



As soon as possible, begin a small group with your missionary partner and anyone else who will join, particularly anyone on your interest lists. The purpose of the group is to meet needs, build relationships, share Jesus and open His Word. Some excellent Bible study guides are the *Amazing Facts Basic Set* and the *Discover Bible Course*.

The 30-something had always loved the outdoors, but only recently did he realize his interest could be an opportunity for sharing Jesus. He and his missionary partner tried to decide what kind of small-group outreach to focus on this spring—cycling, rafting, hiking or golf. A couple had been through some tough times in their eight years of marriage. Now they teamed up with another couple to offer a six-week marriage enrichment small-group study in the home of some new members and their friends.

Short-term small groups bring life to a church and give it more opportunities to win others to Jesus. They have been a vital part of the church ever since Jesus invited 12 men to follow Him. When the church experienced explosive growth at Pentecost, the 3,000-plus members were still organized into small groups who met in homes to study the Scriptures, pray and enjoy fellowship together and continually bring others into the church family (Acts 2:42-47).

Why should churches form small groups today? “In our churches let companies be formed for service...

Let them seek to gather souls from the corruption of the world into the saving purity of Christ’s love.”¹

How can we experience what was happening in the early Christian, and early Adventist church?

“If there is a large number in the church, let the

members be formed into small companies, to work not only for the church members, but for unbelievers. If in one place there are only two or three who know the truth, let them form themselves into a band of workers.”²

Have you made small-group witnessing a part of your lifestyle? If not, why not join or start a short-term group with a friend in the next week or two? (For more insights on small groups, read *Christian Service*, p. 72-75.) •

¹ *Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. 7, p. 22.

² *Ibid*, p. 21.

Dan Serns, North Pacific Union Conference ministerial director

Then they [Paul and Silas] spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.
Acts 16:32 NKJ



Luke Warm

Luke Warm sometimes likes the music and preaching at church. “But don’t ask me to get too close to people. This small-group stuff is not my personality,” he says.



Victor N. Christ

Victor N. Christ and his missionary partner, Willing Helper, start a weekly small group with a few people they have been praying for. They enjoy some recreation, have prayer and look for ways to share Jesus and Bible truth with the friends in their small group.

Fresh Start

One of my most vivid memories of Pathfinders is belting out the song, "... volunteers, volunteers, voooooooooo!—unnnnnn—teeeeeeers!" However, it wasn't until I had grown up a bit that I experienced the significance of that song. The place was Mexico City. The stench of cigarette smoke lingered in our motel room. The windows were streaked. The bathroom sink was blanketed with grease. Menu items like you find on the TV show *Fear Factor* scurried under the beds.

"This place stinks," I grumbled. "OK, who gets the beds and who is sleeping on the floor with the cockroaches?"

After settling in, we went to the coliseum for the opening ceremonies. "Welcome to the International Youth Congress," some guy with a thick accent greeted us. "We're delighted you're..."

"It's impossible to hear in here," I complained to my buddy Roger.

"The echo is pretty bad," he agreed.

"And these chairs are like rocks."

"I say we bag this and sneak off to Acapulco," Roger quipped. "Besides, I really don't want to go on all those service projects they have planned."

Faster than we could say "Adios Amigos," we were on a plane cruising to the cushy life of virgin piña coladas, parasailing and cliff diving.

In Voluntary Joy

"This sure beats boring meetings, humming sound systems and service projects!" I grinned as we relaxed on the beach.

"What a shame," Roger smirked sarcastically, "we're missing Volunteer Day. We could be going door to door getting harassed by the locals. Cheers!" he said, raising a can of Sprite.

Our tour of pleasure was over quicker than Christmas and soon we rejoined our youth group at the Congress. Our roommates were the only ones who noticed our absence.

"Did you miss us?" I asked.

"Are you kidding? We were glad to take your beds—much softer than the floor."

"This whole week has been great," Alvin added. "Hardly enough time to sleep."

Nothing much was said about the Youth Congress until the flight home. Roger and I started to tell of our escapade to Acapulco. "We missed half the Congress because..."

"It's too bad you missed Volunteer Day," Barry said. "Huh?" I thought he was joking.

"That was my favorite part too!" Troy exclaimed.

"Yeah, me too!" Everyone in our group agreed.

"Volunteer Day?" I was in shock.

"Yeah, you know—when we all volunteered on service

projects to help the locals."

"Are you serious?"

"Oh, yeah," Nicole bubbled.

"We visited the people whose homes were destroyed by the gas explosion."

"I helped a little girl who was scarred all over her body," Jim reported. "Her left eye was burned so badly it was swollen shut."

"When I saw the homes for the first time," Troy reflected, "I couldn't believe people still live like that. I'll never complain that my dorm room's too small again."

The faces of my friends sparkled as they shared stories. By watching their enthusiasm, you'd think they had all just won a cruise.

My thoughts drifted as I gazed at the clouds. I had nothing significant to share. Somehow I felt like I had missed out—especially on the opportunity to volunteer.

Ellen G. White writes, "Every duty performed, every sacrifice made in the name of Jesus, brings an exceeding great reward. In the very act of duty, God speaks and gives His blessing."¹

In the end, volunteering does a soul good. •

¹ Ellen G. White, *Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. 4, p. 145.

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



Jail Ministry Yields Baptism

Florie Jewel thought she was only coming to Alaska for one summer of adventure, but that was almost 11 years ago. She fell in love with bush Alaska—the warm-hearted people, the vast land and the unique simplicity of living on the edge of nowhere.

That place next to “nowhere” is Dillingham, Alaska, a village of about 2,000 people on the bank of the Nushagak River in Bristol Bay.

Seven years ago, Janet Sigh, the pastor’s wife, invited Jewel to go to jail, so she went for a visit. The local jail only holds eight people, and it was full.

Jewel is an accomplished musician so she played and sang with the inmates. Before long she was a regular facilitator of group Bible

studies in the jail. She used the *Native New Day* study guides and led the inmates into a relationship with Jesus. At first, Jewel only went to jail once a week.

However, Jewel soon realized that many of the

inmates were there only a short time, and she needed to go more often so that she could have more study time with them. Now she goes every night.

Alcohol-related crimes are the cause of 99 percent of crime

in Dillingham. Thomas Coopchiak had been drinking heavily and ended up in the Dillingham jail. He attended a couple of the Bible studies.

When he was released from jail he returned to Togiak where he requested the Bible studies continue. Jim Bingman, an elder in the Dillingham Church who shepherds the Togiak group, took over and prepared him for baptism. On a beautiful clear day in March, Coopchiak was baptized.

The work in Togiak has resulted in a beautiful new church and parsonage. Now the village of Manocotak is open, and a team is studying with villagers there. •



Florie Jewell stands next to newly baptized Thomas Coopchiak, one of the newest Adventists in Togiak.

Ken Crawford, Alaska Conference president

MVAS Presents The Bethlehem Inn *400 Community Members Attend*

The Mat Valley Adventist School (MVAS) hosted a Christmas feast and program for more than 400 people from the Palmer area, including John Combs, Palmer mayor, and Ken Crawford, Alaska Conference

president, at the Train Depot in downtown Palmer on Dec. 3, 4 and 5.

Directed by teacher Sherry Daily, the 34 MVAS students and eight home-schooled students, ranging from

preschool to 10th grade, presented The Bethlehem Inn, a lively theatrical production of the Christmas story, as told from the crowded dining hall of the inn.

As “travelers” ate a traditional



An excited servant girl (Kyla Olson) tells the innkeeper (Josh Jewitt) about the star.

evening meal, and a burly Roman soldier kept the peace, servants at the inn notified the harried innkeeper of a young couple desperately seeking a room for the night, of the birth of a baby, of shepherds and wisemen, and of an incandescent star shining directly over their stable.

This is the first time we’ve done a community-based program for this many people, said Daily. Everyone was

very supportive of the event, including the school board, fellow teachers, church members, the Palmer Arts Council, who provided props, and the donor who paid for the catered meals.

“The play,” says Daily, “is a unique opportunity for students to witness to others. We hope to make it an annual event.” •

Bobbie Grimstad, Palmer Church member



The students of Mat Valley Adventist School present a theatrical production of the Christmas story—The Bethlehem Inn.

The First Baptism in the New Meridian Church

Chavez Joins God's Family in Baptism

Jasmine Chavez became the first person to be baptized in the new Meridian Seventh-day Adventist Church on Dec. 2, 2006. Chavez spent several weeks studying with Garey Gantz, Meridian Church pastor, in preparation for this special event in her life.

I asked her if there was someone who had a special influence in her decision. She said, "I was thinking about my sister, Kimberly, in church one Sabbath. I was there and saw her get baptized, and I wanted to follow her and join her in her walk with Jesus."

That was when Chavez went to Gantz and told him, "I love God and I want to learn more

about Him. Because I love Jesus, I want to follow Him all the way and be baptized."

This conversation took place at the Friends Church, where the Meridian Church family was meeting as they waited for their beautiful, new facility to be built. Chavez began studying with Gantz, and the plans were made for her to be baptized in the new church. As I visited with her, you could hear the happiness and a surety in her voice, resting in the knowledge that she had made the right decision. •

Irene Willis, Meridian Church communication leader



Garey Gantz, Meridian Church pastor, presents Jasmine Chavez with a copy of *Messiah* by Jerry D. Thomas on the occasion of her baptism.

Cool Ringings

"You can do it! Within 48 hours every one of you will be playing beautiful music,"

said Ben Purvis, Gem State Adventist Academy's music director, to the more than

100 fifth- to eighth-graders assembled before him. "Here is God's promise for you today, 'I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me.'"

This was how the fifth annual Cool Ringings Bells Festival at the academy started. And what a festival it was! Throughout the day Friday Gem State students patiently and encouragingly taught the younger students how to hold the bells/chimes, how to count, and the difference between whole and quarter notes. By Sabbath afternoon, the new ringers were making music to God's glory, and they eagerly performed for parents and friends.

Not so long ago Purvis claimed that same promise for himself. When he was

hired—just four weeks before the school year began—he had zero experience with handbells. With a willing heart and a prayer on his lips, Purvis went to work. By the time school began he was proficient enough that even well-trained students thought he was a pro.

Adventist teachers do much more than convey information. They interact in meaningful ways. They model spiritual values. Following the event a student wrote this: "Thank you for all the time you spent with us. I loved playing the chimes. Now that is the only thing I want to do all day. You are the best teacher!" •

Linda Klinger, Gem State Academy development director



Ben Purvis helps Allysa Nelson with her technique during the fifth annual Cool Ringings Bells Festival at Gem State Adventist Academy.

11th Annual Pinewood Derby Montana Conference Pathfinders Convene for Race

Montana Adventurer and Pathfinder clubs converged at Mountain View Adventist School gym on Sunday morning, Jan. 28, for the 11th annual Montana Conference Pinewood Derby. At 10 a.m., the lights went down, and the races began.

Twelve years ago, when Larry Williams of Missoula initiated the derby, he had no idea it would eventually become the largest annual youth event sponsored by the Montana Conference. Williams works each year with Greg and Janice Hanson of Plains to coordinate the derby. Missoula church members host the event, and students from Mt. Ellis Academy assist.

From the start, Williams decided that every contestant



The winners of the Montana Pinewood Derby proudly show off their cars.

should have a great time racing. Contestants are treated like royalty. "Any kid who walks in with a car and a smiling face can enter the race," says Williams. A pit crew works behind the scenes to make

sure every car runs smoothly throughout the day.

