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*14th Annual S. O. A. Camp Meeting
Pana, Ill. 1917.
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Camp Meeting Memories

COVER

The cover photo was taken at the 14th annual S.D.A. camp meeting held at Pana, Illinois, in 1917. It sets the theme for our special issue commemorating the camp meeting tradition. The camp meeting pictures were provided by the Illinois Conference and the Heritage Room of the James White Library, Andrews University.

The memories of attending camp meeting 50 years ago are indelibly etched in my mind. There was an air of excitement as clothes and food were prepared. The long trip to the campsite was pure pleasure.

It occurs to me now that God's people in ancient times must have experienced the same feelings as they prepared for and journeyed to their annual meeting at Jerusalem. It is recorded that our Lord also enjoyed this very human experience.

For me, approaching the campsite at Auburn, Washington, was a special moment. I knew every turn in those last few miles of the road, and suddenly, there it was—a huge tent, with several medium-sized tents for children, and hundreds of smaller tents where people lived.

Vintage cars and trucks chugged in, literally groaning with loads of people and provision. I remember several included a milk goat, tethered to the running board.* It occurs to me now that this interesting extra, while not too sophisticated, certainly had great practical value!

Meeting friends and making new acquaintances was very much a part of the scene, but as I recall, the meetings were the big attraction. While some of the services seemed very long, they all had one thing in common—a solemn appeal to prepare for the return of Jesus.

The highlight of the week was a gathering at the river for the baptism of those who "took their stand" for their Saviour. I watched from the riverbank and wished I was old enough to be baptized, too. Time may be a thief, but those hidden memories of early camp meetings will never be stolen away.

They say history repeats itself, and I am sure it does. I notice camp meeting is still a delightful time for children of all ages. I notice, too, that older ones are even anxious about their special tent or cottage location or seating space. Again, this says to me that you, too, recognize there is something special about camp meeting.

Camp meeting will soon be here again, and I hope you are planning to attend for the full session. Your conference has spent many hours and days in making preparation, an effort that is all worthwhile if the experience is helpful for you.

"The object of a camp meeting is to lead all to separate from business cares and burdens, and devote a few days exclusively to seeking the Lord. We should occupy the time in self-examination, close searching of heart, penitential confession of sins, and renewing our vows to the Most High."—*Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 2, p. 601.

A special note of encouragement is included for our Wisconsin people who for the first time in many years will miss their familiar campsite at Portage. As they already know, insurmountable physical problems have dictated a change of location, and such a move will take time. Despite this, the Wisconsin Conference is to be commended for making this difficult decision for which we feel they will in future years be rewarded.

Lauree Bock

*For the younger set—a running board was an exposed step that ran along each side of a car. It was often used for extra baggage.



Among the pioneers attending the 1915 camp meeting at Charlotte, Michigan, were G. I. Butler, first row, sixth from left, who was General Conference president from 1871-74 and 1880-88, and A. G. Daniells, third row, seventh from left, General Conference president from 1901 to 1922.

Adventism and the Camp Meeting Tradition

by Gary Land, Ph.D.

The lonely farmers of the American frontier and the circuit-riding ministers who served them brought the camp meeting into existence.

Born in a day of sparse settlement and poor transportation this religious institution has, at least among Seventh-day Adventists, continued to meet the spiritual and social needs of Christians, even though today's environment bears little resemblance

to that of the camp meeting's beginnings.

Historians generally credit the camp meeting with being the frontier's unique contribution to Christian practice. Few people on the frontier lived in close enough proximity to support a church.

This situation combined with the stirring of the spiritual revival known as the Second Great Awakening prompted a Presbyterian minister named James McGready to organize what was probably the first camp meeting at Gaspar River, Kentucky, in 1800.

A year later another Presbyterian, Burton W. Stone, organized one at

Cane Ridge in the same state, drawing a crowd of more than 10,000.

The Methodists, who were also involved in the Cane Ridge meeting, saw the possibilities of this activity as an evangelistic tool and by 1811 were holding more than four hundred a year.

These meetings were exciting—and noisy—affairs. Thousands came to stay for several days, usually in the fall.

The preacher gave his sermon from a raised platform in front of the audience, which was segregated by both sex and color, while an exhorter on the ground invited the unconverted to the "anxious bench" directly in front of the preacher.

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At the same time members of the audience shouted such words as "Jesus! Jesus!" and "Come down, Lord Jesus!" If the preaching was powerful and the conversions many, physical manifestations such as dancing, falling, jerking and barking would break out.

These "enthusiasms" caused the more staid denominations, including the Presbyterians, to avoid sponsoring camp meetings and they criticized the goings-on severely.

Today, however, historians take a calmer view of the excitement, seeing it as a form of emotional release from a dreary workaday world and a visible sign of conversion to both the converted and the minister who wanted to see the results of his efforts.

In the 1840's however, camp meetings disappeared. Denser settlement removed the isolation that had helped spawn these gatherings and the Methodist and Baptist churches, who were most closely identified with them, began achieving a higher place in the social order. As a result their evangelistic interests focused on the more educated classes to whom the camp meeting held little appeal.

Before the camp meeting passed from the scene, though, the Adventists used it to proclaim their startling message that God's judgment was at hand.

