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100 Union Educators to Benefit From $14K Commonweal Grant

The Columbia Union Conference Board of Education recently received a $14,000 grant from the Commonweal Foundation to fund the three-day “Differentiated Instruction for the 21st Century” workshop. Some 100 instructional leaders (superintendents, associate superintendents, principals/teachers) at union schools will be able to take advantage of the training. According to Donovan Ross, an associate director in the union’s Office of Education, the training kick-starts a recent board of education approval of “a four- to -five-year plan to place a sustained, deliberate, union-wide emphasis on differentiated instruction.”

The term ‘Differentiated Instruction’ has become somewhat of a buzzword over the last few years as it recognizes that each student learns differently and emphasizes that teachers multiple tools to reflect varied learning styles. The training takes place at the union office in Columbia, Md., June 11-13.—Story by Taashi Rowe
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New Study Asks Why Members Leave

The Seventh-day Adventist Church has launched the “Adventist Retention Study” to ask young people why they are leaving the church. The 20-minute survey can be found at facebook.com/adventistretentionstudy. This is the second phase of a General Conference-commissioned study by Southern Adventist University’s (Tenn.) Robert H. Pierson Institute of Evangelism and World Missions. The first study, conducted in 2011 and titled “Former Seventh-day Adventist Perceptions of the
Seventh-day Adventist Church," surveyed 190 former members in the United States. Writer Andy Nash discusses the results of that study in the March 21 Adventist Review article titled “Beyond Belief.”—Story by Visitor Staff

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**Potomac Member Shares Conversion Story Thru Addiction Seminars**

At the height of the mid-to-late-90s tech boom, Mike Onoffrey was living most people's dream. He founded and headed a multimillion dollar company for which he had a consuming passion. But one July night in 2001, he was lying in bed at the lowest point of his life. In desperation, he cried out to the God he grew up hearing about in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. This was a God he had heard and read about so many times, but did not know. "God, if You're out there, and You're listening to me, I need You right now more than I've ever needed You," he cried. "If You will save me from this pain that I've created, I will give You a real chance in my life and devote my days to getting to know You and serve You."

That night, at age 40, Onoffrey met God in his heart and his life has not been the same since. He is now so passionate about God that he started a ministry called Utter Wonders. Next Sabbath this Vienna (Va.) church member (pictured with this family) will lead a seminar on overcoming addictions at Potomac Conference's new Community Praise Center-Dulles. It starts at 3 p.m. For more information, visit [utterwonders.com](http://utterwonders.com) or call Onoffrey at (703) 203-7557.—Story by Potomac Conference Staff

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**Former Columbia Union, Allegheny East Youth Ministries Director Dies**

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Seventh-day Adventist Church on multiple levels for some 60 years, died on April 3 at his home in Georgia. He was 88. He began his career in the Allegheny East Conference (AEC) in 1951 as a pastor-evangelist for some 13 churches. In 1963 he joined the conference office where he led several ministries for some 10 years. He went on to serve six years as director of Youth Ministries and Health and Temperance for the Columbia Union Conference. From 1982 to 1993 he served the world church as Youth Ministries director in the African-Indian Ocean Division. When he retired in 1994, he continued serving in the AEC for another seven years as a volunteer trust officer, director of senior citizen housing and eventually as president of the Fifty-Plus Association.

Davis is survived by Elizabeth, his wife of 65 years; his daughter, Elizabeth Davis-Bell; his son, Danny, and his wife, Kathy; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at the Pine Forge (Pa.) church on April 28 at 1 p.m.—Story by Visitor Staff
Worthington Foods, where he joined a team of pioneers in the vegetarian food industry. He was CEO of Worthington Foods when he retired in 1985, and continued with the company on their board of trustees. He was as instrumental in planning and building both churches and the associated school.

A celebration of Buller’s life will be held at 4 p.m., Saturday, April 13 at the Worthington church, which is located at 385 East Dublin-Granville Road. Contributions may be made in his memory to the donor’s charity of choice.