Greg Hanson introduced a computer scoring system that allows each contestant to race until the end of the day. Immediate race

results and video coverage are projected on the wall behind the track for spectator convenience. Spotlights, bleachers and a PA system keep the crowd engaged during the four hours of racing.

"In a state where many small churches and scattered members are isolated from each other for most of the year, the derby is an excellent opportunity for Adventist youth to get together and realize they're part of a larger community of believers," says Williams. "Montana kids start looking forward to next year's derby the minute the last race is called." •

Conna Bond, Swan Valley Church communication leader

Grandmothers Share Jesus

For Lorraine Heater and Darlene Portra being grandparents is more than a title: It's a mission.

About two years ago 7-year-old Sarah Heater sat down beside me at Native American Camp Meeting at Fort Belknap and asked, "Are you our new pastor?"

"Can you baptize me?" was her next question.

"Yes, I can, but let's talk to your folks, first, OK?"

I talked to Sarah's grandmother, Lorraine Heater, who agreed to include baptismal studies in Sarah's homeschool curriculum. About a year and a half later Sarah and her brother Gabe were baptized along with Dustin and Nick Portra.

Dustin and Nick Portra go to the same church as Sarah and Gabe and when they found out their

friends were being baptized, they wanted to be baptized too! Their grandmother, Darlene Portra, made sure that Dustin and Nick got in on all the studies.

The four churches in our district gathered at the Glendive Church for Sabbath School, church, potluck and the second annual Praise and Thanksgiving Day on Nov. 18, 2006. The afternoon service

was highlighted by testimonies from Sarah and Gabe's dad, Leslie Heater, on his

The Heater family, from left: Larry, grandfather; Lorraine, grandmother; Ruby Crain, great-grandmother; Gabe, newly baptized; Leslie, father; Sarah, newly baptized; and Josh, brother.

miraculous rescue from drug addiction.

The baptism was a joyful experience filled with grace and commitment. Three people made their decision to follow Jesus and to prepare to be baptized. •

Milton Fish, Sidney Church pastor



The Portra family, from left: Ruth, maternal great-grandmother; Darlene, grandmother; Ken, grandfather; Dustin, newly baptized; Faith, mother; Chris Boysun, faith friend; and Nick, newly baptized.



Snow Story

Mid-Columbia Pathfinders Experience the Deep Freeze

There is no doubt in the minds of parents and grandparents how important Pathfinder clubs are in the lives of children and teenagers. And there is not enough thanks that can be said to the dedicated leaders who give their time, knowledge and energy to help train our kids for adulthood.

The weekend of Jan. 11–14, the Mid-Columbia Pathfinder Club of Hood River, Ore., not only went out to have fun but also to learn valuable skills. It just so happened that the trip came during the biggest snowstorm the Portland area has seen in the last 10 years.

For three days and nights we lived on the snow near Clark Creek on the slopes of Mt. Hood. To really appreciate the conditions, just step outside of your house and really get cold, think about sleeping in your freezer and standing around all day on 4 feet of snow.

The fun part of a snow campout is that you never know what kind of weather you'll have when you arrive

Pathfinders learned how to survive in outdoor winter emergencies and practiced search-and-rescue techniques.

on the mountain. We left Mid-Columbia Adventist Christian School at 1:30 p.m. with blue skies and no wind. Although it was already cold, little did we know how low the thermometer

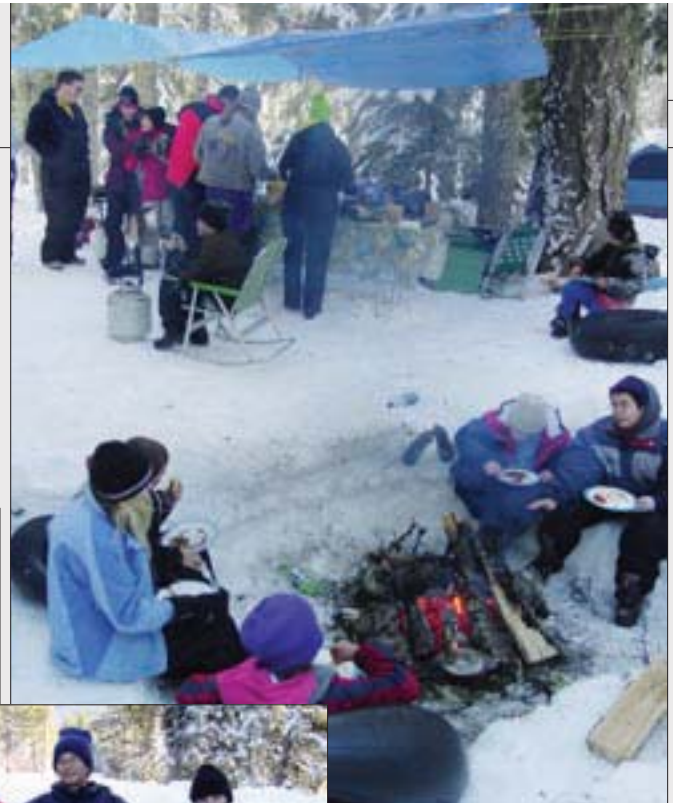


Pathfinders from Hood River, Ore., prepare for a morning of skiing.

would plunge when the sun started to drop behind the mountains.

We set up our tents and prepared a warm supper. After digging down 4 feet to the ground, we started a roaring fire to keep everyone warm. By the time we tucked all the kids into their beds of double sleeping bags on a foam pad, it was really getting cold. By early morning, it had dropped to zero degrees, the coldest we have ever slept in.

"I was really concerned that we would have a group of frozen Pathfinders in the morning," said Ralph Staley, Mid-Columbia Pathfinder co-director, "but all of them had slept warmly in their bags. All of our food and water froze,



Hot food and a warming fire keeps the Pathfinders comfortable during their winter campout.

techniques, then finally kept warm around a fire. The only thing we didn't do was to have a snowball game, since the snow was too cold and dry to form into snowballs!

We arrived back at the school tired but happy. Yes, we are looking forward to our snow campout next year—all 14 Pathfinders and leaders. •

Joyce Gallentine, Hood River Church communication leader with Ralph Staley, Pathfinder co-director

which was a challenge, but the kids kept warm."

For activities, we slid on inner tubes and sleds, went cross-country skiing, dug snow caves at the base of trees, experimented using snow shoes, made Bible scenes in the snow, practiced some snow search-and-rescue

Much of winter camping fun includes tubing with friends.



Sidewalk Kids Hour

Orchards Members Reach Out to Their Community

The Pathfinder leadership of the Orchards Church in Vancouver, Wash., wanted to find a way to reach out to the children in their neighborhood, so they started Sidewalk Kids Hour, held at Orchards Park.

The idea of Sidewalk Kids Hour is to gather unchurched kids from the neighborhood for a fun, interactive program with a spiritual focus. The children are usually from middle- to lower-income families.

Church members “blitzed” the neighborhood going door to door inviting kids to come and then visited the families of the

kids who attended to keep them involved.

A four-week pilot program was held during the summer of 2005 and the leadership thought it had potential so they began planning for a weekly series of 10 programs to be held during the summer of 2006.

While Sidewalk Kids Hour began with the Pathfinder Club leadership, the program needed the support of the congregation to be successful, and the members responded overwhelmingly both with their time and money.

The first night drew about 100 kids, leveling out to about 50 or 60 kids. About 200 kids live in the neighborhood.

In addition to the program, the kids and parents who attend are

Natalie Beltran, summer Taskforce worker (top left) and the Orchards kids band, leads out in the singing and other group activities.

offered a meal. “In some cases, this is the only meal of the day for them,” says Greg Hillman, then the Pathfinder director.

At one of the programs, an 8-year-old boy had come, but was hanging out on the sidelines. A staff member went over and asked him if he would like to join in. He said that he couldn’t because he didn’t have an address and there was an address line to fill out on the registration form. Of course, he was included.

He sat down and was totally captivated by the program. Afterward there was a small meal, and he just kept eating and eating. He said that his dad was out of work, they had just been kicked out of their apartment, and they were living in their car.

Orchards Church pastor John Wesslen told of a mother of a Sidewalk kid who, when asked what they did on Thursday evenings said, “We go to church.” “It was surprising to me to realize that for her, what

A kid-friendly meal is served before the Sidewalk Kids Hour program. For some, it is the only meal they will have that day.



we were doing was ‘church,’” he commented.

Following the 2006 Sidewalk Kids program, many of the kids came to a Vacation Bible School held on the church lawn every weekday evening for a week. At Thanksgiving, church members sponsored a Thanksgiving dinner at the church, and 40 Sidewalk Kids and their parents came.

“We are looking forward to next summer and reaching out to the families in our neighborhood again,” said Chuck Davidson, one of the originators of the program. •

Richard Dower, Orchards Church communication leader



Wearing their Sidewalk Kids Hour t-shirts, Orchards Church members gather before the program begins for instructions and prayer.



Neighborhood kids who had attended the Sidewalk Kids Hour in Orchards Park were invited to the Vacation Bible School held on the lawn of the Orchards Church.

Lents Holiday Bazaar *Much More Than a Fundraiser*



The Lents Holiday Bazaar, coordinated by Marilyn Fowler, reaches the community and raises nearly \$1,000 to help pay off the church mortgage.

The Lents Activity Center (LAC) is special to Marilyn Fowler. In September 2004, just months after attending a prophecy seminar held there, she joined the Lents Church by profession of faith.

Last summer, when Fowler felt impressed to plan an event that would reach the community while helping to pay off the church's mortgage on the LAC, she immediately set to work. On Nov. 5, 2006, her efforts culminated in the first Lents Holiday Bazaar.

Church and community members filled nearly 20 booths with items ranging from organic fruit, bread, and other health foods to books, clothes, and all

types of handmade items. The church's reputation for hosting neighborhood gym nights and other community-friendly activities in the LAC played a key role in the event's success. People gladly rented booths to display their items "once they realized their table rental was going toward paying off our mortgage," reports Fowler.

"It was an additional surprise that some chose to give us all their profits or a percentage of their sales." Other church and community members donated supplies for the lunch stand, which sold veggies, apples, garden burgers, and soy cheese nachos. Nearly \$1,000 was raised.

The event's true benefit, however, was more evangelistic in nature. Of the 150 people who attended, about 40 to 50 came from the community. They had the opportunity to meet church members, browse literature tables, and learn about Pathfinders and Adventist education.

One local woman enjoyed talking with church members so much that she returned the following Sabbath to attend worship services. "God is still in the miracle-working business!" says Fowler, who hopes to make the bazaar an annual event. •

John Press, Lents Church communication leader

Monte Robison *Ordained to Ministry*

Monte Robison was ordained on Nov. 4, 2006, at the New Life at Glendoveer Church. Robison, the son of a pastor, has always been drawn to spiritual things and began his college experience majoring in theology. However, he then decided to become a nurse.

As he began his family and his career, Monte became more and more active in his local churches from leading Sabbath School to participating in a church-plant project. Eventually he was asked to serve as a part-time assistant pastor at Sunset Christian Fellowship and eventually the associate pastor.

The Oregon Conference



Monte Robison and his wife, Karla, stand surrounded by Oregon Conference administrators at his ordination, from left: Don Livesay, president; Al Reimche, vice president for administration; Scott LeMert, assistant to the president; Randy Robinson, vice president for finance.

administration appreciated Robison's dedication and enthusiasm and recognized

God was calling him to full-time ministry. They invited Robison to attend the Adventist

Theological Seminary at Andrews University in Michigan. Upon returning to Oregon, Robison served in the Springfield-Junction City district. Currently he serves as the pastor of the New Life at Glendoveer and Columbia Gorge churches.

