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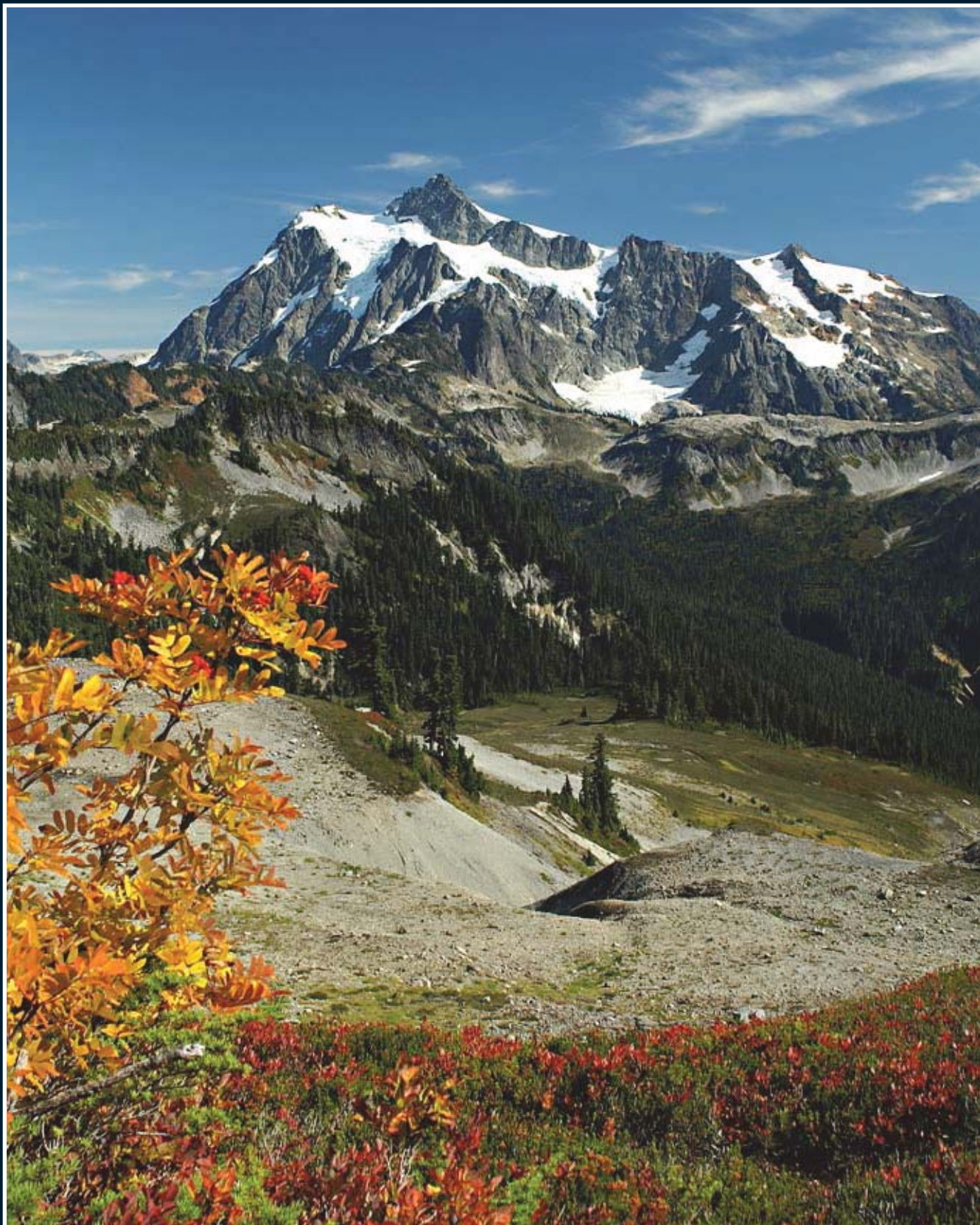
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*I m a g e s o f C r e a t i o n*



*Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the great deep. O Lord,  
you preserve both man and beast.*

PSALM 36:6

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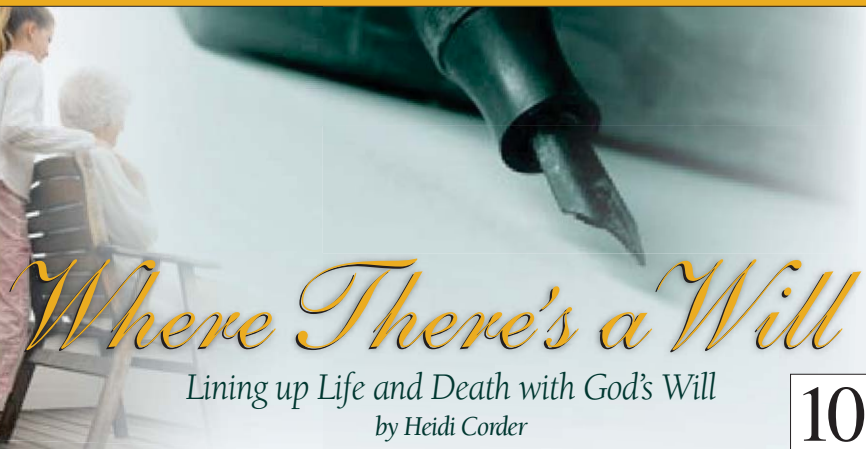
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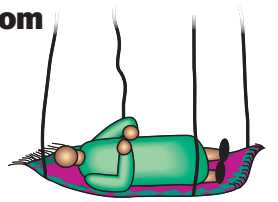
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Near Omak, Washington, Carlos Pardeiro, NC Productions owner and *Native New Day* video series producer, shoots an opening sequence of a new episode. GLEANER photo.

# That's a Great Story...Zeke!

BY JERE PATZER

There are a few people who are naturals when it comes to sharing their faith. You know the type. People like Willie Witness who is sitting on the bus when someone says to him, "Is that seat saved?" To which Willie replies, "No, but I am. Sit down and let me tell you about it!"

Most of us are more like Karl Johnson of Lewistown, Montana. A few months ago his church invited John Loor Jr., Montana Conference president, to conduct a series of evangelistic meetings. Karl wanted to invite someone, but who? Finally he settled on Zeke, his trash collector. Karl rode over to Zeke's house, paused at the edge of the yard, then chickened out and left. Somewhat ashamed, Karl prayed about it, and timidly returned to Zeke's house.

Almost apologetically Karl explained to Zeke that his church was having some Bible meetings, and he wanted to invite him. To his amazement, Zeke said, "Sure. I knew you were having meetings. And I know what you will be talking about! What took you so long to ask me?"

## *The Rest of the Story*

To Karl's amazement Zeke went on to tell him that in his trash collecting he had picked up someone's discarded Conflict of the Ages series of books and had been reading them!

Zeke accompanied Karl to the meetings. Then he attended the follow-up NPUC Momentum satellite meetings that were downlinked from the Hope Channel. Zeke made his decision to be baptized. Zeke is now excited about sharing his faith as a new Seventh-day Adventist.

## *What If...*

What if the Lewistown church members had decided against having evangelistic meetings? What if the members had decided not to have the follow-up Momentum satellite meetings? What if Karl had never invited Zeke to attend?

Maybe the rocks would have cried out ... but I can tell you, the Lewistown Church members are mighty pleased the rocks didn't have to and that they personally played a part in Zeke's decision for eternity.

## *You Can Have a Story Too*

Did your church carry the last Momentum satellite meetings? If so, you too may have a story. There are a lot more Zekes out there waiting to be asked to come hear the messages God has given us for these last days.

## *My Personal Appeal to You*

For some years the Hope Channel has wanted me to have another series, this time targeting the Northwest. I have been reluctant. Last year as I fought for my life in my battle with cancer I prayed so many times, "Lord, please give me my life back so I can continue to speak for you." When I was approached again to do a series that will be aired from Boise, Idaho, Nov. 10-17, I decided this time I had better accept.

The theme will be: "For God So Loved... A fresh relational, Christ-centered approach to some of the most important issues facing the 21st century secular mind." Topics will include the validity of the Scriptures; the assurance of salvation; death, spiritualism and the last great deception; the millennium and the secret rapture; and the Great Controversy.

Additionally the 60-minute meetings, which will run for eight nights, will feature some of the best of music, graphics and stories. I believe you will be proud to have invited any friend or neighbor to this series. Now is the time to begin planning. These meetings are designed to reap the sowing you and your church have been doing. (For more information, see [www.npuc.org](http://www.npuc.org) and GLEANER page 48 or e-mail [dan.serns@nw.npuc.org](mailto:dan.serns@nw.npuc.org).)

## *A Multitude of Zekes*

How many more Zekes are there out there? Only God knows. But Revelation 7:9 tells us there is a multitude too numerous to count. Let's start praying, planning and working to have stories like this one from every church. •

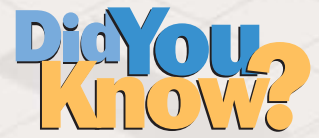
• Be sure you see this quarter's *Northwest Spotlight on Mission* DVD. Carl and Zeke tell this great story in their own words. As usual, a complimentary copy was sent to your Sabbath School superintendent and head elder.



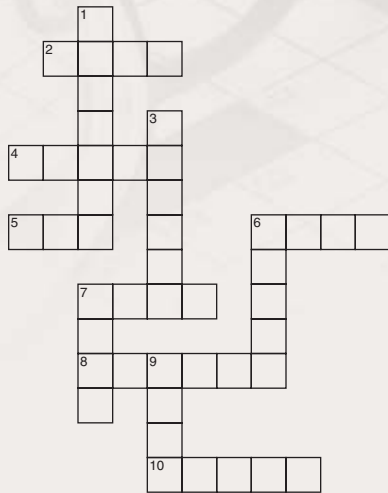
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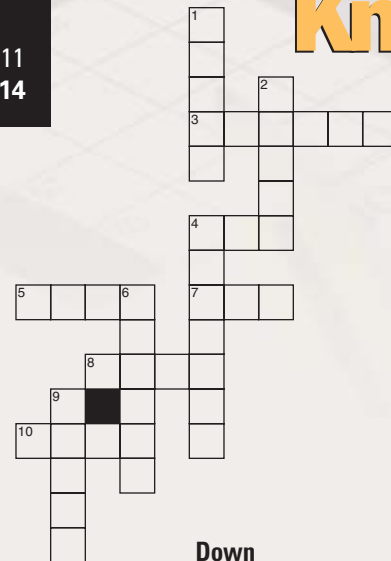
**Across**

2. suffered for the sins of others (4) W.2
4. murdered by David (5) T.3
5. it never satisfies (3) Su.3
6. Bathsheba's relationship to David (4) W.1
7. filled their marriage (4) Sa.1
8. were spread about David (6) W.1
10. was forgiven by God (5) Sa.3

**Down**

1. it overcame David (7) Su.2
3. Solomon took it over (6) Th.2
6. of which David had many (5) T.3
7. always ready to forgive sinners (4) F.2
9. where sin can occur (4) M.1

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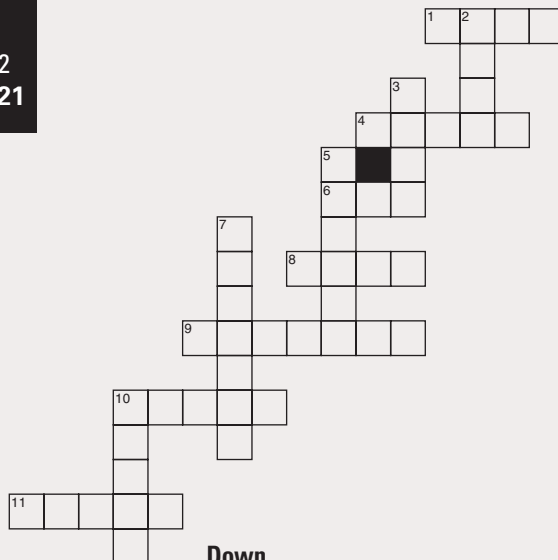
**Across**

3. struggled to keep worship (6) T.3
4. of what Ahab was filled (3) M.3
5. description of Baal worship (4) T.1
7. Jezebel knew of the Israelites (3) W.2
8. founder of Samaria (4) Su.2
10. substitute for the real God (4) Su.2

**Down**

1. a gift from God (5) Sa.3
2. Ethbaal's province (5) M.2
4. Ahab's manifest nature (7) F.1
6. where priests were trained (6) T.1
9. description of Jezebel (5) M.1

3rd Quarter,  
Level 1, Lesson 12  
September 15-21



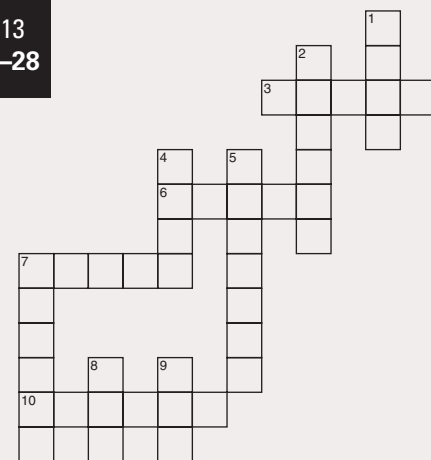
**Across**

1. was king of Judah (4) Su.2
4. probable profession of Hosea (5) Su. 3
6. can pull us away from God (3) T.3
8. was unfaithful to Hosea (4) Th.1
9. Hosea as God's messenger (7) Su.2
10. was actually a person (5) Su.5
11. things that were worshipped (5) W.2

**Down**

2. where Hosea kept his wife (4) Th.2
3. God gave for the crops (4) M.3
5. a sign in Israel from God (6) Sa.2
7. meaning "God-scatters" (7) M.2
10. results from little unbelief (5) F.1

3rd Quarter,  
Level 1, Lesson 13  
September 22-28



**Across**

3. taken into slavery (5) W.1
6. they were worthless (5) M.2
7. when 70 of them had passed (5) F.1
10. had hope for freedom (6) F.1

**Down**

1. done to broken marriages (4) Th.1
2. what God did to His people (6) W.2
4. which need forgiveness (4) Th.2
5. God expects of us (7) T.3
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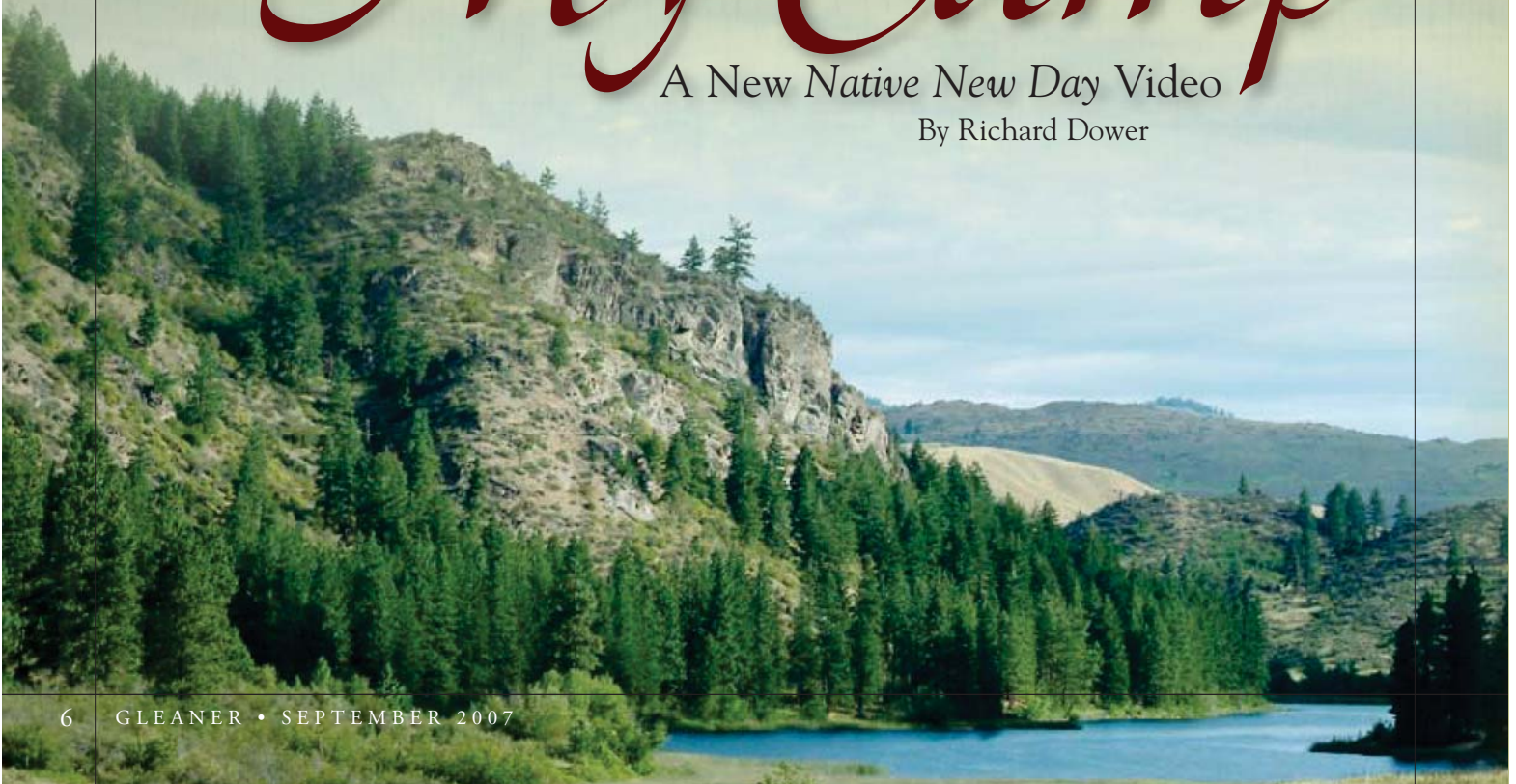
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# *Welcome to My Camp*

A New Native New Day Video

By Richard Dower





“Hello, I’m Monte Church and welcome to my camp.”