**READ HIS FULL OBITUARY HERE**

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### New Hope Channel Show to Address Addictions

The Hope Channel’s new television show, "Unhooked," focuses on behaviors of and treatment options for common addictions. On "Unhooked," you will hear survivors tell their stories, clinical experts explain behaviors and treatment options and pastors point to Jesus who brings emotional and spiritual strength. Guest experts along with hosts Kiti Frier Randall, PhD; Pastor Bernie Anderson; and David Sedlacek, PhD; will offer viewers clarity and hope for change. Each addiction is approached from a scientific perspective and yet the content is kept practical, simple and easy to understand. The show also includes contact information for those who need immediate help in overcoming their addictions—or who are just looking for someone with whom to talk or pray.

"Unhooked" is made possible through a partnership between Hope Channel, Versacare, North...
American Division’s Health Ministries department and Adventist Recovery Ministries. The show airs on Sundays at 9 p.m. and Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. EST. Learn more at unhooked.hopetv.org.—Story by Fylvia Fowler Kline

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**Photo of the Week: Baby Blessings Times Three**

Proud grandmothers and sisters Theresa Brinkley, a member of the Emmanuel church in Newport, News, Va., and Verina Soremekun, a member of the Mitchellville church in Largo, Md., recently celebrated the blessing of their grandchildren Joseph Adetola Soremekun II, JoDell Jerome Batson Jr. and Markell Brinkley Jr. Henry Fordham, president of the Allegheny East Conference, is pictured holding one of the babies.

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**The Visitor Invites Members to Submit Original Poems**

If you write poems about God’s love, answers to prayer or any other inspirational or spiritual theme, you could get published in the Visitor magazine—and be a blessing to others! Entrants could win a first-place prize in three age categories—6-10, 11-17, or 18 and over—or win the grand prize. There will also be a special category of “poetweets”—poems of 140 characters or less uploaded to Twitter @VisitorNews using #VisitorPoetweet. All styles are welcome and must be unpublished.

Submit entries by May 10 to sjones@columbiaunion.net or mail to Visitor Poetry Contest, 5427 Twin Knolls Rd., Columbia, MD 21045.
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Si usted escribe poemas sobre el amor de Dios, la contestación a la oración, u otros temas inspiradores o espirituales, usted podría salir en la revista Visitor—¡y a la vez bendecir a otros!

Los participantes podrían ganar el premio de primer lugar en categorías de tres edades—6 a 10, 11 a 17, o mayores de 18 años—o ganar el gran premio de obras inéditas. También habrá una categoría especial de “poetastweets”—poemas de ciento cuarenta caracteres o menos cargado a Twitter @VisitorNews usando #VisitorPoetweet. Se aceptan todos los estilos en inglés o español. Envíe los a más tardar el 1ro de mayo a sjones@columbiaunion.net o por correo a Visitor Poetry Contest, 5427 Twin Knolls Rd., Columbia, MD 21045.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Click here for a complete listing of upcoming events around the Columbia Union Conference.

MARYLAND

April 12: The Frederick Adventist School (FAS) is hosting a pre-K Experience Day from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Parents and prospective Pre-K students will get to observe firsthand what FAS has to offer. To reserve a spot, contact the school at (301) 663-0363 or send an email to FrederickAdventistSchool@gmail.com.

April 12: Join the New Hope Young Adults and Washington Spanish Music Team this Friday for Restore. The Washington Spanish Music Team will be leading the worship-filled evening. Refreshments and fellowship start at 7 p.m., the program starts at 7:30 p.m. The event will take place at the New Hope church, which is located at 12350 Hall Shop Road in Fulton, Md. Get more information on the New Hope Young Adult Facebook page.

April 13-14: Interested in Puppet Ministry? A Puppet Ministry Certification class, sponsored by North American Division (NAD) Children’s Ministries, takes place at the Kid’s Ministry Center, Review and Herald Publishing Association, 55 West Oak Ridge Drive in Hagerstown, Md. Expert puppeteers will teach puppet manipulation, black light puppets, beginning ventriloquism and more. The cost is $50. To register, visit kidsministryideas.org, or call Phyllis Washington, NAD Children’s Ministries director, at (301) 680-6425.