"I cast myself on the tender mercies of Jehovah God," said Robison. "I look to Him to keep me in the way. On this day of milestones, dedication, and celebration, I remind myself that without Him we can do nothing; but with Him, we can do all the things He calls us to." •

Amy L. Schrader, Oregon Conference communication director

I Found Jesus at Milo

Christian Education is Evangelism



Brian Baker came to Milo after it was recommended to him by others from his hometown in Fortuna, Calif. A year after this experience, he continues to be a spiritual leader at the school.

After being home-schooled for 10 years, I enrolled at Milo Adventist Academy. My spiritual life was at an all-time low. I felt empty and yearned for a closeness with God. In Sabbath School we were given a project to write a letter to God, so I wrote,

God, I don't know if You're even there, but if You are, You and I probably aren't on the best of terms. I'm not even sure I want to change. But I know I don't like where I'm at right now. Sometimes I wonder if You're there. If You are, show me. Otherwise, I'll keep going the way I am.

I wrote that letter, stuck it in the pocket of my suitcoat, and

forgot about it. About a month later we started Fall Week of Prayer. I expected the meetings to be a waste of time, but I was surprised. The meetings filled my need for love and showed me how I needed God in my life.

Slowly, I started wrestling with my feelings. I had the common misconception that I had to make myself perfect before I could come to God. On Friday night, Pastor Carl invited people to share their stories. I wanted to share, but the devil was there, reminding me of my past and of all of the reasons he "owned" me.

I prayed, seeking strength from God, and then stood up

and shared my story. I sobbed uncontrollably for several minutes as I tried to collect my words and express them. My friends and Milo "family" surrounded me. Such a love I had never felt. It filled me to the brim and ran over in tears of joy. I was on the right path now.

From that time on, I was filled with a joy and zeal for good. Even though I still mess up, God has shown me that perfection is a process that will be completed in heaven. He is still willing to work with me and loves me unconditionally. This is the love that Jesus showed by dying for each one of us on the cross. "In that, while we were still sinners,

Christ loved us" Romans 5:8 (my paraphrase).

Tonight, I found that letter I wrote a few months ago in Sabbath School, and it inspired me to write this account of what God has done for me. Many thanks to my friends and the loving staff at Milo who God used to help change one man for the better. •

Brian Baker, MAA senior



Oregon Conference



Oregon Conference administrative headquarters

Relocates to gladstone

WE'VE MOVED! The Oregon Conference headquarters has relocated to the Holden Convention Center on the Gladstone campus. (The ABC will remain at the Clackamas location until the end of April 2007.) Construction of both buildings is ongoing with an anticipated completion date of May 2008 for the new administrative office complex. Informational updates are posted at www.OregonConference.org.

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Livingstone Student Wins Poster Contest

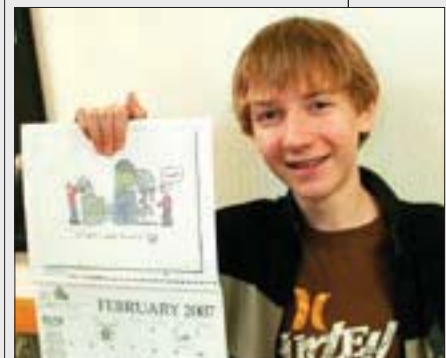
Joel Robinson, an eighth grader at Livingstone Adventist Academy, won an art contest for his poster on recycling. His class collects and manages recycling for the entire school. So it was no surprise when teacher Sharon Cutz asked students to submit some pictures to be in the 2007 Recycle Art Calendar contest.

But Robinson was surprised when he won. "I didn't think that I would win the contest, but out of the blue, my picture got to be in the 2007 recycling calendar!" In addition to having his poster put into the calendar, Robinson also won a monetary reward.

The theme of the poster contest was "It all comes back to you."

"I drew a simple picture of a dude putting some old recycled junk into this machine," says Robinson. "On the other side came out a couple things made out of recycled stuff." •

Marissa McFarland, LAA senior



Joel Robinson displays his winning poster design.

PAA Teen Studies Abroad

At just 16, Trevor Haynes, a Portland Adventist Academy junior, got on a plane to leave his home, his school, and all that is comfortable. He spent the next four plus months in Costa Rica, grappling with Spanish, tasting unusual food, and collecting amusing anecdotes for his friends back home.

Haynes attended the Adventist University of Central America and took courses like Bible, history and biology. Having not yet studied Spanish, the transition wasn't easy. But Haynes made friends who helped him in his studies and immersed him in local culture.

"It was two in the morning when a bunch of them came and dragged me out of bed,"



Elisa Boswell (left) from Warner Robins, Ga., and her sister Deidra, (right) attended the Adventist University of Central America with Trevor Haynes. Janet Blackwood, a former teacher from Hoodview Junior Academy, is the program director for the American students.

he remembered. "They took me outside and pelted me with eggs and cold water! It was my birthday and that's a tradition." Later in the day more friends surprised him with a birthday

cake. Instead of blowing out candles, they smashed it in his face and continued with a food fight.

Haynes's cultural adventures didn't always end with flying

food though. He observed differences both good and bad. "I loved how relaxed they were," he recalled. "They don't rush and worry as much as we do here in America."

Haynes arrived back home in time to celebrate Christmas with his family. He also arrived with a newfound appreciation for the gifts under the tree. "I understand how blessed I am to have been born here," he said.

He is hoping to travel more, perhaps spending a year at an Adventist school in Argentina or Spain. •

Liesl Vistaunet, PAA GLEANER correspondent

Columbia Adventist Academy Welcomes Four New Staff Members

Columbia Adventist Academy welcomed four new members to its staff this school year.



Gayla Rogers

Gayla Rogers is the new accounting teacher. She lives in Bend, Ore., and is a former principal at Three Sisters Adventist School. Her daughter, Kami, graduated from Columbia last year. Her son Landon is a freshman this year, so he and his mom spend the week together here so he can attend

school. Rogers and her husband Kelly own a construction business in Bend and furniture businesses in Bend and Vancouver, Wash.

Larry Hiday teaches science classes and sponsors the junior class. He and his wife Cindy moved up from Pacific Union College Preparatory School. Hiday worked there for 16 years teaching science, Bible and was principal for five of those years.



Larry Hiday

They have a son, Mark, and a daughter, Jamey, who both live



Brian Harris

in Loma Linda, Calif.

Brian Harris is the new athletic director. He also sponsors the freshman class. He and his wife Ayrin came from Rio Lindo

Academy in California. Brian was the athletic director there for nine years. Brian and Ayrin have a son, JT, and a daughter, Ellie.

Lara Dowie is the new director of development and alumni relations. She has lived in the Vancouver/

Portland area for five years and comes with seven years of development experience, five of those at Gem State Adventist Academy in Idaho. Dowie lives in Beaverton, Ore., with her husband, Shawn.

These new staff members feel privileged to join the school staff who care so much about the students. •

Lara Dowie, CAA GLEANER correspondent



Lara Dowie

Capstone of the Call *Eric Shadle Ordained to Pastoral Ministry*

“It was humbling and awe-inspiring... It was like the capstone to the long journey into pastoral ministry.” These were the words of Eric Shadle, M.D., as he reflected on the experience of ordination to the pastoral ministry.

Indeed, the Sabbath afternoon ceremony on Jan. 13, 2007, at the church in Richland, Wash., signified the recognition of this gifted leader’s call to ministry, enabling him to serve as a Seventh-day Adventist pastor anywhere in the world.

After growing up with the constant desire to be a physician, Shadle found a different calling tugging at his heart in his senior year of high school. When he enrolled at Andrews University the next year, Shadle began a course of study that would prepare him for both ministry and medicine.



Friends, family and ministry colleagues surround Eric and Pamela Shadle on the day of his ordination to the ministry.

Shadle attended Loma Linda University Medical School and specialized in obstetrics and gynecology, becoming a physician for the U.S. Navy. When his Naval service ended, he opened a private medical practice in Rockford, Ill., that

thrived, yet that still didn’t quiet the calling to ministry that he had begun to feel years before.

A passion for ministry and a career in medicine led Shadle to accept the position of health ministry director for the Illinois Conference on a volunteer basis while he continued to practice medicine and struggle to understand precisely how God wanted to use him.

Convinced that it was pastoral ministry that God was calling him to, he, after a great deal of prayer and discussion with his wife Pamela, determined that the only way he could fulfill God’s request was to sell his practice and enter full-time pastoral ministry. Initially planning to seek a pastoral assignment and then sell the practice, Eric and Pamela agreed that the same God who called would also provide, and they sold the practice first.

It would be after that step of faith that the requests would begin to pour in from several conferences, including Upper Columbia.

“When Gerald Haeger first talked with me about the Richland Church, somehow I knew that it was the one.” What Shadle didn’t know is that the congregation had already narrowed a long list of candidates down to three and weren’t willing to add a new person to the short list. However, after not feeling that either of the three were the perfect fit, ministerial director Haeger gladly told them about Shadle and God worked out the rest.

Shadle’s dreams for the Richland Church are for them “to be united as a team in outreach to their community” and to make an impact for the kingdom of heaven where God has planted them. •

Garrett Caldwell, Upper Columbia Conference communication director



Max Torkelsen, Upper Columbia Conference president, presents Eric Shadle, M.D., and Richland Church pastor, with his ministerial credentials.

Sharing Christ

UCA Students Host Evangelistic Series

What happens when a teenager has a dream about sharing Christ with others? Add a few friends, a sponsor, and a determination to make an evangelistic series all their own, and you get a nine-night series that results in several requests for Bible studies.

It all started last April during a student-led church service when junior Jonathan Gardner had an idea of doing an evangelistic series in the Spokane area. "I thought it would be cool to have something totally different—a series geared especially toward youth, led by youth," says Gardner. Since his only previous outreach experience was participating in a mission trip, he thought it was a strange idea! But he decided to approach friends Mariah Gage and Kevin Riffel about it.

A couple more leaders were added, and they decided it was



Jonathan Schreven

UCA's evangelistic series leaders, from left: (front) Kevin Riffel, Spangle, Wash.; Jonathan Gardner, Clarkston, Wash.; Bill Lenz, Spokane, Wash.; (back) Mariah Gage, Athol, Idaho; and Kelli Kostenko, Kennewick, Wash.

time to present their idea to the Upper Columbia Academy (UCA) administration. "After seeing how receptive the staff was to the students' idea of a banquet to benefit Katrina

victims last year," says Gardner, "we felt we'd receive support for this idea as well."

The faculty gave them an enthusiastic nod of approval, and many hours of planning and labor followed, with the students being the leaders in the entire process. "I wasn't sure we'd have anyone at all at the meetings, but several nights we were over 100 in attendance, with our largest audience being 140," shares Riffel.

Gage recounts how she felt while listening to the testimonies shared by UCA's student-presenters. "It was so unique and personal in the fact that they are right now in the midst of their struggles and situations. It's not like listening to an adult who struggled with

these issues 20 years ago! They are feeling God's acceptance and help right now."

Matt Smith, UCA's freshman Bible teacher and associate pastor, was the sponsor of the series and really enjoyed seeing the new perspective and thinking of teens when coupled with evangelism. "It was unlike any series I've seen done before," says Smith. "What young people bring to evangelism is the ability to think out-of-the-box, not being restricted by doing things like we've always done in the past. Their focus became allowing God to be God and letting Him target the right audience for His glory."