With these words of welcome, Monte Church, Northwest and Canada Native Ministries director and Native storyteller, begins a new program, “God’s Scouts,” in the *Native New Day* series of video Bible studies. Filmed in nature, these videos cover topics found in the “Book of Heaven,” answering questions on spiritual matters often asked by Native people.

“Nature is the second book of God’s love and caring,” says Carlos Pardeiro, owner of the NC Production Company and series producer, “and most humans on Earth are moved by various aspects of nature, whether it is a beautiful starry night, the power of the ocean, the beauty of a sunrise or the flight of an eagle. All these things become a bridge between humanity and divinity. Using the object lessons we derive from nature brings us to the knowledge of a loving, caring God.”

The concept for the *Native New Day* video series came to Monte when he visited an isolated village near Inuvik in the Northwest Territories of Canada more than a decade ago. While walking through the village, he was stopped by people asking him for Christian videos. He did not have any but his mind started spinning and the idea was born.

Because he is a Native American of Mohican decent, Monte has a tremendous burden to reach out to Native people. He says, “We have learned to understand the Native mind. We have



learned what it takes to get close to Native people and gain their trust and now these videos are a powerful tool that is helping us to reach them spiritually.”

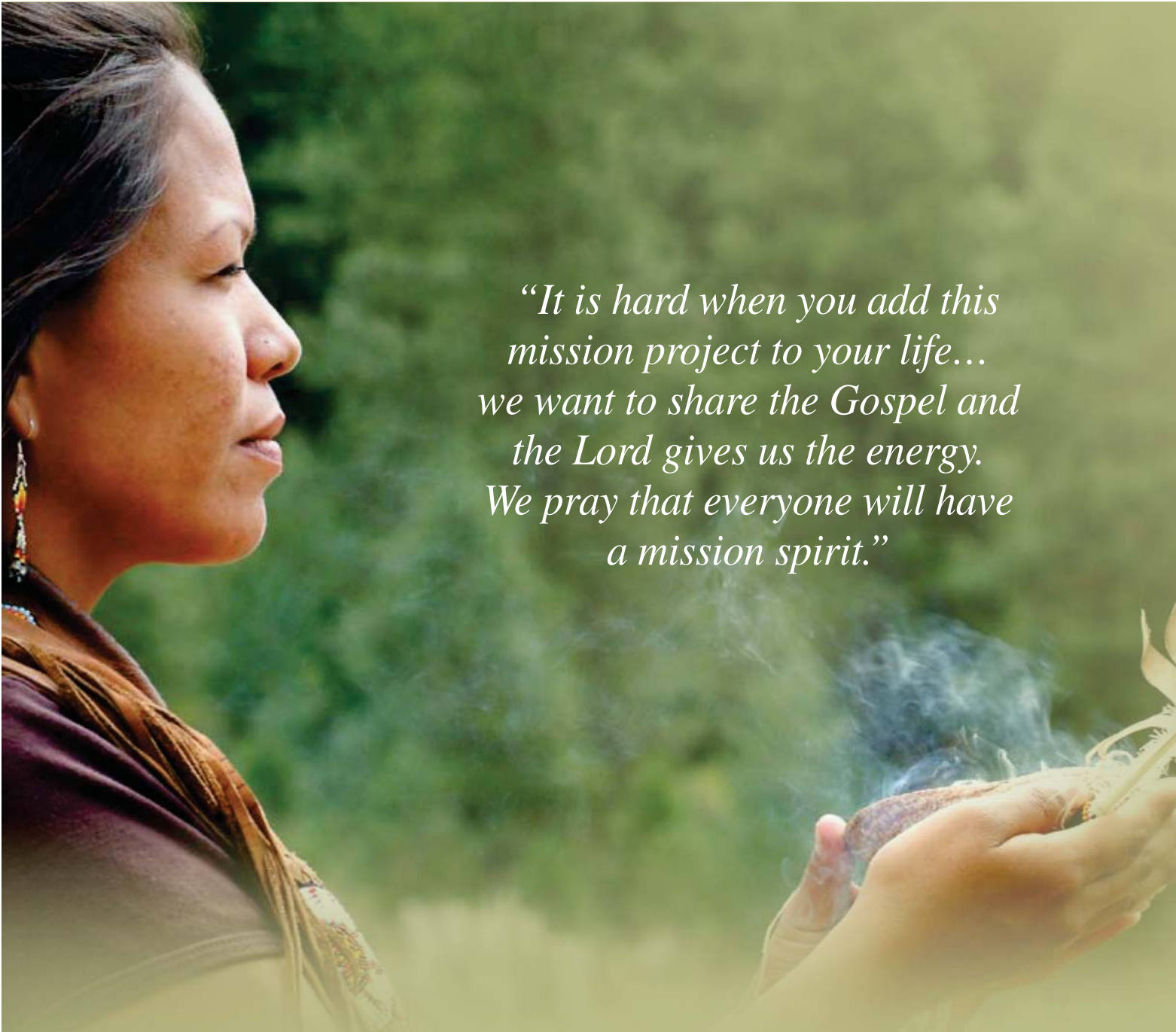
Another tool that works hand in glove with the video is the *Native New Day* Bible correspondence course, which is available from the Voice of Prophecy. These lessons are advertised during the “commercial” breaks in the videos. The topics in both the lessons and videos cover the basic teachings of the Bible and the Seventh-day Adventist Church. They are evangelism presented in a low-key approach. They are simple and Native friendly. The programs are not designed to give all of the details of the doctrines but are a bridge between those who do not know God and His church and those who have become a part of it.

“There are a lot of elements that go into winning a person and the most effective way these videos and lessons are used is by a member giving the studies. It’s not only the person who is giving the Bible studies and it’s not only the material they use; it’s also



Ryan Pardeiro, videographer, Carlos Pardeiro, producer, and Monte Church work on another “take” of a scene for the “God’s Scouts” a new segment of the *Native New Day* video series.





*“It is hard when you add this mission project to your life... we want to share the Gospel and the Lord gives us the energy. We pray that everyone will have a mission spirit.”*



In an opening scene of the program, scouts from one tribe begin negotiations with members of another tribe.



After exchanging blankets with members of the other tribe, Two Bears (his real name) signals the successful completion of a friendship treaty.





Almost all of these Native people who helped with this treaty re-enactment have seen episodes of the *Native New Day* video series and wanted to have a part to play in this new program.

the acceptance of the church members to which the people come. It all has to work together. The bottom line is that nothing gets done in this work unless it's a one-on-one situation," says Monte.

Brenda Rau, a dental hygienist in Dillingham, Alaska, and her husband Rod who teaches fifth- through eighth-grade in the church school, fly their airplane to Ekwok every Sabbath for church. Ekwok is a little Native village of about 70 permanent residents located on the Nushagak River about a 25-minute flight from Dillingham.

The Rauses were told that there were people in Ekwok who wanted Bible studies. "It took us a long time to get up our nerve to go but we wanted to do it and the Lord helps us," she says. "But we are consistent every Sabbath. We fly out to the village after Sabbath School in Dillingham because we want to visit in the homes of the people for an hour and a half before church in the afternoon."

They have church in the city hall which includes the jail, post office and police department. Depending upon what is going on in the village, as few as two or as many as 14 people show up for church.

"We use the *Native New Day* DVDs and they are awesome—so appropriate for the village," she says. "It is what they can

relate to, and we truly enjoy using them. We have not been able to figure out their response to the videos because the people are so non-verbal but they keep coming to see them every Sabbath."

"It is hard when you add this mission project to your life. Everyone is busy, but we want to give; we want to share the Gospel and the Lord gives us the energy. We pray that everyone will have a mission spirit."

"All of the Native people who have been baptized have come into contact, one way or another [whether it is the inception of their interest or the consummation] with these videos," Monte says. "They are a tool that the people who work in Native Ministries needed and they use them heavily. These videos have been a very effective vehicle."

While individuals can purchase the DVDs, these programs are also broadcast on the satellite channels of Safe TV and the Hope Channel and beginning in January 2008 will be broadcast on the networks servicing most all of the Native villages in the far North. For information about or to order the *Native New Day* DVD series, call (888) 777-9392. •

*Richard Dower, GLEANER editor, writes from Ridgefield, Washington.*



As tribal representatives reach a treaty agreement, they use smoke, like the biblical incense, to symbolize cleansing and the putting away of any past anger or differences.



# Where There's a Will

## Lining up Life and Death with God's Will

by Heidi Corder

*And Jesus came to them and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20*

**D**id you ever consider how many things are wrapped up in these three verses? Education, languages, world travel, and social interaction, to name a few, all bound together in the Trinity itself connecting with human beings.

By His authority, Christ gave His disciples then and now enormous responsibility as well as never-ending adventure. He expressed His will for our lives in those two pregnant sentences, and if we choose to let them, they will bear fruit in us.

As God's messenger says, "Each one is to be an executor of the Saviour's will. Each one has been given sacred truth to give to the earnest seeker. Every believer is to be a laborer together with God."<sup>1</sup>

What an exciting privilege!

Being an executor, however, carries a great deal of accountability. The executor of a person's estate has a fiduciary responsibility to dispose of the assets as directed. It is the executor's privilege to act in behalf of the one who is gone.

The Bible says that everything belongs to God—that's a gigantic estate! God knew that no one of us could handle the entire thing, and that's why we're all executors of small parts of it. Our responsibilities not only involve wise use of God's assets while we live, but also wise distribution of them through executors when we die.

Our lives as well as our estate plans speak volumes about our priorities even after we die. Our actions—including asset distribution—expose our hearts' desires.

God's messenger says, "The Lord designs that the death of His servants shall be regarded as a loss, because of the influence for good which they exerted and the many willing offerings which they bestowed to replenish the treasures of God...The servants of God should be making their wills every day, in good works and liberal offerings to God... But many professed Christians put off the claims of Jesus in life, and insult Him by giving Him a mere pittance at death. Let





all of this class remember that this robbery of God is not an impulsive action, but a well-considered plan which they preface by saying, 'Being in sound mind.'"<sup>2</sup>

Remembering the church or other ministries in our wills does not mean that we have to forget children or other family and friends. Loving God trains us to love others more completely, in ways that benefit them the most. If they are in need, remember them while also remembering the One who brought all of us out of our great need and provides for us each day.

Wills are intricate, with their details of who gets what, how to provide for young children if parents die, and who closes the estate.

Pray about your estate plan. Then get information. If you're thinking about writing a will, you need to make sure it's written clearly and legally so that it would stand up in a court of law. States have laws to handle estates without wills, but they have no way of knowing, for example, who you'd trust to take care of your children and make no provision for any charitable giving.

The process can seem complicated. It's hard to know where to begin and which estate planning documents meet your needs. That's why the trust officers at your local conference office and the North Pacific Union Conference are available to help church members with all of these details. The trust departments exist to help you navigate the maze of selecting the best estate planning solutions. In addition, your Planned Giving and Trust Service Department provides access to and directions about when tax or legal consultation would be appropriate.

The church provides this service to all who have a charitable intent. The focus is on spreading the glad tidings of Jesus and taking care of your family's needs. Our prayer is that "the Lord [will] impress upon us all the importance of making the advancement of the last gospel message our very first business."<sup>3</sup> •

1 Ellen G. White, *Review & Herald*, Jan. 7, 1902.

2 Ellen G. White, *Counsels on Stewardship*, 326-27.

3 Ellen G. White, "Making Wills," *Gospel Herald*, Dec. 1, 1901.

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# ‘It’s God’s House’



From left: Rick Casebier, Kelso-Longview pastor (who baptized Bill McCulley), Steve Rogers, Bible worker, and Bill McCulley with Dee Dee and Steve Green, who host small groups in their home.

“My husband Steve and I wanted to give Bible studies in our home, but we lived in a really tiny mobile home with a leaky roof and were embarrassed to invite people over.” Dee Dee and Steve Green felt there was no way they could afford to buy a home, but they prayed and asked God to open the way for them if that was His will—and they got approved! “We told God from the get-go it was His house,” says Dee Dee, a kindergarten teacher at Kelso-Longview (Washington) Adventist School.

Immediately after moving into their new home, they teamed up with Steve Rogers, Kelso-Longview’s Bible worker, and began inviting people to small-group Bible studies in their home. That was seven years ago, and ever since, they have had one or two Bible studies every week in their home.

Dee Dee invited her parents to their small group studies, and they were the first of nearly a dozen people who have joined the church through the Green’s ministry. On July 14, Bill McCulley was baptized. Dee Dee had Bill’s granddaughter in her classroom, but at first was afraid to approach Bill about studying the Bible. Partway through the year Bill expressed a desire to know more about the Bible. Dee Dee immediately asked him if he would like to come to their Bible study, and he responded, “I’d love to!”

“There are nights we come home from work dragging, and realize it is Bible study night and are tempted to call it off. But our son, who’s 17, says, ‘You can’t cancel these Bible studies.’ After the study, we feel revived.”

When asked how she finds people to invite, Dee Dee says, “I’m not good at just going up to people, but God impresses me, ‘Ask that one,’ and I find He’s already prepared them.” •

*Paul Johnson, Oregon Conference ministerial department associate director*

“... When Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they invited him to their home and explained to him the way of God more adequately” (Acts 18:26, last part, NIV).



Luke Warm

Someone invites Luke Warm to a small-group Bible study. “I already know all that,” he says.



Victor N. Christ

Victor N. Christ and Brand New continue their weekly Bible study group. Whenever they can, they invite other friends to join them. They ask Luke Warm if he is interested.



# Fresh Start

**H**is world was a 4- by 6-foot mat. He couldn't walk, swim, work or play. He was dependent on friends to feed him, carry him, clothe him, clean him and turn him over to prevent blisters and bedsores. As a paralytic in ancient Palestine, this man didn't have much going for him.

Moreover, the world in those days was especially hostile to people with handicaps. Historians tell us that the Greeks disposed of newborn infants with physical anomalies. The philosopher Aristotle wrote: "Let there be a law that no deformed child shall be raised to adulthood." In the fifth century B.C., there was a law in Rome that read, "Quickly kill a deformed child."\*

This man had nothing going for him—except for one thing. He had great friends. These friends called him one morning and said, "We heard Jesus is in town. So we got to scheming and thought maybe He could heal you! It's worth a try, eh? We'll pick you up tonight at six." (When they said "pick you up" that's *really* what they meant.)

Mark 2:1–12 records the story of this paralytic with amazing friends. These friends had to get creative, so they designed a skylight in order to lower him into the crowd to reach Jesus. When they finally got this man to Jesus, he received a new life.

## The Paralytic and a Shingle Mom

It makes me wonder: Am I that kind of a friend? How many roofs do I crash through for my friends? What does a roof-crasher look like today?

Recently a church member sent me a letter that hints at an answer to that last question. She's a single mom facing enormous challenges.

Here's a slice of that letter:

The roof on my house needed to be replaced. I knew my tax return would pay for the materials, but I just didn't have the money to pay someone to

do the job. After praying and thinking and worrying, I came to the conclusion that I would have to do as much of the work myself as I could. And I knew nothing about roofing. (I put that in the past tense, because now I do know something about roofing!)

The day I got up on my roof for the first time to start tearing off shingles was my lowest point. As the cedar shakes fell to the ground, so did my tears. It seemed too big a task for me to accomplish. I kept praying

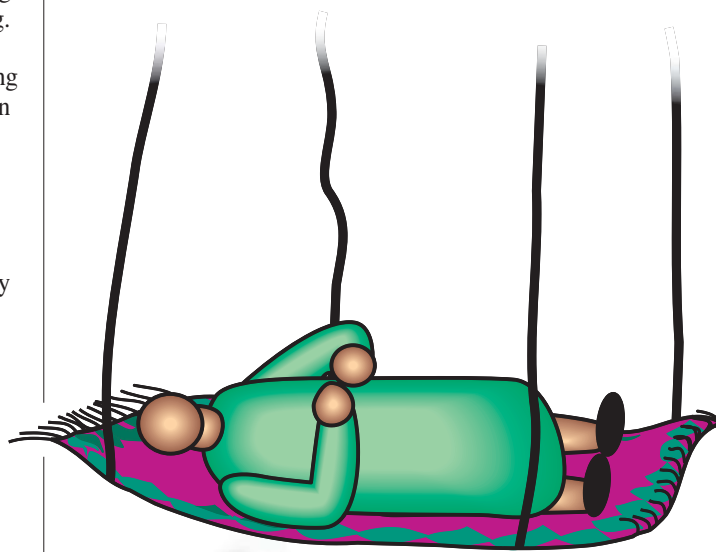
for God to help me through it. No more than an hour went by when I heard a shout from down below. The teenage girls who lived next door were in my backyard with a few of their friends. They came up and helped me for a couple of hours and then came again the next day. They will never fully know what that unexpected grace meant to me.

So many people came and helped me. My older brother flew out and gave me some know-how, another friend came almost every night after work and gave me several full Sundays, another friend loaned us some tools, a co-worker and her husband showed up and helped, a few of my kid's friends helped with the tear-off, my mom fixed meals, while another friend cleaned and washed my dishes. Those were gifts I will never be able to fully repay.