April 14: Washington Adventist University’s annual Fun Festival starts at noon and ends at 5 p.m. The festival will consist of health and wellness presentations, a farmer’s market, healthy food demonstrations, fun activities for kids of all ages and a showcase of musical artists and performances. Free workshops will cover English as a Second Language, Hope for
Today Bible studies, parenting and family seminars, children’s programs and finance seminars. They will also provide food from area restaurants. WAU’s Acro-Airs will also perform. Learn more at wau.edu/festival.

April 19-21: The Middletown Valley church invites you to attend a seminar titled “Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage.” The April 19 session runs 7:30-9:30 p.m. The Sabbath, April 20 service will include a potluck at 1 p.m., followed by a seminar at 3 p.m. The Sunday 9 a.m. seminar will be followed by a brunch at Dutch’s Daughter at 12:30 p.m. Register by April 12 by contacting Lynne Williams at (301) 371-6887. The cost to attend this program is $10 per couple, which includes materials and light refreshments on Friday evening (brunch is not included). The church is located at 1811 Arnold Road in Jefferson, Md.

April 21: Takoma Academy is hosting a 5K race and fun run with proceeds going to the Worthy Student and Matching Fund. Those funds raised help alleviate financial barriers for those families desiring to be in a Christian environment. Participants will meet at 8 a.m. at the Washington Adventist University gym located at 7600 Flower Avenue in Takoma Park, Md. For more information and to register, contact Pam at homeschool@rpcsda.org.

NEW JERSEY
April 26-28: Trinity Temple Academy’s alumni, family and friends are invited to celebrate the academy’s 80th anniversary during this year’s alumni weekend. Organizers will be celebrating and honoring classmates and graduates, presenting alumni awards and rededicating themselves to the future of the school. The weekend begins at the school with a meet and greet with guest speaker and alumnus Pastor Marvin McLean. On Sabbath Pastor Ronald Reeves, an alumnus, will speak for the divine service at Trinity Temple, which is located in Hillside, N.J. Saturday night’s event, called “The Celebration of Trinity Temple Academy,” will take place at the Pantagis Renaissance featuring guest speaker Pastor S. Peter Campbell and performances by a live band. On Sunday there will be a special alumni brunch at Trinity Temple, 11 to 2 p.m. For more information, visit trinitytempleacademy.com.

PENNSYLVANIA
April 12-14: Allegheny East Conference’s youth retreat is open to young people between the ages of 14 and 18. Some of the topics will include “I’m a Seventh-day Adventist ... So What?”; “Tattoos, Jewelry, Hip Hop ... What’s the Big Deal?” and “Can Seventh-day Adventists Have Swag?” Youth are encouraged to bring their friends to an interactive, fun-filled, spiritual weekend! The cost is $50 per person (includes housing, meals and attendee bag). The retreat will be held in Pine Forge, Pa. To register, contact LaTasha Hewitt at (610) 326-4610 or lhewitt@myalleghenyeast.com or visit aecyouth.com.

WASHINGTON, D.C.
April 19-20: Capitol Hill church’s ConneXus Singles Ministry Summit will feature special guest, Andrea D. Hicks, founder of FOCUS. Ministries (Fellowship of Christians Unique and Single). The program starts at 7:30 p.m. on Friday with an interactive vespers titled “Managing Your Sexual Desires” and continues on Sabbath at 4 p.m. with an interactive panel discussion.

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titled “It’s Not YOU, It’s Me: Reasons for Break-ups.” For more information, contact Michael Wright at connexusministry@yahoo.com.

April 21: Celebrity Chef Mark Anthony will be at the Capital Memorial church (CMC) for a free cooking demonstration, dinner and message. Anthony has done cooking shows in every single state in the country. He has had spotlight coverage in dozens of newspapers and magazines around the country, has published four books and appears regularly on 3ABN. John Kelly, MD, a lifestyle medicine specialist, will also be a special guest to introduce the LivingWell/Complete Health Improvement Program (CHIP), which CMC will be hosting this fall. The event runs from 3 to 5:30 p.m. The church is located at 3150 Chesapeake Street in northwest. There is no fee, but registration is required so we have enough food. For more information, send an email to capitalmemorialchurch@verizon.net or call (202) 362-3668.