All participants say the group learned invaluable lessons about organization, expectations, and how to measure success, remembering this was a seed-sowing not a reaping event. "We'll start earlier next time, spending more time in outreach with the community before the meetings begin," ponders Gardner. But when asked if it was a success or not, without hesitation, the answer was an enthusiastic "oh, yeah!"

"These kids have a real heart for God," shares Smith. "I have been moved by their dedication and willingness to take part in spreading Jesus' love. This is only the beginning of many good things to come." •

Carmen Slavens, UCA GLEANER correspondent



Matt Smith

Before each of their evangelistic meetings begin, UCC students bow in prayer.

Pathfinders Find Friendship At Teen Retreat

I noticed Terri (not her real name) walking over to talk with Pastor Kevin Wilfley. That was nothing new because teens normally congregate around him to gain insight to his talk or to share comments. However,

Terri was carrying a struggle too big—far too immense for being a teen. Yet, to look at Terri you would never know the agony of spirit it took to ask for help and share the personal story.

After talking with Terri, Pastor Kevin approached others and requested a season of prayer. A group of seasoned prayer warriors quickly gathered. I was privileged to pray for one Terri. During the season of prayer and for sometime afterward, the peace sent by God was tangible.

What brought about this level of trust? You will probably understand when I explain that during the Upper Columbia Conference Pathfinder Teen Retreat at Camp Mivoden, praying

for others is considered an opportunity. We provide a non-threatening and non-judgmental atmosphere that is conducive to prayer requests. Just like Terri, teens can request prayers for their special petitions.

At retreat time, teens and their counselors step “out of time” and can concentrate on praying without the usual distractions and interruptions. Every year during the retreat a prayer wall is erected. This gives us all an opportunity to stop and request the prayers of others. By using the wall, God grants strength in many ways.

Teen Pathfinder Retreat renews the mind, body

and spirit. It provides an opportunity to talk to God about life’s struggles. Every day we face new struggles or get acquainted with old struggles. Struggles hit hard no matter the age of the person. The Teen Pathfinder Retreat is a blessing that assists teens during this difficult time. •

Cheryl Wallace, Pathfinder, Adventurers and Family Life department administrative assistant



The Teen Pathfinder Retreat is a time for prayer.



During the Upper Columbia Teen Pathfinder Retreat, groups compete to make the biggest snowball.

Valley Christian Students Active and Learning

In Kittitas Valley, the Valley Christian School (VCS) is continuing to work on their remodeling project with members contributing help in various ways. Meanwhile, the students are having fun learning and helping others in their community and the world.

VCS students and church members traveled to Seattle to view the Dead Sea Scrolls at the Seattle Science Center in October 2006. At their open house the students presented a program describing what they had learned using miniature scrolls and pictures.

In November, the 10 VCS students, teachers and parents/

members visited the Portland Art Museum and the Portland Zoo.

The students decided to help people of other countries for their Christmas project this year. With money from donations, through ADRA, they were able to feed children and adults, plus buy animals for people to use, helping people from Ethiopia to Bangladesh to Brazil. •

Waleeta Schwartz, VCS communication leader

VCS students visited the Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit in Seattle and then gave a program about what they had learned.



Pathfinders Study the Word of God

Pathfinder Bible Achievement fondly referred to as the Bible Bowl is an annual event open to all Pathfinder Clubs.

The focus of this program is for as many Pathfinders as possible to participate as well as members in the extended church to study the Word of God. There are four levels in this program: district, conference, union and North American Division. Those who answer 90 to 100 percent of the questions correctly proceed to the next level. The questions this year were taken from Book of Deuteronomy, chapter 30, to the last chapter in the book of Joshua. This conference-level event was held at the South Hill



Pathfinders from the North Lakes district compete in the Bible Bowl program held at the South Hill Church in Spokane.

Church in Spokane in January.

It is exciting to see Bible Achievement spectators

searching for the answers as the Pathfinders jot down the answer quickly before the buzzer sounds.

“Every participant is a winner,” says Wayne Hicks, Upper Columbia Conference Pathfinder director. Why? Because they study their Bible and Psalm 19 tells us His Word/testimony makes wise the simple.

Darrell Janke, UCC Bible Achievement coordinator, shares Hicks’ philosophy and says he believes that every Pathfinder should study the Word of God.

To find out more about the Bible Achievement program, go to www.pathfinderbibleachievement.org.

Cheryl Wallace

Wildcats Spring to Action

A recent Sabbath at the Newport (Wash.) Church found the Pend Oreille Valley Wildcat Pathfinder Club in charge of the church service.

The Pathfinders, Adventurers and the Eager Beavers were all in uniform as they marched up the aisle and posted the colors. Several of the young people provided special music, scripture reading, prayer, offering call and the responsive reading. Special guests from the conference Pathfinder department and North Lakes district, Cheryl Wallace, Darrell Janke and John Wenger, took part in the program too.

The 24 Pathfinder members and staff had a busy fall season handing out collection bags in the Newport and Diamond Lake communities and collecting nonperishable

food items for Thanksgiving baskets. The response was great with more than 1,500 items collected along with \$80 in cash to purchase potatoes and oranges. Local church members also donated canned foods, homemade bread and apples. Food baskets were delivered to 14 needy families and additional food items were donated to the local food bank.

Wildcat director Bev Mayfield reports that their club participates in other community events as well, such as the Newport Fair Parade, trail and park maintenance at the Pend Oreille County Park and providing cards for extended-care facility residents.

The club is fortunate to own a van which they use for field trips, campouts,



Pathfinders, Adventurers and Eager Beavers along with the other children listen to the children’s story during Pathfinder Sabbath.

share-your-faith activities and Upper Columbia Conference Pathfinder events.

Candace Anderson, who is a new seventh-grade member of this active and enthusiastic

club, says, “I just love being a part of these Pathfinders.”

Earl Brockman, Newport Church communication leader

Evangelism Gains Momentum in Western Washington

Momentum is no longer an unknown or little used word in Western Washington. Churches across the region are catching the excitement of a lifestyle of sharing, and are planning, creating and hosting community interaction events throughout 2007.

Churches in the Greater Auburn area gathered the first weekend of January to pray for Power From Heaven in 2007. The weekend rally with Ron Halvorsen Sr. set the stage for the first cycle of Momentum evangelism across the North Pacific Union Conference.

“We are here to reproduce for the church, for the kingdom of God,” Halvorsen reminded the near-capacity audience as he explained that Momentum is about individuals being actively involved in soul winning. “We’re called to be fishers of men, not keepers of the aquarium.”

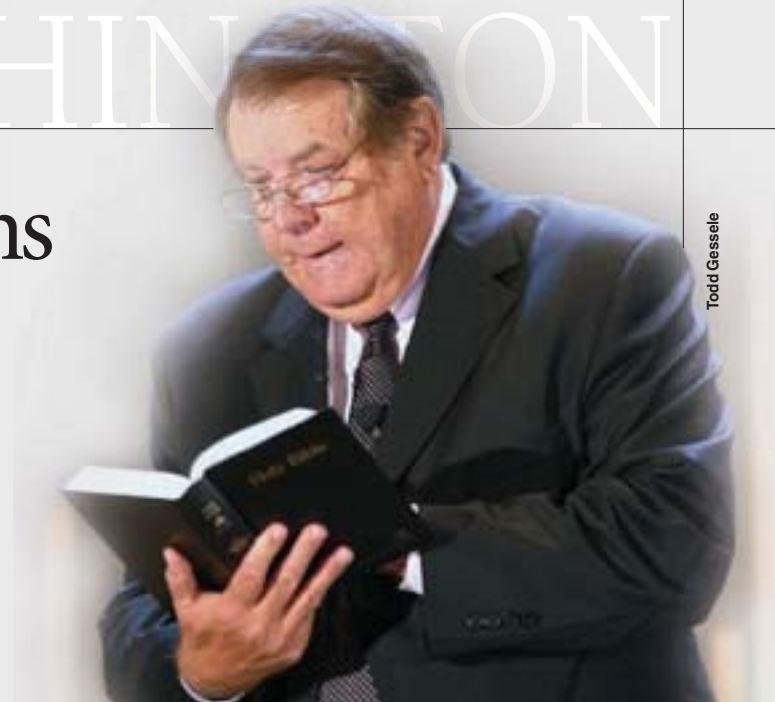
As a result of Halvorsen’s presentation on prayer walking,

Dustin Spano, of Auburn, started walking in his neighborhood. “Prayer walking is a good exercise in not praying for your needs, but concentrating on others,” he said.

Recently, the Auburn City Church, the host site of Snapshots of the Savior satellite series on April 21–28, placed 4,000 “praying-for-you” doorhangers in the surrounding neighborhood.

In addition to praying, church members are also learning how to effectively share their faith through Impact Your World, a rally/training session presented by Gayle Lasher, Washington Conference Bible worker/trainer.

“I have yet to meet a shortage of people who want to get to know Jesus,” Lasher said. “Everywhere we go, we need to be preaching and teaching Jesus. Be willing to share your story. Everybody who has a relationship with Jesus has a testimony to share.”



Todd Gessele

Ron Halvorsen Sr. is the featured speaker for Snapshots of the Savior April 21–28. He also spoke the first weekend of January about the need to humble ourselves before God and pray.

The first two workshop sessions drew crowds of 85 to 100 people. During and following this eight-week class, trained individuals will then respond to Bible study interest cards mailed to more than 101,000 homes in King and Pierce Counties.

The Enumclaw, Graham, Mt. Vernon, Poulsbo and 24-Seven congregations already began outreach meetings in their communities, with congregations such as the Maranatha Church in Seattle setting aside 40 hours for fasting and prayer, and 24-Seven Ministry Center hosting a series where more than 90 non-Adventists attended.

“Our members were so excited,” reported Steve Leddy, pastor, “I was surprised at how truly disappointed they were that they had not invited even more friends to attend.”

At the conference-wide

youth rally in mid-January, speaker Chap Clark, a Fuller Theological Seminary professor who has devoted his career to studying and ministering to teenagers and their families, encouraged the more than 500 teenagers in attendance to turn their life stories—the good and bad parts alike—over to God.

“Each of us has a story, and your story matters,” Clark said. “Sometimes we wonder who really cares about our stories. There are people in your life who are ready to listen. All you have to do is share your story.”

In the coming months, as youth and adults alike begin sharing their stories of faith, there will be one central theme: It’s all about Jesus. Discover more online at <http://washingtonconference.org>.

Heidi Martella, Washington Conference communication intern



Heidi Martella

Gayle Lasher (left), Washington Conference Bible worker/trainer, demonstrates how to give a Bible study during the first of 10 Impact Your World rallies.



Heidi Martella

Vince Saunders, Auburn City youth pastor, interviews Ellen Stecker about her relationship with God during the 2007 Youth Rally.

Seeking Heaven

Pathfinders Create a Game With a Lesson

A few months ago, Andrew Rice, Cascade Eagles Pathfinder leader, gave a challenge to the teen leadership team (TLT).

The challenge required the teen leaders to develop an age-appropriate Sabbath afternoon game with a spiritual theme that shows how God works in everyone and everything. In addition, the challenge required the activity to involve 60 people from ages 9 to 50.

The teen leaders—Naomi Brigham, 13, Cora Farnsworth, 13, Eric Wilson, 15, Kimberly Bynum, 15, and Laureli Bynum, 16—put their heads together and decided to adapt the classic game of hide-and-

seek to teach how life is a pilgrimage where everyone's goal is ending up in heaven.