Isn't that a great snapshot of true friends? It brings to mind Proverbs 17:17 (NIV): "A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity." Kind of makes you want to go rip off a roof for a friend, doesn't it? Well, then, let 'er rip! •

\* John Ortberg, *Everybody's Normal Till You Get to Know Them*, Grand Rapids, MI, 2003, p. 45.

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# Solar Bibles

## Carry Great Promise

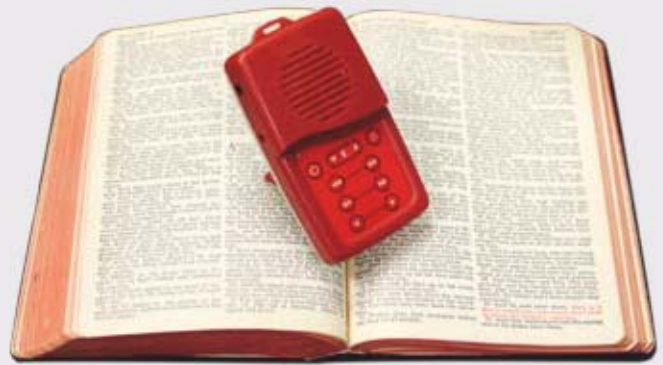
Global Mission enthusiasts will be intrigued with a new project envisioned by Bruce Johnston, retired North Pacific Union Conference president and Medford (Ore.) Church member. It's called the Solar Bibles project.

Recently Johnston discovered that people in villages around the world were using small solar-powered audio units produced by MegaVoice, a non-denominational ministry, to listen to the Bible and other Bible-centered content. He contacted MegaVoice and found that not only was the Bible available in many languages, but that other Adventist content could be loaded in as well. With that understanding, he imagined

thousands of these Solar Bibles loaded with the audio New Testament, *Steps to Jesus* (a simplified *Steps to Christ*), 20 lessons from the *New Beginnings* Bible study series, the "God Story" overview of the plan of redemption and the "Jesus Story" soundtrack from the gospel of Luke used in the international Jesus video series.

Much is yet to be done for this vision to become a reality. Content must be translated into other languages, funds gathered, distribution plans laid. Yet Johnston is optimistic that many will come forward to help the project move ahead.

When completed, this Solar Bible resource will no doubt be used in many ways. Adventist members who travel around the world on short-term mission



**This Solar Bible can be loaded with the audio New Testament as well as several other books and lessons in different languages and given to people to use as a witnessing tool where books are not available or where there is a low literacy rate.**

projects may carry several of these units in their luggage to share with people they meet. Interested ministries or members in North America will have an opportunity to send hundreds or thousands of these units to dedicated national Bible workers in challenging global mission fields.

In the early 1990s, Johnston spearheaded Operation Bearhug, inspiring a belief in the Northwest that God

was opening incredible doors of opportunity for mission work around the world. Johnston believes the Solar Bible project is yet another divine opportunity. For more information, contact Bruce Johnston at (541) 858-9875 or the NPUC ministerial department at (360) 857-7037. •

*Steve Vistaunet, NPUC assistant to the president for communication*

# Forever Grateful

The first two verses of Psalm 18 truly represent my feelings toward my God and you, my friends, "I will love you, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised."

These words have become so meaningful to Marlene and me since March 10, when a stroke suddenly struck me and affected our whole family.

I have come a long way in a short period of time, and my family doctor and my therapists are very pleased



**Norman Klam, North Pacific Union Conference treasurer**

with my progress. I praise God for my colleagues, Jere Patzer and Bryce Pascoe, and their willingness to share with each of you throughout the church my need for prayer. Your cards and e-mails have been such an inspiration to me and have helped keep my spirits up during this challenging time.

What a privilege it is to be part of a family who loves God and who cares for each other. I pray that God will continue to help me to be a good steward for His people. Thank you again for your prayers. Marlene and I both really appreciate it. •

*Norm Klam, NPUC treasurer*



## Camp Meeting Offers Training to Fight Depression

“One of the best camp meetings ever. I was so blessed!” “I am so excited to see the potential of all the laypeople of Alaska getting involved in this program. Now! Let’s get to work!” These

were some of the comments following Alaska’s Camp Meeting 2007.

Alaska Camp Meeting had a twofold strategy—to help churches build a strong community-based ministry program and to train church members how to do lay-led evangelism.

A pre-camp meeting training session started with an 18-hour orientation for trainers in depression recovery. This intensive seminar is designed to prepare people to conduct this dynamic program in their local communities.

Then the highlight of the initial four days of camp meeting were evening meetings and afternoon seminars on what depression recovery was. Neil Nedley,



John Kriegelstein

**Robert Folkenberg encourages the attendees to participate in ShareHIM, an initiative involving lay members in active evangelism. More than 900 adults and kids attended Camp Meeting 2007 in Palmer, Alaska.**

M.D., is the speaker and author of a community-based eight-part mental health education series on video or DVD.

Nedley noted that Alaska has the highest rate of depression in the country and believes this program would pay rich dividends in ministry.

The weekend follow-up was a Momentum evangelism training program that built on Robert Folkenberg’s *ShareHIM* program of lay-led evangelism, launched a year ago in Alaska.

Camp meeting participants

were encouraged to build their own local evangelistic teams and launch evangelism in the local community. The initial training will be followed by local church-based volunteer evangelistic teams. These teams will choose the dates for their reaping series, pick a speaker and while the speaker is being trained, plan entry events like depression recovery seminars for the community. •

*Ken Crawford, Alaska Conference president*



John Kriegelstein

**Alaska Conference administrators, Edward Dunn, Ken Crawford and Sharon Staddon serve free pancakes Sunday morning following the close of camp meeting.**

## Alaska Mission History, 1896–1983 *Book Becomes a Reality*

After a lifetime of collecting articles, books, photos, and personal notes and letters, Nadine Hansen, Alaska Conference office secretary and wife of Joseph Hansen, Alaska Mission president from 1961 to 1974, will see her dream come true. Her book, *Alaska Mission History, 1896–1983: The Beginnings of Seventh-day Adventist Work in Alaska* is now available.

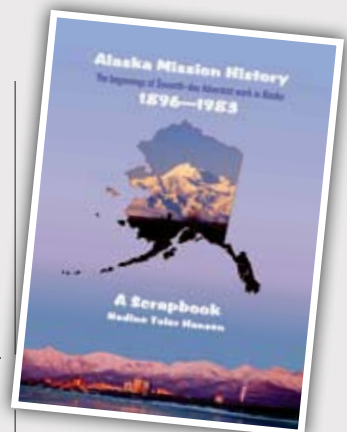
Four years ago Jeanie Kriegelstein, Alaska Conference department

secretary, called to ask Hansen to write a short history for the conference Web page. “I offhandedly retorted that I had enough stuff to write a book!” said Hansen. “I didn’t mean I was offering to do a book but Jeanie jumped on that idea, and I have been working on the book since then. If I had not been asked it would not have mattered how much “history” I had collected. I know I would not have tackled the job, but I feel honored to have done it.”

One of Hansen’s passions was the development of Adventist work in bush Alaska. She has requested that all proceeds beyond the actual cost of producing the book be spent in revitalizing the Arctic mission field within Alaska.

Contact the Alaska Conference office at (907) 346-1004 to find out how you can obtain one of these books. •

*John Kriegelstein, Alaska Conference communication director*



**Hansen’s 580-page book chronicles the history of Adventist work in Alaska from 1896 to 1983.**

## New Executive Secretary Joins Alaska's Administrative Team

Alaska welcomes Edward Dunn as the new Alaska Conference executive secretary. Dunn and his wife Cheryl are moving to Alaska from Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada, where he was pastor of the Kelowna and Wildwood churches. He has been a pastor for 18 years. Prior to that Dunn worked as a health educator for the Canadian government. His longstanding interest in health led him to pursue a Ph.D. in public health, which he is currently completing.

His interest in health has also led to his current involvement as a presenter in a new health series for Native people called *Native New Health*. There will be 13 episodes, covering topics such as diabetes, suicide, heart disease, addictions, abuse, high blood pressure, and other topics of interest to Native peoples.

Dunn himself has Native American ancestry from the Ojibwa Nation in Northern Ontario. He has been involved in Native Ministries for many years. For the last decade he

has been director of Native Ministries for Canada and assistant to Monte Church, Northwest and Canada Native Ministries director.

The Dunns arrived in August. They lead an active life and enjoy hiking, bird watching, camping, skiing and traveling the world. •

*Ken Crawford, Alaska Conference president*



Edward and Cheryl Dunn join the Alaska Conference administrative team where Edward is the executive secretary.

## Men's Retreat in Alaska Wilderness

It was only after I'd survived the first half-dozen hog wallows on the trail into the Alaska Men's Retreat that I began to really understand that this wasn't just romantic,

living without running water for a weekend, guys who wanted to know more about God and how to live in His power.

Everyone lives a committed life, that is to say, a life given to something or other. But our presenter, Doug Bachelor of *Amazing Facts*, helped us to understand that if that commitment is to anything other than Jesus, we're walking down the wrong trail.

To me, the Alaska Men's Retreat was not really about missing a hot shower or jouncing through 34 miles of very rough, very muddy and very beautiful Alaska. For me, the ultimate fact about the Men's Retreat was its golden opportunity to fellowship with guys who are serious about Jesus, guys who long to know more about their Creator and Redeemer, guys who want Him to be first in their lives. •

*Thearon Staddon, O'Malley Church member*

**Doug Bachelor, *Amazing Facts* speaker and director, speaks to the group during the Alaska Men's Retreat.**

guidebook Alaska—I was hip-deep and more in Alaska as she really is, in all her gory glory!

Eventually, when my group—each taking his turn towing me and my wheezing old “four-wheeler” through the worst places—finally arrived at the retreat, I found 85 guys who could cook for themselves and didn't mind



## Staddon Assumes Treasury Duties

In January 2007, Sharon Staddon became the new treasurer for the Alaska Conference administrative team.

Staddon, a certified public accountant in Nebraska, has owned her own accounting firm since 2004. She has served as a financial officer for ADRA in Khartoum, Sudan, as well as a

General Conference auditor.

Sharon and her husband Thearon were a pastoral couple in Alaska from 1980–1986 and are delighted to be returning “home.” •

*Ken Crawford, Alaska Conference president*



Sharon Staddon is the new Alaska Conference treasurer. She and her husband Thearon have previously served in the Alaska conference.



## Soul-winning Training Provides Momentum for Idaho

**K**aren Lewis, Rocky Mountain Conference lay Bible worker program director, spoke to more than 50 Idaho conference members July 26–28 about using friendship and an open and honest approach to present the gospel.

In recent years, growth in our Adventist church has slowed. Lewis' presence and instruction was designed to help address some of the factors that may be contributing to our slower growth, including lack of member involvement, formality and coldness felt in many churches today, and post-modern thinking.

The good news is that these negative trends can be reversed with a simple commitment of



**Karen Lewis, Rocky Mountain Conference lay Bible worker program director, presents a weekend of training for Idaho Conference members.**

each member rethinking his or her involvement in soul winning. Lewis herself has seen 71 of the 74 people she has studied with, using her lessons, join the church in recent years. Beginning with a

friendly, open approach, many times providentially arranged, hundreds of members have seen their lives revived and new people coming to Christ and joining the Adventist church.

Lewis' practice of uplifting Jesus in each of her first nine studies, which discuss various aspects of the plan of salvation, has been singularly successful. After warming to personal friendships and beginning a new relationship with the Savior, people often see the logic and reason in the rest of Adventist doctrines presented in the remaining studies.

As a follow-up to Lewis' presentation, each Tuesday, in the Nampa Church, students and willing participants gather for encouragement, fellowship, and to report what God has accomplished. •

*Stephen L. McPherson, Idaho Conference president*

## Idaho Conference Members Train Others To Evangelize and Retain Members

**E**vangelism—it used to be the responsibility of the professionals. But several dozen Idaho Conference members now have the know-how to put on a series themselves.

On Sabbath, July 21, the Payette Church hosted a marathon *ShareHIM* evangelism training event. Presenting were Dan Hunt, Payette (Idaho) Church evangelism coordinator, Brian Yarbrough, Vale (Ore.) Church pastor, and Craig Bonson and Tim Ellis, Vale Church members. But instead of merely teaching the attendees how to put on a series, the group also shared how to tie a regular evangelistic series to the beginning of a solid small-groups program.

The group's presentations concentrated on five areas. First, attendees were reminded to *prepare* themselves spiritually and learned to make contacts with people before the meetings. They learned how to *promote* with advertising and bulk mailing. They learned the best ways of *presenting* the *ShareHIM* materials. The most lively discussion of the afternoon ensued from the discussion on *protecting* new members from family influences, distractions, and most of all "well-intentioned" long-time members. The day closed with a critically important presentation on *empowering* through small groups, using peer mentoring and discipling to grow new members into church leaders.

*ShareHIM* evangelism, which consists of pre-made sermons tied together with professional-quality slides, is designed for anyone to be able to do. Idaho Conference's emphasis on *ShareHIM* began at camp meeting in 2006, when Robert Folkenberg Sr., *ShareHIM* director, invited Idaho members to commit to putting on the series in their home churches. The conference put on a training event in September of that year. This presentation was done by members who had successfully presented a series; Hunt and Ellis also received small-groups training at Andrews University's SEEDS church planting seminar in June.

"When I first heard about *ShareHIM*, I had very mixed feelings," says Tomm Lemon II, Payette Church pastor. "On one hand, having lay members give the presentations is genius because it cements them in their faith; on the other, without a plan for keeping new disciples, it becomes just another prophecy seminar. That's why I appreciated my friends' research into tying *ShareHIM* to small groups. The small-groups concept helps people understand the basics of following Jesus, and it creates a family atmosphere in the church that is satisfying, exciting and worth sharing." •

*Eve Rusk, Idaho Conference communication assistant*

# The Courage of A Neighbor Helps Lead Man to Christ

The Lewistown Church held evangelistic meetings this spring. As a result, on June 9, Zeke Kleinsasser was baptized and became a member of the Lewistown Church.

Here's more of his story: Kleinsasser was raised in a Hutterite colony, a Christian Anabaptist group, formed in Europe in the early 16th century. The colonies in the United States are noted for their communal, agricultural lifestyle, as well as their distinctive clothing. As a young man, Kleinsasser chose to leave the colony and embark on a road to enlightenment.

The road wasn't exactly what he expected. Before long, not only had he left his home and way of life, but he had also experienced the heartache of alcohol addiction. It was becoming apparent he hadn't found enlightenment or peace. Yet he knew it was out there. He knew there was more to life, and he knew his consumption of alcohol was only going to deter him from what he really wanted.

Kleinsasser moved to Lewistown, started dealing with his addiction and met Karen, a wonderful woman who he married. He found work with the local sanitation company and life was good. Still, as good as things were, he sensed there was something missing.

Growing up in the colony Kleinsasser remembered a book, written in German, his father owned and often read. It didn't always agree with what the Hutterite colony



Bill Whitney, Lewistown pastor, baptizes Zeke Kleinsasser, who was invited to attend a series of meetings by his friend Karl Johnson.

practiced but his dad prized it and believed it taught Bible truth. The book was *Patriarchs and Prophets* written by Ellen G. White. So when he came across a copy of the same book and four others in a series, while working, he knew he had something special. He picked up the books from the trash can, took them home and methodically went through them. In the process he discovered many wonderful Bible truths and teachings but where and how do you put all of it together? It was a question he pondered for a number of years.

The Lewistown Church this spring was preparing for an evangelistic series and developing a list of names of people who would receive

special mailed invitations. Karl Johnson, a Lewistown church member, turned in his list of names, but also felt impressed to invite Kleinsasser personally. So he rode over to his house, thought about it for a few minutes and then decided just to go home. The more he thought about extending the invitation and backing down, the more he knew he had to go back and knock on Kleinsasser's door. This time Johnson garnered up his courage, knocked on the door and extended the invitation. To Johnson's invitation, Kleinsasser responded, "Karl, what took you so long? I thought your church was never going to invite me."

John Loor Jr., Montana Conference president, was

the speaker for the meetings. Because of Johnson's invitation, Kleinsasser was there as Loor presented the wonderful message of Jesus, his great love, and salvation. During the meetings Loor was able to put together the various pieces to what Kleinsasser had been studying. The result: He found the final piece to his puzzle, and it was put in place at his baptism June 9.

Now Kleinsasser is planning to help others put the pieces of their lives together. He is already planning to help with the next evangelistic series scheduled for Lewistown this fall. •

Bill Whitney, Lewistown Church pastor



## Bozeman Area Churches Host Homeless

Several churches in the Bozeman area have, for the second year, opened their doors and hearts to help provide comfortable places for homeless families to stay. The Mt. Ellis, Bozeman and Belgrade churches, along with Mt. Ellis Academy, are helping the organization Family Promise of Gallatin Valley. Family Promise is a national interfaith organization committed to helping communities provide safe shelter, meals, and support services for homeless families.

During the month of June, the boys' dorm at Mt. Ellis Academy was opened to five families, a total of 15 individuals, including eight children, each of them homeless.

Each evening, a host family from one of the participating



Homeless families with small children are able to find help through the Family Promise program supported by the Mt. Ellis, Bozeman and Belgrade churches.

churches greets the families as they return from work or their day's activities. A full meal is provided along with evening activities, often focusing on playing with kids or educational/supportive classes. Interaction with the guests is filled with respect and compassion as if they

were in their own home. An overnight host family then stays through the evening and night, providing overnight security and ensuring a sense of community.