WEST VIRGINIA
April 16: The Berkeley Springs church will host its monthly supper club with a free vegetarian/vegan meal for members and community visitors. The menu will include Southwestern type foods and gluten-free dishes. For more information, contact Lisa Shingleton, Health Ministries director, in the evenings at (304) 672-1534 or (304) 258-2739. The church is located at 3606 Valley Road (Highway 522 South) in West Virginia.

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Germantown Members Highlight God’s Love in Easter Production

Story by Armina N. McElveen; Photos by Robert Gonzalez Published 4/9/13

Germantown church members in Philadelphia perform the stage play, The 2nd Adam.

I recently had the pleasure of witnessing Playwright Ina E. Farrell’s emotional, heart-wrenching play The 2nd Adam at Allegheny East Conference’s Germantown church in Philadelphia. The play, which was performed over Easter weekend, was also streamed live over the Internet. As they lowered the lights, I entered the world of The 2nd Adam, which was a modern–day home replete with functional appliances, a city park area, a street light and a pedestrian crossing sign. There was also an area for flashbacks to Eden and the wilderness, the Garden of Gethsemane, Calvary and the resurrection tomb. The beautiful set, designed by local designer Britt Plunket, and decorated by a team of in–house volunteers, led by Andréa Anderson, stage manager, displayed many props and accessories gathered from cast and crew members' homes. One church member, Elestia Williams, said she felt like she was in her own living room. In addition to the prop family photos visible to the audience from the fireplace, there was an old baseball painting of a young boy on the wall who resembled the lead character Adam, played by Owhens Delva. I found the attention to detail was quite impressive.

The play dealt with issues many Christians face because of the demanding and sometimes harsh, sinful world in which we live. Adam McIntyre, his wife, and two teenage children move in with his parents after losing their home due to his poor choices many of which were a result of Satan’s manipulation. Things for the McIntyres spiral out of control until his parents step in to help.
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Many who attended the Friday and Saturday night shows said the performance was amazing and a blessing. Marion Brown said, “The play was awesome. It was as if Ina Farrell brought Jesus to life.” Christopher Thompson said he and his wife “felt a great desire to cling to the cross. After this performance, we can’t help but ask ourselves, where we stand with our relationship with God. The cast was amazing.”

Bissett Durham, a Chestnut Hill church member, said, “I was moved to tears. I was convinced that I have to have a deeper relationship with God. Thank God for a second chance.”

Germantown’s Pathfinders went door to door distributing flyers and free tickets to the community. From that effort, nearly 60 percent of the attendees on one evening were not Adventists and not Germantown church members. “Theater has a way of reaching folks in ways that are different from other media, and when Christ is the central focus, people aren’t just entertained, lives are changed. That’s what we’re about—being the catalyst for lasting and meaningful change in the lives of others,” Farrell shared.

The entire cast of the 2nd Adam play perform their finale.

Director Ina Farrell is pictured at work before showtime.
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Though he was ill for the past few years, Davis’ wife, Elizabeth, said he was still very alert and committed to his faith. She said that visitors to their home one day asked him to share why he married Elizabeth, and he said, “She led me to the church. She led me to God.”

Elizabeth shared that although he was a Christian when they met, Davis knew nothing about the Adventist Church. He learned about the church after he left the military and began attending Friday night services at her house. “He just fell in love with this church and fell in love with God,” she said. “He was coming to church for a whole year and paying tithe before he was baptized. My husband discovered Daniel 2 and that convinced him of the truth of the Adventist Church.”

Davis was a medical student at the University of Pittsburgh when he visited Oakwood College (Ala.). After doing so he transferred schools to continue his medical training, but soon switched to the ministry. “We’ve thoroughly enjoyed the ministry of the Seventh–day Adventist Church,” Elizabeth said.

