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This picture of Wagner Falls in Michigan's Upper Peninsula was taken by Paul A. Sergio of South Bend, IN, using a Nikon 8008 camera with Fujichrome Velvia 50 film.

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EDITORIAL



Stop the Rain

by Robert H. Carter, president
Lake Union Conference

A very good friend of mine wrote a short note to the *Lake Union Herald* regarding my article in the July issue, "Pray for Rain." I know that this friend's short comment was made with "tongue in cheek." He wondered what residents living in those areas of our country being devastated by excessive rainfall and flood waters would think of such a title. They no doubt are praying for the frequent rainfall to stop.

Our hearts go out to fellow Americans whose businesses, homes and farmlands have been damaged by the rising water. Twenty-six people have lost their lives at the time of this writing, and over five billion dollars of property loss is reported. According to authorities this is the worst flooding to affect the Midwest portion of our country in 100 years. Many survivors will never fully recover economically from this deluge. Government and private agencies are to be commended for their assistance to the unfortunate victims.

Of course, my article in the July issue was written weeks before the rain and flood began. Had I possessed the gift of foreknowledge, I would have delayed submitting that particular message for publication.

Accounts of the suffering people living in the flood-ravaged areas of Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin, bring to mind the biblical records of the great flood that took place in the days of Noah. It rained upon the earth "forty days and forty nights." There were no safe heavens in which the inhabitants might take refuge. There was no high ground that was beyond the reach of the rising waters. Even "the mountains were covered." The destruction was not limited to a few states. The whole earth was inundated and every living creature perished. The only survivors were those who had entered the ark.

According to Genesis 7:24, "the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days." That is five months! Can you imagine what it must have been like for Noah and his family to be cramped in that boat with all those animals and fowl for five long months? What a relief it must have been when, "The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained" (Genesis 8:2). The water began to abate until finally "Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and behold, the face of the ground was dry" (Genesis 8:13). Shortly thereafter Noah, his family, and the animals and fowl left the ark and resumed their normal lives.

It is our sincere hope that the rainfall will stop in the Midwest so that the flood waters can abate, and people can return to their normal activities. The main emphasis of my July article was not a prayer for literal rain, but an earnest request for a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit. I believe that such a request is essential for every individual who desires to be ready for our Lord's soon return. The "latter rain" representing the special outpouring of His Spirit upon all flesh prior to His appearing must never stop!



This Indiana church group assisted with flood relief efforts in St. Peters, MO.

Lake Union Responses to The Great Flood of 1993

*by William E. Jones, disaster response director
Lake Union Conference*

Adventist Community Services (ACS) and Seventh-day Adventist volunteers responded early to the wide-spread flood conditions which have controlled the lives of so many families throughout the Midwest.

On Friday, July 16, a small group of Indiana Conference volunteers led by Cathryn Kuszmaul, director, traveled to St. Peters, MO, a suburb of St. Louis, where a distribution site had been set up in the Mid-Rivers Adventist Church and School (pictured above). Some volunteers were kept busy interviewing those who had suffered loss, while others distributed drinking water and assisted in sandbagging.

More assistance for flood victims has been set up in the Illinois cities of Quincy (pictured right), Moline and Alton by Elder Jerry Coyle, Illinois Conference disaster response director.

It was my privilege to travel to the flooded areas to help review their needs, and plan for future operations. I found from location to location and day to day, the needs varied.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church is playing a major roll in distributing donated goods. Churches throughout the Lake Union have collection programs in place for items such as: bottled water, baby food and diapers, flashlights, batteries, cleaning supplies, canned food, can openers, personal comfort items (toothpaste, soap), paper goods (plates, cups) and blankets.

Please call first! Individuals and groups that want to donate items, other than cash, to flood relief are urged to dial 800-253-3000 first. This 800 number acts as a clearinghouse, coordinating offers with relief workers on location at emergency distribution centers. Disorganized, unexpected arrivals of donated items that are not needed can create a backup of trucks, piles of clothing in parking lots, and actually prevent help from getting to flood victims.

It is important that donations be packed in a way which will keep them from being ruined in transit, or make it difficult to handle them when they arrive at the disaster site. Pack your donations in medium and small cardboard cartons, because often the unloading must be done by hand, without forklifts or dollies.

It is helpful to fill each donation box with the same kind of item and mark the box clearly with a large marker. Organize canned goods by type, too. At this time there is not a need of clothing, except for babies and preschool children.

However, there is an on-going need for volunteers from outside the states of Illinois, Iowa and Missouri. Many SDA members in these areas are victims who should not be asked to provide major contributions of time and energy. If your are interested in volunteering, please call 800-253-3000 before traveling to the scene, for coordination purposes.



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Building Bridges of Mercy

Michigan — South Flint (MI) Church's youth group recently decided they would like to do something to help AIDS victims.

The group contacted Dave Warson, a South Flint member and the director of Joy Outreach, to find out what they could do to be most helpful. Joy Outreach is a privately funded national organization that helps both victims of cancer and AIDS.

Warson called Wellness Services which gives assistance to AIDS victims in Genessee County, and asked if they could suggest a project. He was told that the organization was recently donated a house in downtown Flint to use as a center for AIDS patients in the latter stages of the illness, and needed help preparing the house for occupancy.

On July 21, Jim Simonds, South Flint pastor, took nine young people downtown to work on this house. They pulled weeds, washed windows, cleaned sinks, polished wall paneling, scrubbed floors and cleaned bathrooms. These enthusiastic volunteers cleaned the 16-room house in a little over two hours.

According to Simonds, their efforts to help did not stop with the house cleaning project. This youth group is collecting blankets, food and other necessities for the six or eight people who will eventually reside in the center.



A flooded portion of the river in south St. Louis, MO, pushes against the weakened levee.

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The Seventh-day Adventist Church has had excellent media coverage by television, radio and in the newspapers of St. Louis, as well as in other small towns of Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and Missouri. The 800 number has been listed daily in the *Washington Post* and other national newspapers. Information about ACS and the 800 number has also been sent out on the Prodigy electronic news network.

Even the Euro-Africa Division of the SDA Church, headquartered in Switzerland, has responded with a special donation of \$10,000 from European Seventh-day Adventists.

Stories about the response of people everywhere are heart-warming. John Wolfe and Dean Coridan tell of meeting a Methodist pastor from Fairfax, MO. He said that the people in his little town didn't know much about Adventists, and didn't really like Adventists until they lost their water system and an ACS truck arrived past midnight with bottled water for families that had gone more than 12 hours without drinking water.

"You saved our town," said this pastor, and it has totally changed our attitudes toward Adventists.

Laurie Herr, Wisconsin Conference communication director, said that the Baraboo (WI) Church has suffered greatly. According to Pastor Wendell Springer, 51 inches of water flooded the church basement July 18, destroying all Sabbath school supplies, most church library books, and a piano.

Though flood waters in Baraboo have damaged many local roads and several businesses, fortunately no area church members have been displaced. However, a 12-year-old boy from Illinois tragically died when the car that he was riding was overcome by water.

Let us continue to remember the many flood victims in our prayers. To contribute, a fund has been established and offerings can be marked "ACS-Flood," and sent to: Flood Relief, ACS North America, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904. For donations by credit card dial 800-253-3000.

God Makes Her Hands Work

Wisconsin — The severe arthritis in her hands and fingers does not stop Martha Rohde.

A Madison East (WI) Church member, Rohde recently completed 16 baby quilts for AIDS babies and orphaned infants throughout the world (she is pictured with some of her quilts).

The quilts are part of "Global Quilting 1993," a program launched by the La Sierra University's Stahl Center. Campaign organizers hope to have 5,000 quilts made and sent to AIDS babies worldwide. Rohde read about this project in the *Pacific Union Recorder*. For more "Global Quilting 1993" details call 909-785-2000. Crib quilts must be mailed by Oct. 15.

In addition, Rohde's hands have been busy making nearly 40 adult quilts for the Madison East's Community Services Center. May God bless Rohde and her hands which make such fine quilts for those in need.

Kitty Crary, Madison East communication leader





The Y.E.S. youth team present special music to their Revelation Seminar attendees. (photo by Gary Riggs)

Youth Say Yes to Evangelism

Michigan — The Lansing (MI) Church's new youth program, "Youth Evangelism Summer" or Y.E.S., is providing Michigan youth with an opportunity to be actively involved in Christian outreach and witnessing.