One single father of four sat back on his first night in the program and said, "I really don't want to be here."

The evening host family representative, Kim Snider, listened to his frustrations and assured him that it is the role of Family Promise to help with the immediate needs, with a goal that they get back on their feet as soon as possible. He fully understood and with tears in his eyes expressed his thankfulness.

Gloria Edwards, Gallatin Valley director of Family Promise, notes that most families keep in contact with Family Promise even after they have moved on and into a home. The average stay, nationwide for Family Promise is 90 days, and 85 percent of the families graduate from the program with full-time employment and permanent housing. •

*Kim Snider, Mt. Ellis Church volunteer*

## The Biggest Cowboy Camp Meeting Yet!

The third annual Cowboy Camp Meeting at Elk Springs Ranch near Florence, Mont., was ushered in by clear blue skies, bright sunshine and happy faces.

First-nighters were treated to generous helpings of praise and

worship with Robert McGuire, a musician from Oklahoma, and other musical guests. Bill Kilgore, Southwestern Adventist University professor of religion, back for the second year by popular demand, presented an inspirational opening address.

The following day was filled with activities beginning with the annual Chili Cook-off won by Michelle Vanderbyl from Stevensville. In the afternoon everyone was treated to a chili dinner complete with all the trimmings.

Sabbath was packed with praise and worship and good food. Kilgore spoke about the prodigal son in the morning session and about the older brother in the evening session. More than 500 people attended the Saturday evening meeting, making this the biggest cowboy camp meeting yet for this area.

The response to several altar calls was gratifying with many



Virginia Davis

This covered wagon sign helps visitors find their way from Florence, Mont., to the Cowboy Camp Meeting.

people giving their hearts to the Lord. All those attending pledged their lives to a closer walk with our Lord. •

*Virginia L. Davis, Stevensville Church communication leader*



James Knight

Music is an integral part of the Cowboy Camp Meeting and features many Christian musicians.

## Gladstone Camp Meeting 2007

*Rain Dampens Tents and Seats, but Not Spirits*

Rain threatened to curtail this year's Gladstone Camp Meeting crowds as it began on Tuesday, July 17. People were seen wearing garbage bags as raincoats and creating tarpaulin canopies over and around their tents and RVs.

Though the clouds hung overhead throughout the weekend, people came with their umbrellas, raincoats, and extra sets of clothing for the kids to enjoy the fellowship, speakers and music of the event.

This year's camp meeting explored the theme of inspiration. Speakers this year included Shawn Boonstra, *It Is Written* International Television speaker/director,

John McVay, Walla Walla University president, George Knight, Andrews University Church History professor emeritus, Craig Newborn, Oakwood Ellen G. White Estate office director, and Jud Lake, Southern Adventist University Preaching and Adventist Studies professor.

The Ellen G. White Summit was repeated with added information beginning Wednesday morning and continuing through Friday afternoon.

As one of the additions to the program this year, Thursday was proclaimed Education Day. Banners were posted around campus encouraging Adventist education, and



Jerad Wilson

**Jud Lake, Southern Adventist University School of Religion professor, presented information to assist listeners in the proper use and understanding of inspiration in the context of Ellen G. White's ministry.**

meeting-goers sported school shirts from across the country. Camp meeting also featured an ongoing health seminar. Each day brought morning and afternoon cooking demonstrations as well as health lectures on such things as wine, super foods, and building family values through the time spent eating together. Another change was the Sabbath afternoon concert, which was presented by a range of local talents rather than by a professional musical artist.

Also new to camp meeting was the Commission Culture evangelism tent. During the meetings 300 people signed up as being willing to pray for the upcoming evangelistic series to be held in February by

Shawn Boonstra at the Portland Convention Center. Another 300 signed up for training as Bible Workers for the series. According to Paul Johnson, Oregon Conference evangelism coordinator, the "response was very positive" from the people who visited the tent.

Next year Gladstone Camp Meeting will be held July 15-19 at Gladstone Park Conference Center. For more information or campsite reservations, please visit the Oregon Conference Web site at [www.OregonConference.org](http://www.OregonConference.org) and click on the "Campsite Reservations" link on the left. •

*Krissy Barber, Oregon Conference communication intern*



Lary Brown

**Oregon Adventist Men's Chorus provided an inspiring ending to Gladstone Camp Meeting 2007.**

## Evangelism Training Camp *Inspires Teens and Young Adults*

"Fun." "That was great!" "I'm ready to do that again."

Those are not usually words used to describe a training camp. Work, drudgery and sweat are more common descriptions. But those who

participated in previous Evangelism Training Camps have been thrilled with their experiences. They come back from their evangelism work overflowing with enthusiasm and a desire to go right back out.

Last year the temperatures were soaring in the 100-degree range. The young people could choose to go out on the streets in that heat or to stay in air-conditioned comfort. Because the

experiences had been so rewarding, virtually everyone chose to go out in spite of the sweltering heat.

The Evangelism Training Camp is for 17- to 29-year-olds who have a desire to learn



more about reaching people for Christ. Along with inspiring teaching times, there is an opportunity to go out in the afternoons for some exciting life-changing experiences meeting people in their homes and on the streets of their neighborhoods.

This year David Gates, mission pilot, and Cindy Tutsch, White Estate associate director, led out in the training sessions and devotional/revival messages. Both have years of experience in speaking and in the practical application of faith. During the afternoon

sessions participants had the opportunity to conduct surveys and make contacts with the community in the vicinity of the Stone Tower Church in Portland.

The meetings were inspiring in themselves, but those who were able to go out and interact

with the community found even greater blessings.

For those who get tired of sitting in meetings and not doing anything, the Evangelism Training Camp is for you. •

*Douglas Clayville*

## Mega Oregon Culminates at Hispanic Convocation

What would happen if the Adventist church did not do evangelism?

Flor was ready to commit suicide. Her husband had just recently kicked her out of their home. When she was at her lowest she received a flyer advertising Spanish evangelistic meetings in Portland. With the idea in the back of her mind that if this did not work she would end her life, she picked up the telephone to call for more information.

Juan Pacheco, University Park Spanish Church pastor, answered the phone, but he did more than just tell her about the evangelistic meetings. He set up Bible studies immediately and arranged for other assistance. Flor then attended the evangelistic



Jeremy Barber

**Juan Caicedo, Columbian Conference president, offers prayer during convocation Sabbath School.**

meetings faithfully. During the meetings she accepted Christ as her personal Savior and was baptized.

Where would this woman be today if she had not received the flyer advertising evangelistic meetings?

Abraham came to the first night of evangelistic meetings alone. His wife was ready to leave him. She met an old

boyfriend and decided that she would leave her husband. On the first night of the meetings Abraham sat alone weeping. The church members encouraged him to bring his wife to the next meeting. Amazingly, his wife did come and over the next seven days, they received marital counseling and Bible studies. At the end of the short series of

meetings, both Abraham and his wife were baptized.

Where would this family be today if they had not attended the evangelistic meetings?

These are just two of the stories resulting from Mega Oregon, a coordinated evangelistic outreach by the Spanish churches in the Oregon Conference. During June and July all of the 20 Spanish churches and groups held meetings—either on their own or joined with other churches to have combined efforts.

Even though the summer months are not the best time for evangelistic meetings for the Spanish-speaking community, they decided to press on because there are people like Flor and Abraham who need Christ. And, with 141 baptisms and at least nine more preparing for baptism as a result of the Mega Oregon evangelistic initiative, the Spanish churches of the Oregon Conference are excited about evangelism. •

*Douglas Clayville, Dallas and Falls City Church pastor, Gladstone Camp Meeting reporter*



Krissy Barber

**Children in the Kinder tent enjoy the program put on by the two clowns.**

## Unique Gifts and a Heart for Service

**T**his is what we're here for—to be of help and to serve others," says Florence Bell, leader of the staff at the Dorcas Boutique on the Gladstone Campground. The Dorcas Boutique shared a building this year with Women's Ministries, just across from the Plaza Pavilion.

Bell and her team are all volunteers and active in Community Services programs in their home churches. The Dorcas Boutique is, in fact, an activity of the various local Community Services groups. Volunteers in each church make quilts or other crafts and donate them for sale at the boutique. Donations also included various decorations and



**Florence Bell manages the Dorcas Boutique every year at Gladstone Camp Meeting.**

ornaments, children's clothing, linens and toys.

Ninety percent of the money from sales at the Dorcas Boutique returns to the local Community Services organizations to purchase food and clothing

for those in need. In 2006, total sales were \$13,000 with the most ever raised at \$15,000. Organizers this year were hoping to exceed that amount.

The Dorcas Boutique supports the

17 contributing Community Services organizations (from Longview to Canyonville to Coos Bay) in their ministry. Bell says the best part of her job is meeting people, including Christians of other faiths, former Adventists, and the unchurched. She and her

fellow workers are able to meet their needs, and "the whole thing is they know you care." She encourages people to consider how they can help with Community Services in their areas. •

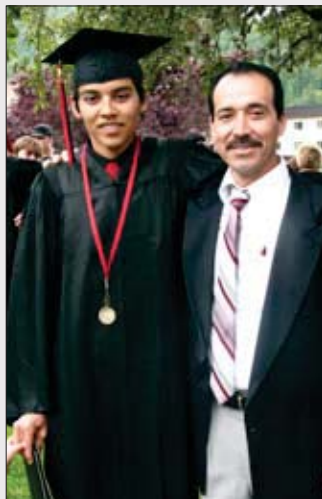


**Numerous quilts are lovingly made during the year to sell in the Dorcas Boutique during Gladstone Camp Meeting.**

*Lary Brown, Central Point and Shady Point (Ore.)*

*Church pastor and Gladstone Camp Meeting reporter*

## God Provides the Way God Blesses Milo Students for Stepping Out in Faith



**Thanks to worthy student sponsors, Adán Lopez, along with his father Salverio Lopez, celebrate his graduation from Milo.**

**A**dán Lopez might seem like the average 19-year-old, but his story is truly miraculous. Every year at Gladstone Camp Meeting, Milo Adventist Academy has a display showing pictures of all the exciting activities students do throughout the year. Lopez was one of the young people who stopped by to see the display and expressed interest in coming to Milo. When he talked to Steve Rae at the booth, Rae told Lopez, "with God all things are possible," and challenged him to take God at his word.

Lopez went around the campground and asked everyone he saw if they would

like to sponsor him so that he could attend Milo. By the end of the day, he had about eight sponsors. When registration day came in August and Lopez didn't show up, Rae called him. Lopez disappointedly explained that his sponsors from camp meeting didn't follow through and that he had chosen to go to public school.

The following year, Lopez showed up once again at Gladstone Camp Meeting and was more interested than ever to come to Milo. God's love through people allowed Lopez and the school to get enough sponsors to help him to attend Milo for both his junior and senior year. He graduated this

year with his diploma and hopes to become a pastor. During his years at Milo, Lopez made many lifetime friends and was also a resident assistant (RA) in the dorm.

He was able to witness through his participation in Voices of Zion, an advanced singing group, and shared his testimony in a number of churches and schools around the conference.

Lopez's story, like many of the students at Milo, reminds us of how much God loves and takes care of His children. •

*Brittany Reynolds, MAA senior*



## Grants Pass Community Service *'Dorcas' Is a Shining Light*

As people enter the Dorcas building, a feeling of friendliness, comfort and joy greets them. Each department is well-marked with attractive signs and flowers. The children's department is decorated with a mural of animals, blocks and hearts.

In another part of the building women busily put together beautiful quilts, which are donated to people in need or are sold at the store. Other items are also sold in the store, located a few feet away. The money from sales is used to buy food. The store is open on Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and nearly \$100 worth of "treasures" are sold each week.



Customers come into the friendly atmosphere of the Dorcas Store.

some is purchased from local merchants.

Although the Dorcas is open only one day a week it keeps the 40 or so volunteers very busy. In 2006 they helped 11,656 people, gave away more than 55,000 pieces of clothing, and handed out an estimated 3,520 boxes of food.

Dorcas is increasing its effectiveness to help the community by starting a project called "It's My Very Own Bag of Love." Barbara Neher started the program in Kentucky in 2006 when she realized there were 180,000 children taken from their homes when their parents were arrested for cooking meth. They can take nothing with them except the clothes they're wearing. With help from the community she made duffel bags filled with new toys, a nice handmade quilt and things like a toothbrush and comb. Her appearance on 3ABN and KBLN in Oregon inspired the

Grants Pass community to start making bags of love. The Child Protection Agency will give them to children in the area.

VanDusseldorp says working with Dorcas gives her and the volunteers a sense of satisfaction that they are making a difference by helping others. "We're not here to judge or to preach. We just want to get across that there is some love and hope out there. We want people to know there is a place to go." •

*Evelyn Wagner, Grants Pass Church communication leader*

**Pat VanDusseldorp, Dorcas leader, says that they give out almost two tons of food each week.**

*"We're not here to judge or to preach. We just want to get across that there is some love and hope out there. We want people to know there is a place to go."*



A mural in the children's department features animals, blocks and hearts, which gives a special message of love.

Pat VanDusseldorp, head of Grants Pass Church Adventist Community Services (still known as Dorcas), says, "We give out 70 to 90 boxes of food every week." Most of the food—about two tons a week is purchased from the Josephine County Food Bank, and



## PAA Begins Broadcasting Digitally

Our Adventist legacy demonstrates a rich relationship with broadcast communications. It is with this in mind that Portland Adventist Academy (PAA) offers a new class in Digital Broadcasting.

Mark Kooy, PAA's digital art instructor, heads up the class, which focuses directly on broadcasting sound and video on the Internet. Students learn to run a newsroom that announces PAA events, news, and spiritual items on downloadable Webcast they can access 24 hours a day on the school Web site. "What's



**Chantel Mote and Cole Duvall, both PAA sophomores, practice reading their news copy while Tyler Mote, junior, works on lighting and focusing.**

great about this class is that it incorporates all the basics of broadcasting," explains Kooy.

"They're learning lighting, green-screen, copy-writing and editing, but we're teaching them how to reach a Web-based audience."

Today's students are already familiar with digital communications. "They do it every day," says Kooy. "They leave messages on "myspace," they "blog," "text" their friends, and upload their music videos onto "YouTube." But we don't want this to be kid stuff," he explains. "Rather, it should be of a professional quality that we can use to advance the school and our beliefs."

"With this new class, PAA can be in the forefront of training our youth to combine their faith with technology," says Steve Vistaunet, North Pacific Union Conference assistant to the president for communication. "This is a great opportunity if we are visionary enough to give our youngest and brightest members an avenue for sharing our church's mission." •

*Liesl Vistaunet, PAA GLEANER correspondent*

## Sharon Church Inspirational Choir Shares Heaven

The Sharon Church Inspirational Choir has been busy carrying out the theme of the choir for this year—*Staying Ready for Heaven in 2007*. Many times we get so busy focusing on things of this world that we forget this earth is not our home. Therefore, the choir thought they would take the time to focus on getting ready for our heavenly home by having Heaven on our minds.

They also decided to be more ministry-minded this year.

Royal L. Harrison, Sharon Church senior pastor, had encouraged us to reach out to our community. The choir accepted this challenge and has worked on becoming a ministry by studying, praying, fasting, and then ministering throughout the community. So far this year, the Inspirational Choir has performed at Portland State University, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Heaven Bound Deliverance Center Church,



**Linda Foxworth, director, and the Lift Every Voice Workshop community choir gave a concert on March 3.**

and Maranatha Church among others.

In March, the Inspirational Choir hosted the 7th annual Lift Every Voice Workshop community choir. The choir consisted of 50 singers from various denominations and 10 different churches. After a week of rehearsals, the choir performed a concert Sabbath evening. To illustrate the focus on ministry, the choir donated half of the concert offering to the Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church, who recently lost their church in a fire.

This workshop is a wonderful opportunity to

welcome non-Adventists to join us for fellowship and worship. One of the singers from the workshop, Tiffany, had occasionally visited Sharon Church. After singing during the workshop, Tiffany was invited to join the Inspirational Choir, and recently, Tiffany was baptized.

For more information about the Inspirational Choir, please visit our Web site at [www.sharonsda.net](http://www.sharonsda.net). •

*Linda Foxworth, Sharon Church minister of music and choir director*



**Sharon Church Inspirational Choir**



## All Nations Center *Involved in Community Outreach*

*While every church cannot “rent” their facility and it may not meet their community’s needs, we feel that most Seventh-day Adventists could be more involved in their communities.*

The Bible says, “And three thousand were added to their number that day” (Acts 2:41, NIV). Can you imagine that happening today in your local Seventh-day Adventist Church? Everyone would want to know how it was done and how they could replicate this great event.

First, we believe that prayer is the No. 1 way of starting any ministry, and God is the one who provides the souls won for the kingdom. He has chosen a people called Seventh-day Adventists to preach the last-day message of Revelation 14:6–12 and locally, He has called the All Nations Center (ANC) to this work for Him.

We have strived to do this by first bathing ourselves in prayer to seek God’s will. He responded with the outreach we have to Native Americans. While none of us are experts, we are all called and God is using us. There are 159 people “on the books” but we have many people in the valley who call the ANC their church home.

In May we had nearly 1,000 people come and enjoy the facility God has given us to reach

out to the people of the lower Yakima Valley. We estimate more than 600 of those people did not have any Adventist background except what they experienced here.

Here is what they encountered.