William Miller's publicist, Joshua V. Himes, pushed the idea of a camp meeting, with the result that the first one sponsored by Adventists in the United States took place at East Kingston, New Hampshire, during the last week of June 1842.

Seven to ten thousand people of many religious sects attended. It was such a success that during the meeting the leaders decided to purchase a large tent so that future meetings would not be controlled by the weather. The big tent they acquired seated four thousand people plus another two

thousand crowded in the aisles and around the edges.

Combining the camp meeting with the evangelistic tent meeting so common later in American history, the tent proved popular. The number of meetings increased to a total of at least 54 in 1844.

Apart from the big tent these meetings were virtually the same in form as other camp meetings. The leaders, like those elsewhere, had to deal with their share of undesirables, particularly liquor venders and ruffians.

And the people were just as excitable as the frontier farmers of Kentucky and Tennessee. Clapping

and shouting of exhortation and praise were common. "Exercises," particularly the act of falling prostrate, occurred often. To common folk all this was evidence of God's power.

Although the expected advent did not take place, these camp meetings contributed significantly to the religious revival of the early 1840's in the northeast.

Seventh-day Adventists began using a tent for evangelism in Battle Creek in 1854, but concerned about the disorder and confusion that often accompanied camp meetings, they did not adopt such gatherings until 1868.

In that year James White, at a meeting in Wright, Michigan, suggested



Above, the 1913 Southern Illinois camp meeting attendees; center, the 1913 camp meeting at Hastings, Michigan; below, 1926 at Holly, Michigan.



holding regional camp meetings.

The needs were very much the same as those of the frontier half a century earlier. Adventists were scattered across several states with the result that they seldom saw an official preacher.

The church leadership took up Elder White's suggestion and held what is usually considered the first Seventh-day Adventist camp meeting in September of that year on E.H. Root's farm in Wright.

Patterned after the Millerite meetings the camp contained a canopied speaker's stand in front of which were rows of rough benches. Wood fires in earth-filled elevated

boxes provided light while log fires on the outskirts offered heat to the chilled.

Most people came from Michigan although two groups traveled from Wisconsin and one from New York. The three hundred campers lived as church groups, each congregation bringing one tent in which everyone stayed.

So successful was the meeting—more than two thousand attended—that Illinois and Iowa also held gatherings that year. By 1870 the Whites were attending 15 in a single year.

The camp meeting became an Adventist institution. But institutions change.

Conceived of at first as evangelistic tools the meetings took place in different places each year. As land became less readily available, however, conferences purchased permanent sites.

The camp meeting as a result began focusing on the Adventists themselves, offering inspiration and bringing unity to the church.

Although its form is changing in various places, as long as it fills the spiritual and social needs of Adventists we can expect the camp meeting to survive. Although the product of a long-passed frontier, it has proved to have remarkable staying power in the industrialized, urbanized 20th century.



Above, the 1923 Berrien Springs, Michigan, camp meeting; lower left, a participant at the 1917 Pana, Illinois, camp meeting poses with the Lake Union Herald.

1978 Camp Meetings in the Lake Union

ILLINOIS

La Fox

June 9 to 17

Little Grassy Youth Camp

September 13 to 16

INDIANA

June 9 to 17

LAKE REGION

June 22 to July 1

MICHIGAN

Grand Ledge

July 20 to 29

Upper Peninsula

June 9 to 11

WISCONSIN

Wisconsin Academy

July 28 to 30

Camp Wahdoon

August 3 to 6



Ray Minner, Correspondent



Richard Huff

ANDREWS BOARD NAMES NEW VICE PRESIDENT

Richard Huff of Boothby, Huff and Yingst, a Berrien Springs law firm, has been named vice president and general counsel of Andrews University, said Dr. Joseph Smoot, university president.

Mr. Huff, who served for 12 years as deputy attorney general of Indiana, lives in Indianapolis and has been practicing law in both Indianapolis and Berrien Springs. He and his family will move to Berrien Springs in the near future.

Mr. Huff is a graduate of the Indiana University School of Law and has previously served on Andrews University's Board of Trustees, the Seventh-day Adventist Board of Higher Education and the executive committee of the Indiana Conference. He is presently a member of the Lake Union Conference committee.

Dr. Smoot also announced the following faculty appointments voted by the board of trustees:

Dr. Mercedes Dyer is to be chairman of the education department, succeeding Dr. Robert Williams who will become dean of the School of Graduate Studies. Dr. Dyer is professor of counselor education and

has been on the Andrews faculty since 1961.

Dr. George Akers, professor of religious education, will become assistant dean of the graduate school and director of the doctor of education program. Dr. Akers' current term of service at Andrews began in 1974. He also taught at Andrews from 1964 to 1969.

Dr. Dale Twomley of New Market, Virginia, was named chairman of the business administration department. He will have the rank of associate professor.

Paul Riley of South Lancaster, Massachusetts, is to be assistant to the vice president for development and public relations. Mr. Riley is presently dean of student affairs at Atlantic Union College.

Donald Sahly of Lodi, California, was appointed executive secretary of Andrews' Alumni Association. Mr. Sahly has been an educator for 14 years, and is principal of Lodi Seventh-day Adventist Elementary School.