Here's how the game worked: The Pathfinders were trying to get into heaven. Along the journey, good angels—the teen leaders—and bad angels—the adult leaders—tried to aid or distract the Pathfinders while they searched for 10 objects using Bible-based clues.

At heaven's gate, the Pathfinders presented the found objects to the gate angel who noted that while the group found all the objects, they were caught by the bad angels and therefore had sinned. Then Jesus stepped forward to announce, "Because I



From left: Cascade Eagles TLTs Eric Wilson, Laureli Bynum, Cora Farnsworth, Kimberly Bynum, and Naomi Brigham explain the game to the entire group.

died for them, their sins are forgiven, and they can come into heaven" while handing out a treat as a "small piece of heaven."

Afterward, the Pathfinders discussed the game, and decided that "bad angels can never be trusted" and while you never knew where the bad angels would be,

you always knew where the good angels are. The game created one Friday night around a campfire helped to teach the Cascade Eagles an unforgettable lesson about the pilgrimage of life. •

Cora L. Farnsworth, 13, and Kimberly R. Bynum, 15, Cascade Eagles Pathfinder teen leaders



Follow That Star

Poulsbo Students Perform Original Play

Despite the recent storm and the power outages throughout the area, the Poulsbo Adventist School (PAS) was still able to perform their annual Christmas program, proving that the saying "the show must go on" is true for all productions, no matter how small.

The students performed "Follow That Star" for a sanctuary filled with friends and family on Dec. 18, 2006. Some people may have been confused by the fact that no one had ever seen or even heard of this play. The play is extra-special because PAS teacher Susan Schilt wrote it for the students to perform.

Schilt spent many hours working with the students to



From left: Summer Thresher, Faith Knight, Naomi Knight, Caleb Rexin, Danny Rexin and Jon Hirschy ponder the star as they portray the wisemen and their wives in "Follow That Star," an original play.

help them learn their lines, practice expressions and how to act. She also built the interchangeable sets required for the play.

Others helped in the production of the play, including art teacher Lynn Harrington, who painted the backdrops for the three-act play.

Sarah Morris served as an "understudy director" and costume/set designer. The performance also featured the choir under the direction of music teacher Sharon Jones.

Following the play, family and friends gathered for a reception to celebrate the success of the students' play. The play served as a special time for the students to not only perform, but to also bring the story of Jesus to life. And that made all the hard work worthwhile for both teachers and students. •

Summer Thresher, PAS alumna and performer in the play

Auburn Adventist Academy Welcomes Three New Staff Members

Auburn Adventist Academy (AAA) welcomes three staff members to the team: Erin Hieb, who works in the alumni and development office; Gordon Onsager, as director of major gifts; and Sarah Onsager, as administrative assistant.



Erin Hieb works in the alumni and development office at Auburn Adventist Academy.

Erin Hieb, a graduate of Union College, has degrees in public relations and institutional development. Originally from Loveland, Colo., Hieb enjoys football, sports, traveling, singing and event planning. Working in Union College's development office allowed Hieb to gain valuable experience and ideas she hopes to implement at AAA.

"I am excited to be working at Auburn Adventist Academy," Hieb said. "I hope I can contribute many great things to this organization."

For the last year and a half, **Gordon Onsager** worked in AAA's physical education department. In addition to these duties, he is now part of the development office as director of major gifts. He is also responsible for Auburn's annual "Hearts of Gold" dinner and auction.

Onsager, who is an alumnus of AAA, has a degree from Walla Walla College in fitness management. Previously, he worked as a taskforce dean at AAA, spent a year teaching second grade in Palau and served three years in the Infantry as part of the Stryker Brigade stationed at Fort Lewis. He also spent one year serving his country in Iraq.

"I really enjoy the students and staff at this school," Onsager said. "I love working for God, and I love the mission here at AAA."

Sarah Onsager, the new administrative assistant to principal Keith Hallam, enjoys working with young people. She previously worked as a secretary at Nelson Crane Christian School. Sarah Onsager holds a degree in business administration from Walla Walla College.



Gordon and Sarah Onsager enjoy working with young people, and are pleased to be part of the faculty.

"It's fun being back at Auburn," said Sarah Onsager, an AAA alumnus who has fond memories of singing in Sylvan, playing basketball and being on the gymnastics team. "I am constantly reminded of when I was in high school and the beginning of lasting friendships I made while I was here." •

Jondelle McGhee, AAA GLEANER correspondent

David Comes to Life Churches Host Benefit Play for Local Hospice

The enigmatic biblical hero David came to life last November on the stage of Peninsula College in Port Angeles, Wash.

The play, developed by Dick McCoy, composer, author and director, addressed the dichotomy of alternating failures and faith that characterize David's life—and ours.

"David, the Man God Loved—But Why?" used 19 vignettes to relive memorable incidents from the life of David, ultimately showing his deep repentance and God's mercies.

For more than six months, 31 volunteers from the Port Angeles and Sequim churches prepared



Young David (Joshua Basden) interacts with Jonathan (Brian Davidson) as King Saul (Daryl Trowbridge) looks on.

for this production. The play served as a free benefit for the local volunteer hospice, and \$900 in donations was raised for the guest house project.

The Port Angeles Church finds this vehicle—presenting a performance to benefit a charitable organization—a positive way to publicly show the community they care. Even advertising the event through radio interviews, newspapers articles and posting public notices provides sharing opportunities. •

Kathy Nixon, Port Angeles communication leader



Pohnpei Project

Student Project Breathes New Life Into Old Lab

Three and a half years ago, Walla Walla College (WWC) student Raymond Betz spent a year teaching in the computer lab at the Pohnpei Seventh-day Adventist School. Like dozens of WWC students each year, his life was changed by his experience as a student missionary. However, Betz's experience also changed the lives of countless current and future students in Pohnpei.

Returning to WWC to complete his engineering degree, Betz was determined to equip Pohnpei's computer lab with brand-new computers and a server.

"After some research, thought, and much prayer I felt like this was a project God was calling me to do. I had to trust that God would provide what I needed to make this project happen," Betz says about his decision to raise more than \$11,000.

Supported by the Office of Student Missions, Betz began asking potential donors and



Students enjoy the many benefits of the updated computer lab.



returned student missionaries from the Guam-Micronesia mission for their support in what he called the Pohnpei Project.

Within a year Betz had collected enough money to purchase 20 new Dell computers and a server. He and a friend spent some time preparing, packing and shipping the computers to their new island home. Then, two days after graduating with his engineering degree in 2006, the aspiring engineer found himself on a plane to Pohnpei where he planned to set up the new computer lab.

"I spent many days in the lab painting, building new desks, fixing

the partially collapsed ceiling, unpacking, installing, and networking computers, and configuring the server," Betz says.

The end of summer arrived and when Betz's flight back to the U.S. left Pohnpei, Betz was still in the computer lab.

"I felt God was calling me to stay, so that's what I decided to do." Betz is now the computer teacher at the Pohnpei Seventh-day Adventist School and plans to stay for at least two years.

"As each day passes, students at the school are learning more about computers and how to use them, but more importantly, students are hearing about Christ, and seeing Him modeled through the teachers here," Betz told friends in a letter thanking them for their support of the project.

"I taught computer classes in the old relic of a lab," Betz says, "and it is wonderful to

have these new computers. The students say the same thing. In fact, many of them tell me they wish I'd brought the computers a year earlier!"

"I'm so impressed by the difference one student can make," says Jeanne Vories, director of student missions, who helped provide structure and support for the Pohnpei Project. "I'm equally impressed that the majority of donors were young alumni."

As to what he'll do next, Betz isn't sure. "My plan is just to follow God's leading. I am very passionate about being involved in ministry and mission work. Whether that will be a career or something I do on the side, I don't know yet." •

Kristi Spurgeon, WWC GLEANER correspondent



WWC alumnus Raymond Betz sits in the Pohnpei Seventh-day Adventist School computer lab, which he funded and built after returning from his student missionary experience.

Award-winning Care in the Comfort of Home

Think about traveling for long periods of time. Don't you miss your own bed? Familiar food? Your furry, four-legged friends?

Now think about being in the hospital. Besides worrying about recovery, wouldn't you still miss those creature comforts of home? Adventist Health/*Home Care Services* does the best to combine both worlds. With a full range of services for those sick, disabled or recovering from illness, home care helps patients convalesce in comfort and still have the best care possible.

The first home care agencies opened their doors in the 1880s. Since then, the number of organizations in the United States has grown to more than 20,000. Currently, Adventist Health operates more than a dozen of those agencies along the West Coast, including one in Tillamook, Oregon.

"Adventist Health views home health services as an important part of patient treatment," said Sherry Mendoza, Adventist Health director of Home Care. That importance translated into more than 215,000 visits in 2006.

Recently, the home health agency affiliated with Tillamook County General Hospital



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(TCGH) was named among the nation's best home health agencies. It joins eight other Adventist Health Home Care agencies on the 2006 HomeCare Elite list compiled by Outcome Concept Systems, Inc. (OCS), a Seattle-based company providing data products and benchmark services for home health, hospice and private duty agencies.

"I am so proud of our home care team," said Wendell Hesselstine, hospital CEO. "To see them honored for their hard work and dedication is a testament to our stellar individuals and leaders."

The inaugural listing of the top tier U.S. home health care agencies honors those who rank in the top 25 percent in their region based upon quality of care, quality improvement and financial performance. The Adventist Health hospital-based agencies named to the list include Adventist Health/*Home Care Services* in:

- Bakersfield, California (San Joaquin Community Hospital)
- Bonita, California (Paradise Valley Hospital)
- Clearlake, California (Redbud Community Hospital)

- Glendale, California (Glendale Adventist Medical Center)
- St. Helena, California (St. Helena Hospital)
- Simi Valley, California (Simi Valley Hospital)
- Willits, California (Howard Memorial Hospital)
- Portland, Oregon (Adventist Medical Center)
- Tillamook, Oregon (Tillamook County General Hospital)

"We're very proud of our nine agencies that made the HomeCare Elite list," said Mendoza. "What's more, having four agencies rank in the top 500 further validates our commitment to quality

patient care and dedication to our distinctive mission."

OCS determined the top home health agencies nationwide through benchmarking based on quality measurement scores submitted to Home Health Compare and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Cost Reports for July 2005 through June 2006.

For more information about Adventist Health/*Home Care Services*, visit www.adventisthealth.org.

Shawna Malvini, Adventist Health GLEANER correspondent

Bom 60th

William and Dorothea Bom celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 30, 2006, with a special dinner with relatives followed by a short trip. They are members of the Medford Church.

William B. Bom married Dorothea E. Meehan on June 30, 1946, in Medford, Ore. They



William and Dorothea Bom

met during World War II at the Medford Church when he was a soldier at Camp White nearby. Dorothea was just leaving for nurses training at the Portland Sanitarium and Hospital for three years. The Army sent Bill to China for three years. When he returned and after her graduation they were married. Bill worked in hospital maintenance and building construction until he retired, and Dorothea was a nurse at the hospital and did office nursing through the years. Both have been active in their church.

The Bom family includes Jerald and Mary Jane Bom of Loma Linda, Calif.; Roger Bom of Medford; Douglas Bom of Portland, Ore.; and 2 grandsons.

Dale 50th

Bob and Barbara Ann Dale celebrated 50 years of marriage on Aug. 27, 2006, at a reception at Mt. Tabor

Church hosted by their children. They have been pastoring the Mt. Tabor Church in retirement.