Gary Thurber, senior pastor at Lansing, was so impressed with the witnessing program at Great Lakes Adventist Academy (GLAA) that he decided to provide a similar program for youth during the summer months. He said, "We train them there [GLAA] but their real opportunity to witness is in the summer." Thurber did not want the student's enthusiasm for witnessing generated during the school year to die out over the summer months. So with the help of his associate youth pastor, Pedro Perez, Thurber organized Y.E.S.

Many of the youth involved in Y.E.S. have attended the evangelism training programs at GLAA. They are from Gaylord, Grayling, Mendon, Charlotte and Grand Ledge, as well as Lansing. Each of the young people involved will earn either a \$1,000 (for academy) or a \$1,200 (for college) scholarship toward their tuition at an Adventist school. The scholarships are jointly sponsored by the student's home church, Michigan Advance Partners, and the schools the students will attend.

Among the Y.E.S. projects this summer was a Youth Rally, July 16-17, in Lansing. Approximately 150 young people from as far away as the Upper Peninsula attended this rally. Buddy Houghtaling, a Christian musician from Battle Creek, presented mini concerts on Friday and Saturday nights. Elder Buell Fogg from Lincoln, NE, was the main speaker. He challenged the youth to make themselves available to the Lord for service.

This challenge was actively accepted the next Sabbath afternoon, when the whole group helped pass out 3,000 invitations for a vegetarian sampling and health screening, to be held that Sunday at Valhalla Park in Holt, MI. This was a lead-in to the Y.E.S. team's Revelation Seminar which began the following Monday night in Holt. E. J. Wolf, a ministerial student from Andrews University was the featured speaker for these meetings which ran five nights a week for four weeks.

By the series' third week, the Y.E.S. team was already getting a positive response. One woman, who had previously studied with Lansing Church members, decided to be baptized.

Others have expressed an interest in baptism and/or accepted the Sabbath. According to Thurber, these people will be invited to attend a doctrines class he teaches on Sabbath morning, as well as more evangelistic meetings to be held at the Lansing Church in October.

Thurber said Y.E.S. was also an integral part of the Lansing Church Vacation Bible

School program this year. In addition to the Revelation Seminars and VBS, this Y.E.S. team, along with other young people from the Lansing Church, put together a drama program on the life of Christ. This program was presented to Lansing members and in other area churches.

The Lansing congregation is proud of the Christian witness their young people are sharing with the community.

*Carol J. Grossman, secretary,
Michigan Conference communication*

Training Seminar Attracts Volunteers

Andrews University — More than 100 people from across the United States participated in an intensive training seminar for volunteers, July 26-Aug. 1 on campus.

This seminar, "Summer Institute of Christian Service: The Gospel in Workclothes II," attracted people who volunteer in community service, disaster response, inner cities, prison ministries, world service and youth service. Approximately 30 presenters offered special courses within each of these tracks.

Larry Buckner, North American Division disaster plans coordinator, trained others how to respond to disasters. While he was at the seminar, Buckner worked with an Andrews graduate student who then went to St. Joseph, MO, to organize water distribution as part of the flood relief effort there.

Seminar coordinators were enthusiastic about the seminar and the positive response generated. "One of the unique things about this particular event is that it brings together men and women working in many different lines of Christian service, and helps them realize that they are all part of the same team," said Sten LaBianca, professor of anthropology at Andrews. Larry Ulery, assistant professor of community service programming at Andrews, added that "it is especially heartening to see how church-based volunteers are beginning to link hands with other people and agencies in their local communities, for the sake of promoting the good of the community as a whole."

Plans are being made for a similar training program July 25-31, 1994. For more information call Susan Zork of Lifelong Learning at Andrews University, 616-471-3286.

Michele Jacobsen, Andrews correspondent

"PROJECT RECLAIM"

Do We Care About the Missing?

Lake Union — Many people are hurting and possibly hoping to be contacted, let's not pass up a chance to save a soul.

The *Lake Union Herald* office received this letter from a member who used to sit in an SDA Church pew:

"Here's a story from the other side of the Adventist fence. My wife and I along with our two children left the Church about five years ago. The reason is irrelevant for the purpose of this note. Let's just say that I like to be present when I am being discussed, and that the politics of the city of Chicago have nothing on the politics of the Church.

"After five years, I have NEVER been contacted by any caring church officer or minister. The only contact that I have ever had with the Church after our departure, was to request donations to a specific fund or to receive a report that identified the marvelous job being done in outreach to 'save the lost.' Somehow I find this uniquely humorous, since it seems the Seventh-day Adventist Church (or at least its reporters) cannot reach far back enough to pat themselves on the back for what a wonderful job they are doing.

"At this moment in time I am not sure what my current status is from the Church's viewpoint (existing member, backslidden member, ex-member, son of Satan). In my view, I am pleasantly freed of the superstitious nonsense which permeated every vocal pattern that left a pulpit.

"Since we left the Church my life has been wonderful. I am extremely close to my family, and have more time to spend with them now that the demands of the Church are no longer filling my every waking moment. I am happy.

"The bottom line of this note is: Please keep your requests for funds and your evangelistic outreach status to yourself. I don't care about them, and it seems obvious that you REALLY don't care about us."

Scott A. Zelms, Chicago

Does the Seventh-day Adventist Church care about its missing members? How much do we show we care? Isn't it time to do something different?

Let's all participate in "Project Reclaim," a massive campaign to reclaim 500,000 former and inactive Adventist members for a special "Rejoice With Me" Sabbath service Nov. 20. You must make that contact with the members you don't see each Sabbath in the church pews, now that the deadline has past to submit names for the mass mailing.

Is it that difficult to think of one family or individual you don't see in your church pews? Don't hope that someone else has followed up with them, I'm sure Christ would be happy if more than one person contacted each missing member.

1993 CRUSADES

Church	Date	Evangelist
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ILLINOIS CONFERENCE

Broadview	Sept. 25-Oct. 23	Marvin Brown
Brookfield	Sept. 8-Nov. 17	Bill Werner
Chicago Cicero Spanish	Sept. 25-Oct. 23	Gilberto Velásquez
Chicago Lake View Spanish	Sept. 25-Oct. 23	Adalberto Alarcon
Chicago Pilsen Spanish	September-October	José I. Montano
Chicago Romanian	April-September	Titus Cazan
Chicago West Town Spanish	Sept. 25-Oct. 23	Victor Aispuro
DuQuoin	Oct. 3-Dec. 12	Earl Simmons
Joliet Spanish	Sept. 18-Dec. 18	Dennis R. Hidalgo
Kankakee New Jerusalem	Oct. 21-Nov. 21	Enell Hall
Lakeview Spanish	Sept. 25-Oct. 23	Adalberto Alarcon
Rockford Spanish	Sept. 18-Nov. 6	Victor Rivas

INDIANA CONFERENCE

Anderson	October-November	Jerry Arnold
Bloomfield	Aug. 31-Nov. 20	Paul Wasmer
Columbia City, Wolf Lake Church	Oct. 8-Nov. 15	Mike Wolford
Evansville	Oct. 15-Nov. 20	Marlyn Kurtz
Jeffersonville	September	Rodney Mills
Kokomo (Tues. & Thurs.)	Sept. 28-Dec. 10	Ron Kelly
Martinsville	Sept. 25-Nov. 6	Jon Harvey
Monticello	Oct. 6-Nov. 24	Ron Kelly
Muncie	Sept. 8-Nov. 8	Fred Troxell
South Bend	October-November	Mark Johnson

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

Berrien Springs Village	Oct. 16-Nov. 20	Lyle Albrecht
Burlington	Sept. 11-Oct. 16	Ron Feely
Chesaning	Sept. 10-Oct. 30	Gary Bullard
Coloma	October	Russell Burrill
Detroit Spanish	Oct. 2-Oct. 30	A. Aragones
Holly	Oct. 9-Nov. 6	Dan Collins
Jackson	Oct. 23-Nov. 27	Ron Feely
Kalamazoo	Oct. 2-Nov. 21	J. Mayer/D. Garcia
Lansing	Oct. 9-Nov. 23	Jay Gallimore
Lansing Spanish	Oct. 2-Oct. 30	A. Aragones
Tecumseh	Oct. 2-Nov. 25	H. Feyerabend
Warren	Nov. 20-Dec. 18	Dan Collins

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE

Menominee	September-October	Clint Meharry
Milwaukee Central & Northwest	Sept. 24-Oct. 23	Herb Larsen
Milwaukee Central Spanish	Oct. 9-Nov. 6	Elias Correa
Milwaukee North Spanish	Oct. 9-Nov. 6	Victor Borgos
Milwaukee Southeast Spanish	Oct. 9-Nov. 6	Miguel Aldonia
Racine Spanish	Sept. 11-Oct. 9	Armando Miranda
Schofield	Oct. 8-Nov. 27	Glenn Lewis

Beast Bashing Has to STOP

In short the Bible
calls us to apply
prophecy to people,
bringing them
to Jesus.