Mercedes Dyer



George Akers

Paul Jackson will serve as director of trust development. Mr. Jackson previously was in charge of alumni support of the university.

Dr. Lyndon Furst of the education department was named director of the Center for Studies and Services in Education. C.S.S.E. conducts funded research in education and provides consultation services for both public and private schools and school systems. Dr. Furst is associate professor of educational administration.

Sandra Camp of College Place, Washington, will be associate professor of music.

Bruce Wrenn of Kalamazoo, Michigan, will become assistant professor of marketing. Mr. Wrenn has been working in products and markets research for the Upjohn Company.

Glenn Johnson of Erie,

Pennsylvania, will be assistant professor of mechanical engineering.

Beverly Ruskjer of Grants Pass, Oregon, was appointed instructor in nursing.

Bob Silver of Berrien Springs is to be assistant professor of graphic arts. Mr. Silver currently works for University Printers at Andrews.

Gary Holback of Marion, Ohio, will serve as instructor in building construction.

Wayne Hazen of South Lancaster, Massachusetts, will be instructor in art. He is now on the faculty of Atlantic Union College.

William Cash of Bay Village, Ohio, is to become assistant director of institutional research.

Terrance Newmyer of South Lancaster, Massachusetts, will assume responsibility for student labor and housing assignments.

Stella Brown of Berrien Springs will serve as assistant food service director. Mrs. Brown will graduate from Andrews in June.

Judith Anderson of Stevensville, Michigan; Larry Gatewood of Pine Ridge, South Dakota, and Albert Withrow of Oxon Hill, Maryland, were called to teach at Ruth Murdoch Elementary School, a division of Andrews' laboratory school.

Illinois Conference



David Gray, Correspondent



HAVE THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE

Boat rides and water skiing on Crab Orchard Lake are just part of the fun at Little Grassy Lake Adventist Camp. Come to camp this summer, we promise you will learn new sports, more about nature and God, and have the time of your life. Send your application today to the Youth Department, Box 89, Brookfield, IL 60513.



Robert H. Pierson

R. H. PIERSON TO OPEN CAMP MEETING AT BROADVIEW

Did you know that the first camp meeting held by Seventh-day Adventists in Illinois took place 110 years ago?

Held just a few weeks after the first camp meeting in Michigan, the Illinois meeting convened at a place called Clyde, in Whiteside County. This is located near the town of Round Grove in the western part of Illinois.

The announcement as it appeared in the September 15, 1868, issue of the Review and Herald said:

"We want to see a general turnout at this meeting, and we not only invite our brethren and sisters to attend, but would urge upon them the importance



Bob and Lana Dahl

of breaking away from the cares of the world, and making an earnest effort to attend this gathering of the people of God. If you can see no possible way to

leave your cares, you are the very ones that ought to come. Come, dear brethren and sisters, and let us seek God with all our hearts."

Through the years camp meetings were held in different areas throughout Illinois. Many were held in the Decatur area, others near Du Quoin, and still others on the campus of old Broadview.

Now held on the campus of Broadview Academy in La Fox, this year's camp meeting promises to be one of the best ever.

Robert H. Pierson, president of the General Conference, will be the opening-night speaker, Friday, June 9, at 7:30 in the main auditorium. Elder Pierson will also be speaking on the first Sabbath.

Other special guests during the first weekend will be James Beshires, a former Pentecostal minister, and the Andrews University Gymnics who will perform on Saturday evening.

Sunday will see the beginning of the weekly early morning meetings with Elder Harold Flynt of Rockford, the Family Life Series with Bob and Lana Dahl of Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital, and the annual Adventist Book Center sale.

Plan now to attend this nine-day spiritual feast. For those living in the Hinsdale area, the Hinsdale Church will once again operate its church bus each evening and on weekends to the camp grounds. Round-trip transportation will be \$1.



Harry Parrot, right, with his friend Jim Muffo.

INGATHERING CHAMPION AT COLLINSVILLE

Harry Parrot of the Collinsville Church recently completed another successful Ingathering campaign by raising nearly \$500 for the 1977 drive.

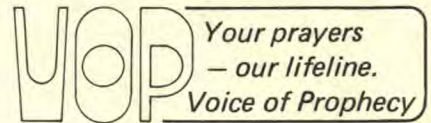
Ingathering has become a regular occupation to 81-year-old Mr. Parrot, who now does most of his solicitation by mail.

For the past several years Mr. Parrot has led the Collinsville Church in solicitation, and raised nearly \$1,000 himself one year.

A secret to his success is keeping Ingathering in mind all year and beginning his solicitation a little earlier than most people.

Mr. Parrot not only concentrates on the funds, but also on distributing literature in the Collinsville area. He estimates that during the past 10 years of Ingathering he has distributed nearly 3,000 pieces of literature, thus acquainting many people with the Adventist message.

Mary Pierce
Communication Secretary



Cliff Hoffman, Correspondent

SECOND ANNUAL WORK BEE AT INDIANA ACADEMY

On Sunday, June 4, beginning at 9 A.M., members of the Indiana Conference are invited to take part in a beautification "work bee" on the Indiana Academy campus.

Alan Bohman, school principal, advises all who are interested in helping to come dressed in old clothes for the occasion.