Robert L. Dale and Barbara Ann Christensen were married Aug. 26, 1956, in the Milwaukie (Ore.) Church. Robert retired in 2006 after 52 years of service as pastor, conference president, and vice president of the General Conference. Barbara Ann, who has been a teacher and administrative secretary, retired in 1994. Robert and Barbara Ann have both been involved in evangelism throughout their married life. The Dales are celebrating their 50th anniversary in their 27th home. They look forward to the coming of the Savior so they can celebrate more anniversaries in heaven.

The Dale family includes Robert L. Dale Jr. of Portland, Ore.; Benjamin J. and Shellie Dale, of Denver; Bonita J. and Radames Rodriguez of Baltimore, Md.; and 5 grandchildren.

Duncan 65th

Melvin and Martha Duncan celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on June 19, 2006, at home without fanfare.

Melvin Duncan married Martha Peterson June 19, 1941, in Nordland on Marrowstone Island, Wash., where she had come to teach church school. Their lives have been as varied as the patchwork quilts for Dorcas that have kept them



Melvin and Martha Duncan

busy these last few years. From salmon fishing to house building, from teaching to wiring homes, from Montana to Puerto Rico they have led a wonderful life together.

The Duncan family includes Ruth Anne and Jim Gruber of Soap Lake, Wash.; Donald Duncan of Lakewood, Wash.; Yvonne and Mark Hoover of Jonesborough, Tenn.; and Eric Gruber of Moses Lake, Wash.

Griffith 50th

Dave and Miriam Griffith celebrated their 50th anniversary on June 11, 2006, with an afternoon dinner in Caldwell, Idaho, hosted by their four daughters. They are members of the Caldwell (Idaho) Church.

David Griffith and Miriam Spears were high school sweethearts at Gem State Academy, and married soon after graduation on June 10, 1956, in Caldwell, Idaho. While their daughters were growing up, they were partners in their photography studio in College Place and Walla Walla, then worked in building trades with floor covering, tile setting and cabinetry. When the girls were grown and gone, Dave and Miriam followed their dreams and returned to college, earning their Master of Arts degrees from Texas Universities. Their eclectic skills include design, illustration, sculpting back yard art, print making and fine furniture building. In September, they continued their 50th anniversary celebration on an Alaska cruise with their daughters.

The Griffith family includes Arline and Sid Nash of Walla Walla, Wash.; Lora and Cliff Hendrickson, Pendleton, Ore.; Deanna and Curtis Washington, Brisbane, Calif.;

Linda Griffith, Portland, Ore.; and 11 grandchildren.

Goertz 60th

Al and Clarice Goertz celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their daughter's home on Sept. 15, 2006. They are members of the Tillamook (Ore.) Church.

Elvin Goertz married Clarice Wallace on Sept. 15, 1946, in Bakersfield, Calif. They met at camp meeting in Fresno in 1944. After graduating from different academies, they both attended Pacific Union College



Al and Clarice Goertz

in Angwin, Calif., prior to their marriage. For 25 years, Al worked as a sales engineer for a lighting company. His last project was designing the lighting for the Los Angeles Airport. He retired in 1987. They lived in the Whittier area of California for 37 years. Clarice worked as an elementary school teacher for 17 years, teaching grades 4 or 5. She spent the last eight years as a special education teacher in Norwalk, Calif. After Clarice retired, they moved to a farm in Dinuba, Calif., and grew almonds. Later they purchased two other farms that grow grapes for raisins. They moved to Tillamook in 1996 to be near their children.

The Goertz family includes Nancy and Steve McKeone of Scappoose, Ore.; a grandchild and a great-grandchild.

Krieger 50th

Marvin and Vaughn Krieger celebrated 50 years of marriage on Nov. 25, 2006, with friends and family at the Woodland (Wash.) Adventist Community Service Center.

Marvin Krieger married C. Vaughn Hiebert on Nov. 25, 1956, in College Place, Wash. They made their first home in Pendleton, Ore., then in Alaska but have spent the majority of their married life in Woodland. Marvin worked in various aspects of the timber industry all of his life. Vaughn worked as a food service supervisor for several years and later opened a florist shop. They currently make their home in Goldendale, Wash.

The Krieger family includes Vance and Sid Krieger, both of Woodland; Kent and Karryl Krieger of Salmon, Idaho; and Fred and Kara McGhee of Battle Ground, Wash.; 6 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

McPherson 50th

Darrell and Fay McPherson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 12, 2006, with a gathering of family and friends at their home in Auburn, Wash.

Darrell McPherson married Fay Tulak Dec. 29, 1956, in Kent, Wash. Darrell subsequently served as a medic in the U.S. Army in Germany. Fay joined him there for the final year of his two-year placement in that region. Following his return in 1958, Darrell continued his career in plumbing. In the early 1970s, Fay started working for public school districts in Arizona and Washington. Both Darrell and Fay retired in 1996. In retirement, Darrell has continued his hobby in aviation, and Fay has enjoyed time with family and friends. The two also enjoy traveling and spending time at

camp meetings in Washington and British Columbia.

The McPherson family includes Darren McPherson of Auburn; Des and Jeannie McPherson of Wenatchee, Wash.; and 5 grandchildren.

Paulson-Lauda 90th

Mary Paulson-Lauda recently celebrated her 90th birthday in Springfield, Portland and Gladstone, Ore. and Ceres, Calif. She is a member of the Sunnyside Church in Portland.

Mary Brewer was born Dec. 17, 1916, in Gentry, Ark., the youngest of eight children. She lived in Granger, Wash., Madison and Nashville, Tenn., before settling in Milton, Ore., in 1931. She married Alfred Paulson in 1934. The couple moved to Pendleton in 1940 where Alfred worked for Harris Pine Mills until 1947 when they moved to southern Oregon and became involved in hospital management in Roseburg and Ashland for the next 14 years. They built their first nursing home in Springfield, Ore., in 1962, and worked together in the health care business until 1977 when Alfred died. Mary continued management of the facilities until retirement in 1994. In 1989, she married Caris Lauda. They lived in Eugene until 2002 when they moved to Somerset Lodge in Gladstone where she currently resides. Caris died in 2003. The Paulsons and Laudas were active in ASI, and through that organization became involved in Maranatha Volunteer projects as well as many other mission endeavors.

The Paulson-Lauda family includes Shirley and Bill Chiburis of Modesto, Calif., and Beverly and Clair Johnson of Ceres; 6 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

CARLSON-CONNORS—Noelle Carlson and Josh Connors were married Dec. 16, 2006, in Pueblo, Colo., where they are making their home. Noelle is the daughter of Rick and Sandi (Bigger) Carlson. Josh is the son of Debi Connors.

DAVIS-KYLE—Laura Davis and Timothy Kyle were married Aug. 20, 2006, in Milton-Freewater, Ore. They are making their home in Vancouver, Wash. Laura is the daughter of Arlen and Sherry Davis. Timothy is the son of Ken and Robin Kyle.

DEHART-WIEDEMANN—Georgia M. (Strong) Dehart and Wilhelm R. Wiedemann were married Nov. 19, 2006, in Bonners Ferry, Idaho, where they are making their home. Georgia is the daughter of Glen and Marjorie Strong (both deceased). Wilhelm is the son of Rudolph and Clara Wiedemann (both deceased).

EISENHARDT-BARTEL—Doris Eisenhardt and Ray Bartel were married Jan. 21, 2007, in Lacey, Wash. They are making their home in Olympia, Wash. Doris is the daughter of Dayton and Queenie Burton (both deceased). Ray is the son of David and



Minnie (Ruf) Bartel (both deceased).

JANSSEN-WHEELING—Janelle R. Janssen and Robbie J. Wheeling were married Oct. 15, 2006, in Salem, Ore. They are making their home in Bothell, Wash. Janelle is the daughter of Rodney and Wanda Janssen. Robbie is the son of Ray and Bette Wheeling.

JONES-DAVIS—Gwen L. Jones and Eugene F. Davis were married Dec. 16, 2006, in McMinnville, Ore., where they are making their home. Gwen is the daughter of Dazel and Eleanor Jones. Eugene is the son of Berl and Martha Davis.

REYNOLDS-ONEAL—Heather Reynolds and Rick Oneal were married Jan. 1, 2007, in Aloha, Ore. They are making their home in Tigard, Ore. Heather is the daughter of Terry and Sallie Settle. Rick is the son of Don and Jean Oneal.

ALLEN—Tiegana Amelia was born Dec. 26, 2006, to Jeremy and Nicole (Darcy) Allen, Walla Walla, Wash.

DEARBORN—Denton George was born Oct. 31, 2006, to George and Necole (Wishart) Dearborn, Vancouver, Wash.

FLEMING—Eden Rose was born Sept. 19, 2006, to Ariel and Summer (Bartholomew) Fleming, Kenmore, Wash.

FRANKS—Daniel M. was born Dec. 19, 2006, to Terry and Rita Franks, Hermiston, Ore.

LEE—Selah M. was born Dec. 11, 2006, to London and Nikisha (Smothers) Lee, College Place, Wash.

MILLER—Emilie Rose was born Aug. 24, 2006, to David L. and Bobbi Lynn (Green) Miller, Bend, Ore.

NATIVIDAD—Hailey Ann was born Nov. 15, 2006, to Sam and Esther (Mendenhall) Natividad, Jacksonville, Ark.

AABY—Ogden L., 89; born Feb. 12, 1917, Cheyenne County, Colo.; died Jan. 2, 2007, College Place, Wash. Surviving: wife, Amy (Laschkewitsch); sons, Anthony, College Place; Bruce, Placentia, Calif.; daughter, Johnette Dederer, Springfield, Ore.; brothers, Carlyle, San Bernardino, Calif.; Clovis, Pendleton, Ore.; Gene, Knoxville, Tenn.; and 3 grandchildren.

BIGHAUS—Niles “Jerry,” 81; born Sept. 27, 1925, Tigard, Ore.; died Dec. 11, 2006, Grants Pass, Ore. Surviving: wife, L. Jeannette (Anderson); daughters, Lou Ann Clapp, Nashville, Tenn.; Debbie West, Sherwood, Ore.; and sister, Florence Langer, Gresham, Ore.

CHAPMAN—Lorenna (Major) Moris Leavitt Vestal Small, 92; born Nov. 29, 1914, Ontario, Ore.; died Dec. 24, 2006, Caldwell, Idaho. Surviving: daughters, Ima Jean Moris and Sarena (Moris) Hurles, both of Caldwell; 4 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

CORNWELL—O. Juanita (Hopkins), 71; born Dec. 12, 1934, Weiser, Idaho; died Nov. 28, 2006, Richland, Wash. Surviving: husband, Charles, Hermiston, Ore.; son, Dan, Hermiston; 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

DAVIS—Alvin T., 91; born July 25, 1915, Selma, Calif.; died Dec. 2, 2006, Roseburg, Ore. Surviving: son, Wendell, Oakland, Ore.; 3 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren and 4 step-great-grandchildren.

DAVISSON—Gary Dean, 56; born Feb. 18, 1950, Inglewood, Calif.; died Jan. 15, 2007, Grants Pass, Ore. Surviving: wife, Neila M. Moore; father, Dean Davisson, of Southern California; and sister, Diann Davisson, of Southern California.