According to his wife, when Davis became a Youth Ministries director in the Africa–India Division, he was only the second black American to do so. Davis, whose name graces AEC’s Camp Danny Davis youth camp, was also credited for innovations in outreach, Prison Ministries, community services and Pathfinders.

Charles Cason, a former AEC area Pathfinder coordinator who worked with Davis for decades, starting in the 1960s remembers Davis as “good people” and someone who was very supportive of other people’s ideas. Cason also recalls working with Davis during the Civil Rights Movement in D.C. and Baltimore. “We helped feed people and distributed clothing down at the Lincoln monument,” Cason recalled.

Davis leaves behind Elizabeth, his wife of 65 years; his daughter, Elizabeth Davis–Bell; his son, Danny and his wife, Kathy; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at the Pine Forge (Pa.) church on April 28 at 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to:
The National Pine Forge Academy Alumni Association P. O. Box 241 Pine Forge, PA 19548
Sympathy cards may be sent to: Mrs. Elizabeth Davis & Family 2781 Long Way Decatur, GA 30032 Elizabethbell_ccr@yahoo.com

Tributes can be shared on the Allegheny East Conference Youth Ministries Facebook page.

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Allan R. Buller, 95, of Worthington, passed away at home Saturday, March 23, 2013, holding the hand of his wife Mickey and surrounded by other family. He was born December 2, 1917 in Morse, Saskatchewan, Canada to the late Jacob and Stella Buller, who later emigrated to South Dakota and then Michigan.

Allan attended grade school in Michigan, graduated from Andrews University in Berrien Springs, and later received an MBA at OSU. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII as a staff sergeant. At 24, and supervising a staff of 8, he accomplished in 1 month the complete stocking of a 1400-bed military field hospital.

He married college sweetheart Mickey Walberg in 1942. After the war, they moved to Worthington for Allan’s new job at Worthington Foods, where he joined an innovative team of pioneers in the vegetarian food industry. He was CEO of Worthington Foods when he retired in 1985, and continued with the company on their Board of Trustees.

He was a longtime member of the Worthington Seventh-day Adventist Church and was instrumental in planning and building both churches and the associated school.

Allan was a great accomplisher; he worked hard and played hard. He was a fan of any OSU Buckeye team, and was a lifelong golfer, once playing in a dream foursome with Jack Nicklaus and Bob Hope.

He was a founding member of the Worthington Prayer Breakfast, and a member of the Worthington Chamber of Commerce, Lions, Rotary Club, Harding Evans Foundation and many other organizations. He was involved in a wide range of charitable projects, too many to list; all were close to his heart.

He was a great traveler; with his wife, he traveled to 50 states and 48 countries on 6 continents. He was very active in hiking, camping, and planning the famous “annual family vacation”. He enjoyed carpentry, a skill he learned from his father. He kept an immaculate
yard and was proud to win “Yard of the Month”.

Allan was a devoted and loving son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Lloyd Buller and sisters, Verda Trickett and Bertha Steeger. He is survived by his beloved wife of 70 years, Mickey; daughters C.B. Buller, Jann Buller (John Curran), Suzy Juarros (Thom), and son Allan “Al” G. Buller; and grandchildren, Amanda Crump, Sierra Juarros (Chris Arnett), and Savannah Juarros.

Friends are invited to visit with family on Thursday, March 28, 2013 from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Schoedinger Worthington Chapel, 6699 N. High St., Worthington.

A celebration of Allan Buller’s life will be held at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, April 13, 2013 at the Worthington Seventh-day Adventist Church, 385 E. Dublin-Granville Rd., Worthington. Contributions may be made in his memory to the donor’s charity of choice. For on-line information or sharing, please visit www.schoedinger.com.
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I met Allan Buller in Camp Grant, Il in late 1943 or early 1944. Incidentally, I believe he was a Master Sgt. He was helpful, along with another Sgt, in seeing that we were able to observe the Sabbath while in Camp Grant. I have never forgotten him and I have followed his career. May the Lord comfort his family in this time of sadness.