The projects will include painting in the gym, the administration building hallway and the music building as well as carpentry and yard work.

If you are interested in yard work, please bring garden tools. Other projects will require hammers and saws and similar tools.

Dinner will be provided in the cafeteria for all those actively engaged in the work bee.

Come and enjoy good hard work and fellowship for the betterment of the Indiana Academy facilities and campus.



Elder Al Williams and Carrie St. Clair of Indiana Academy remind you that regular giving is needed for the building program.

ONE PERCENT FOR INDIANA ACADEMY

The Elwood and Washington churches have accepted their responsibility to faithfully support the One-Percent Plan to benefit Indiana Academy.

Four other congregations, Crawfordsville, Greenfield, Plymouth and Portland, have exceeded 50 percent of their goal.

Regular giving of one percent of your income will enable the academy to continue providing adequate facilities for our youth.

Remember your one percent when you return your tithes and offerings.

Jerry Lastine
Stewardship Director



The new Indianapolis Better Living Center.

INDIANAPOLIS BETTER LIVING CENTER OPENS

Monday, April 10, was a long-awaited day for the churches of Indianapolis. After months of searching and planning a special service

was held to open the new Indianapolis Better Living Center. Mayor William Hudnut was present to cut the ribbon.

A community services center first opened on January 22, 1956, and has operated out of rented facilities since that time.

Hazel Vetter, center director, was delighted with the prospects of what could be done with a facility three times as large as the rented one.

The 10,000 square feet will make it possible to conduct all the outreach programs that were only a dream in the past.



At the speaker's table from left, Jerry Lastine, Indiana Conference trust services director; Robert Carter, Lake Union Conference secretary; Lowell Bock, Lake Union Conference president; William Hudnut, Mayor of Indianapolis; Clarence Hodges, assistant to U.S. Senator Richard Lugar; Horace Jones, Lake Region lay activities secretary, and G. W. Morgan, Indiana Conference president. (Photo by Elder James Vetter.)

The new center has a large assembly room, examination rooms for medical and dental needs, workrooms, and one floor that can be used exclusively for clothing.

The kitchen has been designed for demonstrations and so it will get much use in cooking schools and nutrition classes.

The associate director, Marge Earls, who has a B.S. in nursing education, is especially excited about the medical education potential of the new center.

The new building will make it possible to conduct many classes that were impossible in the past because of the lack of adequate rooms.

The conference leadership asked Pastor Richard Lewis, who has a master's in public health, to be associated with the center in the planning of health-related outreach.

The pilot programs conducted in the center will be shared with community services centers throughout the state.

The new center is dedicated to the task of not only clothing and feeding people of the community, but educating them to a better way of life,



Center worker Elsie McClanahan in the new kitchen.

and preparing them for living eternally with Jesus Christ.

Harry Sackett
Lay Activities Director

Lake Region Conference



Fred Williams, Correspondent

FAMILY CAMP SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER

Family Camp will once more allow married and engaged couples to enjoy a marriage enrichment seminar.

Special guests will be lecturing and directing in these important sessions. Circle September 1 to 4 on your calendar and reserve those dates now.



Horseback riding is one of the favorite activities of the campers.

CAMP VALKYRIE WANTS YOU

Lake Region Camp Valkyrie is the place for boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 15.

This year's camp promises to be better than ever. Free your young people from the hazards of city life and send them into the great outdoors where fresh air, sunshine and a Christian atmosphere prevail.

Applications are available from your M.V. and Pathfinder leaders or your school office.



Many children choose archery as one of their daily classes.

As an added bonus, Camp Valkyrie T-shirts will be given to all children who register by June 19, 1978.

Camp dates are as follows: July 16 to 23, July 23 to 30 and July 30 to August 6.

Send your application and camp fee to the Youth Department, 8517 S. State Street, Chicago, IL 60637. For additional information, call (312) 846-2661.



Elder J. M. Phipps

CHURCHES OBSERVE YOUTH WEEK OF PRAYER

The youth Week of Prayer was observed during March in several churches throughout the Lake Region Conference.

Some churches had one speaker for the entire week, and others had several speakers from among their membership.

Elder J. M. Phipps began the week at the Ecorse, Michigan, Church by speaking Friday, Sabbath and Sunday.

John Drew Jr., a recent graduate from Oakwood College with a major in theology and a member of the Ecorse Church, spoke Monday and Tuesday.

Richard Pinder, Bible teacher at Peterson Academy in Inkster, Michigan, closed the week with talks

given on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Miriam Davis is the M.V. leader at the Ecorse Church.

The Jefferson Avenue Church in Detroit invited Fred Williams, conference youth director, to speak March 11 to 18.

His series followed the theme "The Trouble With Me Is . . ." Each night he spoke about a negative trait of character which is common among young and old, and he explained that through the power of God we can be like Jesus.



Elder Marvin Jamerson

The youth Week of Prayer was observed nightly in the Shiloh Church in Chicago, and meetings were held each day at Shiloh Academy during the chapel period. The speakers were students and teachers from the school.