BY ALDEN THOMPSON

When some who take the name of Adventist think it's time to put up billboards attacking other Christians, then surely it's time for Adventists to ponder Ellen G. White's comments on the study of Daniel and Revelation.

Understanding the book of Revelation could lead to "a great revival" among us (*Testimonies to Ministers*, page 113). Not panic; revival.

Studying Daniel and Revelation will result in "an entirely different religious experience"; the book of Revelation teaches "that the connection between God and His people is close and decided" (TM 114).

Ellen White cautions: "But be not too ready to take a controversial attitude. ... Let Daniel speak, let the Revelation speak, and tell what is truth. But whatever phase of the subject is presented, uplift Jesus as the center of all hope" (TM 118).

As I ponder the world now, it seems clear to me why Ellen White suggests saying less about Rome. The enemies of God can loom so large in our thinking that we lose sight of our Lord and forget how to love. Do we think angering the beast can hasten the end?

Our faith must be in Christ Jesus, not in a specific timetable of events. Trusting Him makes us ready.

Furthermore, I'm convinced beast bashing is not just missing the point; it's damaging and dangerous. We must present and speak the truth in love. If we want to be Christian, most of us will have to say less about the papacy.

Ellen White warned against building "unnecessary barriers between us and other denominations, especially the Catholics, so that they think we are their avowed enemies. We should not create a prejudice in their minds unnecessarily, by making a raid upon them" (*Evangelism*, page 144).

"Our ministers should seek to come near to the ministers of other denominations. Pray for and with these men" (*Testimonies for the Church*, volume six, page 78).

One of my deep concerns for this Church I love, is our use and abuse and

neglect of the messages God has given us. Admittedly a danger lurks in saying that God simply wants us to do good, for some will think they can ignore the rest of God's Word. Our task, then, is to show that the rest of God's Word helps us do *more* good, and to do it better.

All we do and say interprets to the world around us our principle of love. Sometimes other Christians do it better than we do. Blessings on them. In the words of *The Great Controversy*, page 449, "God accepts their sincerity of purpose and their integrity before him." If God loves them, so can we.

But then the question, "What to do with the book *The Great Controversy*?" Is it too hard on the beast? Too scary? In 1868, Ellen White asked, "Should it be necessary that the terrors of the day of God be held before us in order to compel us to right action?"

Though fear awakens sinners, perfect love casts out fear (1 John 4:18). If Ellen White had written *The Great Controversy* again, would she have treated the beast more kindly?

Certainly not to condone beastly deeds. But she did become more sensitive to the danger of "true" statements being used to hurt people.

Times have changed, and *The Great Controversy* may not be up-to-date — but it's not out-of-date. The key issues in the struggle between good and evil have remained the same.

I believe both prophets and scholars as well as SDA members must subdue their perfectionist tendencies and get the word out. But then they must keep at it, too. In America, the present pope is popular, but powerless. Now the great threat to us all is secularism; and Adventists are virtually alone in cherishing sacred time.

In a secular culture, God's enemies are apathy, cynicism and scorn. What can we do about it? Many lonely people will join us if we simply touch them with love.

Alden Thompson is professor of Biblical studies at Walla Walla College in College Place, Washington.

The Unsung Heroes

BY RICHARD DOWER

Harlan Paddock is a truck driver from Grand Island, Nebraska. Jake Mehling is a retired teacher from College Place, Washington. Daryl and Kristy Plata of Redlands, California, were married December 20, 1992. Beverly Keeton of Forest Grove, Oregon, is a widow of 12 years. Louis Thayer of San Diego, is a retired nursing home owner. Andy and Judy Snyder of Berrien Springs, Michigan, are retired; Andy as a concrete contractor and Judy as a teacher.

From so many walks of life and varying in age, what do these individuals have in common? Each one is a part of Maranatha Volunteers International. All have donated their time, talents and money to help build churches, schools and clinics around the world.

Harlan and his wife, Stella, have been on four Maranatha projects including the "Santo Domingo '92" project when volunteers built 25 churches in 70 days for area members. Regarding the Dominican work, Harlan said his reward came from the people's gratitude.

Jake was chairman of the business administration department at Walla Walla College for many years. After his retirement, he volunteered for short-term teaching assignments at Adventist colleges in Indonesia, Africa and Singapore. Upon returning home, he said that he didn't have much to do.



One hundred ten people worked for two weeks prior to the Maranatha Convention, July 29-31, renovating and re-roofing seven faculty homes, as well as remodeling the Auburn (WA) Academy administration building.



Maranatha volunteers learn the basics of laying cement blocks at the Friday afternoon seminar, "Lay A Brick For God."

Beverly spent seven weeks on the "Santo Domingo '92" church-building project. She has just returned from a project in Chile where several

buildings and a church were added to the Adventist university. And she is off again, this time to Russia. Beverly said that after her husband died she had to have an outreach, and Maranatha has provided that for her.

Louis has spent much of the last seven years in Bangladesh building a school and 22 churches. "In every church that I've built, the membership doubles in two years," he said smiling.

Andy carries with him a Maranatha life-time membership card, numbered 211; it is dated 1968. The Snyders have been on more Maranatha projects than they can remember. Commenting on what makes Maranatha trips worthwhile, Andy said, "It's the people that you meet on the project, and the people all working together that makes it such a lovely experience."

These volunteers are but just a few of the 400 Maranatha volunteers who met for their annual convention at Auburn Adventist Academy in Auburn, Washington, July 29-31. But when you gather this many active volunteers in one place, it only seems proper to provide them with a building project. So for two weeks prior to the convention, 110 people worked on the academy campus remodeling the administration building, as well as re-roofing and renovating seven faculty homes.

The convention was a weekend of fellowship and meetings, where attendees heard of both past and future projects. Some 1994 projects include: building 23 churches and several schools in the Dominican Republic, as well as other projects in Russia, Mexico, the Marshall Islands and Guatemala.

Life-long member Andy sums up the Maranatha experience by saying, "I keep going because I need to be needed, and they keep needing me."

If you would like to be needed, and would like to go on an "Operation Amigo" Maranatha trip to the Dominican Republic, contact your local conference "Operation Amigo" coordinator. To volunteer for other Maranatha projects and trips contact: Maranatha Volunteers International, 1600 Sacramento Inn Way, Suite 116, Sacramento, CA 95815.

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Singing a song for talent night was the Maranatha Volunteers male chorus, "The Master Builders."



Honored as Maranatha "Missionary of the Year" was architect Don Kirkman from Auburn, WA, and his wife, Alice.

His sister and brother-in-law suggested he go on a Maranatha project to help build an Indian school in Nevada. Jake enjoyed this work so much that he went on another project in Mexico and has continued assisting with Maranatha projects since. Jake says so far he's been on more than 40 projects.

The recently married Platas actually became acquainted while on a Maranatha trip to Honduras in 1989. Daryl, who has been on eight Maranatha projects, recalls eating and visiting with the island people in their homes. Kristy, who has been on five projects, remembers Honduras because it was her first: "It was miserable living conditions, wonderful fruit, incredible island beauty, and I could practice my Spanish," she said.

Communicating

Care

to Physically

Challenged

BY DR. JOHN W. SMITH

In 1990, President George Bush signed into law the most sweeping legislation ever passed by Congress on the behalf of disabled individuals in this country.