DRAPER—Eldon “Red,” 80; born Dec. 13, 1925, Hamondsport, N.Y.; died Nov. 26, 2006, Creswell, Ore. Surviving: wife, Shirley Bounds; stepdaughter, Shirley Marie Bounds, Roseburg, Ore.; brothers, Paul, of Florida; Wendall, of New York; Carlton, of California; 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

ESCAMILLA—Albaro S., 81; born May 8, 1925, Alma, Kan.; died Oct. 26, 2006, Scottsbluff, Neb. Surviving: wife, Mary (Gonzalez); daughters, Adele Herrera, Walla Walla, Wash.; Anita Escobar, Lincoln, Neb.; Cindy K. Salazar, Salem, Ore.; Marie Escamilla, Portland, Ore.; brothers, Tony, Fort Morgan, Colo.; Rudy, Joe and Abe, all of Scottsbluff; Sam, Lincoln; Daniel, Fresno, Calif.; sisters, Angel Escamilla and Eva Flores, both of Scottsbluff; Vicki Serrano and Sara Avila, both of Walla Walla; Becky and Bernice Herrera, both of Denver; 9 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

INMAN—Esther R., 104; born April 17, 1901, Mt. Carroll, Ill.; died Dec. 31, 2005, Sublimity, Ore. Surviving: daughters Lucille Purkyt and Gladys Christensen, both of Belvidere, Ill.; Ruth A. Farr, Stayton, Ore.; 6 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

JANSSEN—John R., 96; born Oct. 27, 1910, Arnham, Holland; died Dec. 11, 2006, Spokane, Wash. Surviving: sons, Danny, Spokane; Rodney, Salem, Ore.; 5 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

JOHNSON—Evelyn M. (Nissen) Pearce, 86; born Nov. 21, 1920, Portland, Ore.; died Jan. 9, 2007, Post Falls, Idaho. Surviving: husband, Glenn, Sandpoint, Idaho; sons, Jay, Los Angeles; Darrell A. Pearce, Gresham, Ore.; daughters, Virginia M. (Pearce) Lockhart, Gresham;

Velda (Pearce) Wadkins, Sandpoint; Glenda M. (Johnson) Watters, Sandy Valley, Nev.; Joanne L. (Johnson) Teel, Grants Pass, Ore.; Cathy A. (Johnson) Stanton, Las Vegas, Nev.; 22 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

KNIGHT—Cleatice G. (Griswald), 94; born Jan. 13, 1912, Macksburg, Iowa; died Dec. 6, 2006, Milton-Freewater, Ore. Surviving: son, Carroll Chickering, Berkley Spring, Va.; stepson, Ernest Priddy, Dexter, Iowa; daughters, Evelyn Mitchell, Milton-Freewater; LaVanna Lambert, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada; stepdaughters, Valeta Peterson, Loveland, Mo.; Velda Johnson, Denver, Colo.; sister, Reva Ford, Prairie Village, Kan.; and 13 grandchildren.

MILLER—Bonnie G. (Durham), 70; born Aug. 20, 1939, Russelville, Ark.; died Aug. 21, 2006, Salem, Ore. Surviving: husband, Frederick L.; sons, Frederick L. Jr., PawPaw, Mich.; Michael D., Salem; Benjamin P., Denver; mother, Ruby Durham, Salem; brothers, Norman

Durham, Clinton, Ark.; Lloyd Durham Jr., Cabat, Ark.; sisters, Vera Mattox, Coos Bay, Ore.; Pat Pruitt, Dardenelle, Ark.; Mary Martinez, Cottage Grove, Ore.; Ruby Silva, Forest Grove, Ore.; Joy Ross, Coos Bay; 9 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

MONTGOMERY—Edith A. (Williams) Smallmon, 98; born July 21, 1908, Carrolls, Wash.; died Dec. 5, 2006, Portland, Ore. Surviving: husband, Loren; son, John Smallmon, Hermiston, Ore.; stepson, Kendall Montgomery, Wichita Falls, Texas; daughter, Betty Dearborn, Milwaukie, Ore.; and stepdaughter, Trudy Snawder, Roseburg, Ore.

PARQUETTE—Louis W. “Parky,” 89; born March 9, 1917, Coronado, Calif.; died Dec. 6, 2006, Sandpoint, Idaho. Surviving: son, Louis “Chip” W. Jr., Dayton, Ohio; daughters, Deana Herrington, Braunfels, Texas; Ginger Wyborny, Sandpoint; 7 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

PARQUETTE—Louise M. (Philbrook), 87; born July 3, 1919, Lakeside, Calif.; died Oct. 13, 2006, Sandpoint, Idaho. Surviving: husband, Louis W.; son, Louis W., Dayton, Ohio; daughters, Deana Herrington, Braunfels, Texas; Ginger Wyborny, Sandpoint; brothers, Howard Philbrook, Alpine, Calif.; Richard Philbrook, LaMesa, Calif.; Steve Philbrook, Redding, Calif.; 7 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

RIVEIRA—Sarah (Santiago) Cambra, 90; born Aug. 26, 1916, Papaloa, Hawaii; died Jan. 16, 2007, Kirkland, Wash. Surviving: husband, Edward Sr., Seattle; sons, Edward Jr., Woodinville, Wash.; Guy L. Cambra, Lynnwood, Wash.; daughters, Priscilla Bunch, Mill Creek, Wash.; Agatha Dahlin, Waipahu, Hawaii; Edwina

GUIDELINES

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Lominket, Houston, Texas; 12 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 9 great-great-grandchildren.

SHEETS—Geraldine V. (Piette), 80; born Aug. 8, 1926, Chicago; died Sept. 24, 2006, Marysville, Wash. Surviving: husband, Ralph; daughters, Diane Anglin, The Woodlands, Texas; Claudia Harris, Redlands, Calif.; Darlene McFarland, Auburn, Wash.; Deborah Sheets, Puyallup, Wash.; Carol Larson, Arlington, Wash.; and 12 grandchildren.

STELZMILLER—Edwin H., 96; born June 30, 1910, Strawberry Point, Iowa; died Dec. 21, 2006, Gresham, Ore. Surviving: wife, Alice (Skeesick); daughters, Ramona Fleming, Portland, Ore.; Virginia Sayles, Hagerstown, Md.; Peggy Gepford Bodell, Portland; brother, Mitchell, Little Falls, Minn.; 5 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

STEVENSON—Dora J. (McKinney), 92; born Nov. 17, 1914, Elba, Ark.; died Dec. 21, 2006, Gresham, Ore. Surviving: sons, Doyle and Dwayne, both of Salem, Ore.; Don, Portland, Ore.; daughters, Jean Dasher, Gresham; Shirley Kimble, Portland; Sandra Barnett-Osborn, Kirkland, Wash.; 15 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

TURNER—Paul A., 30; born May 11, 1976, Walla Walla, Wash.; died Dec. 3, 2006, West Paris, Maine. Surviving: wife, Shannon (Farris); son, Lukas, West Paris; parents, Harvey and Joanne (Wagner) Turner, Hermiston, Ore.; and sister, Lisa Turner, Loma Linda, Calif.

VICKROY—Pearl (Lindsey), 81; born Aug. 11, 1925, Portland, Colo.; died Dec. 13, 2006, Touchet, Wash. Surviving: husband, James; sons, Jim L., McMinnville, Ore.; William, Salem, Ore.; Thomas, Walla Walla, Wash.; daughters, Juanita Schwartz, Battle Ground, Wash.; Bonnie Ward, Touchet; Susan

Beeler, Barnsdall, Okla.; brothers, Maurice Lindsey, La Junta, Colo.; Guy Lindsey, Salt Lake City, Utah; sisters, Pauline Fuller, Wichita, Kan.; Mildred Morris, Milton-Freewater, Ore.; 16 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

VIETZ—Lenora T. (Boepple), 83; born April 16, 1923, Alberta, Canada; died Dec. 27, 2006, Medford, Ore. Surviving: husband, Bill J.; sons, Gary L., Bakersfield, Calif.; Marvin D., College Place, Wash.; Donald J., Nampa, Idaho; Randy D., Irrigon, Ore.; daughter, Betty J. Collins, Talent, Ore.; brother, Dan Boepple, Caldwell, Idaho; sisters, Rachel Jessor, Twin Falls, Idaho; Katheren Schmittel, Portland, Ore.; Ruth Dutt, Twin Falls; 15 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

WINTON—Nina A. (Young) Cates, 91; born July 11, 1915, Hewitt, Minn.; died Dec. 13, 2006, Vancouver, Wash. Surviving: son, Norman L., Vancouver; daughter, Gloria Treanton, Vancouver; brothers, Harry N. Young, Portland, Ore.; Eldon E. Young, Grass Valley, Ore.; 7 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, 2 step-great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

ZIMMERMAN—Velma F. (Allen), 98; born Dec. 29, 1907, Pendleton, Ore.; died Oct. 18, 2006, Salem, Ore. Surviving: sons, Robert, Portland, Ore.; Carl, Salem; daughters, Kay M. Burgess, Reserve, N.M.; Betty Schweitz, Albany, Ore.; Gwen Zimmerman, Salem; Shirley Zimmerman, Milton-Freewater, Ore.; Barbara Warner, Molalla, Ore.; brother, Donald Allen of Montana; sister, Lois Sellers, Elizabethtown, Pa.; 21 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren and 8 great-great-grandchildren.

NORTH PACIFIC UNION

Offerings

March 3—Local Church Budget; **March 10**—Adventist World Radio*; **March 17**—Local Church Budget; **March 24**—Local Conference Advance; **March 31**—World Budget; Spring Mission Appeal; **March 31**—13th Sabbath Offering Overflow: Euro-Africa Division.

*Special Materials Provided

Special Days

Curriculum Focus for the Month—Women in the Church. + **March 3**—Women’s Day of Prayer; **March 4–10**—Adventist Youth Week of Prayer*; **March 17**—Disabilities Awareness Sabbath.

* Special Materials Provided

+ Curriculum resource materials are published in NAD church resource journals—*Sabbath School Leadership*, *Celebración*, *Célébration*, *Kids’ Ministry Ideas* and *Cornerstone Youth Resource Journal*.

WALLA WALLA COLLEGE

Calendar of Events

March 1, 3, 4—wvc drama: Festival of One Acts, 8 p.m., Village Hall. Visit www.wvc.edu for more information and to purchase tickets. **March 10**—Winter choral concert, 4 p.m., WWC Church. **March 15**—Spring break begins. **March 26**—Spring quarter begins. **March 31**—WWC Music Department chamber series concert: Lindsey Henriksen, 7:30 p.m., WWC Church.

ALASKA

Village Missionaries Needed

The Alaska Conference is looking for volunteer, missionary-minded couples willing to sacrifice to live in a Native village and help develop suicide prevention programs or provide other forms of spiritual guidance for the village. If you have any experience or background in this area, or if

you know of anyone who would be such a person, please contact Jim Kincaid at (907) 346-1004 or jkincaid@ak.net.

IDAHO

Meridian CHIP

April 2–April 26—The Meridian Coronary Health Improvement Project (CHIP) will run its fourth session Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon. If you know someone in the Boise area who would be interested in improving their health, encourage them to attend one of the free information sessions to be held the last week in March. Sun. 3/25 at 3 p.m., Mon. 3/26 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Wed. 3/28 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. For information, contact Irene Willis at (208) 322-4081, bandiwil@cableone.net or 10901 W. Bodley St., Boise, ID 83709.

MONTANA

Revelation Now

March 23—An evangelistic series of meetings with Jac and ‘dena Colon, is coming to Missoula. The meetings will open at the Adventist Church, 800 South Avenue W., Missoula, Mont. at 7:15 p.m. You are welcome to come, and invite your friends and relatives.