E. E. Rogers, instructor of Biblical languages at Oakwood College, was speaker for the Detroit Center Week of Prayer.

Because of his keen insight into the original language of the Bible, he was able to make the messages come alive. Mrs. Elies Whitfield is the M.V. leader.

Four young men were chosen to speak for the Week of Prayer at Morgan Park Church in Chicago.

Post cards were mailed inviting the members to come and hear the special speakers—and those who came to listen were not disappointed. Donald and Byron Reeves and Kevin, Craig and Kendall White had practiced long hours and the Lord was with them when they presented their orations.

There was a feeling of closeness between everyone present and the Holy Spirit.

After the final presentation during the M.V. hour, the speakers of the week joined hands with everyone in



Fred Williams, left, with members of the Jefferson Avenue Church in Detroit and their pastor, Robert Jones, right.

the sanctuary in an unbroken circle. Each speaker offered a prayer to close the Week of Prayer meetings.

The church members believe the young people are second to none. Shelly White is the M.V. leader.

Marvin Jamerson returned to his home church—Burns Avenue in Detroit—to speak for the Week of Prayer. Elder Jamerson is now pastoring in Austin, Texas. Mr. Melvin Taylor is M.V. leader at Burns Avenue.

Michigan Conference



E. N. Wendth, Correspondent



Pastor C. Raymond Holmes, right, presents the Community Service Award to Orval Benson while Mrs. Benson watches. (Photo courtesy of the Herald-Palladium.)

FAIRPLAIN CHURCH HONORS ST. JOSEPH BUSINESSMAN

The first Community Relations Day held in the Benton Harbor Church took place during the Sabbath morning worship service on April 22.

The congregation honored Orval Benson, supervisor of St. Joseph Township, who has a long record of service to his community in government and civic activities.

Mr. Benson's reputation for fairness in government made it possible for the Benton Harbor Fairplain Church leaders to work with him last fall in

obtaining permission for Ingathering in St. Joseph Township. Prior to this time permission had been denied.

Before a standing-room-only congregation, Pastor C. Raymond Holmes presented the Community Service Award plaque to Mr. Benson.

By special invitation three neighboring township supervisors and several people who serve on the St. Joseph Township boards were present to congratulate Mr. Benson.

A fellowship dinner was held following the worship service with more than 200 members and visitors enjoying the vegetarian dishes.

Several messages received by the church are worthy of note.

Governor William Milliken sent telephone greetings to the congregation, along with congratulations to Mr. Benson who serves on a governor-appointed panel.

Joseph Hanley, commissioner from the city of St. Joseph, sent a letter commending Mr. Benson.

Bernice Tretheway, Lincoln Township supervisor, sent a letter after the event. She said, "Mostly, I think I was impressed by the warm welcome given to a visitor in your midst."

Another supervisor, Catherine Sirk, commented to one of the members that she had been seated by two young boys, 11 years old, who were not sitting with their parents. She was impressed by their quietness, deportment and friendliness. They shared hymnbooks with her and were very respectful.

All of the time and effort necessary to plan such a day were amply rewarded in the results.

*Ethel Wise
Communication Secretary*

COOKING SCHOOL AT HASTINGS CHURCH

A vegetarian nutrition and cooking school was held in the Hastings Church fellowship hall for four evenings, April 24 to 27.

The well-planned, concentrated course was conducted by Mrs. Clarence Norris of Detroit, assisted by Mrs. E. F. Herzel of Hastings.

Forty non-Adventists and many church members attended.

Topics included breakfasts, breads, proteins, fats, vegetarian diet, sugarless desserts, exercise and stress.

Three doctors, Stephen Trangle,

M.D., of Augusta; Glen Hahn, D.D.S., of Hastings, and Clarence Norris, a medical student from Detroit, helped in the presentations.

Printed materials and Loma Linda foods were given out each night, and many vegetarian cookbooks were sold.

Visitors were amazed and fascinated as they sampled the tasty dishes made from ingredients from an average grocery store.

One woman remarked, "You Adventists have known these things for a hundred years, and now the world is just beginning to find out about them."

Another woman won a pan of prepared vegetarian patties. She



Kay Norris of Detroit prepares a strawberry yogurt shake at the Hastings Church cooking school.

wondered how her family would accept them as she placed them on the table next to the meat dish. The patties were eaten and the meat was not, she reported.

A public-school teacher is now helping her young children in pre-jogging exercises and they jog around the playground. The children love it, and the teacher found it also uses up their excess energy.

Since the cooking school ended, Mrs. Herzel has been contacted by several people seeking additional information. They are looking for help as they turn away from eating meat. Because of the many requests received, Hastings Church members hope to conduct another school in the near future.

*E. F. Herzel
Pastor*



Participants at the Genesis Seminar listen attentively. (Photo by Edward Allen.)

GENESIS SEMINAR HELD IN BENTON HARBOR

"It has been a great day." "A worthwhile experience." "Peaceful, informative." "Very helpful." "Worth 10 times the original registration fee."

These and similar comments were expressed following the unique Genesis Seminar held recently at the Holiday Inn in Benton Harbor.

Directed by Dr. Don Jacobsen of Andrews University, the program was planned to combine the talents of several university professors and seminary students who have been active in recent branch Sabbath School activities in St. Joseph.