The law, now known as "The Americans With Disabilities Act" (ADA) makes it illegal for segments of society to discriminate against those with physical, mental and emotional handicaps.

As a blind professor and minister of the gospel for the past 20 years, I have often thought about what should be the proper response by the Church to this legislation.

Thankfully, many denominations and religious organizations have been actively involved in ministering to the needs of the disabled community. Sadly, however, many denominations and congregations are often confused and perplexed about how to communicate with those who are physically challenged.

The church must believe and teach that God does speak to the needs of the handicapped individual.

In Exodus 4:10-12, "And Moses said unto the Lord, O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

"And the Lord said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the

When dealing with the disabled community, it is helpful for churches to remember that though these individuals may have physical, mental and/or emotional limitations, they still have souls.

Lord? Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say."

I contend the Christian community should communicate to those with handicaps, the message that God is just as concerned about them as He is with anyone else.

The Church must begin to tear down physical, mental and emotional barriers which, for too long, have kept the physically challenged on the outside of our congregations and sanctuaries. My message is divided into three essential points, specifically: accessibility, acceptability and accountability.

ACCESSIBILITY

While mainstream America strives to implement the guidelines and spirit of ADA, I have often been appalled at the lack of accessibility in many congregations. The best way for a congregation to communicate they "care" for the physically challenged, is to make it as easy as possible for them to attend their services — and for them to participate in programs.

Practical ways of communicating the "caring" message are: wheelchair ramps, service elevators, braille materials, special screens for the deaf, and access to medical resources. Additionally, congregations should encourage and sponsor selected members to take classes in sign language and braille transcription.

Church leaders need not worry that funds used for this purpose will be wasted in lack of use. Any knowledge and training will be invaluable; and it is better to be prepared for such situations if they may arise. Also, many community organizations are often in desperate need of volunteers with this knowledge and training. So while these people may not immediately use their knowledge and training in a congregation setting, they may become very special and effective evangelists in the community.

In addition to these physical and practical adaptations, this business of accessibility extends to the creation of an overall supportive climate. I hope

the following personal example will illustrate my point.

When a blind person comes to your church, especially if they are unescorted, someone should be assigned to explain the various aspects of your particular service and provide general assistance if requested. Two of the most uncomfortable times for me in many services, are offering time and when the congregation is nonverbally requested to stand and/or to be seated.

With the advent of new technology (computers, braille printers, braille typewriters), it does not take much effort to produce bulletins, Sabbath school lessons and selected hymns in braille for the visually impaired.

Finally, in every congregation at least one bathroom and water fountain should be totally accessible to those in wheelchairs and at least one bus/van should be equipped with a wheelchair and wheelchair lift. These are practical and profound ways of communicating the message to the disabled community that, "We want you to attend our church services."

ACCEPTABILITY

The next step in communicating "care" to the physically challenged is to create a receptive environment that encourages those with disabilities to become active participants in the church service. This receptive environment begins with warm, genuine acceptance, humane treatment and mutual respect.

The best way to communicate acceptability to the physically challenged is to allow us to use our many talents and abilities during the service. Encourage those who sing to sing, those who read to read, those who teach to teach, those who preach to preach, and those who play musical instruments to play.

In short, if the physically challenged are willing to work, let them work. The Church would benefit if more would open up their hearts and doors to the disabled population.

ACCOUNTABILITY

I believe that God has a special place in His heart for those who are physically challenged, however, this does not mean that God changes His laws and commandments for the disabled. A handicapped individual should never be allowed to use his or her disability as an excuse to sin.

God's commandments stipulate that all of us should lead a clean, holy and pure life — and there are no exceptions to His laws.

Most of us who are physically challenged do not want pity or even sympathy, but rather opportunity. Many people communicate pity and sympathy for the physically challenged, and many of the physically challenged take full advantage of this.

God requires the same amount of commitment and dedication from the physically challenged as He does from everyone else. Those with handicaps should never be encouraged to use their handicaps as crutches or excuses for laziness, apathy or indifference.

IN CONCLUSION

When dealing with the disabled community, it is helpful for churches to remember that though these individuals may have physical, mental and/or emotional limitations, they still have souls.

Quite frankly, you may never have to minister to more than two physically challenged individuals in your entire life, but I believe that the Church should be prepared to seize as many opportunities as is possible when it comes to evangelism.

Granted, this form of ministry will require new thinking, new strategies and in many cases the implementation of money and manpower heretofore never utilized, but just imagine the rejoicing in heaven over the saving of one soul.

Dr. John W. Smith is a professor of speech and communication for the Indiana University in South Bend.

An Army of Young People Witness This Summer

Naomi Millard
and Jeremy
Abbott sold
books and
touched lives
during their
summer
vacation in
Michigan.



BY CAROL J. GROSSMAN

“What did you do this summer?” is a common question students ask each other when they return to school for another year. Answers range from “I went to camp” to “Nothing.”

For Michigan academy students involved in the Youth Challenge, their answer was, “I sold books.” But these youth are more than salespeople, they are vibrant witnesses for the Savior.

Michigan students first took part in the Youth Challenge program in 1991. Students from Cindy Tutsch’s witnessing class at Great Lakes Adventist Academy (GLAA) in Cedar Lake, worked in the Detroit area holding Revelation seminars and selling the book *He Taught Love*.

Last year, 70 Michigan students participated in the Youth Challenge, selling books and studying with people contacted. Sales totaled 94,000 books.

This summer, approximately 80 academy-age youth participated in Michigan. Some areas covered include: Battle Creek, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Lansing, the Upper Peninsula, Saginaw, Flint, and the western suburbs of Detroit.

Youth Challenge offers young people an opportunity to earn school scholarships. Adventist-Laymen’s Services and Industries (ASI) supplies books at no cost, so students can retain 75 percent of their sales.

The books used are a large, soft-cover format called Magabooks, a cross between a magazine and a book. Some Magabooks include: a cookbook, the *Bedtime Storybook*, *Jesus Friend of*

Children, and *The Great Controversy*. Wherever possible, students try to leave a copy of *Happiness Digest* in the homes they visit.

Naomi Millard, Magabook sales manager for GLAA, and

Jeremy Abbott, were preparing to leave a home after selling the cookbook. They asked to have prayer with the

couple. The man asked if they could pray for his granddaughter, who had been in a coma for six months.

Later, as Naomi and Jeremy passed by this house, the woman came running out to them with tears in her eyes. She and her husband had just received a phone call informing them that their granddaughter was coming out of her coma!

Chaplain Denise Ropka reports: “This summer in Illinois, both current and former students of Broadview Academy participated in the Youth Challenge. They visited approximately 70,000 homes. Almost 60,000 Bible study and interest cards were distributed to homes throughout the Chicago suburbs and Rockford area. Plans are being made to continue this program for students during the school year.”

John Bernet, director of the Lake Union Youth Challenge reports: “An army of 200 youth workers visited more than 300,000 Lake Union homes. The Bible study cards left in these homes are now pouring in.

“The Youth Challenge work in Wisconsin this summer covered: Kenosha, Racine, Waukesha and Greater Milwaukee. These youth prepared the way for many summer and fall evangelistic meetings. In north Milwaukee, student leader Heinz Kowarsch says three of their contacts are preparing for baptism.”

John continues: “A few days ago a Lake Union church member said, ‘I saw my youngest son converted to Jesus through the Youth Challenge program this summer.’”

These young people touched many lives this summer through the books, prayers and literature they shared. No doubt their lives were touched in return as they ministered for Christ.

Although the Lake Union students appreciated the opportunity to earn tuition money, their greatest rewards may be reaped in heaven when someone asks them, “Do you remember that book you sold me?”

Carol J. Grossman is secretary in the Michigan Conference communication department.

Revival Among Friends

Special emphasis
is being placed
on Lake Union
teenagers
and Hispanics
during the upcoming
union-wide
women's retreat.

BY MARJORIE SNYDER

Knowledge is key to any type of behavior change. Our society is changing, our world is changing. Therefore, to be effective in our homes, on our jobs and within our church, we must have the knowledge.

One can gain this knowledge by attending the Lake Union women's retreat in Battle Creek, Michigan, October 15-17. Our emphasis will not only be on nurturing and motivating women, but also educating them.