G.M.Freeman

Gerard M. Freeman - 13 hours ago

Our heartfelt sympathy to Mickey and the family of Allan R. Buller. Allan was a charter member of The Rotary Club of Dublin-Worthington. His generosity and leadership will always be remembered.

The Board of Directors and members of Allan's Rotary Club

Shirley Lambert - March 31 at 03:56 PM

"I did not have the privilege of knowing Mr. Buller personally but as an alum of AU and a chaplain on the campus, I was moved by his generous spirit that placed the well-being of others ahead of himself. If Christ should delay His return, unborn generations will be blessed by the sacrificial gift he and his family gave to our university to train and prepare young adults for time and eternity. May his family & loved ones find comfort and strength in the generous legacy he has left for us all to follow. Our sincerest condolences and prayers are with you."

Chaplain Timothy P. Nixon, Andrews University

Timothy Nixon - March 26 at 06:27 PM

Thank you so much for sharing this with all of us. You can trace the foundation of my Dad's life to his years at Emmanuel Missionary College (today Andrews University), where he received his Christian education, met and fell in love with his wife of over 70 years, Mickey Buller, and where he met Jim Hagle, who was instrumental in bringing him to Worthington Foods, where he worked for 40 years until he retired in 1985. Both he and Mom treasure their time at Andrews and always wanted to do what they could to help make it possible for others to attend the University as they did.

Thank you from the Buller family.

Allan G. Buller - March 31 at 10:19 AM
My sister just sent me an email advising me of Mr. Buller's passing, which triggered a rush of memories of growing up in the Worthington SDA community in the 1960's and early 1970's. The word "respect" comes to mind when I think of Mr. Buller. My condolences to the Buller family.

Gregg Williams
Director of US Income Tax Compliance
Agilent Technologies, Inc.
Santa Clara, CA

Hi Gregg:
Thank you so much. Your sister Pam came by to visit with us the other day at Schrödinger's, when many of our friends in Worthington gathered together with our family and it was so good to see her. As you know, Mom and Dad loved Worthington and the Church community here, from the day they first moved here shortly after the WWII. They have always treasured the many friends that they made here over the years, and will forever value those friendships.
Thank you again for sharing this with us. It means a lot to all of us.
-Mickey, CB, Jann, Suzy, and Al (Binky) and all the family.

Allan G. Buller - March 31 at 10:47 AM

Thank you, Buller family, for your very significant role in the remodeled office I am sitting in and the smart classroom I was just in in Buller Hall. You have made a most significant and appreciated contribution to the education program here at Andrews University, to student and faculty morale, to educational quality. My sincere condolences on the passing of Mr. Buller.
Scott Moncrieff, Department of English

Thank you for sharing this with us. I can't begin to tell you what Andrews University has meant to both our Dad and Mom. It was where they fell in love, received their education, and in our Dad's case, where he made several friends with whom he went on to work with for so many years at Worthington Foods.
Dad and Mom wanted others to be able to experience what they did at Andrews and therefore did whatever they could to help make it possible for young people to attend the University.
Dad was never one to feel comfortable in receiving honors or recognition. However, when Buller Hall was built and named in his and Mom's honor, we know that they were deeply moved, and were so happy that the students and faculty had such a nice place in which to learn and interact.
Thank you,
-The Buller family
“Lit a candle in memory of Allan R. Buller

Raquel Tenorio-Boyer - March 26 at 12:54 PM

“Jan Waters purchased the Fireside Basket - Blue, Yellow and White for the family of Allan R. Buller.

Jan Waters - March 26 at 07:56 AM

“Thank you Jan, it was so good to see you and Rich the other day. Let's get together soon.
Love to you and all the family,
-Mickey, CB, Jann, Suzy, Al and all the Buller family.

Allan G. Buller - March 31 at 11:08 AM

“C.B., Jann, Suzy, Al, and family,

Thank you for sharing with me memories of your father today. It is an honor to help your family during this difficult time.

