Fire Breaks Out at a WWU Apartment

On Sunday evening, Aug. 23, a fire broke out in the southeast unit of Mountain View Apartments on the campus of Walla Walla University (WWU). All residents were safely evacuated and the fire was put out. The cause of the fire is unknown, but fire officials say it's "not suspicious." The apartment units in the building will be unusable until an investigation into the cause of the fire is complete, all utilities are restored and the damage from the fire can be repaired. In the meantime, all residents of the building will be housed in the university residence halls until additional housing can be located. Read more on WWU's website and the Walla Walla Union-Bulletin online.
Outreach Mission Trip to NW

This is turning out to be one of the worst forest fires seasons in the Northwest. A call for help has been extended to faith-based organizations to help families recover from these disasters. The Washington Conference is arranging a 2015 Community Rebuilding Mission Trip for Oct. 25 to Nov. 2 in Okanogan County, Wash. For more information on how you can help rebuild homes and lives during this mission trip, visit the Washington Conference website.

Motorcycle Ministries Impact Sturgis

Northwest representatives from Adventist Motorcycle Ministries and Sabbath Keepers motorcycle ministry were present at the 75th annual motorcycle rally in Sturgis, S.D., Aug. 3–9. Led by Richard Olson and Paul Lattig, the groups ministered to hundreds of attendees, many with little to no regular connection to Christian teachings. Thousands of books and materials were shared, including Live to 101, a sharing book created by the North Pacific Union Conference for trade shows, and newly printed by the Pacific Press.

New Pacific Press VP

Robert Congleton has been named the new vice president for production at Pacific Press, replacing Larry Johnson. Congleton joined Pacific Press in 1984 and has held several positions in the last 30 years. One of his accomplishments at Pacific Press was the establishment of Copy Express, the in-house and graphic services printing facility with former vice president for production, Chuck Bobst. In January of this year, Congleton was made production manager for the plant. Congleton will begin his new position as vice president effective immediately.
Walla Walla General Hospital to Provide Health Services at WWU

Walla Walla General Hospital/Adventist Health and Walla Walla University (WWU) announced Adventist Health will provide health services for WWU students, faculty and staff on the university campus in College Place, Wash., beginning Sept. 1, 2015. The partnership represents a new model of campus health care at WWU that will offer 24-hour access to an advanced registered nurse practitioner, a medical assistant, or an on-call physician. The clinic will provide insurance billing, so those who come to the clinic should be prepared to present their insurance card, driver's license and/or WWU ID card. The clinic will remain in Meske Hall on the university campus, but future plans include a new location. Read more from Adventist Health.

NPUC Children's Leadership Conference

If you interact with children from birth to earliteens, you'll want to attend the Children's Leadership Conference scheduled for Sept. 24–27, 2015, at the Doubletree by Hilton in Portland, Ore. The event will not only feature 90 seminar training options, but also general sessions, network support building and an environment that fosters further ideas. Children's ministry leaders, elementary teachers, parents, pastors, VBS leaders or Adventurer leaders will find topics of interest here. Presentations will be conducted by Brenda Walsh, Tina Houser, Dan Linrud, Terry Johnsson, Aunt Bessie, Sherri Uhrig, Lisa and Brad Gary and many more. Registration is $99/person through Sept.1. Lodging is discounted through Aug. 31. For registration information, visit the NPUC website or call 360-857-7033.
The Session

The diversity of the Seventh-day Adventist world church was on dramatic display at this summer’s General Conference Session in San Antonio, Texas. Nearly 60,000 Adventists braved the heat and humidity of San Antonio for the 60th GC Session, held July 2–11. Some local officials and media outlets characterized the meeting as the largest and longest ever held in the city’s history. Twenty-one delegates represented the North Pacific Union Conference. Read a Northwest report on the session and link to an extensive gallery of images via the September issue of the Gleaner at GleanerNow.com.

Non-Profit Leadership Certification

The North American Division Non-profit Leadership Certification Program, sponsored by Adventist Community Services, (Session 2) will be held Sept. 14–17 at the Washington Conference office in Federal Way, Wash. This is a powerful, leadership development program that equips pastors and lay leaders with the latest strategies and professional skills to successfully lead in non-profit management and community outreach ministries. You may take session 2 before session 1. Registration is $150/attendee through Aug. 27. For more details and to register, visit the Adventist Community Services website.

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