A unique feature of this retreat will be simultaneous activities for young women, ages 13-18. These activities will inspire them to discover their own preciousness and victorious living promised through Christ.

Presenting current teenage issues will be Susan Zork. For teenagers concerned about developing inner and outer beauty, guest speaker Delores Richardson will conduct a session on manners, grooming and how to develop a winning personal image.

Another special feature will be the appearance of 14-year-old, national recording artist Kelli Williams of Nashville, Tennessee. Kelli is a Seventh-day Adventist who began singing when she was six years old. She is a three-time winner of the popular television "Star Search" contest, and today has contracts with some of the biggest names in the music industry. She has sung with Sandy Patti and Amy Grant, and is currently collaborating with them and other musicians on a recording.

Kelli's message is "no compromise." My goal, she says, is to "reach out to people who don't know the Lord with my music, and to inspire those who know the Lord to love Him more." Her greatest concern is "keeping my faith and sticking to what I believe." She feels her daily morning and evening devotions help keep her focused. Kelli's advice to other teenagers is, "If you've tried everything else, try Jesus."

"Go Tell Productions," a group that uses music and drama as vehicles for teaching Christian values, will be the Saturday night attraction.

During this weekend, adult workshops will deal with spiritual and personal growth, and provide practical tools to help make women victorious in everyday life.

Topics include: "How to Resolve Conflict and Remain a Winner," by Dr. Rosa Taylor Banks; "Mothering in the Nineties," by author Karen Spruill; "Women Balancing Roles at Home, Church and Work," by Dr. Ramona Perez Greek; and "Dealing with Intimacy After an Abusive Past," by Mable Dunbar.

Keynote speaker for the weekend will be Kay Rizzo, who will also conduct two workshops: "Take Off the Mask" and "Share Christ Without Inhibition."

In addition, there will be Spanish language presentations to women of Hispanic origin by Dr. Perez Greek.

"The 1993 goal of the Lake Union women's ministries is for each church to win one sister and reclaim another for Christ. Through workshops, women's programs, small group ministries, counseling programs, mentoring, parenting programs, and of course retreats, we hope to create a vibrant and inviting climate in our churches, so that families of any size and race would want to be a part of it," states Cynthia J. Prime, Lake Union women's ministries director.

During this retreat, area women's coordinators will have the opportunity to network and be mentored. The Saturday night gathering will allow coordinators to share ideas, solve problems and receive inspiration.

Arrangements for the weekend include: two nights' accommodations at the Stouffer's Hotel, including the hotel's recreational facilities; presentations, workshops, seminars and special programs; a Friday evening reception; five meals; and an optional tour of Ellen White's home and other historical sites in the Battle Creek area.

For details contact your conference women's ministries director.

Marjorie Snyder is the public relations writer for the Lake Union Conference women's ministries.

News Notes

- **Dorothy White** was voted "Mother of the Year" at the Lake



Region Beacon of Joy Church in Chicago; reports Tanya Williams, Beacon communication secretary. The first car you see parked in front of the church on any given Sabbath morning is a green Chrysler Cordoba. When the car door opens, out steps White armed with her Bible and walking with two canes. She joined the Church in 1939, after her husband persuaded her to acknowledge the truth. White

immediately became active in the Church. A mother of eight children, she also held full-time employment in preschool education. Then in 1981 she contracted osteoarthritis, which forced her to retire in 1983. White is still active in community services, serving as president for six years before her retirement, and as a church deaconess. White says she relies more than ever in God for her strength. White's children: Howard Jr., Terry, Raymond, Carmen, Daniel, Oliver, Gail and Lynette, have made her a grandmother of sixteen.

- **Cicero (IN) Church:** On May 8 the congregation honored



its mothers with poems and readings, a tribute by three church men (Norman Clear, Jim Bolin and Duane Carlisle), and a service conducted by the Cicero women's ministries group, headed by Barbara Overdorf. Leon Trubey and his mother, Ramona, gave conversational Scripture and prayer. Geneva Groover (pictured) was honored as the

mother with the oldest child, age 65; and the mother with the youngest baby was Kathy Griffen. A small potted plant was given to every mother in the church.



- **Velma Owens** (pictured) has been investment leader of the Greenfield (IN) Church for over 45 years. This small church of less than 50 members, was pleased with last year's investment total of \$1,227.

- **Ruth A. Willis** of Oak Park, MI, has created the "Picture (Film) Disc for

Computer." A former preschool teacher, Willis is a member of the Lake Region Maranatha Church in Detroit and wife of Pastor Charles Willis. Her invention will allow the creation of images in a camera and the possibility of enhancing those images by a computer with electronic imaging technology.



Sharing Christ in the Workplace

Lake Region — Paula Flemons, a singing evangelist, was compelled to stay in Springfield, IL, after helping out with an evangelistic series for the Lake Region Springfield Bible Chapel.

She felt good about the meetings, her role, and her new friends in

Christ. She eventually married Alan Irby, and they have two children. She continues to play the piano and provide special music for her church; and her music ministry continues to reach out beyond her home.

Irby sings for camp meetings and other churches throughout Illinois. And through the miracles of satellite, her testimony and songs are broadcast over the Three Angels Broadcasting Network.

Irby's philosophy of ministry includes living the Christian faith — not just singing about it. "I try to reflect Christ in the workplace as well as behind the microphone. I feel a Christian strives for excellence in the workplace as well. I work hard because I am a Christian," she says.

As a computer programmer analyst for the Horace Mann Insurance Companies in Springfield, Irby helped organize and now conducts a corporate choir. This group performs during Christmas and the Fourth of July in the lobby of corporate headquarters, which houses over 1,200 employees.

Her co-workers evidently have noticed Irby's striving for excellence, as this year she was named "Employee of the Year."

Irby and her husband just returned from a trip to Hawaii which was given her as the award recipient. Horace Mann Insurance Companies realized the Irbys' unique SDA beliefs and accommodated them with vegetarian meals on the trip.

As the award recipient, Irby was to attend an awards banquet in Maui, HI, and speak as the honored guest. Originally, the banquet was scheduled during the closing hours of the Sabbath, and she had planned to arrive late after the sun had set. But quietly Irby's company rescheduled the banquet for after sundown.

"Sharing Christ in the workplace is not as much what we say but how we live. If you think no one notices, think again!" Irby says. "The way my company honored me and accommodated my religious beliefs is proof to me that people do notice the way you live and the ways you honor God."

Jerry L. White, pastor

Intro to Witnessing at GLAA

Michigan — The Great Lakes Adventist Academy witnessing class in Cedar Lake, MI, began with a Teen Lay Bible Seminar on campus, Sept. 3-5. A new class, Intro to Witnessing, is being offered to help prepare students in giving Bible studies. An advanced witnessing class will be offered second semester.

Staff members for the class include: Debra Dis, director; Jennie Neri, interest coordinator; and Pastor Peter Neri, supervisor of the Peer-to-Peer study group. Enrollment in the Tuesday night witnessing class is high. Community church members have again volunteered to drive the students to and from their Bible studies.

In addition, students will be working at the "Carson City Project" with Pastor Robert Collar and his wife, Mary. The focus of this project is to rebuild the Carson City (MI) Church and make it a viable part of the community. The pastors from District Five will assist students in seminars.

If interested in becoming a "missionary family" to students on the "Carson City Project," call Debra Dis at 517-427-5181.

New Program Offered at Andrews

Andrews University — The agriculture department has created a two-year Associate of Technology in Horticulture degree, with an emphasis in Golf Course Management. The program begins this autumn quarter.

According to Thomas Chittick, chair of the agriculture department, this new program provides the strong educational background and practical work experience needed for students to become a golf course superintendent.

Superintendents are responsible for many diverse duties, including the management of golf playing areas and surrounding areas, management of equipment and facilities used in maintenance operations, development of a budget, and overseeing of expenditures related to the maintenance and improvement of the course. These duties are usually performed in conjunction with the golf professional and clubhouse manager.

Classroom instruction will include plant sciences, landscaping, business management and personnel administration. Also, students will be required to take six credits of cooperative work experience. They will work at a golf course applying their knowledge while gaining hands-on experience.

"Golf course management is an excellent career for people who play golf and enjoy the outdoors," adds Chittick. "It is a great opportunity for those interested in a financially rewarding career in agriculture."