Pepper Jackson - March 25 at 04:58 PM
I met Allan and Mickey in December of 1999. They both impressed me with their kind and helping demeanor. They were both inquisitive, and genuinely interested in how others' lives were progressing. I enjoyed each and every time we were together. My condolences to the Buller family.

Gary L. Phipps - March 27 at 01:17 PM
Upcoming Events Around the Columbia Union

MARYLAND

April 6–13: Welcome friends back to church at Chesapeake Conference’s “Reconnect to Worship” Sabbaths In a conference-wide Connect 2 Reconnect initiative, more than 30 Chesapeake churches have planned a special Sabbath (most on April 6 or 13) to welcome missing/inactive members. Take a moment to reconnect with and invite people you know who have stopped coming to church. Locate participating churches and schedules at http://ccosda.netadvent.org/directory or call Gary Gibbs, evangelism director, at (410) 995–1910.

April 6–May 5: A country living training program will be held at the Liberty church in Baltimore. The seminar will include agriculture, food storage, mechanics, and building, among other things. As time will permit, the training will also include some accelerated medical missionary training, like hydrotherapy and first aid. The program begins on Sabbath, April 6, 5–6:30 p.m. with a “Spiritual Orientation.” It will continue for five consecutive Sundays, April 7, 14, 21, 28 and May 5. The seminar costs $120 for singles, $160 for families (husband, wife, children) and $200 for pairs. The church is located at 3301 Milford Mill Road. For more information, contact Beniam and Felicia Astatkie at Trueeducation1@gmail.com.
April 12: The Frederick Adventist School (FAS) is hosting a pre-K Experience Day from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Parents and prospective Pre-K students will get to observe firsthand what FAS has to offer. To reserve a spot, contact the school at (301) 663-0363 or send an email to FrederickAdventistSchool@gmail.com.

April 12: Join the New Hope Young Adults and Washington Spanish Music Team this Friday for Restore. The Washington Spanish Music Team will be leading the worship-filled evening. Refreshments and fellowship start at 7 p.m., the program starts at 7:30 p.m. The event will take place at the New Hope church, which is located at 12350 Hall Shop Road in Fulton, Md. Get more information on the New Hope Young Adult Facebook page.

April 13–14: Interested in Puppet Ministry? A Puppet Ministry Certification class, sponsored by North American Division (NAD) Children’s Ministries, takes place at the Kid’s Ministry Center, Review and Herald Publishing Association, 55 West Oak Ridge Drive in Hagerstown, Md. Expert puppeteers will teach puppet manipulation, black light puppets, beginning ventriloquism and more. The cost is $50. To register, visit kidsministryideas.org or call Phyllis Washington, NAD Children’s Ministries director, at (301) 680-6425.

April 14: Washington Adventist University’s annual Fun Festival starts at noon and ends at 5 p.m. The festival will consist of health and wellness presentations, a farmer’s market, healthy food demonstrations, fun activities for kids of all ages and a showcase of musical artists and performances. Free workshops will cover English as a Second Language, Hope for Today Bible studies, parenting and family seminars, children’s programs and finance seminars. They will also provide food from area restaurants. WAU’s Acro-Airs will also perform. Learn more at wau.edu/festival.

April 19–21: The Middletown Valley church invites you to attend a seminar titled “Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage.” The April 19 session runs 7:30–9:30 p.m. The Sabbath, April 20 service will include a potluck at 1 p.m., followed by a seminar at 3 p.m. The Sunday 9 a.m. seminar will be followed by a brunch at Dutch’s Daughter at 12:30 p.m. Register by April 12 by contacting Lynne Williams at (301) 371-6887. The cost to attend this program is $10 per couple, which includes materials and light refreshments on Friday evening (brunch is not included). The church is located at 1811 Arnold Road in Jefferson, Md.

April 21: Takoma Academy is hosting a 5K race and fun run with proceeds going to the Worthy Student and Matching Fund. Those funds raised help alleviate financial barriers for those families desiring to be in a Christian environment. Participants will meet at 8
a.m. at the Washington Adventist University gym located at 7600 Flower Avenue in Takoma Park, Md. For more information and to register, contact Pam at homeschool@rpcsda.org.