The Benton Harbor Fairplain Church lent its support with clerical help, meal planning, and most importantly the bringing of interested friends to the seminar.

Weeks of planning by Dr. Jacobsen, Elder Raymond Holmes, local pastor, and the seminary students involved developing a file based in part on responses to a direct-mailing program recently conducted in St. Joseph.

Additional names were added to provide a mailing list of 2,000 residents in the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph area. Each of these homes received an invitation and program information.

The well-balanced presentation began with the showing of "In Search of Noah's Ark."

For more than an hour after the film Dr. C. Mervin Maxwell and Dr. Edward Lugenbeal fielded questions.

Many of the seminar participants had never had an opportunity to ask questions about the flood, the ice age, dinosaurs and other topics.

A luncheon also provided the first opportunity for many of the guests to taste vegetarian food.

Gale Livengood and Luetta Cowell of the Fairplain Church provided the

staff at the Holiday Inn with a menu and recipes, and the staff prepared a mouth-watering meal.

Cooked fresh carrots and broccoli, baked potatoes and crisp raw vegetables were a perfect compliment to the two vegetarian entrees—cottage cheese loaf and Sam's Chicken. Whole-wheat rolls and milk were also served.

Many people commented that the meal alone was worth the \$5 registration fee which included the meal, lesson materials and a Bible.

Dr. Herald Habenicht discussed health and diet. Beginning with Genesis 1:9, the audience was led briefly through the history of diet as given by God.

Interest was evident as Dr. Habenicht presented techniques for preparation of vegetables to preserve their color, flavor and, most of all, nutritive value.

Two musical groups, The Advent Jubilee and The Preparation performed during the day and added a dimension of joy in living and serving.

The afternoon sessions continued with a slide presentation, "Evidence of a Creator," by Dr. Leonard Hare. Dr. Hare began by showing beautiful flowers grown at the University's greenhouse.

He showed the audience more and more detail until they could see the flower cells and finally, living molecules.

As further evidence that the Bible could be trusted, Dr. William Shea shared information regarding the Syrian excavations that have produced the "Ibbla Tablets." These fascinating records of commerce give support to the accounts of the patriarchs of the Old Testament.

Dr. Jacobsen closed the day by presenting a Bible study and offering an opportunity for continued studies on a weekly basis.

More than 50 percent of those in attendance were non-Adventists. It was felt that the day produced a lot of interest which will be followed up by the local church members and seminary students. The impressions of the day may be summed up in the words of one of the guests, Roxanne Rankin: "It has helped to clarify the beginning of time. I have a little more of an idea of who I am."

*Ethel Wise
Communication Secretary*



Some of the prize winners honored at Grand Ledge recently are, from left, Shelly Smith holding the "What America Means to Me" award plaque, Carolyn Gates and Debbie Smith. In the front row, from left, are Kari Anderson and Mark Houseman.

WINNER'S NIGHT AT GRAND LEDGE SCHOOL

"Winner's Night" was the theme of a recent meeting of the Grand Ledge Elementary Home and School Association. Awards were presented to students for various achievements.

Cash awards were presented to Marcia Link, Lynn Meese and Becky Riebow for the best temperance posters as selected by fellow students and Home and School Association members.

In an Easter coloring contest sponsored by the Ledges Shopping Guide and the Lansing Art Gallery, Kari Anderson received first prize for her age group and Mark Houseman received third prize in the same age group.

LaVern Link, principal, also announced that the entries of Shelley and Debbie Smith and Carolyn Gates in the State Farm Bureau essay contest, "What America Means to Me," were rated tops for the school. Shelley's essay was selected for the state finals.

TRI-CITY STUDENTS HELP FIRE VICTIM

A 77-year-old widower, victim of a recent house fire, was given assistance by students of the Tri-City Intermediate School near Freeland.

As the students went to school that day they noticed a house was burning about a mile from the school. All of the children were excited and talking about it.

During Bible class that morning, grades one through four were studying about the early Christian Church and

how the believers sacrificed and sold their possessions to help those who had lost everything.

In the discussion that followed, the teacher, Ramona Harris, and her students decided to put into practice what they had learned from their Bible study. The decided to help the man whose house had burned that morning.

Miss Harris called some of the man's neighbors to find out where he was staying and the size of clothing he would need.

Notes were sent home encouraging parents to help their children learn to sacrifice for others as the early Christians had done. Money began to come in.

One fourth-grade boy learned that the man was a Christian and missed his picture of Christ and the Last Supper. So the boy donated his own picture of Christ.

Another family donated a Bible. The teacher bought clothing, a towel set, a blanket and a frame for the donated picture with the money the children brought. The Saginaw Community Services Center helped by donating clothing.

The third-grade children wrapped each gift in colorful tissue paper. Then the first- and second-grade children took the gifts to the man. He was very appreciative and could hardly believe that these elementary school children, whom he had never seen before, would want to help him so much.

Wisconsin Conference



Dale Ziegele, Correspondent

GOINGS-ON IN FT. ATKINSON DISTRICT

The Fort Atkinson district includes the Fort Atkinson, Oakland and Watertown churches located in southeastern Wisconsin between Madison and Milwaukee. For the last year and a half Ken Wade has been district pastor.