Flordelino Lagundino, newswriter



Leshner Announces Retirement Plans

Andrews University — W. Richard Leshner, president of Andrews, has announced his plans to retire from this position effective

July 1, 1994. This announcement came during the university's Board of Trustees meeting held on campus in July.

Leshner, age 68, has been president of the university since 1984. Previous to coming to Andrews he was general vice president of the General Conference in Washington, D.C. In addition to other positions held at the General Conference, Leshner has been involved in pastoral, teaching and administrative posts in New England, Egypt and Lebanon.

During his announcement to the trustees, Leshner explained that the reason for his impending retirement is "simply because it's time." He added that he has been working for the Seventh-day Adventist denomination since 1946, and that "it's time for a younger, more vigorous person to take over the job."

Leshner received his bachelor's degree from Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, MA, his master's degree from Andrews University, and his doctor of philosophy degree from New York University, New York City.

David Faehner, vice president for university advancement at Andrews, said that Leshner has "stabilized the institution during his tenure and is noted for his kindness and openness with people." During Leshner's presidency, two buildings have been erected on campus: Chan Shun Hall, home for the School of Business, in 1989; and Harrigan Hall, the College of Technology building, in 1991.

An 11-member search committee is currently being organized to find a replacement for Leshner. Robert Kloosterhuis, chair of Andrews' Board of Trustees, is also chair of the search committee. In addition to Kloosterhuis, the committee will consist of four trustees, four faculty members, and one representative each from the alumni and the student body.

Leshner and his wife, Veda, reside in Berrien Springs, MI. They have two children: Eileen and Martha Leshner-Keough. The Leshners plan to remain in the Berrien Springs area after retirement.

Michele Jacobsen, Andrews correspondent

Energetic in Cicero

Indiana — Community Guest Day at the Cicero (IN) Church invites visitors to the service as well as honors a community guest for his or her positive influence. On May 16, the church honored John and Kay Hartley, who have operated the local mortuary for 31 years.

In other news, on July 2, the Cicero Church honored Tom



and Dottie Massengill (pictured), former workers in the Indiana Conference, with a potluck dinner. The Massengills are currently living in Singapore where he is treasurer of the Southeast Asia Union and she is teaching at Southeast Asia

Union College. They recently returned to the United States to attend the graduation of their son, Tim, and their daughter, Donita, at Andrews University.

On April 14, Indiana Conference leaders gave short reports to the Cicero-Noblesville area members in a town hall meeting. The leaders also fielded questions, with topics of Timber Ridge Nature Center to home school being discussed. Promising reports from each conference department left members with encouragement and joy.

On Feb. 20, another joyful celebration was held in the Indiana Academy cafeteria at Cicero. Church members brought salads and desserts to the students in appreciation for their help in Ingathering this year. After supper, Jack Cain, Ingathering



leader (pictured in back), presented ribbons to people who had solicited \$10-\$500. Two church school students, Chris Dellen (left) and Geoffrey Cain (right), each collected \$500 during their 21 nights out. The church brought in over

\$7,500; and contacted a minister of another denomination who is now doing some studying and reading of SDA materials.

On Feb. 21, the Cicero Church entertained about 75 of its members at a Valentine Banquet held in the Cicero Elementary School. Jeri Boggess had everyone play "Name That Bride" while she showed wedding slides of almost everyone present.

Ramona Trubey, Cicero communication secretary



A New Church Home Again

Wisconsin — After meeting in the Woodland Adventist School in Janesville, WI, for more than four years, members of the Janesville Church are finally able to worship in a church of their own once again.

On June 12 this congregation celebrated their first Sabbath in the new church located at 1033 Tripoli Road in Janesville.

Local members played an important part in making the church their own. After signing final papers for the building in early January, used pews were purchased and moved from the People's Church in Beloit. Members from Janesville and other district churches then reassembled, scrubbed and refinished these pews.

A faithful non-member, Bud Dowd (pictured above), donated his services to paint, letter and install the church sign. Dowd is currently working on a special "Three Angels" logo to be hung on the wall behind the church pulpit.

Louise Legreid, Janesville communication leader

Satellite Communication for Wisconsin

Wisconsin — A newly-purchased satellite dish will give Wisconsin members much greater access to Church information. Conference Treasurer Ken Wright says the \$3,000 satellite, scheduled to be installed at the Madison conference office in early August, will be used to show division-wide training seminars, General Conference sessions, as well as classroom instruction.

According to Warren Judd, vice president of production at the Adventist Media Center in Newberry Park, CA, this satellite dish can also be uplinked to show international programs, such as evangelistic meetings in Russia.

Wisconsin is believed to be the first conference in the Lake Union to purchase and install a satellite dish. For others interested in purchasing and having a satellite dish antenna installed, call the Adventist Communication Network at 800-226-1119.

Laurie Herr, Wisconsin communication director

News Notes

• **Streator (IL) Church:** July 31 was designated as Pastor's Day by the congregation; reports Virginia Ballard, Streator communication secretary. This day was set aside to honor their pastor, Brad Fanning, and his supporting wife, June. Members were then challenged to be Aarons and Hurs in uplifting his hands (Exodus 17:8-12).

• **Sabbath school divisions of the Waterford-Riverside Church in Pontiac, MI,** recently completed a successful investment project; reports Patricia Nickless, Waterford-Riverside communication secretary. Children in cradle roll, kindergarten and primary divisions invested themselves in a 12-week Bible memory verse sponsorship program. Sponsors were recruited from the other Sabbath school classes, juniors through adult. Pledge amounts were varied, from five cents to a dollar per verse. The children proudly earned \$350 for investment.

• **The Lake Region Beacon of Joy Church in Chicago** recently celebrated an Education Day; reports Tanya Williams, Beacon of Joy communication secretary. This day was developed to show the importance of a Christian education as well as its rewards. Claude Shaw, pastor of the Lake Region Robbins (IL) Church, was the guest speaker. Members who attend the Chicago Academy are: Clarice and Geveta Taylor, twin daughters of Clarence and Leneva Taylor; Mark and Marlon Collie, twin sons of Ted and Annette Collie; and Saysha Jones, daughter of Clora Warren.

Community Guest Day was celebrated April 3 by the church.

This day began with a special 13th Sabbath program presented by the lower division Sabbath school department, of which Kyle Lane (pictured) was depicted wearing the whole armor of Christ. After the service a dinner was served to members, visitors and friends. A play called, "The Heart of the Matter," was

presented that evening by drama club leader, Margee Taylor.

A Youth Week of Prayer was held at the church during March 20-26. The theme was, "Salvation, By Any Means Necessary." Dana Edwards, youth ministries director for South Central Conference in Nashville, was guest speaker; and special music was provided by Adrian Kings' musical group, "Reverence." The youth enjoyed a week of divine worship and Christian fellowship presented by Loraine Owolabi, Adventist youth director, and Jimmie Strong, assistant Adventist youth director. Robert F. Tolson is pastor of Beacon of Joy.

• **Chapel Hill Church, Markle, IN:** A church dedication and



mortgage-burning celebration were held July 17; reports Jeannine Engle, Chapel Hill communication secretary.

David W. Wolkwitz, president of the Indiana Conference, was the worship speaker. Also present from the conference office were Archie Moore, secretary; Michael Jamieson, treasurer; and Don English, trust services director. Moore is pictured with Lois Klinger, Chapel Hill treasurer, burning the mortgage. Adrian Peterson and Rodney Mills, former pastors of the church, also participated in the service. The church building was purchased from the Chapel Hill Fellowship congregation in June of 1990. This centenary church was established in 1887 after two young evangelists set up a tent on the outskirts of the village and began preaching. Eighteen people signed the register as the first members. In 1888 one member donated land, another donated lumber, and all worked to build the church. This old building still stands, including the outside Roosevelt facility.

• **Mattoon (IL) Church** held a special dinner and reception on



June 15 to honor George and Gertrud Schlinsog, long-time members of the Mattoon congregation. Following his retirement as associate dean of the college of education at Eastern Illinois University, June 30, the couple moved to Apopka, FL. She has

been active as Sabbath school superintendent, Investment leader, working in the children's division, and for many years head deaconess. He has been a church elder for 26 years, and has had a long tenure as church treasurer and primary adult Sabbath school teacher. Schlinsog has served often on the conference committee, the executive committee, the Broadview Academy board and the K-12 board; and he was a delegate at the last three General Conference sessions. Mattoon Church and Illinois Conference wish to express their thanks to this couple for their years of faithfulness — they will be missed.