OREGON

Sunnyside Vespers

March 3—Handbell Festival Vespers at 5:30 p.m. Six bell choirs will be involved in mass ringing; solo numbers will be included again this year. Shosh Meyer, a leader of handbell ringing in the Portland area, will be our guest conductor. A freewill offering will be received. Sunnyside Church, 10501 S.E. Market St., Portland, Ore.; (503) 252-8080.

Retired Workers’ Fellowship

March 6—The monthly potluck of the “Oregon Retired Workers’ Fellowship” will be held at 12 noon. Dave Allen, Sunnyside Church pastor, will



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be sharing his experience and pictures from his recent mission trip to Nepal. We encourage and welcome all retirees to bring their food and join us in the cafeteria on the Gladstone Campground, 19800 Oatfield Road, Gladstone, Ore. Table service is furnished. For more information or any suggestions, contact the Jorgensons at (360) 423-1612.

Pleasant Hill Seminar

March 9–10—Marvin Moore, editor of *Signs of the Times*, presents, “Hope for the End Time” weekend seminar. Friday night, March 9, at 7:30, the topic will be “The Coming Great Calamity.” Sabbath, March 10, at 10:45 a.m., “Is Jesus Really Coming Soon?” Sabbath afternoon at 2 p.m., “Does Jesus Really Save Sinners?” and at 3:30 p.m., “Does Jesus Really Give Victory?” Child care will be available for Friday evening and Sabbath afternoon meetings. Potluck lunch will be provided Sabbath. We’d love to have you join us at 35549 Zephyr Way, Pleasant Hill, Ore. For information, contact Kendall Everett at (541) 744-8968; the church office at (541) 746-1750; or select “Guest Speaker Ministries” at our Web site: www.phsda.org.

Oregon SAGE

March 14—Visit Hoover Home in Newberg, Ore., and Woodland Woolworks in Carlton, Ore. **April 8**—Tulip Festival in Woodland, Ore. **May 10**—Portland Underground Tour. For information, contact Wynn at (503) 343-9548. **March 15**—Visit Center for Training Guide Dogs in Central Point, Ore. For information, contact Dephenia at (541) 665-0637.

Adventist Singles Adult Ministries (ASAM)

March 17—Sponsored by the Beaverton Adventist Singles. Sabbath at 12:30 p.m. Singles potluck. Please bring a dish, enough for yourself and others. After potluck lunch we will carpool from Beaverton Church to Tryon Creek State

Park Trillion Trilliums, S.W. Terwilliger Blvd. and Boones Ferry Rd. For information, contact Tom Terry at (503) 684-7971 or tom.te@verizon.net; Charlotte at (503) 579-9549 or www.beavertonsda.com; then to the singles page. Maps will be made available in the Beaverton Church foyer and at the potluck. Save this date: **April 21**—Hike at Rowena: Bloom With a View.

Michael Harris Concert at Hood View

March 24—Baritone soloist Michael Harris will present a 6 p.m. vespers concert at the Hood View Church in Boring, Ore. Harris, a Chapel Records recording artist, also gives his personal testimony of how Jesus Christ set him free from drug addiction. Besides singing in churches, he ministers at various institutions and convocations throughout the country from his base of “Restoration in the Son Ministries” in California. For information contact hoodviewchurch@verizon.net.

CAA Alumni Homecoming

April 6–7—Columbia Adventist Academy invites all alumni to join us on campus for Alumni Weekend. The graduating classes ending in “7” will be honored, along with the graduating class of 1982. We will also be celebrating the 100th anniversary of CAA’s first graduating class, 1907. For information, contact Lara Dowie at (360) 687-3161, ext. 17, or dowila@caaschool.org.

CAA Class of 1957

April 6–7—We’re planning for the 50th year reunion at CAA and still need information on the whereabouts of class members. Were you ever or maybe you know someone who was a part of the Columbia Academy 1957 graduating class? If you can help, please contact Carol Johnson at (541) 856-3332. Thank you!

Hoodview CHIP

April 15–May 10—CHIP (Coronary Health Improvement

Project), a four-week seminar, (Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs.), 6 to 8 p.m., will be held at the Hood View Church, 26775 S.E. Kelso Road in Boring, Ore., four nights a week. The seminar offers instruction in prevention and reversal of coronary heart disease, type 2 diabetes, overweight, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, cancer, arthritis, osteoporosis, depression, digestive problems, and high medical/medication costs. To learn more about CHIP before you choose to register, come to one of the three free information sessions prior to the first CHIP program. These free sessions will be April 2, 5, and 10, each from 7 to 8 p.m. For more information, call (503) 658-2329.

Men’s Chorus Festival

April 28—Oregon Adventist Men’s Chorus Concerts, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., at the new Vancouver Church, 9711 N.E. St. Johns Road, Vancouver, Wash. Guest choruses include the Loma Linda Men’s Chorus. Reservations available at www.oamc.org.

Brahms Requiem

Our May concert this year will be a combination concert with the Adventist choir, the Sunnyside Symphony and the First Baptist Choir, and we’re doing the Brahms Requiem. Rehearsals Tuesday evenings from 7 to about 8 p.m. Interested people contact Travis Hatton at (360) 882-5153, or travishatton@comcast.net.

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Cookie’s Retreat Center

April 29—Elegant Ladies Tea Party benefiting our Domestic Violence Safe House. Location: Spokane, Wash. For more information, call (509) 998-7956.

UCA Class of 1947

May 4–6—The class of 1947 from Upper Columbia Academy is planning their 60th reunion and looking for the following classmates: Etta McEvers Eide, John Nord, Audrey Warner. If you have any information about any of these, please contact Ottis

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Missing Members

The Washington Conference church is seeking the following missing members: Edgar Canseco, Migulina Canseco, Nahin Canseco, Osorio Cantala, Carmen Canul, Jaime Caraveo, Mina Caraveo, Flores Cardenas, Marybel Carrion, Arturo Catillo, Isabel Castillo, Mario Castro, Carmen Cateillo. If you have information regarding any of these missing members, please contact Janeth Carnduff at (253) 681-6008.

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even cheered...all in one night? At the SONscreen Film Festival attendees have been known to experience a range of emotions while watching films made by young Adventist filmmakers. Now in its fifth year, the SONscreen Film Festival will be held at the Adventist Media Center in Simi Valley, Calif. Films screened are by students as well as by Christian professionals. Attendees also have an opportunity to network with industry professionals, attend seminars, and fellowship with other Christians all with one common goal—to minister through film. Entries are being accepted until **March 13**. Cash prizes are awarded and range from \$250 to \$3,000 for the SONNY, Best in Festival award. For more information visit www.SONscreen.com.

The Religion Communicators Council

April 26–28—RCC will be hosting their Annual Convention in Louisville, Ky. Various professional workshops are offered during this conference. Each year, RCC offers a scholarship to students who are interested in pursuing religion communication as a career path. The scholarship allows the student to attend the conference. To be able to take advantage of this offer, please fill out to form and follow the rest of the directions on http://www.religioncommunicators.org/form/2007_rcc_scholarship_app.html.

MBA Homecoming

April 27–29—Monterey Bay Academy would like welcome all alumni to our Homecoming. For information, go to www.montereybayacademy.org, and click on “alumni,” or call Gina Jett at the alumni office at (831) 728-1481, ext. 1222, or send an e-mail to alumni@montereybayacademy.org.

La Mesa Church 50th Anniversary

May 5—A full orchestra and choir presentation, “I Can Only Imagine,” will lead the worship in two thrilling services (1st–9 a.m.; 2nd–11:30 a.m.) at La

Mesa, Calif. Seating is free, but reservations are required. Call (619) 461-5703 for service and seating information.

Camp Blue Ridge 50th Anniversary

June 1–3—Camp Blue Ridge, summer camp and retreat center, will celebrate 50 years of service to the youth and Adventist congregations of the Potomac Conference. On this date, Camp Blue Ridge wants to invite former campers and staff to return for a reunion weekend in recognition of the ministry impact that CBR has had over the last 50 years. Come for just a day, or for the weekend, and visit with friends young and old, near and far. To register, call (540) 886-0771, or go to www.cbrsda.com. Registration deadline is **May 21**. Request more information at 50thcelebration@cbrsda.com.

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June 7–10—Cedar Lake Academy alumni will warmly welcome schoolmates of 1957 and earlier, on the campus of Great Lakes Adventist Academy (formerly CLA). The classes ’37, ’47, and ’57 will be specially honored. For information, call the GLAA Alumni Office (989-427-5181), or visit www.GLAA.net. Please pass the good word.

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Juneau	5:30	5:47	7:03	7:19	7:34
Ketchikan	5:23	5:38	6:52	7:06	7:20
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Boise	6:35	6:44	7:52	8:01	8:09
La Grande	5:41	5:50	6:59	7:09	7:18
Pocatello	6:20	6:29	7:37	7:45	7:54
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Billings	6:02	6:12	7:21	7:30	7:40
Havre	6:04	6:15	7:25	7:36	7:46
Helena	6:15	6:25	7:35	7:45	7:54
Miles City	5:51	6:00	7:10	7:20	7:29
Missoula	6:23	6:33	7:43	7:53	8:02
OREGON CONFERENCE					
Coos Bay	6:07	6:16	7:24	7:33	7:41
Medford	6:02	6:11	7:19	7:27	7:35
Portland	5:59	6:08	7:18	7:27	7:36
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Pendleton	5:43	5:53	7:02	7:11	7:21
Spokane	5:36	5:46	6:56	7:06	7:16
Walla Walla	5:41	5:51	7:00	7:10	7:19
Wenatchee	5:48	5:58	7:08	7:18	7:28
Yakima	5:49	5:59	7:09	7:19	7:28
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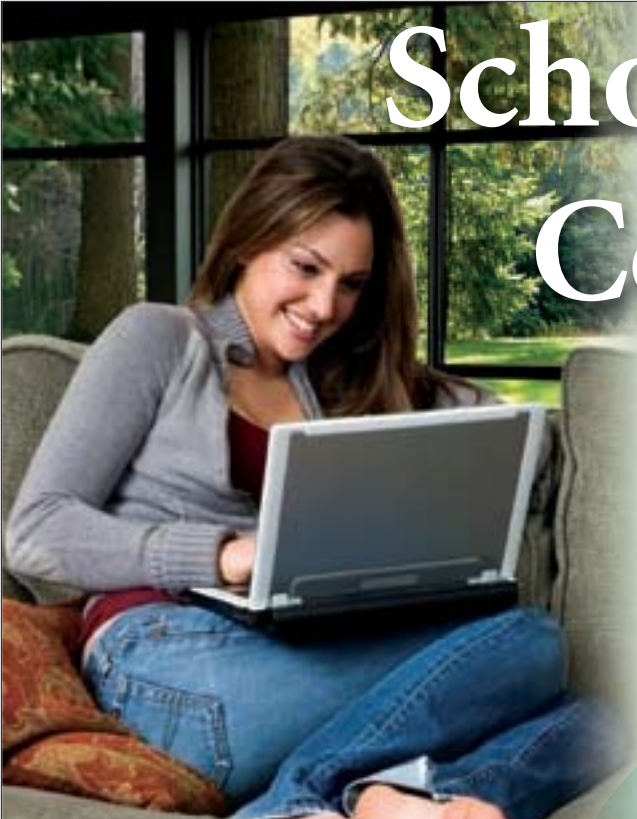
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