A person who is staffing the ANC greets them with a smile and an attitude of service, no matter whether the visitors have experienced a death in the family, have come to a birthday party, a Quinceanera or are just stopping in to check us out.

When they come, we try to meet their needs as they use our facility and share however we can. In this day and age, very few people will come forward and accept the doctrines of the Seventh-day Adventist Church through the more formal 27-night evangelism event that most churches host, so we have tried to make people comfortable here first, then meet their needs, make friends with them, and, finally, invite them to some more formal type of study and sharing.

While every church cannot “rent” their facility and it may not meet their community’s needs, we feel that most Seventh-day Adventists could be more involved in their communities. What are the needs, how could we meet them and a host of other questions need to be asked if you are in God’s front-line mission field, called church. If we are meeting the needs, (physical, mental and spiritual) God will do His part “and the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved” (Acts 2:47).

If you would like to have a representative from the ANC give a Sabbath morning message in your church and talk about mission, please contact us at [www.allnationscenter.org](http://www.allnationscenter.org).

*Peter Trzinski, All Nations Center pastor*

**The All Nations Center located in Wapato, Wash., has a mission to reach out to the members of the Yakama Nation.**



## Sheridan Meadows Hosts Inaugural Camp Meeting

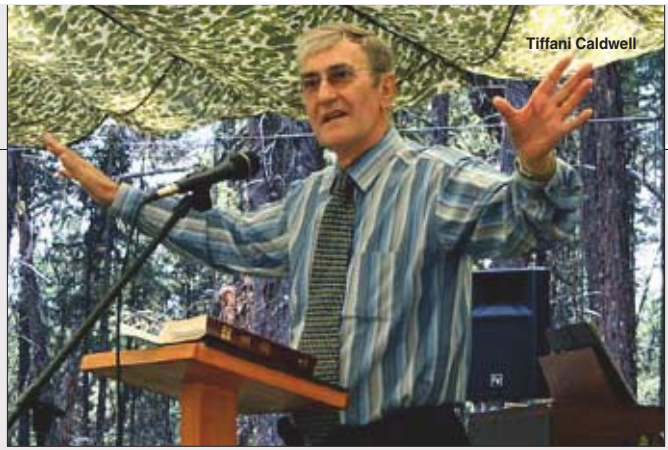
The first Northeastern Washington Camp Meeting was held at the beautiful, newly purchased Sheridan Meadows campgrounds. What was formerly a 55-acre golf course

Takoma Park (Md.) Church pastor. Pastors from the sponsoring congregations brought "Morning Manna" messages each day at 7 a.m.

Although the grounds have yet to be developed with full facilities for camping, about 50 campers enjoyed the pristine surroundings. Beginning Tuesday afternoon, campers formed work crews to clear fallen logs and forest debris, which were heaped into a larger burn pile by a small bobcat bulldozer.

Members from the congregations in the area convened a constituency meeting on Friday afternoon to discuss the immediate and future needs of the camp. The Sabbath offering brought in \$15,000 in cash and pledges, \$4,000 of which will be used to improve the existing water system to the house of the on-site host and for the building dedicated as the fireside chapel.

Sabbath afternoon featured a glorious concert, hosted by



Derek Marley, Takoma Park (Md.) Church pastor, affirms the Advent hope in preaching morning and evening.

the very talented teens from the Young Disciple Camp in nearby Inchelium. There was a choir, string orchestra and the very unique "angklung" chorale. An angklung is a musically pitched bamboo instrument.

Mel Pond, Grand Coulee/ Republic Church pastor, whose leadership was repeatedly acknowledged as being key to the event actually happening this year, was pleased by the blessing received by those who attended. The story of

"Miracle Meadows" as Dan Knapp, Colville/Ione pastor, called it on Sabbath morning, includes the discovery of an unexpectedly abundant water source on the property.

The camp meeting was a huge success and very well received by the combined churches of Northeast Washington. It is the vision of the area churches that the site become a spiritual retreat for people all over the Inland Northwest. •

Judy Bitton, Colville Church communications leader



Violinist Natasha Towns praises God with her violin.

is located about 5 miles west of Republic, Wash. About 200 people in attendance Sabbath morning could claim the status of charter attendees.

Camp meeting started on Tuesday evening, July 17, and ended on Saturday evening, July 21, with morning and evening messages on the theme, "We Still Have This Hope" by Derek Marley,



A parachute provides a canopy of comfort.

## New Hispanic Coordinator Joins Upper Columbia Conference



The Pintos family, from left: Liliansa, Karel, Nikolas and Walter.

A new Hispanic coordinator, Walter Pintos Schmidt, recently started work for the Upper Columbia Conference. He and his wife, Liliana, and their two children, Karel and Nikolas, moved here from Beltsville, Md.

Pintos attended the River Plate University in Argentina, receiving a bachelor's degree in Theology and Sacred History. He is continuing his education in the field of Church Growth

through doctoral studies at Andrews University.

Most recently Pintos served as the senior pastor for the Silver Spring Spanish Church in the Potomac Conference. He has also pastored churches in Gaithersburg, Bethesda and Silver Spring, Md.

Before entering the pastoral ministry, Pintos served as a regional coordinator for literature evangelists in the

Columbia Union Conference. His previous literature evangelism experience included six years in Argentina and Spain.

Walter, Liliana and their children are a welcome addition to the Upper Columbia Conference. •

Kathy Marson, Upper Columbia Conference communication assistant



## Yakima Mission to Guatemala

“The girl I sent to Guatemala was not the same girl who came back.” These were the words of the father of a non-Adventist girl when she returned from helping to build a church in Ixobel, Guatemala. That father obviously felt the experience changed his daughter’s life in a positive way.

Thirty-eight people from Yakima Adventist Christian School, Yakima Church, and Wapato and Yakima Spanish churches joined 24 others from the Upper Columbia Conference, traveling by plane and a seven-hour bus ride to Ixobel to build a church, which only had footings in place when they arrived.

In the Yakima group, several parents, including three doctors, one lawyer, one teacher, three pastors, and one pastor’s wife, went along to support the youth. All five members of the Gaskill family went, and one student, Saul Dominguez, earned enough money so his mother and he could both go! That was a great blessing because they both speak Spanish fluently.



Thirty-eight people from the Yakima area traveled to Ixobel, Guatemala, to build a church there.

Although it was back-breaking work in the heat and humidity, it was not all work and no play every day. The group went on a field trip to Tikal where many Mayan ruins still exist. And some of the students visited an Adventist orphanage run by International Children’s Care.

Jim Bechtel, pioneer missionary there in the 70s, started a technical school and academy, ICAP (Instituto de Capacitación Adventista del

Pelén), which now has 400 students. Bechtel and his wife drive down to Guatemala each spring and spend several months in that area. The rest of the year they reside in College Place, Wash. He took Kris Loewen, Yakima Church associate pastor, and several groups of students on different days to surrounding villages near Ixobel so they could pull teeth. Pastor Kris pulled about 20 teeth!

Just before the group arrived, the elderly Adventist man who had donated the land for the church building project was hit by a bus, and it wasn’t known if he would be brain damaged or even live. The first day they had worship under the completed roof, he walked in unaided and shared his testimony about God’s healing powers.

After the church was built, three Yakima Adventist Christian School students—Becky Byrd (baptized just a year ago), Saul Dominguez and Jonathan Sharley—decided to stay an extra week to speak for two concurrent evangelistic meetings. Two other young

men who gave nightly health talks were non-Adventist students from YACS. One night, in particular, after trying three times to get the computer to work and having no success, those involved gathered on the spot and prayed. They tried again, and it worked! They saw God working in many other ways as well.

At the end of the week, Harry Sharley, Yakima Church senior pastor, was privileged to assist the local pastors in baptizing 33 persons in a river located in a beautiful setting. He was pleased and surprised to baptize the lady who lived next door to the church and ran a little store from her



Becky Byrd and Jonathan Sharley stayed an extra week in Guatemala to conduct a series of evangelistic meetings.

home. She had graciously let the group set up tables in her yard for serving meals, but Sharley wasn’t aware she was interested in the gospel message.

Like the girl first mentioned, if you spoke to any one of the students (or adults) you would find that they were all greatly changed by their experience in Guatemala. •

*Nita Hinman, Yakima Church communication secretary*



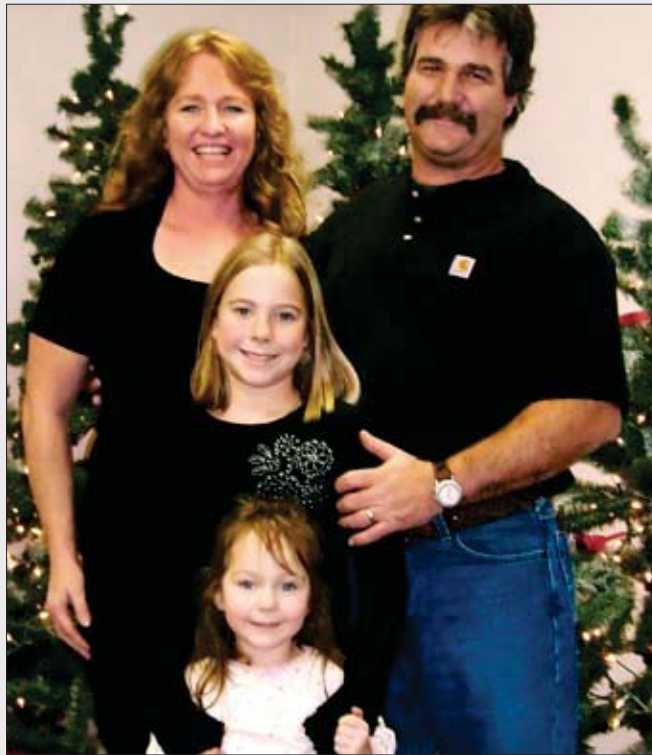
On the last Sabbath they were there Yakima members witnessed the baptism of 33 people.

## 3ABN Brings a Family to Church *In Irrigon, Ore.*

Jesse and Kimberly James moved to Umatilla, Ore., with their family recently. Not only were they new in the area and not acquainted with many people, but Kimberly also had the cable TV canceled, feeling that it absorbed too much time.

Kimberly and the two girls, Breezi and Gracie, started looking for friends by visiting some of the churches in the area. Jesse occupied some of his time by watching the Three Angels Broadcasting Network (3ABN), one of the channels they could still receive. Soon he was pointing out to the family some of the things he was learning. When they visited the Irrigon Church the whole family felt welcome.

Kimberly joined the group of women from the church who attended the Women's Retreat in October 2006, and Jesse was



also anxious to go to Men's Retreat the following February. The pastor began studies with the family.

Then Kimberly's mother became quite ill, so Kimberly and Gracie went to Arizona to be with her for a few weeks. In the meantime Jesse continued bringing Breezi to Sabbath School and church.

It was a high day for the Irrigon Church to welcome the James family into church fellowship when Fred Christensen, Irrigon Church pastor, baptized Jesse and Kimberly March 3. •

*Norma Stahl, Irrigon Church communication leader*

**The James family found friends at the Irrigon Church and were baptized in March.**

## Baptisms at Spirit Lake, Idaho

Michael Collins and Sharon Erickson were baptized in the Spirit Lake Church on succeeding Sabbaths, Collins on the last Sabbath of 2006 and Erickson on the first Sabbath of 2007.

Collins, 12, had recently moved from Vancouver, Wash., where his mother was a member of the Orchards Church. Michael's grandparents, Jim and Mary Carricker, and his mother, Vicki, had encouraged his interest in spiritual things, and Doug Pond, Spirit Lake pastor, had concluded a series of studies with him. He said he enjoyed attending church even though all the members at that time were adults.



**Michael Collins and Sharon Erickson were recently baptized at Spirit Lake, Idaho.**

Erickson had discovered the Sabbath while studying the Bible on her own. She decided

to attend the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Chewelah, Wash., to see how they kept

the Sabbath. When she moved to Newport, Wash., two ladies, Shirley Stevenson and Judy Mandigo, became friends with Erickson and helped her study the Bible.

Looking for a church home, Erickson visited the Spirit Lake Church one Sabbath, was invited to dinner, decided this was a friendly church family, and has made it her church home, driving 40 miles round trip to attend. •

*Ruth Edwards, Spirit Lake Church communications secretary*



## A Place to Belong

### Sunset Lake Camp Celebrates 50 Years of Camping Excellence

A horse with its young rider wandered off the path. When the accompanying wrangler saw the problem, she calmed the girl down, guided the horse back and said, “Just like horses drift off the path, we also drift off God’s path. Jesus leads us back.”

In a “Eureka!” moment, the girl said, “Oh, I get it!”

Moments like this illustrate what camp is all about, and what has driven Sunset Lake Camp for the last 50 years.

Driving through Wilkeson, Wash., is a step back in time. At the top of the hill beyond the stone quarry is a little oasis: Sunset Lake Camp. Purchased

in 1957 and expanded over the years, it is a modern-day adventure where campers can experience new friends, new challenges, and a new perspective on God.

What makes this place so special? “It is a place where people feel they belong,” said David Yeagley, camp director. “They won’t get tired of a place where they really feel accepted.”

Beyond the motto—a place where you belong—is another goal. “We’re trying to create a place where people come to find something deeper,” Yeagley said. Yes, there are the typical camp activities—the



Each Friday night, Sunset Lake staff present a play about Jesus and how He can make a difference in each and every life.

water blob, challenge course, archery, crafts and more—but the activities are focused on bringing young people closer to Jesus.

“The atmosphere and staff at Sunset Lake reflect Jesus,” said Erin Garner, head wrangler. “The staff pushes each other to show Jesus.”

Sunset Lake administration is exploring ways to improve and broaden the ministry of year-round camp facilities.

The three-phase improvement plan, estimated at \$12 million, would provide better housing accommodations, expanded activity areas and additional meeting locations.

The face of campers and staff change over the years, but the purpose still remains: Sunset Lake Camp is a place to learn more about Jesus. •

*Brittany Russell, Washington Conference summer intern*

## Hilda’s Brigade

### Arlington Church Participates in Cancer Walk

When Hilda Pouli, a member of the Arlington Church, recently lost her battle with cancer, Arlington members knew they wanted to do something to honor Hilda’s battle.

Kathy Patrick, another Arlington member who is battling cancer, found out about the American Cancer Society’s “Relay for Life,” a 24-hour fundraising walk to support cancer research, and she immediately knew how the church could honor Hilda’s memory while helping others.

This cause is especially important to Arlington because during the last year cancer has



Five Arlington Church cancer survivors sit together with other cancer survivors and friends at the Relay for Life cancer walk, from left: (front) Linda Taylor, Kathy Patrick, Tom Schreffels, Christopher Briant; (back) Manford Pouli.

claimed the lives of two church members and affected the lives of at least four others. Soon “Hilda’s Brigade” collected a walking team of 17 church

members and several non-members just in time for the upcoming regional walk. Along with supplying participants for “Relay for Life,” the Arlington

Church also raised \$1,600 in a week’s time.

In June, the northern regional “Relay for Life” was held at Marysville, Wash., Pilchuck High School. Hundreds of cancer survivors and supporters participated, including Arlington’s team, Hilda’s Brigade.

For most of the nearly 200 cancer survivors who participated in “Relay for Life,” faith was evident and smiles were on their faces because, with God’s help, they are fighting to survive. •

*David Patrick, Arlington Church communication leader*



Heidi Martella

Pastors and church members kneel around Eric and Carla Williams for the ordination prayer.

**E**ric Williams thought being a pastor would be boring—that is, until he started working at summer camp and discovered that Christianity could be “very, very fun.”

“I started getting addicted to watching people come to Jesus,” Williams recalled. Later, at Walla Walla College, Williams majored in theology and spent a year as a student

## A Better Plan

### God Leads the Lives of Two Ministers

missionary in Ecuador (where he met his future wife, Carla).

Ministry at Auburn City and Transformation Life Center in Olympia sandwiched Williams’ time in seminary. Currently, Eric and Carla Williams serve the Morton, Onalaska and Winlock churches.

“Preach out of your experience with Jesus,” advised Washington Conference president, John Freedman, during the ordination service. “People want to see Jesus, hear His voice and sense His presence. Bring them Jesus.”

**Brad Brown** wanted to become a physical therapist.

God, though, presented the first chapter of a better plan through Brown’s participation in an evangelistic crusade in Belarus. Returning to Walla Walla College, Brown switched his major to theology.

Brown first served as associate pastor at Tacoma Central. After seminary, he served as associate pastor at Forest Park Church in Everett. In 2004, Brad and Melea Brown began ministering the Graham and Windworks churches and currently pastor the Graham and Yelm churches.

“It’s been a good life having the Lord mess with my best-



Heidi Martella

Washington Conference pastors form a circle of support during the ordination prayer for Brad and Melea Brown.

laid plans,” Brown said at his ordination.

“You are being ordained to love God,” said Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president for administration, in his ordination charge, “and to make an impact in the community for Jesus Christ.” •

*Heidi Martella, Washington Conference communication intern*

## Loving God, Loving People

### Rick Quast Retires

**R**ick Quast, a pastor with more than 40 years of experience, is looking forward to “wandering” with his wife, Linda, in their retirement. “On Sabbath mornings, we’ll get up and say, ‘Where will we go today?’”

The couple both retired on the same day from their respective careers: his, pastoral ministry in the Ohio, Minnesota and Washington

conferences; hers, a registered nurse and nurse manager.

For his last “paid” sermon as associate pastor of the Auburn City Church, Quast talked about a theme emphasized throughout his ministry: the love of God.