News Notes

- **Upcoming 1995 General Conference Session in Utrecht, Holland:** Be assured there should be plenty of room for all Seventh-day Adventists at the new Prince of Orange Hall. Seating configuration, approved by the fire marshal, accommodates 21,412.

- **Loma Linda, Riverside, CA:** Despite successful infant heart transplants at the Loma Linda University Medical Center (LLUMC), three babies were lost last year and one already by this February for the want of a donor heart. Thus, the research in animal-to-human transplantation is gaining renewed emphasis. Performing more than one-third of baby heart transplants worldwide, LLUMC has now transplanted a new one-ounce, life-giving heart into 184 babies under six months of age and 204 in those under one year. Surgeons from all over the world are coming to Loma Linda to learn how to do the microsurgery successfully.

- **An Adventist World Radio (AWR) site in Africa** would provide the last building block from which to blanket the world with the three angels messages by short wave radio. Elder Walter Scragg, AWR president, confirms that the government of São Tomé and Príncipe is interested in having a station in their island country. A large site has been found with assured availability by the government.

- **China:** While cooperating with the Three-Self Patriotic Movement (TSPM), the Seventh-day Adventist Church in China has grown 15 percent during the past 12 months; there are now over 200,000 Adventist believers. House churches, legal when they are registered with TSPM, abound. Worship services around shortwave radios with entire congregations becoming sabbatarians are being reported. About 45 new Adventist church buildings — 30 in Zhejiang Province alone — were erected last year from funds the believers sacrificed to bring together “for God’s house,” as they call it. Lacking country-wide leadership, believers are not always studying the same Sabbath school lessons. Those without quarterlies primarily use *The Desire of Ages* or other books written by Ellen G. White.

Scattered animosity does exist. In one location where Adventist believers had secured TSPM approval for a new church, it was burned to the ground on the Friday night before their Sabbath dedication. Freedom of religious belief is guaranteed by Article 36 of China’s Constitution, although free proclamation of that Gospel is generally not allowed outside TSPM churches. Nonetheless, holding religious faith is no longer a crime in China.

New Chapter in Durand

Wisconsin — A new chapter of Adventist Singles Ministries has been formed. Under the leadership of Pastor Clint Meharry (Durand District), the group elected President Tonna Rosa (Columbus) and other officers during camp meeting.

Rosa says the chapter, open to singles 18 and over, aims to provide much-needed support for both singles and singles with families.

“When you have a family and are single, you need to be with other singles to talk about relationships, budgets, family matters ... It’s a different kind of stress than for marrieds.”

This group’s goals include providing cooking classes, recreational events, and stress management videos. For information about their upcoming retreat, see “Announcements” on page 28.

Laurie Herr, Wisconsin Conference communication director

Singles Gather in Indiana

Indiana — The Hoosier Chapter of Adventist Singles Ministries (ASM) held a Memorial Day retreat at Camp Timber Ridge in Spencer, IN. At least seven states were represented.

Guest speaker was Allan Wolfson. His presentations were dynamic. Sabbath was a day of worship, leisurely walks and talking with friends. After evening vespers, attendees came together for an agape feast and communion. This was our biggest blessing of all. Jeff Hunt provided the special music.

Sunday was a day for outdoor games, horseback riding and canoeing. Sunday evening was a masquerade party that was a great success.

Election of officers for this newly formed Hoosier chapter was also Sunday evening. The new officers are: Charlie Phillips, president; Shirley Balwinski, vice president; Gina Vander Veen, secretary; Tyanne Smock, treasurer; Kevin Smith, chaplain; and Judy Hankemeier, communication secretary.

No one was in a hurry to leave on Monday. That morning after breakfast everyone gathered in our friendship circle for warm fuzzies and singing. New friends were made and familiar friends re-acquainted. ASM is such a blessing.

I cannot end without saying “thank you” from all the singles to Mr. and Mrs. Pickett. Thank you for your generosity and fabulous food. And thanks to Sandy French, a Hoosier member, for the prayer rocks she worked so hard to make for everyone.

Gina Vander Veen, Hoosier Chapter ASM secretary



CREATIVE PARENTING

The Christian perspective for a happier, healthier home life

Investing in Our Children's Education

Susan E. Murray

As Seventh-day Adventists, most of us make large financial commitments to educate our children. No matter where our children attend school, when the home and school are partners, children learn best. Here are some aspects for you to consider as you invest in your child's education this year:

Focus on the positive. Your child's teachers and the school administrators are human beings with dreams, goals, concerns and feelings like all human beings. Remember that the school is filled with professionals who have dedicated themselves to furthering the development of children. Speak of teachers in a positive way, learn their names, become personally acquainted with them, pray for them by name at family worship.

Get involved. Don't assume that "no news is good news." Take time to find out what's going on at school. Ask for an appointment with the teacher early in the school year to get acquainted. Many times the only contact parents have with teachers is when they criticize. See if there are ways you can contribute to the classroom. It may be as a room parent, as a supervisor for a field trip, in providing some specific supplies or by using your professional skills.

Read everything that comes from the school. Young children who don't yet read, must depend on you to follow through on school's written requests. Be sure to return information needed the very next day. Don't put things off until a "better time."

Mark your calendar. When you receive

information about school events, sit down and mark them in your appointment calendar. Keep these appointments as seriously as you would any important business meeting. This goes for both moms and dads.

Pick a project. As a family, plan on doing a school-related project. It may be raking leaves in the fall, planning a Christmas play or party, purchasing specific materials or equipment. Let your children know that as a family, you support the school.

Don't bear false witness. Often statements made about school include gossip and even lies about teachers and staff. By simply agreeing with others, including your child, you may be fostering a bad attitude. Remember that every situation has both facts and feelings. Check out the facts before you come to any conclusions. Help others relate the facts and their feelings to the appropriate people. Help build bridges instead of barriers.

Honor children's efforts. Carefully look at what your child brings home, and discuss what your child has learned. Have a bulletin board or space on the refrigerator for displaying children's work. Use a large file folder to keep children's work in for each school year.

Look at your own expectations. Parents need to encourage children to reach their potential, but not go beyond that encouragement to the point of pressure. Sometimes parents push A's because it looks good for them. Explain to your children why they should work up to their potential and why good grades are important; don't just spend

time nagging them. Work with them to plan and reach goals that are meaningful to them.

Take homework seriously. Children deserve support to do their homework. It is your responsibility to provide the physical and emotional environment to accomplish this task, even though it is the child's responsibility to do the homework.

Attend parent-teacher conferences. If at all possible, both parents should attend conferences. Be on time and be aware of those waiting after you. If necessary, schedule another appointment for deeper discussion. Remember that you along with the teachers are colleagues in the education of your children.

Think ahead. If your child is in elementary school and your goal is to have him or her attend an Adventist academy, talk often about the future using phrases like, "When you go to academy" If you live close enough to attend events at the academy, do so once or twice a year.

Don't be put off by your child. As children get older, they often appear to be embarrassed when parents arrive on the scene at school functions. Stay involved anyway. Years later they'll forget their embarrassment, but they won't forget that you came!

Keep in touch. If your child is away at boarding school, be sure he or she receives something in the mail each week. Let your child know that you pray at a certain time every day for him or her. Your teenager may not acknowledge that your weekly contacts are important, but keep in touch because of your commitment to your child.

Celebrate. Some families go out to breakfast the first day of school or on the first day of each month, or some parents celebrate by rewarding good grades. If your child is away at boarding academy, remind him or her that you miss their being there for family celebrations. Have a small gift on their bed when they come home. Send a care package to them at school. Plan to celebrate, in even small ways, on a regular basis!

Remember you are your child's most important teacher. Even though teachers and others at school have a tremendous impact, your child is still looking to you. He or she needs your support and consistent love — whether in preschool, elementary school, home school, academy or college.

