JCI4, the NAD Youth Ministry Prayer Conference, just finished and what an event it was! If you have "liked" the NAD Facebook page, you have received regular updates and a schedule and link for watching it live, online. Here is the link to the Just Claim It! News Wrap Up broadcast video that was shared with the attendees on Saturday night. MORE

All 28 presentations from the January Theology of Ordination Study Committee (TOSC) meetings are now exclusively available online at the Archives and Statistics TOSC page. Download as a helpful resource to study the Bible- and Spirit of Prophecy-based approaches to both sides of the ordination issue for yourself. NAD TOSC Presentations

This week I attended the Just Claim It! conference, held in Orlando, Fla. I was able to spend an hour and a half talking with the youth, answering questions. It was great and I loved it!

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Prayer Call, First Thursday night of most months
Mar. 16-23, Adventist Community Services Convention (cruise)
Mar. 20-22, SONscreen Film Festival
Mar 28-30, Children's Leadership Conference
May 1-4, Summit on Abuse
June 2-6, Nonprofit Leadership Certification-I Program
June 24-27, PSI Conference on Philanthropy
deadline for entries is March 1, and the late fee deadline is March 7. The festival showcases a variety of films, often ones that reflect themes such as redemption, tolerance, equality, truth and hope. These are not exclusive by any means, but preference is given to films that in some way share their narrative from a faith-based perspective, or one of creative inspiration that appeals to the human spirit. **REGISTER**

The **SONscreen Film Festival** will be held March 20-22 on the Southern Adventist University campus in Collegedale, Tenn. **MORE**

Join the NAD Prayer Ministry team on Thursday, March 6, for an all-night prayer teleconference, 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. ET. Call 712-432-0031; access code is 435650#. Each half hour will have a different leader. Join any time during the call, even if you can participate for only a few minutes. Invite your friends and family. To become a prayer warrior for evangelism and receive weekly prayer requests send an email to nadprayerministries@gmail.com. Download a bulletin insert (four/page) for your church. **MORE**

Oakwood University is again entering the Retool Your School Home Depot competition. Because they won the top prize of $50,000 last year, they are not eligible for the Tier 1 grants this year. However, they are eligible for the campus grant, which would be for the reseeding of their athletic fields. **VOTE** for Oakwood as often as possible. **Subscribe** to insideOakwood, OU's new enews service.

Would you like to see and study the Sabbath school lessons from 1888? **Sabbath school lessons from 1888 to 2004** have been made available online by the GC Archives and Statistics Department. You may want to bookmark this resource.

Learn about **Mysterious Secret Mysteries** of Adventist Publishing, a video from the Review and Herald Publishing Association that is spoof of a History Channel show.

#rectangularshapes #timetravel. **MORE**

The month of February has been Black History Month. You can learn all about Seventh-day Adventist Church Black History at [http://www.blacksdahistory.org/](http://www.blacksdahistory.org/), a site operated by the Center for Ethnic Adventist History Studies.
Did you know that God designed families?
Fundamental Beliefs #23 from My Way to Jesus

Watch the video

Just "Click" to share your beliefs: The Fundamental Beliefs videos and other updates are shared on the My Way to Jesus Facebook page and from there onto the NAD Facebook page. Both updates link back to www.MyWaytoJesus.com, NAD's "seeker site." The site offers options such as sending a prayer request, enrolling in the Discover Bible Course, watching a beliefs video, and provides a connection to Adventist Information Ministry where people can chat with someone about spiritual issues or things that are troubling them. "Like" these pages on Facebook, and then share the updates with your friends.

You can share the Beliefs videos on your own website: Just go to www.vimeo.com/channels/didyouknow for the entire video series and click on the "Share" button in the upper right corner of a specific video for the embed code, or to share on social media or email it to a friend.

REACH North America

REACH: Community Outreach and Evangelism
Someone Cares Prison Ministry; Children of Prisoners

Someone Cares Prison Ministry is a non-profit faith ministry that has been run by Seventh-day Adventists Don and Yvonne McClure for the past 20 years. They assist Christians who would like to reach out to inmates in major and minor prisons by providing a risk-free letter correspondence program. This is a ministry that almost anyone can participate in, whether home-bound or active. They will provide you with the name and a short description of an inmate who would like to write to a Christian individual. There is no need to divulge your personal information such as your address because you can send and receive letters through Someone Cares. MORE

In the United States, there are more than 2.7 million children with a parent in prison. You can also help these children without leaving your home. Real magazine is raising $15,000 to print and mail 8,000 copies to children in the U.S., Canada, and the Caribbean. MORE

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La Grange Hospital Foundation hits fundraising goal | The Doings Weekly

Community Memorial Foundation President Greg DiDomenico (left) with La Grange Memorial Hospital Foundation Executive Director Brett Skeen. | Provided

Following a decade of hard work, the La Grange Memorial Hospital Foundation has reached a fundraising milestone.