“The way we show love to God is to show love to each other,” he said. “Our mission is to make our church a safe and secure, welcoming and warm place where people feel accepted and free.”

Besides visiting area churches, the Quasts plan to travel throughout Europe, work on hobbies such as photography, writing and scrapbooking, visit their adult children in the Portland, Ore., area, and continue to reach people for Jesus Christ as lay members of the Auburn City Church. •

*Heidi Martella*



Heidi Martella

Since 1980, when Rick and Linda Quast moved to Washington, they have served the Lacey/Yelm, Enumclaw, Federal Way and Auburn City churches.

## A Spiritual Feast

### Port Angeles Church Distributes Literature

**D**uring the national Ten Commandments Day in May, the Port Angeles Church obtained permission from a major retailer to set up an outdoor display at their entrance.

In two afternoons, members distributed more than 3,500 pieces of literature, including books and brochures about the Ten Commandments, Bible study enrollment

cards and religious liberty brochures.

Instead of a “come-and-get-it” evangelism approach, this method of outreach was a “meals on wheels” banquet where God’s word was delivered to the public. God dished up a spiritual feast for the givers and the guests. •

*Kathy Nixon, Port Angeles communication leader*

Donna Collins and 12 other members from the Port Angeles Church distributed literature during the national Ten Commandments Day.





## Joining the Family

### Auburn Adventist Academy Welcomes New Faculty and Staff

Auburn Adventist Academy (AAA) is happy to announce the arrival of six new faculty.



**Francisco Brito,**  
Spanish teacher

**Francisco Brito**, of Fife, Wash., has a bachelor's in religion and a minor in Spanish and will teach Spanish at the academy. He is originally from

the Dominican Republic where he worked as a technical teacher. "I have always loved working with teenagers," Brito said. "I hope to not only be a teacher, but also a pastor, mentor and friend for the students."

**Debbie Trautwein**, from Auburn, Wash., has a master's in special education and will serve as a remedial learning specialist. "I hope



**Debbie Trautwein,**  
remedial learning specialist

to be able to help those who are struggling to learn," Trautwein said, "and teach them skills to become better students."

**Garlyn Wacker**, most recently from Riverside, Calif., joins the English department team and holds a master's degree in English and literature. "I'm excited to know the students and get them passionate about literature," Wacker said.

In addition, AAA welcomes back:

**Troy Carle**, former taskforce boys' dean, as director of English as a Second Language (ESL). Carle has a bachelor's in English from Pacific Union College.



**Garlyn Wacker,**  
English teacher

"I am planning on putting a lot of work into [the ESL program] and strengthening the department by offering a more diverse curriculum."



**Harmony Smith,**  
taskforce girls' dean

**Harmony Smith**, a social work student at Union College, is taking a year off from school to serve as taskforce girls' dean at her alma mater.

"I chose to return to AAA because I loved going to school at Auburn," Smith said. "The faculty really helped me while I was here, and it felt like a big family. I hope that I can

help the girls the way the staff helped me."

A sophomore international rescue and relief student at Union College, **Daniel Rogers** is also returning to his alma mater to serve as taskforce boys' dean. "I am excited and enthusiastic to work with the kids, and I want to do whatever possible to help the students succeed."



**Daniel Rogers,**  
taskforce boys' dean

Dedicated teachers help to make Adventist Christian education academically and spiritually solid, and so it is a great honor for Auburn Academy to welcome these new team members. •

*Jondelle D. McGhee, AAA GLEANER correspondent*

## KACS Radio Ministry

### Raises Friends, Not Just Funds

The Adventist radio station serving the I-5 corridor between Longview and Tacoma, Wash., recently held an on-air friendraiser drive.

Cameron Beierle, station manager of independently-operated 90.5 KACS-FM, said the friendraiser increased the connection with listeners beyond a simple pledge or donation.

"Club 90 is our station's version of a 'welcome wagon,'" Beierle said. New

listeners receive donated ministry and family materials worth \$90—a special giveaway to reach families with the gospel through DVDs (such as *Amazing Facts* and *Voice of Prophecy*), CDs, books and computer software.

The 2007 KACS Friendraiser welcomed 100 new listeners and raised \$25,000 for station operations with an additional \$5,000 raised toward the station's goal of \$10,000 for re-

placing the studio automation.

The station is also seeking to expand its signal during the Federal Communication Commission application window this fall. The expanded signal would serve Tacoma, Puyallup and Yelm, potentially reaching 500,000 to 800,000 people. The station can soon be heard via the Internet at [www.kacs.org](http://www.kacs.org). •

*Cameron Beierle, 90.5 KACS-FM general manager*



**Cameron Beierle, KACS-FM station manager, gives Paul Bonner, Love INC executive director for Lewis County, a KACS Listeners' Community Friendraiser Grant.**



## Graham Celebrates 25 years with Sanctuary Dedication

A dream from the 1960s for a church in Graham, Wash., became a reality in the 1980s, and the church recently celebrated its 25th birthday with a church sanctuary dedication. Walt Lively, a Graham Church leader, says, "Reality starts with a dream."

The Puyallup Church voted during an October 1981 business session to plant a new church in Graham. The church began on Jan. 18, 1982, with nine families renting facilities

from a Nazarene Church. One year later, the burgeoning group officially organized as a new church and several months later purchased four acres of property at 23910 70th Ave. East in Graham.

"The Graham Church was a light to me and my family, and it is to be a light to future families as well," said Chuck Madsen, a church leader.

Two phases of construction completed the structure. The fellowship hall and education

wing construction began in June 1986 and sanctuary construction began with a 2003 groundbreaking. Church members and non-members alike volunteered their time over the years to build the Graham facilities. The church celebrated the grand opening of the new sanctuary on May 19, 2007.

During the grand opening, John Freedman, Washington Conference president, challenged the congregation

**Brad Brown, Graham pastor, welcomes members and guests to the sanctuary dedication service. The program reviewed the church's history, celebrated God's blessings and dedicated the sanctuary for God's glory.**

to remain a movement, always seeking to reach people for Christ. •

*Doug Bing, Washington Conference vice president for administration*

## Historic Weekend

*First Hispanic Camp Meeting Held in Washington Conference*

Washington Conference Hispanic Ministries presented its first three-day Hispanic Camp Meeting in June. More than 1,000 members attended Sabbath morning.

Armando Miranda, General Conference vice president, was the guest speaker. Miranda made an altar call and many people made decisions for baptisms.

Weekend seminars included the importance of going back to our roots as a church by Pedro Pozo, Florida Conference pastor; practical counsel on family relationships by Rosa Alicia Miranda, a family life speaker; nutrition by Nesity Pittau, Washington Conference health director; and Daniel 11 and 12 by Omar Grieve, Washington Conference Spanish coordinator.

These three days were a blessing to many, and we plan to do it again next year with emphasis on an evangelistic revival. •

*Omar Grieve, Washington Conference Spanish coordinator*



**Several people respond to a call for baptism at the first Hispanic Camp Meeting in Washington Conference.**

**Muchas personas respondieron al llamado de bautizarse en el primer Campestre Hispano de la Conferencia de Washington.**

## Fin de Semana Histórico

*Se Llevó a Cabo el Primer Campestre Hispano en la Conferencia de Washington*

El Departamento del Ministerio Hispano de la Conferencia de Washington tuvo el orgullo de presentar su primer Campestre Hispano de tres días en el mes de Junio.

Más de 1,000 miembros asistieron el sábado por la mañana.

Armando Miranda, vicepresidente de la Conferencia General, fue el orador invitado. Miranda hizo un llamado y muchas personas manifestaron públicamente su decisión de bautizarse.

Algunos de los seminarios que se dieron ese fin de semana

trataron de la importancia de volver a nuestras raíces como iglesia, por Pedro Pozo, pastor de la Conferencia de Florida; Consejos Prácticos de las Relaciones Familiares, por Rosa Alicia Miranda, oradora de temas de familia; Nutrición, por Nesity Pittau, directora de salud de la Conferencia de Washington; y Daniel 11 y 12 por Omar Grieve, coordinador del departamento hispano de la Conferencia de Washington.

Esos tres días fueron una bendición para muchos, y planeamos hacerlo otra vez el próximo año con un énfasis especial en el reavivamiento evangelístico. •

*Omar Grieve, coordinador Hispano de la Conferencia de Washington*



# If You Bake it, They Will Come

## *WWC Student Hears God's Calling*

In 2004, while participating in the Walla Walla College (WWC) summer language program in Greece, Steven Binus had a dream. He saw himself in a bakery, pounding dough and telling people about the Bread of Life. A voice said to him, "If you bake it, they will come." He woke up before the sun rose and recorded the vivid dream in his journal.

Upon his return to WWC, Binus began working for the Good Neighbor Adventist Company in Walla Walla and met a man who ran a café called His Garden & Bakery.

The menu at His Garden promotes its health message, providing only vegetarian or vegan menu items, including sandwiches, burritos, soups and salads. It also produces heart-healthy breads, rolls and granolas. Even its desserts are low-to-no-sugar, and usually contain fruit and nuts.

When Binus mentioned to the bakery's owner that he loved the place, the man surprised him by asking if Binus was interested in purchasing it.

At the time, Binus was in the process of moving. While packing, he came across his journal from Greece, and reread his dream. "I started praying, asking God if this was what He wanted," says Binus.

It was. Binus took ownership on July 1, 2005.

While working on His Garden, Binus lived off of practically nothing. Every



**Binus creates most of his much-loved recipes from scratch.**

penny he had went into keeping the café up and running and making small improvements.

"We bought one thing at a time: a fridge, some flooring, a couple of 2x4s. We were making so little money we almost went out of business a couple of times," Binus reflects.

While Binus put in 12- to 16-hour days at His Garden, he also took 23 credits each quarter. He spent his days going to class and baking, and his nights studying.

"I got burnt out," Binus admits. "The fact that I kept going was all God. I didn't know what I was doing, but He did."

And God blessed His Garden. Approximately a year after Binus had taken over the café, he moved into the larger end of the building. The new and improved area boasts more tables, fresh paint, a glass display case for his fresh rolls and more.

Binus' ultimate dream is for His Garden to become a comfortable place for people to study the Word of God. He envisions vespers programs on Friday nights, Sabbath activities and Bible studies.

Binus will graduate in 2008 with a double major in religion and business and three minors: Biblical languages, history and marketing.

If you visit His Garden & Bakery, near the corner of College Avenue and 12th Street, Binus recommends the avocado sandwich, a fresh squeezed glass of carrot apple juice, and a vegan cranberry orange hazelnut cookie.

But God isn't done with His Garden just yet. Binus recently had another dream, as vivid as the first. This time, it wasn't just a bakery, but a complete wellness center. Binus is nervous, but excited. "I love following my dreams," he says with a grin. •

*Becky Beddoe, Walla Walla University GLEANER correspondent*

## Preserving Spiritual Care

Adventist Health is committed to treating the whole person—body, mind and spirit. Because of this philosophy, chaplains are an integral part of the care team, working side by side with doctors, nurses and technicians to meet the needs of patients and their families.

Whole-person care is a vital component of the system's health care approach and Adventist Health is finding creative ways to ensure that chaplains will always be a part of its healing environment.

Several years ago, Adventist Medical Center (AMC) established the Chaplains Endowment in an effort to ensure that pastoral services at the Portland, Ore., facility would always be funded. Establishing an endowment did not imply that AMC was unwilling to financially support its chaplains. However, funding and reimbursement outside a facility's control can often force administration to eliminate positions or trim budgets, but AMC was



From left: Larry Dodds, senior vice president of Adventist Health and board chairman of Adventist Medical Center (AMC); Deryl Jones, president and CEO of AMC; and Wendell White, chairman of Generations Retirement Communities and chairman of the Chaplain Campaign Steering Committee.

determined to maintain its strong commitment to pastoral care.

"The vibrancy of our chaplain program is really up to all of us," said Deryl Jones, AMC president and CEO. "We needed to take it off the budget table and preserve the spirit of healing at our facility."

The campaign was ambitious—to raise more than \$6 million in five years. Recently, the hospital held a celebration for the endowment, where donors and employees were honored for surpassing the campaign goal and raising \$6,232,939 to provide ongoing support for chaplain services at the facility.

Wendell White, campaign steering committee chair and Generations Retirement Communities chairman, encouraged corporations, community members,

physicians, foundations, hospital employees and volunteers to support the project. "This was truly a collaborative effort between the community, hospital employees and the philanthropy leadership who helped cultivate campaign gifts," he said. "It was an honor to be a part of an effort designed to extend the healing ministry of Christ."

The celebration event, which was held at the hospital in late spring, included a campaign report and recognized campaign leaders. Sandi Dykes, R.N., who works in the hospital's cardiopulmonary rehabilitation department, served as the Employee Division chair throughout the campaign. Employees alone exceeded their goal of \$750,000 by providing nearly \$1.2 million in cash gifts, pledges and estate gifts.

"Being a part of the Chaplains Endowment Campaign was such a rewarding experience," Dykes said. "It was exciting to be a very integral part of the passion that we all share to ensure that our chaplain services are not tied to the budgeting process."

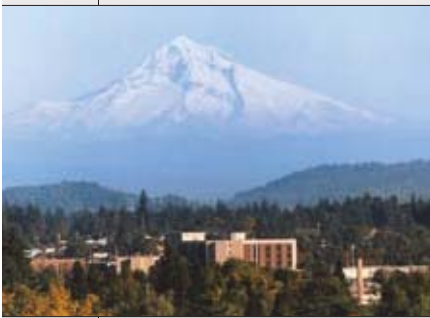
Not only was the campaign a success, the idea of the endowment is groundbreaking.

"This is the first endowed health care chaplain's department in the nation," said John Korb, director of philanthropy services at AMC. "As a result, Adventist Health continues to be at the forefront of meeting spiritual needs in the delivery of health care."

Much of a chaplain's work is done quietly, but the impact is great. People in crisis are often searching for spiritual comfort and having chaplains available is a wonderful service that AMC has ensured will always be available. The strong support that the campaign received from the community, business leaders, grateful patients, the medical staff and AMC employees was incredibly affirming.

"Our chaplains meet with patients and family members on a daily basis to provide support in times of illness and health crises," stated Jones. "It is evident that our patients, community members and hospital employees understand the value of chaplains and their contribution to our mission." •

Heather Preston Wheeler,  
GLENER correspondent



To learn more about Adventist Medical Center, visit [www.adventisthealthnw.com](http://www.adventisthealthnw.com).





# Christmas in July

Her eyes were riveted to the clock as she waited, timecard in hand, to end her shift. She would escape the torment of this dysfunctional torture chamber called work and roam the mall free for a hour or so of shopping before she had to pick up her duties as wife and mother. She punched the time clock at the exact moment that it read 2:00 and headed out the door. “Don’t forget tomorrow we need you here early.” Satan orchestrated the timing of the bosses’ parting shot, only accentuating Meg’s state of desperation.

“Who am I fooling?” she asked herself as she shook her head. This shopping time offered only a few moments reprieve from the grind. “I am just burned out,” she sighed. She would have quit in a moment, but then, where would the money come from for the girls to stay in private school? Where would she find another job that paid like this one?”

To be honest, the issues did not end with the job. She had not pictured herself like this as she hit midlife. Out of time and energy, health issues, patience stretched to the max. Having to deal with work issues and juggle family. Though the sun shown bright on that July day, storm clouds gath-

ered over her heart. “The way they treat me I should be scouring the want ads,” she told herself, pulling up to the large department store at the end of the mall.

She checked her makeup in the mirror and blotted her remaining tears with a tissue. “But then, what sort of job will I find as a middle-aged woman who wants Sabbath off for God, and Sunday off for family, and prefers to be off by 3:00 to beat the kids home?”

As she entered the store, a huge red and white sign taped on the outside of the store window read, “Christmas in July Sale.” Meg thought to herself. “Oh, if only it were Christmas with time off from work, and the joy of being with family. The spirit of cheer and goodwill that radiates from everyone’s heart would go a long ways in my struggle. At Christmas God seems so near. “If only it were Christmas...,” she wished in a whisper.

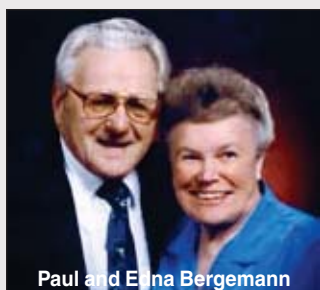
The sale turned out to be disappointing, and she went home with her heart even heavier than before. Sitting in her chair she instinctively picked up the *Message* Bible that lay where she had left it on the stand from morning worship. She let it fall open on her lap and began to read the

words from Isaiah 8:9-10 that said, “But face the facts, all you oppressors...” The Spirit impressed her that the words applied to her and her oppressors. God addressed the battle that Satan had marshaled against His daughter.

She started reading again. “But face the facts, all you oppressors and then wring your hands, listen all you far and near. Prepare for the worst and wring your hands... Plan and plot all you want—nothing will come of it. All your talk is mere talk, empty words. Because when all is said and done the last word is Immanuel—God with us.”