One of the most significant things happening in the district now is the involvement of many church members in giving Bible studies.

This is especially true in Watertown where Lee Grady, Wisconsin Conference evangelist, conducted lay

training in preparation for a crusade last fall.

The Oakland Church, founded in 1863, is the oldest Scandinavian Adventist Church in the world.

Although the church is small and is located in the country with very limited city areas to evangelize, the members are planning to capitalize on the rural location to attract Adventist families who would like to move to the country.



The Oakland, Wisconsin, Church, a small rural church with a school, is beginning an active program to recruit Adventist families who would like to move to the country.

"We want to help Adventist families move to the country," says Pastor Wade. "The Oakland area is near enough to metropolitan areas to afford employment opportunities, yet is isolated enough to allow real country living. And there's a church school at Oakland, so we'd really like to see some young families move in."

Interested families should write to Pastor Wade at Route 4, Fort Atkinson, WI 53538.

One of the prime community outreaches in the Fort Atkinson area is "Wisdom," a one-minute spot radio program aired three times weekly by WFAW-AM.

The program, featuring Pastor Wade as speaker, has received very favorable reception in the community.

Although the full story of its effect on listeners will only be known in heaven, one tangible result thus far is that one of the station's top executives requested and has begun Bible studies.

Included in plans for outreach in the district in the near future are vegetarian cooking classes at the Fort Atkinson and Watertown Vocational Schools, monthly blood-pressure screening in Watertown using the conference van, personal distribution of These Times to 50 homes in Watertown, and Five-Day Plans, which are enthusiastically received in this area.



Canoe voyagers take time out.

CANADIAN CANOE TRIP PLANNED FOR WISCONSIN YOUTH

Joy Britain, communication secretary of the Clear Lake Church, interviewed Pastor Hershel Mercer of the Clear Lake district about some of the youth activities planned for Wisconsin this summer.

Mrs. Britain: Can you give us an idea of what activities are planned for this summer?

Elder Mercer: Yes, the regular summer camps will be held at Camp Wahdoon from June 11 to July 15. In addition to these there will be some special activities such as a survival camp, which Lester Merklin, Wisconsin Academy district pastor, will be conducting.

Also the Clear Lake district was so encouraged by a winter youth retreat that was held at Frederic this year that they are planning a summer retreat. The plans have not been finalized yet but watch for future announcements.

And there will be a Canadian wilderness canoe trip this summer from August 7 to 21.

Mrs. Britain: Can you tell me more about that?

Elder Mercer: We will drive from Camp Wahdoon to northern Ontario, Canada. When we arrive at Cochrane, a frontier town, we will camp and make final arrangements for the river trip which begins at Mattice, Ontario.

After paddling for 210 miles on the beautiful Missinaibi River (which later becomes the Moose River), we will arrive at Moosinee, Ontario, at the tip of James Bay. After a couple of days of sightseeing, we will take a train to return to Cochrane and drive home.

Mrs. Britain: What is the river like?

Elder Mercer: There are many beautiful observation points along the river. We will camp on Sabbath at

Thunderhouse Falls. The river has varying degrees of "white water." We will portage around the difficult or dangerous areas.

Mrs. Britain: What is the cost for the trip?

Elder Mercer: We have established a fee of \$75 per person which includes use of a conference canoe, round-trip transportation to Canada, an interesting train ride and accident insurance coverage.

Mrs. Britain: If I wanted to go, what would I need to take with me?

Elder Mercer: Each person and his canoe partner will need to bring personal equipment such as tents and sleeping bags, and provide and prepare their own meals.

Mrs. Britain: It sounds exciting. How can I sign up?

Elder Mercer: For information about any of the activities I have mentioned, contact your pastor or youth leader. Then come join us for an unforgettable experience this summer.

WISCONSIN ACADEMY GRADUATION SCHEDULE

Wisconsin Academy graduation exercises will be held the weekend of May 26 to 28. Consecration service, Friday at 8 P.M., will feature R. E. Knutson, Wisconsin Conference superintendent of education.

Sabbath School, starting at 9:30 A.M., will be presented by the seniors, with lesson study conducted by Dave Smith, English department chairman.

The baccalaureate service will begin at 11 A.M. Sabbath, and Robert Dale, Wisconsin Conference president, will be the speaker.

A program by the music department will be featured at 3:30 in the afternoon, with the senior flower tribute for parents immediately following.

The class night program will begin at 8:30 followed by a reception for the seniors and their families in the academy cafeteria.

Commencement exercises will start at 10 A.M. on Sunday. The address will be given by Dr. Mercedes Dyer, professor of counselor education and newly appointed chairman of the department of education at Andrews University.

Helen Guth
Communication Secretary

Announcements

INDIANA

DR. RUTH MURDOCH, professor of educational psychology at Andrews University, will speak at the Kokomo Seventh-day Adventist Church, 2521 East Sycamore Road, on May 27, 1978. At the 11 o'clock service her subject will be "Don't Settle for Counterfeits." After a fellowship dinner she will speak at 2 P.M. on the subject "Problems in the Schools." Dr. Murdoch will be accompanied by her husband, Dr. W.G.C. Murdoch, professor at the Theological Seminary, and they will conduct a half-hour question-and-answer session to complete the program.