NATIONAL
September 1: Enter the 2014 "Forever Faithful" International Camporee theme songwriting contest by September 1. Click here to enter the contest. If your submission is chosen, you could win two free tickets to the camporee and the honor of having your music become the 2014 Forever Faithful International Camporee official theme song. For more information, contact Justin Yang or Stacy–Ann Thomas.

NEW JERSEY
April 26–28: Trinity Temple Academy’s alumni, family and friends are invited to celebrate the academy’s 80th anniversary during this year’s alumni weekend. Organizers will be celebrating and honoring classmates and graduates, presenting alumni awards and rededicating themselves to the future of the school. The weekend begins at the school with a meet and greet with guest speaker and alumnus Pastor Marvin McLean. On Sabbath Pastor Ronald Reeves, an alumnus, will speak for the divine service at Trinity Temple, which is located in Hillside, N.J. Saturday night’s event, called “The Celebration of Trinity Temple Academy,” will take place at the Pantagis Renaissance featuring guest speaker Pastor S. Peter Campbell and performances by a live band. On Sunday there will be a special alumni brunch at Trinity Temple, 11 to 2 p.m. For more information, visit trinitytempleacademy.com.

ONLINE
February 18–April 15: Vote for Oakwood University and help them win a $50,000 grant from Home Depot. Oakwood University (Ala.) is in a race for a large grant from Home Depot. This grant is for only Historically Black Colleges or Universities. This competition started on February 18 and ends on April 15. They need your support! People can vote once a day per device. Click here http://www.retool yourschool.com/vote–now.aspx. to vote.

PENNSYLVANIA
April 12–14: Allegheny East Conference’s youth retreat is open to young people
between the ages of 14 and 18. Some of the topics will include “I’m a Seventh-day Adventist ... So What?”; “Tattoos, Jewelry, Hip Hop ... What’s the Big Deal?” and “Can Seventh-day Adventists Have Swag?” Youth are encouraged to bring their friends to an interactive, fun-filled, spiritual weekend! The cost is $50 per person (includes housing, meals and attendee bag). The retreat will be held in Pine Forge, Pa. To register, contact LaTasha Hewitt at (610) 326-4610 or lhewitt@myalleghenyeast.com or visit aecyouth.com.

WASHINGTON, D.C.
April 19–20: Capitol Hill church’s ConneXus Singles Ministry Summit will feature special guest, Andrea D. Hicks, founder of FOCUS. Ministries (Fellowship of Christians Unique and Single). The program starts at 7:30 p.m. on Friday with an interactive vespers titled “Managing Your Sexual Desires” and continues on Sabbath at 4 p.m. with an interactive panel discussion titled “It's Not YOU, It's Me: Reasons for Break-ups.” For more information, contact Michael Wright at connexusministry@yahoo.com.

April 21: Celebrity Chef Mark Anthony will be at the Capital Memorial church (CMC) for a free cooking demonstration, dinner and message. Anthony has done cooking shows in every single state in the country. He has had spotlight coverage in dozens of newspapers and magazines around the country, has published four books and appears regularly on 3ABN. John Kelly, MD, a lifestyle medicine specialist, will also be a special guest to introduce the LivingWell/Complete Health Improvement Program (CHIP), which CMC will be hosting this fall. The event runs from 3 to 5:30 p.m. The church is located at 3150 Chesapeake Street in northwest. There is no fee, but registration is required so we have enough food. For more information, send an email to capitalmemorialchurch@verizon.net or call (202) 362–3668.

WEST VIRGINIA
April 16: The Berkeley Springs church will host its monthly supper club with a free vegetarian/vegan meal for members and community visitors. The menu will include Southwestern type foods and gluten–free dishes. For more information, contact Lisa Shingleton, Health Ministries director, in the evenings at (304) 672–1534 or (304) 258–2739. The church is located at 3606 Valley Road (Highway 522 South) in West Virginia.