When all is said and done the last word is Immanuel. God is with me...I am not alone in my struggle. God is with me... whom shall I fear? God is with me...I have resources of strength as I rely on Him. God is with me...as I walk into the workplace I carry my own atmosphere. Immanuel came not just as a gift to the world; He also laid Himself down as a gift to me. A tear fell down her face, but this time in joy as she bowed her head in prayer saying, “Thank you, God, for Christmas in July. •

*James Berglund, Valley View Church pastor*



Paul and Edna Bergemann

### Bergemann 70th

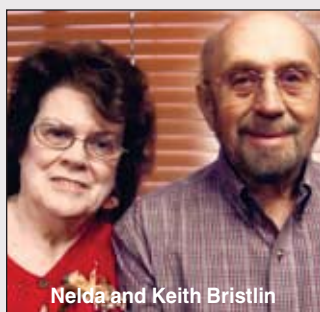
Paul and Edna Bergemann celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on Aug. 8, 2007, with a family reception in Lincoln City, Ore.

Paul C. Bergemann married Edna C. Dishman Aug. 8, 1937, in San Francisco, Calif. Paul was a farmer, grocery man and retired from the meat business. Edna retired from a mortgage company.

The Bergemann family includes Elizabeth and George Pifer of Fall River Mills, Calif.; the late Barbara Croft; 6 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

### Bristlin 60th

Keith and Nelda Bristlin celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a dinner hosted



Nelda and Keith Bristlin

by their children while they were on vacation in Anchorage, Alaska. They are members of the Medford Church.

Keith A. Bristlin and Nelda J. Mitchell graduated from Rogue River Academy and attended Walla Walla College. They were married June 6, 1947, in Pasco, Wash., after Keith served

in the Army during World War II among the first occupation troops in Japan. They made their home in Medford, Ore., where Keith worked in the lumber industry for 40 years and Nelda worked for Boise Cascade Corporation.

The Bristlin family includes Gordon Bristlin of Central Point, Ore.; Karen and Robert Bigelow of Anchorage, Alaska; 6 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

### Bullock 50th

Duane and Darlene Bullock celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 20, 2007, in Leavenworth, Wash., at a small bed and breakfast chalet. Their family and friends presented a program at the Spangle Elementary School multi-purpose room in their honor July 1.

Duane Bullock and Darlene Eckley met while attending Auburn Academy. On April 20, 1957, while on Army leave from Texas, Duane and Darlene were married in Pendleton, Ore. Darlene continued to live there for another six weeks before joining Duane in Texas. After boot camp, Duane was sent to Washington, D.C., where they lived for the next two years. After Duane's tour of duty, they moved back to the Northwest, where Duane's career in business management began and ended. They moved to the Spangle area 10 years ago.

The Bullock family includes Rick and Debbie Bullock of Spangle, Wash.; Linda and James Baker of Farmington, Wash.; and 6 grandchildren.

### Dealy 60th

Donald and Orletta Dealy celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 10, 2007, with a family celebration hosted by their children in Snohomish,

Wash. They are members of the Walla Walla City Church.

Donald Dealy married Orletta Wilson June 10, 1947, in Caldwell, Idaho. They met at Walla Walla College and, after graduation in 1948, Donald began teaching in Adventist



Donald and Orletta Dealy

schools in Nebraska. He taught both on the secondary and elementary level for 26 years. He also worked for 16 years in Adventist hospitals in the computer and business departments. Orletta taught church school on the elementary level and was school librarian for most of her 32 years of teaching. She was a hospital switchboard operator for three years. They have served in Nebraska, California, Washington, Oregon and Massachusetts. Donald was the Washington Conference Camp Meeting organist for several years. Orletta was one of the first women in the denomination to be ordained as a local elder. They retired in College Place, Wash.

The Dealy family includes Don Dealy II of Portland, Ore.; Marvin Dealy of Big Oak Flat, Calif.; Tom and Jeannine Dealy of Snohomish, Wash.; 7 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

### Hooper 90th

Irmgard S. Hooper celebrated her 90th birthday on July 1, 2007, with a reception at College

Place, Wash., hosted by her "girls." She is a member of the Village Church in College Place, Wash.

Irmgard was born June 29, 1917, in Roundup, Mont. She graduated from Walla Walla College in 1944, the first in three family generations to do so. She began her teaching career at the college the following year. She taught English and foreign languages at Auburn (Wash.), Maplewood (Minn.), Jefferson (Texas), Sheyenne River (N.D.), Campion (Colo.) and Rio Lindo (Calif.) academies, and retired in College Place after teaching for more than 30 years. In 1963, she won a competition for German teachers, co-sponsored by the U.S. and German governments, and spent the summer studying German in Germany with fellow German teachers.

The Hooper family includes Clyde (deceased) and Carol Hooper of Grants Pass, Ore.; Jeanie and Daniel Reed of Albany, Ore.; 3 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

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### Nelson 50th

Art and Esther Nelson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a card shower on August 25, 2007. They are currently members of the Springfield (Ill.) Church.

Arthur L. Nelson married Esther M. Miller August 25, 1957, in Salem, Ore. Arthur spent more than 40 years in Adventist education and conference service including Auburn (Wash.), Gem State (Idaho), Broadview (Ill.), Wisconsin and Campion (Colo.) academies.

The Nelson family includes Debi and Ed Skinner of Pleasant Plains, Ill.; Jere and Jeannie Nelson of Montgomery, Ill.; 4 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

### Null 50th

Chuck and Delmarie Null celebrated their 50th anniversary on July 8, 2007, with a reception hosted by their family in the fellowship hall of the Goldendale (Wash.) Church, where they are members.

Chuck Null and Delmarie Van Tassel met in 1955 at Columbia Academy in Battle Ground, Wash. They both graduated in 1956 and in 1957 were married.

Chuck became a maintenance man, painting contractor and locksmith. Delmarie worked for the conference office in Boise, Idaho, for 35 years. In 2003 they retired and spent two years seeing the United States with their RV. In 2005 they moved to Goldendale.

The Null family includes Ken and Cheryl Null of Damascus, Ore.; and 2 grandchildren.

### Poulson 90th

Friends and family gathered in the fellowship center of the Irrigon (Ore.) Church to honor Leone Poulson on her

90th birthday. Leone was baptized as a young person and was later rebaptized into the Irrigon Church, where she still holds membership and has been active as church clerk, continues as Primary leader and is co-leader with her daughter Rita of the Adventist Community Services.

Leone was born May 1, 1917, in Tekoa, Wash., to Glenn and Grace Davis. She was the middle child among six siblings. Her childhood was spent in a community called Advent Gulch, near Cambridge, Idaho, but they later moved to Weiser, Idaho. She married Rex Poulson June 16, 1934, and they made their home in Blackfoot, Idaho, later in Oak Harbor, and then Forest Grove before moving to Irrigon in 1973.

The Poulson family includes Rita and Warren Prouty of Irrigon; Bart and Carolyn Poulson of Irrigon; Lynda and John Geordano of Lake Tahoe, Calif.; 2 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

### Rasmussen 100th

Ethel Rasmussen, born Dec. 14, 1906, in South Dakota, was honored by her Mt. Tabor Church family where she is a member. She celebrated her 100th birthday with her niece, Jean Hall, and other family members. She was the youngest of five children. After she married Ray Rasmussen, both she and Ray studied nursing. A few years after they finished their studies, Ray became ill with multiple sclerosis and was unable to work. Ethel then did special duty nursing so she could look after her husband and earn a living for them for 17 years until Ray passed away. She continued her nursing career for many years helping numerous people.

### Schoepflin 65th

Albert and Miriam Schoepflin celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary at home with their family in November 2006.



Albert and Miriam Schoepflin

Albert Schoepflin married Miriam Wagner Nov. 19, 1941, in the Farmington (Wash.) Church. Albert worked for Miriam's father as a young man. After they married, the couple started their own farm and through the years have raised lentils, wheat, barley

and oats. Albert was baptized in the Palouse River and has served as church elder and many terms on the conference committee. Miriam is well known as a champion for Community Services and has faithfully provided the church with fresh flower arrangements from her garden. Through the years Albert and Miriam have had a special project of raising Sabbath School Investment mission funds by operating a recycling depot. They have personally raised more than \$10,000 for missions by recycling cardboard, plastics and other materials.

The Schoepflin family includes Dave Schoepflin of Scottsdale, Ariz.; Bill and Linda Schoepflin of Farmington, Wash.; 5 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

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A T R E S T

**BRUNDULA-RADKE**—Colleen Brundula and Adam Radke were married March 11, 2007, in Kirkland, Wash. They are making their home in Bothell, Wash. Colleen is the daughter of Herman and Grace Brundula. Adam is the son of Gary and Linda Radke and Lorena Jeske.

**EKVALL-GILLHAM**—Melissa Ekvall and Seth Gillham were married July 1, 2007, in Brewster, Wash. They are making their home in Loma Linda, Calif. Melissa is the daughter of Merlin and Jeanne (Hardinge) Ekvall. Seth is the son of David and Rosa Gillham.

**JOHNSON-HANSON**—Kristen M. Johnson and Andrew K. Hanson were married June 3, 2007, in Milton-Freewater, Ore. They are making their home in Bellingham, Wash. Kristen is the daughter of Larry and Karen Johnson. Andrew is the son of Keith and Esther Hanson.

**MAXTED-GOLLES**—Kimberly Maxted and Jeremiah Golles were married on June 24, 2007, in College Place, Wash. They

are making their home in Loma Linda, Calif. Kimberly is the daughter of Glenn and Wendy Maxted. Jeremy is the son of Dee and Sandy Golles.

**SCHMIDT-HELLMAN**—Emily Schmidt and Nathan Hellman were married June 30, 2007, in Dover, Idaho. They are making their home in College Place, Wash. Emily is the daughter of Wally A. and Donna L. (Rich) Schmidt. Nathan is the son of Mike S. and Mary J. (Lyon) Hellman.

**STANLEY-HARDING**—Nicole Stanley and Ben Harding were married July 8, 2007, in Sherwood, Ore. They are making their home in Loma Linda, Calif. Nicole is the daughter of Spenser and Renee (Dasher) Stanley. Ben is the son of J.R. "Rick" and Cheryl A. (Hays) Harding.

**VILLANUEVA-DIAZ**—Raquel Villanueva and Federico Diaz were married May 27, 2007, in Milton-Freewater, Ore., where they are making their home. Raquel is the daughter of Jesus and Leticia (Garcia) Villanueva.

Federico is the son of Silemon and Maria (Consepción) Berto.

**WHITE-CARLSON**—Elizabeth White and Robert Carlson were married June 11, 2007, in Walla Walla, Wash. They are making their home in Seattle. Elizabeth is the daughter of Phil and Jan (Zaugg) White. Robert is the son of Dave and Darlene (Sabo) Carlson and Jim and Jan (Calhoon) Cook.

**WOODRUFF-ALWAY**—Beth Woodruff and Robert Alway were married June 15, 2007, in Days Creek, Ore., where they are making their home. Beth is the daughter of Jack and Delma (Arasmith) Woodruff. Robert is the son of Ray and Jean (McLean) Alway.



**ARMSTRONG**—Charles W., 90; born April 16, 1917, Lebanon, Mo.; died July 4, 2007, Quincy, Wash. Surviving: wife, Merlyn J. (Hoover); sons, Paul, Longview, Wash.; David, Fairfield, Calif.; daughter, Sharon Armstrong, Kelso, Wash.; stepdaughters, Marlys Hellbusch, Lynnwood, Wash.; Judi Kanoff, Ephrata, Wash.; sisters, Doris Gibbons, Junction City, Ore.; Neva Starnes, Summerville, Ga.; 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

**BISHOP**—Helen P. (Hryhchuk), 87; born Aug. 19, 1919, Beauvallon, Alberta, Canada; died June 20, 2007, College Place, Wash. Surviving: son, Phillip, Walla Walla, Wash.; brother, Sam Hryhchuk, Prince George, British Columbia, Canada; and sister, Anne Samograd, Vegreville, Alberta, Canada.

**BOLTON**—Gordon W., 78; born April 18, 1928, Renton, Wash.; died March 31, 2007, Forest Grove, Ore. Surviving: wife, Bonnie (Rogers); son, Terry, Grizzley Flats, Calif.; daughter, Pamela Bolton, Forest Grove; sister, Lois Dixon, Seattle; and 2 grandchildren.

**CHROWL**—Donald L., 72; born July 13, 1934, Klamath Falls, Ore.; died Jan. 18, 2007, Troy, Idaho. Surviving: wife, Beverly (Wyatt); sons, Linn, Troy; Wayne, Healdsburg, Calif.; brothers, Eugene, Klamath Falls; Roger and Keith, both of Salem, Ore.; and 4 grandchildren.

**DAVIS**—Alvin A., 89; born April 14, 1918, Conrad, Mont.; died June 27, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Lois (Calkins); son, Gary, Athena, Ore.; 4 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

**DOLL**—Harry L., Sr., 79; born Feb. 8, 1928, Bismarck, N.D.; died June 20, 2007, Auburn, Wash. Surviving: wife, Dorothy (Ridley); son Harry Jr., Sheridan, Ore.; daughter, Sharon Moran,

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**BATTEN**—Seth Alexander was born June 4, 2007, to Stephen and Nicole (Peschong) Batten, Nampa, Idaho.

**BLAKE**—Christopher Arnold was born March 22, 2007, to Dan and Taffy (Hunter) Blake, San Antonio, Texas.

**BROWNING**—Malcolm E. was born March 24, 2007, to Ed and Kristen (James) Browning, Spokane, Wash.

**CLARIDGE**—Korbin Allen was born June 10, 2007, to Jon and Melissa (Rote) Claridge, Great Falls, Mont.

**CULVER**—Emily Madeline was born April 18, 2007, to Travis

and Salena (Reber) Culver, Caldwell, Idaho.

**DUKE**—Makayla Pamela was born June 26, 2007, to Joshua and Devan (Hokamson) Duke, Valley, Wash.

**EDER**—Matthew David was born June 21, 2007, to David and Monica (Estrada) Eder, Salem, Ore.

**HESGARD**—Levi Dominic was born July 5, 2007, to Joel M. and Amber E. (Shaughnessy) Hesgard, Camas, Wash.

**MARTIN**—Jenna Annabeth was born May 14, 2007, to Steve and Dana (Maine) Martin, Pendleton, Ore.

**MCCULLOH**—Mika Renay was born Feb. 4, 2007, to Jason and Jennifer (Dorn) McCulloh, Renton, Wash.

**SHURTLIFF**—Colton Thomas was born June 3, 2007, to Chris and Heather (Ferguson) Shurtliff, Ogden, Utah.

**STRONG**—Ava Loren was born May 31, 2007, to Danté and Amanda (Dorn) Strong, Vancouver, Wash.

**WILKINSON**—Logan Reed was born Feb. 16, 2007, to Alan D. and Heather Lyn (Cronk) Wilkinson, Albany, Ore.



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Auburn; brother, Lee, Seattle; sisters, Virginia Nelson and Kathleen Mendenhall, both of Federal Way, Wash.; 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

**DUNCAN**—Melvin G., 89; born June 12, 1918, Nordland, Wash.; died June 22, 2007, Soap Lake, Wash. Surviving: wife, Martha I. (Peterson); son, Donald, Puyallup, Wash.; daughter, Ruth Anne Gruber, Soap Lake; and 2 grandchildren.

**ENGELHART**—Virginia R. (Hilderbrand), 76; born April 13, 1931, Brainerd, Minn.; died April 25, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, Bernard; daughter, Kelli Leen, Walla Walla; sister, Annette Wallace, Portland, Ore.; and 3 grandchildren.

**FLECK**—Duayne G., 54; born Sept. 27, 1952, Portland, Ore.; died May 25, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: wife, Joy (Holder); sons, Darius and Keanan, both of Walla Walla; daughters, Alodia Helbley, Spokane, Wash.; Alanna Fleck, Walla Walla; brother Daryl, Portland; and sister, Jenelle Fleck, Chicago.

**GEDDIS**—Thomas, 86; born Dec. 18, 1920, Amsterdam, N.Y.; died June 10, 2007, Gresham, Ore. Surviving: wife, Molly (Spaw); stepson, Joe Ilie, Gresham; daughters, Nancy Geddis, Sandy, Ore.; Janet Geddis, Wanat, Wash.; and brother, Larry Geddis Sr., Lewisburg, Pa.

**GRUZENSKY**—Margaret J. (Hon), 95; born May 24, 1911, Boise, Idaho; died April 28, 2007, Lebanon, Ore. Surviving: husband, William; son, Willis, Lebanon; daughters, Jo Aline Olson, St. Helena, Calif.; Karen Parker, Scio, Ore.; 8 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

**JOHNSON**—Edna L. (Miller), 89; born March 1, 1918, Red Bluff, Calif.; died July 17, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving:

son Darrel, Walla Walla; 8 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

**LONG**—Kenneth R., 98; born May 22, 1909, Stratton, Neb.; died July 3, 2007, Oroville, Wash. Surviving: sons, Norman, Sandpoint, Idaho; Donald, Red Wing, Minn.; Jay, Oroville; stepsons, William Baxter, Cleveland, Ohio; Michael Baxter, Troy, Ala.; 12 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

**MALIN**—Roxanna S., 64; born April 16, 1943, Seattle; died May 11, 2007, Olympia, Wash. Surviving: parents, Charles and Honora Malin; and brother, Richard Malin, Olympia.

**MCEUNE**—Joan M. (Trowbridge), 81; born Jan. 13, 1926, Dorsetshire County, England; died April 10, 2007, McMinnville, Ore. Surviving: brothers, Malcolm Trowbridge of Oregon; and Dylwin Trowbridge of England.