ATTENTION ALL SINGLE S.D.A.'s: Last chance to reserve your place at the International Philodsa Club Retreat at Camp Timber Ridge, Spencer, Indiana, May 26 to 29. Cost: \$33 for members and \$39 for nonmembers. Supervised children 10 and under pay half price. Transient rates, a map and other information available from Mildred Wagner, Indiana Conference, P. O. Box 1950, Carmel, IN 46032. Office phone: (317) 844-6201, home: 359-1825.

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OBITUARIES:

BROWN, Glenn Leonard, 78, born Feb. 13, 1900, in Indianapolis, Ind., died April 25, 1978, in Indianapolis. He was a member of the Indianapolis South Side Church.

Services were held in the N. F. Chance Funeral Home by Elder Robert Chase, and interment was in the Garland Brook Cemetery, Columbus, Ind.

CORNELIUS, Emma, 88, born April 4, 1889, died March 30, 1978, in Chicago, Ill. She had been a member of the Beverly Hills Church, Chicago, since 1952.

Survivors include a brother, Wallace Weir of Evergreen Park, Ill., and a sister, Elizabeth Taught.

Services were conducted by Elder H. H. White, and interment was in Evergreen Cemetery in Chicago.

GERRY, Henry Arthur, born Feb. 18, 1904, in Barron, Wis.; died April 21, 1978, in Lodi, Wis. He was a member of the Madison, Wis., Church.

Survivors include 4 daughters, Jackie Burdick and Margaret Rikli of Madison, Mrs. Arlyn Sansone of Norwood, Mass., and Marlen Walsh of Lodi, Wis.; 2 sons, Robert of Zion, Ill., and James of Verona, Wis.; 26 grandchildren, and 12 great grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Elder Dan Neergaard, and interment was in Roselawn Memorial Park, Madison.

KIESOW, Ruth A., born Aug. 2, 1899, in New York City, N.Y.; died April 15, 1978, in Madison, Wis. She was a member of the Madison Church.

Survivors include her husband, William; a son, William of Madison; a brother, Donald Gruel of Texas, and a granddaughter.

Services were conducted by Elder Dan Neergaard, and interment was in Hope Cemetery, Madison.

PARFITT, Clayton, born Oct. 9, 1908, in Eland, Wis., died April 14, 1978, in Riverside, Calif. Mr. Parfitt was a Wisconsin resident until 4 years ago. He was a member of the Arlington, Calif., Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mabel; a stepson, John Parker; a sister, Lucille Parfitt of Wittenberg, Wis., and 4 grandchildren.

Services were conducted in the Sierra Memorial Chapel by Dr. Calvin Osborn, and interment was in Olivewood Cemetery, Riverside.

PATTERSON, Howard, born May 9, 1906, in Holly Township, Mich.; died April 25, 1978, in Flint, Mich. He was a member of the Holly Church.

Survivors include his wife, Vivian, of Holly; 3 sons, Harold and James of Holly, and Merlin of Flint.; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Jack Johnson of Holly; 8 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandsons.

Services were conducted by Pastor Earl Zager in the Dyer Funeral Home, and interment was in Lakeside Cemetery, Holly.

RECTOR, Julia, 84, born Feb. 6, 1884, in Wheeling, Ind., died April 14, 1978, in Francisco, Ind. She was a member of the Vincennes, Ind., Church.

Survivors include 3 daughters, Dorothy Vickers of Francisco and Virginia Hurm and Marie Happi of Evansville, Ind.; a son, James Turpin of Princeton, Ind.; 18 grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Elder Walter Kolmodin, and interment was in White Church Cemetery in Princeton.

SCHONE, Alfred Erhard, 72, born Nov. 16, 1905, in Saxony, Germany, died April 11, 1978, in Morris, Minn. He had been a member of Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Mich., for 28 years before moving to Minnesota.

Survivors include his wife, Susan; 2 daughters, Margaret Kearnes of Morris and Hildegard of Portland, Ore.; a son, Alfred of Holland, Minn., and 5 grandchildren.

SLATER, Elizabeth, 80, born Aug. 20, 1897, in Anderson, Ind., died April 25, 1978, in Anderson. She was a member of the Ingalls, Ind., Church.

Surviving is a brother, William Hackleman of West Virginia.

Services were held in the Bright Funeral Home by Elder A. D. Inglish, and interment was in the Grove Lawn Cemetery, Pendleton, Ind.

People In Transition

J. M. PHIPPS, ministerial secretary for the Lake Region Conference, has accepted the same position in the Southwest Region Conference, Dallas, Texas.

DAVID ROSENBERG, pastor of the Aledo and Moline, Illinois, churches, is the new ranger for the Little Grassy Lake Adventist Camp in Makanda, Illinois. He will also assume the pastorate of the Du Quoin, Illinois, Church in September.

New Releases



THE DAY THE CAT JUMPED, by George Vandeman. Pacific Press Publishing Association, Mountain View, California. \$.75.

This book takes its title from the code name used by the Japanese for their assault on Pearl Harbor in 1941. This book is about last day events and where we stand in the stream of prophetic time.



HOW TO HANDLE COMPETITION, by Marvin Moore. Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tennessee. \$.75.

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