The foundation has reached a mark of $15 million raised since its re-inception 10 years ago. The money was raised in collaboration with the Community Memorial Foundation.

The two foundations share a history. The hospital’s foundation was dissolved when a for-profit entity, Columbia/HCA, purchased the hospital. The assets from the sale in 1995 helped establish the Community Memorial Foundation. The La Grange Memorial Hospital Foundation was re-established when Adventist Midwest Health purchased the hospital.

When it was reformed, the foundation set a $10 million fundraising goal to support construction of the hospital’s Patient Care Center, said Brett Skeen, executive director with the La Grange Memorial Hospital Foundation. It asked the Community Memorial Foundation to become an investor in the project.

The Community Memorial Foundation offered an outright donation of $5 million to the hospital over five years. It then offered to donate another $5 million if the hospital would match that amount over an additional five years.

The Community Memorial Foundation has been proud to partner with the hospital foundation to strengthen services, said Greg DiDomenico, president and chief executive officer with the Community Memorial Foundation.

“Community Memorial’s $10 million investment in the hospital’s Patient Care Center was an impactful way to strengthen a community asset that aims to improve health at every stage of life,” DiDomenico said. “Creating healthy community environments, empowering our community partners and eliminating health and social disparities are at the core of both of our organizations.”

With this goal reached, the hospital’s foundation is looking forward to its next fundraising projects. These include the Adventist Cancer Institute, which will house cancer services provided by both Adventist La Grange Memorial and Hinsdale hospitals, as well as a proposed renovation of the hospital’s emergency department.
Yakima Valley Dairy Ambassador Katie Hutchins, presents a $250 check to the Seventh-day Adventist Community Food Bank as part of her visit to the Yakima Valley this week. Also pictured (L-R) are food bank volunteers Luis Ochoa, Pastor Larry Mays, Bill Crane, Velda Crane and Gammaleo Arredondo. Photo provided by LaVonne Boogerd

February is turning out to be a busy month for Katie Hutchins. The Yakima Valley Dairy Ambassador not only is making a number of personal appearances at the high school district and state championship contests, she is busy promoting dairy products locally.

This past week, the young woman made stops at several Lower Yakima Valley food banks, making cash donations to the agencies.

“We’re hoping the food banks will spend the money on dairy products, of course,” she explained.

Accompanied by LaVonne Boogerd, Yakima Valley Dairy Ambassador chaperone, Hutchins visited the Seventh-day Adventist Community Food Bank in Sunnyside and the food bank at Nuestra Casa, both in Sunnyside. She also made a stop at the Jubilee Food Bank in Prosser.

“Each of the food banks received $250,” she said, adding the funds were the proceeds earned from ice cream sales at held by the Yakima Valley Dairy Women at the annual Central Washington State Fair.

“It is our goal to promote dairy products, while giving something back to our communities,” explained Boogerd
The Seventh-Day Adventist Church is a denomination known primarily for its keeping of the Saturday Sabbath.

It's grown to 18 million members worldwide, and its birthplace is in the town of Washington.

It was in the mid-19th century when the Adventist movement first began to form in the small New Hampshire town.

As part of our continuing series, Marking History, NHPR’s Michael Brindley travels to the white wooden church in Washington where the first group of Sabbath-keepers met.

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Oakwood University's Aeolians celebrate three gold medals with a championship in one category at the end of the World Choir Games in July 2012. The nationally respected group will host the biennial Festival of Spirituals at Oakwood University's campus church on Sunday, Feb. 23, 2014. (Courtesy of Adventist News Network)

The free Festival of Spirituals will be held Sunday, Feb. 23, 2014, at the campus church of Oakwood University, at 5500 Adventist Blvd. in Huntsville, beginning 3 p.m. The festival continues a tradition begun by Dr. Richard Arrington in the 1970s to celebrate Black History Month when Arrington was director of Alabama’s Center for Higher Education. Oakwood took over as host site under the leadership of Dr. Roy Malcom in 1996.

Follow this link for the story written in 2012 by Pat Ammons about the 2012 Festival of Spirituals.

Follow this link for Kay Campbell's story about the Aeolian triumphs at the 2012 World Choir Games.