**MERKLIN**—M. Modeena "Deena" (Breece), 83; born April 4, 1924, Oklahoma City, Okla.; died July 8, 2007, Walla Walla, Wash. Surviving: husband, Lester P. Merklin Sr.; sons, Lester P. Jr., Berrien Springs, Mich.; Marshall, Bonney Lake, Wash.; 3 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

**MOYER**—Joanne (Payne), 71; born June 10, 1936, Grand Mound, Wash.; died June 14, 2007, Centralia, Wash. Surviving: husband, Richard, Napavine, Wash.; sons, Richard, Spanaway, Wash.; Ron, Lebanon, Ore.; Robert, Portland, Ore.; Roger, Napavine; daughters, Rebecca Danial, Richland, Wash.; Jennifer Moyer, Fort Worth, Texas; brothers, Joe Payne, Bridal Veil, Ore.; Frank Payne, Olympia, Wash.; sister, Laura Henry, Grandview, Wash.; 13 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

**OLSON**—Oscar J., 86; born May 6, 1920, Browning, Mont.; died May 16, 2006, Olympia, Wash.

Surviving: wife, Mavis (Flauhaut) Bliss Olson; sons, Jeffrey D. and Lee J. Olson, of California; Richard A. Olson, of Oregon; stepsons, Steven D. Bliss and Gordon A. Bliss, both of Anchorage, Alaska; stepdaughter, Catherine G. Bliss, Anchorage; sister, Hazel E. Lovell, Winchester, Calif.; 8 step-grandchildren and 3 step-great-grandchildren.

**PEARSON**—Ethel M. (Mitchell), 88; born Aug. 30, 1918, Macks Creek, Mo.; died June 10, 2007, Brewster, Wash. Surviving: son, Daniel, Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico; daughter, Betty Ruff, Brewster; sister, Ruby Bradshaw, Fort Collins, Colo.; 2 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

**ROLLINS**—Olga M. (Jensen), 91; born July 3, 1915, Portland, Ore.; died March 4, 2007, La Grande, Ore. Surviving: son, John Martin, Enterprise, Ore.; daughters, Avlys Burton, La Grande; Marian Millman, Taylorsville, Utah; Gladys Ferguson, Dayton, Tenn.; Ora Rollins, La Grande; Verla Collett, College Place, Wash.; Kaethe Fry, La Grande; 27 grandchildren, 5 step-grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, 9 step-great-grandchildren and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

**RUNNING**—Andrew M., 95; born May 1, 1912, Trout Lake, Wash.; died May 8, 2007, Applegate, Ore. Surviving: son, Tom, Medford, Ore.; daughter, Carol Milazzo, Applegate; a grandchild and 4 great-grandchildren.

**TANNICH**—Beatrice A. (Ball) Campbell, 98; born Jan. 21, 1909, Portland, Ore.; died July 10, 2007, Springfield, Ore. Surviving: sons, Conrad Campbell, Springfield; Ramon Campbell, Hollister, Calif.; Dean Campbell, Springfield; Robert Neff, San Antonio, Texas; daughter, Carol Boulden, Beaverton, Ore.; 15 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

**TERRY**—Sylvia L. (Black) Gragg, 72; born Oct. 5, 1934, Asheville, N.C.; died March 15, 2007, Sandpoint, Idaho. Surviving: sons, Danny Terry, Spokane Valley, Wash.; Jim Gragg, Kansas City, Kan.; John Gragg, Bakersfield, Calif.; Mark Gragg, Rathdrum, Idaho; daughter, Laura Terry, Sandpoint; half-brothers, Tim Cleary, Modesto, Calif.; Robin Cleary, Tacoma, Wash.; 15 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

**TOOLEY**—Vernon C., 87; born Aug. 17, 1919, Aurora, Ill.; died July 7, 2007, Colville, Wash. Surviving: wife, Muriel F. (McGee); sons, Dale of West Virginia; Vernon of Maryland; daughters, Rosemary Savage of Florida; Gail Murielt of Maryland; 8 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

**WELLMAN**—Harley W., 79; born May 7, 1927, Loma Linda, Calif.; died March 6, 2007, Lacey, Wash. Surviving: wife, Sharline (Wright) Adams; son, Gary, Lake Stevens, Wash.; stepsons, Mark Adams, Shelton, Wash.; Tim Adams, Tacoma, Wash.; daughter, Gail Thurman, Bellevue, Wash.; stepdaughters, Jennie (Adams) Murphy, Edmonds, Wash.; Molly (Adams) Keough, Lake Orion, Mich.; brother, Ellsworth, Yakima, Wash.; sister, Greta Berry, Loma Linda; 3 grandchildren and 8 step-grandchildren.

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## **NORTH PACIFIC UNION**

### **Offerings**

**Sept. 1**—Local Church Budget; **Sept. 8**—World Budget; Fall Mission Appeal\*; **Sept. 15**—Local Church Budget; **Sept. 22**—Local Conference Advance; **Sept. 29**—NPUC: Alaska Conference; **Sept. 29**—13th Sabbath Offering Overflow: West-Central Africa Division; **Oct. 6**—Local Church Budget.

\*Special Materials Provided

### **Special Days**

#### **Curriculum Focus for the Month—Spiritual Gifts†**

**Aug. 25**—Abuse Prevention Mission Day

†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 UNIVERSITY**

### **Calendar of Events**

**Sept. 1**—Name changes to Walla Walla University; **Sept. 17–21**—Jumpstart; **Sept. 24**—Classes begin; **Sept. 29**—Kraig Scott organ recital, 6 p.m., University Church

### **North Pacific Regional Robotics Challenge**

Registration deadline for the North Pacific Regional Robotics Challenge for elementary and high school-age teams is mid-September 2007 (when kits run out). FIRST Lego League (grades 5–12), go to <http://www.register4fll.com>; Junior FLL (grades 1–4), go to <http://www.legoeducation.com/jfll>. Indicate that you are part of the Adventist Robotics League (ARL). For more information, call (509) 527-2765. The event is hosted at Walla Walla University by the E.F. Cross School of Engineering.

## **OREGON**

### **Estacada Church 75th Anniversary**

**Sept. 8**—All former pastors, members and friends of the

Estacada (Ore.) Church are invited to join us for a celebration of our 75th anniversary. A special church service will be followed by a potluck lunch, and an afternoon meeting will complete the day's celebration. Former members and pastors will be present to tell stories and renew old friendships. All day long there will be time to talk and reminisce with former members and pastors and look at displays of pictures, stories and other memorabilia from our past. Contact us at (503) 665-3530 or [ore.halley1@verizon.net](mailto:ore.halley1@verizon.net).

### **Your Bible Speaks Missing Members**

Your Bible Speaks Church is missing the following members: Darwin Arnold, Dwayne Arnold, Hubert Arnold, Herberto Beltran, Florentino Beltran Jr., Delafabian Branch, Adam Brinkley, Debra Butler, Latresse Carney, Sergio Cisneros, Michael Cosma, Laflecia Crumble, Christine Dandridge, Laray Edwards, Sharon Erickson, Charles Fontleroy, Juanita Fontleroy, Jason Goudeau, Herman Goudy, Angela Grey, Edward Gutierrez, Gaylene Hall, Joseph Hanson, Amanda Haugen, Haugen family, Clayton Holcey, William Holcey, Enesha Holiman, Shalonda Holiman, Shnonya Holiman. If you have any contact information for these missing members, please contact Pattric Parris at (360) 991-7372.

### **CAA Classics Get-Together**

**Sept. 28–30**—Columbia Adventist Academy graduates and attendees of years past will get together at the Hood View Church on Friday evening for "soup and sides" and an evening program planned by the class of '57. Sabbath they will reminisce and listen to a program, also from the class of '57. The fun will continue on Saturday night with memories and music of our great days at CAA. All meals are free! Sabbath dinner is potluck and spaghetti for supper. For information, contact Jim Dixon at (509) 447-2810 or (503) 956-3914 or Elden Walter at (503) 861-3831, (541) 912-7755 or [ek46jl@gmail.com](mailto:ek46jl@gmail.com).

### **Choir Concert at Sharon Church**

**Sept. 29**—The Sharon Church Inspirational Choir invites you to their harvest concert entitled "Heaven on My Mind" where all the gospel selections performed will have a theme of heaven at 6 p.m. at the Sharon Church, 5209 NE 22nd Ave., Portland, Ore. For information, contact (503) 287-7649, [sharonsda@qwest.net](mailto:sharonsda@qwest.net), or go to [www.sharonsda.net](http://www.sharonsda.net).

### **MAA Homecoming 2007**

**Oct. 5–6**—Milo Adventist Academy homecoming will honor the classes ending in "3" or "8." For more information, contact Greg Margart, alumni president, at (707) 443-6488 or [Gregoryncslc@aol.com](mailto:Gregoryncslc@aol.com) or Randy Bovee, principal, at (541) 825-3200 ext. 3313 or [randy.bovee@miiloacademy.org](mailto:randy.bovee@miiloacademy.org).

### **Laurelwood Alumni Reunion**

**Oct. 6**—Laurelwood Adventist Academy alumni, former students and faculty, parents and friends are invited to come enjoy Sabbath School, church and a potluck together on the Gaston campus. Visit with old and new friends and learn the history of the place you called home for your school years. A special invitation is given to the classes ending in "7." For information, contact Penny Messenger at (503) 647-5868 or [Penny-Gil@AutoBodyBeautiful.com](mailto:Penny-Gil@AutoBodyBeautiful.com).

### **Mt. Tabor Church CHIP**

**Oct. 7**—A four-week Cardiac Health Improvement Program (CHIP) starts at the Mt. Tabor Adventist Church, 1001 SE 60th Ave., Portland, Ore. Sunday sessions 6–8 p.m., Mon., Wed., Thurs. sessions 7–9 p.m. Participants should plan to attend one of the four free information and registration sessions prior to Oct. 7. For more information, call (971) 275-3163; or fax (503) 233-0728.

### **PACS Awards Dinner**

**Oct. 14**—Portland Adventist Community Services will host its third annual PACS Awards Dinner on Sunday at 5 p.m. at the Embassy

Suites Hotel by the Portland Airport, and features a gourmet meal, silent auction and a word from retired state senator Frank Shields. For more information or to reserve tickets, contact Carol Paulson at (503) 252-8500, ext. 120.

## **UPPER COLUMBIA**

### **Revelation Now Wenatchee**

**Sept. 21**—An evangelistic series of meetings with Jac and 'dena Colon is coming to the Wenatchee area. The meetings will open at the Adventist Church, 508 North Western Ave., Wenatchee, Wash., at 7:15 p.m. You are welcome to come and invite your friends and relatives.

### **Hayden Lake Church Dedication**

**Sept. 21–22**—Everyone, especially those who have been part of this miracle, are invited to come and celebrate God's goodness with us! The services are as follows: Friday evening, Agape feast and communion service—6:30 p.m., Dick Ruder speaking; Sabbath, Sabbath School classes—9:30 a.m.; Worship service—10:50 a.m., with the testimony theme of "Remembering God's Blessings," Pastor Wayne Kablanow speaking; Fellowship lunch—1 p.m.; Pathfinder drill team—2 p.m.; Church dedication service—2:30 p.m., Elder Max Torkelsen II speaking, "Burning the Mortgage."

### **Upper Columbia Conference Constituency Session**

Notice is hereby given that the 75th session of the Upper Columbia Conference will convene in the Upper Columbia Academy convocation center at Spangle, Wash., on Sunday, **Sept. 30**, at 9 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers and departmental directors for the ensuing term and to transact such other business as may come before the session. Each organized church in the Conference shall be represented at the session of the Conference by two delegates plus one delegate for each 75 members, or major fraction





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## Pasco 100-year Celebration

**Oct. 19–20**—The Pasco Riverview Church will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Adventist work in the Tri-Cities and the 50th anniversary of the Riverview Church dedication. A time capsule that was placed behind the cornerstone during the 1957 dedication is to be opened in 2007. The weekend will include a Tri-City Men's Chorus concert and the former Impact singing group. All members, former members and friends are cordially invited to attend this very special weekend. For

information, contact (509) 547-4998 or [riverview@pascosda.com](mailto:riverview@pascosda.com).

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### Washington SAGE Seniors Calendar

**Sept. 5–9**—Convention at beautiful Camp Hope, British Columbia. A mini-camp meeting for seniors. **Sept. 28–Oct. 9**—East Coast fall colors and Canadian maritimes tour. **Jan. 13–31**—Volunteers needed to build a church on a mission trip to Osorno, Chile. Call (253) 681-6008, or go to [www.sage-washington.com](http://www.sage-washington.com).

### Marysville Concert

**Sept. 17**—Joe Pearles concert at 7 p.m. in the Marysville Church, 12012 51st Ave. N.E., Marysville, Wash.

## Answers to Crossword Puzzles on Page 4

### 3rd Quarter, Level 1, Lesson 10

#### Across

- Baby (4)
- Uriah (5)
- Sin (3)
- Wife (4)
- Lies (4)
- Rumors (6)
- David (5)

#### Down

- Passion (7)
- Throne (6)
- Wives (5)
- Lord (4)
- Mind (4)

### 3rd Quarter, Level 1, Lesson 11

#### Across

- Elijah (6)
- Sin (3)
- Cult (4)
- Law (3)
- Omri (4)
- Baal (4)

#### Down

- Power (5)
- Sidon (5)
- Selfish (7)
- Temple (6)
- Pagan (5)

### 3rd Quarter, Level 1, Lesson 12

#### Across

- Ahaz (4)
- Baker (5)
- Sin (3)
- Wife (4)
- Prophet (7)
- Gomer (5)
- Idols (5)

#### Down

- Home (4)
- Rain (4)
- Isaiah (6)
- Jezreel (7)
- Guilt (5)

### 3rd Quarter, Level 1, Lesson 13

#### Across

- Judah (5)
- Idols (5)
- Years (5)
- Exiles (6)

#### Down

- Heal (4)
- Punish (6)
- Sins (4)
- Loyalty (7)
- Yahweh (6)
- Sin (3)
- Fee (3)

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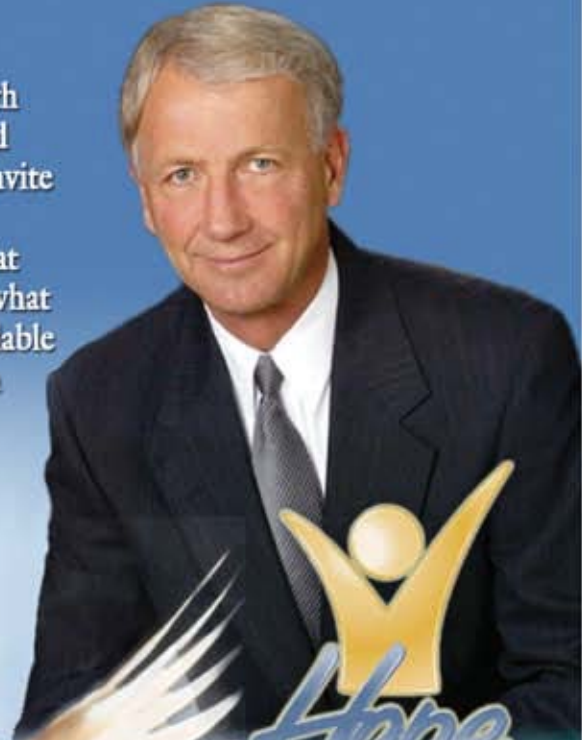


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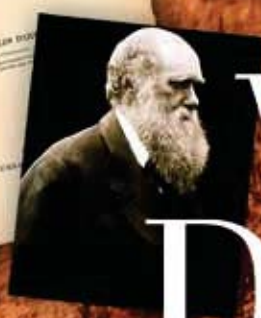
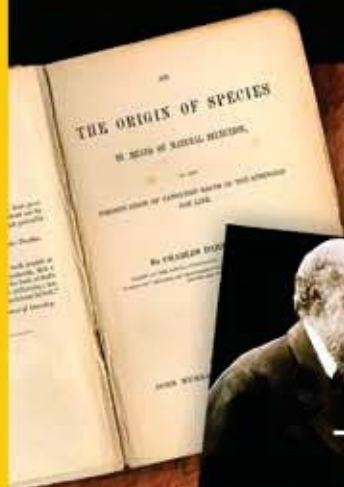
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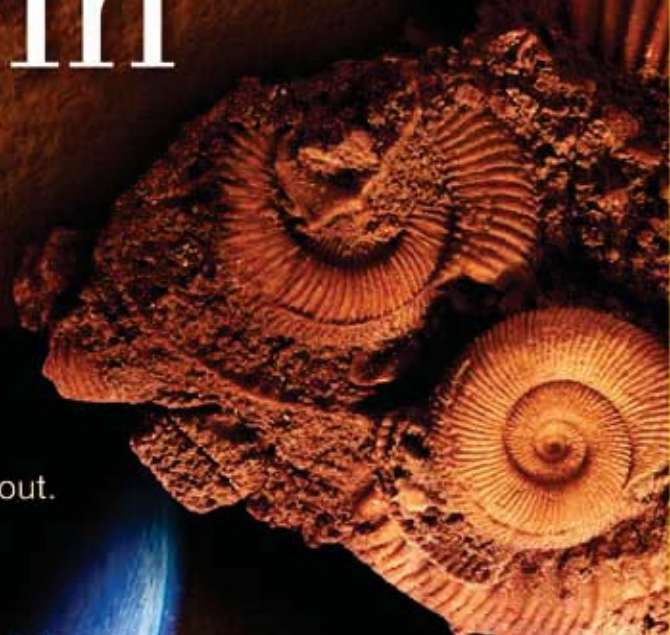
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