Turning Awkward Moments into Opportunities

When we see an adult with a disability or a child with a physical problem, we often turn away. Children, however, are generally curious and often cause adults embarrassment by their looks and candid questions.



If you and your child see someone with a disability, don't turn away. Approach that person as you would anyone else. If your child asks a question, the other person is very likely prepared to answer and will welcome a chance to interact with your child.

If you see a child with Downs Syndrome or a cleft palate, for example, make eye contact with the parent as well as with the child. Let your child see you being involved with the physically challenged as you would with anyone else. Don't be afraid of hard questions. Rather than putting a child off, suggest that you can look up some information about this physical condition when you get home.

When A Teacher Doesn't Like Your Teen: Use The Four Rs

1. Remain neutral: Don't take your child's side every time he or she resists authority.
2. Reinforce the authority image, as well as the child's responsibility to go to the teacher and try to deal with the situation.
3. Resolve: If the child can't work out the difficulty, parents may need to investigate what is happening and what has caused the conflict. Your child may very well have a legitimate complaint.
4. Realize that everyone gets some less capable or competent teachers. It's a good learning experience for you and your child to deal positively with these situations.

from *Parents and Teenagers*, edited by Jay Kessler.

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Editor's Note: This feature page is designed as a resource that you are welcome to clip out. We at *Creative Parenting*, are committed to provide you with specific and helpful information that will be appropriate for various ages and developmental stages of family members. Your input is important—let us hear what you need!



Need More Hugs?

A recent study found that in order to maintain emotional and physical health, people need eight to 10 meaningful touches a day. No matter what age our children, appropriate physical affection is important—appropriate affection is a blessing. "Jesus ... took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them" (Mark 10:16). Children need the affirmation of healthy affection. "If we as parents don't give those hugs, someone

with another agenda may be glad to," suggests Jim Burns in *Parents of Teenagers*, July/August 1993.

Toddlers and Telephones

If your toddler "gets into everything" when you are on the telephone, try this:

- *Pick up your toddler while you talk.
- *Sit on the floor with him while you are talking.
- *Limit your phone calls to five minutes.
- *Get a play phone and have him use it at the same time.
- *Have a basket of toys that the child is allowed to play with only when you are on the phone.
- *Ask the caller if you may call back when your toddler is napping.
- *If the call is an emergency, put the child into his or her crib.
- *Put your child in the high chair and talk on the phone while he or she uses crayons and paper.



Zip the Critical Comments

"When your child hears you criticize people that he or she loves, resentment about your comments may result.

"When a child hears you criticize people that you supposedly love, he or she begins to question your claims about love," suggests Jan Dargatz in *52 Simple Ways to Build Your Child's Self-Esteem and Confidence*.

She suggests that you may point out to your child certain behaviors of which you don't approve, but don't downgrade the character, reputation or personality of the friend. Separate deeds from personhood.

Criticism of others can do serious damage to your child's own confidence and esteem.

A LOOK BACK

77 YEARS AGO

Sept. 20, 1916: Plans for the coming Harvest Ingathering campaign and the following goals were voted: "Emmanuel Missionary College, \$500; the Madison, Tri-City, and Wabash Valley Sanitariums, \$200 each; academies, an average of \$1.50 for each pupil; church schools, an average of 50 cents for each pupil; Union Conference president, \$90; local conference presidents and Union departmental secretaries, \$60 each; licensed missionaries, \$30 each; Bible workers and other departmental secretaries, \$25."

Sept. 20, 1916: Emmanuel Missionary College opened with an enrollment of one hundred ninety-six. The dormitories are filled to overflowing. All the chapel seats are taken, but a shipment of chairs is expected to relieve the situation soon. The College kitchen has canned twelve hundred quarts of tomatoes.

Sept. 20, 1916: The fourteenth annual session of the North Michigan Conference was held in Cadillac, August 24 to September 3. The Union Conference has advised certain changes in our conference territory, and whereas East Michigan has released to the North Michigan Conference Midland County and West Michigan has released to us Mecosta and Oceana Counties, and the sixteen northern townships of Newaygo County, on the condition that we release the western part of the Upper Peninsula; therefore,—

3. *We recommend*, That we accept these counties, and release to the North Wisconsin Conference Keewenaw, Houghton, Ontonagon, Gogebic, Iron, Baraga, Marquette, Dickinson and Menominee, with the understanding that Harris church in Menominee County still belongs to the North Michigan Conference.

Sept. 27, 1916: The forty-third annual session of the Indiana Conference was held in Indianapolis, August 24 to Sept. 3. *We recommend*, That our churches where there are six or more children of school age give earnest and prayerful consideration to providing them Christian education.

57 YEARS AGO

Sept. 1, 1936: The Broadview Academy farm has been prospering the last two years. We are now pasteurizing the milk, and have a small dairy route on which we deliver about 100 quarts daily. We now have two teams of horses instead of one so that the farm work is done more efficiently.

Sept. 22, 1936: Bethel Academy opened its doors to the young people of Wisconsin for its thirty-seventh year on September 7. Already the total enrollment is well over the one hundred mark.

Sept. 22, 1936: Last September Emmanuel Missionary College began with the largest opening enrollment in the history of the institution. This year school started with twenty-four more than last year. The total enrollment to date is 433.


Sept. 29, 1936: The Emmanuel Missionary College farm is made up of 470 acres of land. The three silos have a total capacity of 280 tons. The 1,200 pullets [hens] raised this spring are now laying better than 600 eggs a day. The tomato crop was the champion of the season, five acres yielding \$5,200 and supplying about \$1,500 worth of labor to twenty students. All told the college farms supplied \$11,005.53 worth of labor to students last year.

37 YEARS AGO

Sept. 4, 1956: College Wood Products, organized in 1934, has developed into Emmanuel Missionary College's largest campus industry. Student part-time employment averages from 140 to 150 workers including 30 full-time supervisors and foremen. C.W.P. is equipped to produce 250 to 500 finished articles per day. Last year, students alone earned approximately \$130,000 in this industry.

17 YEARS AGO

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awaited gymnasium. Also the Frank L. Peterson School was graduating its first class of seniors as a full-fledged senior academy.

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Sept. 28, 1976: David Clanton, an alumnus of Andrews University, was sworn in as a member of the Federal Trade Commission, August 26. Clanton, who grew up in Berrien Springs (MI) and attended Andrews University Academy, was nominated to the commission by President Ford.

THREE YEARS AGO

September 1990: Now in its second year are the "Thomas and Violet Zapara Awards for Excellence in Teaching." Established by Tom and Violet Zapara to honor outstanding teachers, each of the 12 recipients receives a \$1,000 cash award.

September 1990: At the 55th General Conference Session in Indianapolis the North American Division became officially established.



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Elder Robert H. Carter, president of the Lake Union Conference said: "We will continue to support the world Church with our tithes and offerings, only now we will be able to guide and direct the work within our division."

Each division president is a vice-president of the world Church. Yet each division runs its own affairs by establishing specific field policies.

MILESTONES

ANNIVERSARIES



Elder C. James and Gloria Danforth celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 4, at a family gathering in Edmore, MI. The original wedding party was in attendance.

The Danforths were married in Holly, MI, prior to Elder Danforth's overseas duty during World War II. He graduated from Emmanuel Missionary College after completing his military service.

The couple have spent most of their 37 years of denominational service in the Michigan Conference, but have also served in New York, Carolina and Florida. For 13 years Danforth sang with the Michigan Conference Quartet.

The Danforths are members of the Cedar Lake (MI) Church. They have three daughters, Nancy Lynn, Susan Jones and Debra Eskildsen; and three grandchildren.



Francis and Ann Gardner celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 13. The Gardners were married May 28, 1943, in Evansville, IN. Francis was in the army and Ann was teaching school.

This celebration, given by their children (Kathy Tamayo of Brownsville, TX; Valerie Smith of Spartanburg, SC; and Charles of South Plainfield, NJ) was held at the Noblesville (IN) Church with over 100 guests in attendance.

WEDDINGS

Naghielly Cavarrubias and Mark Agy were married July 25, 1993, in Battle Creek, MI. The ceremony was performed by Nels Thompson.

Naghielly is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Humberto Covarrubias of Battle Creek; and Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Agy of Marshall, MI.

The Agys are making their home in Bloomington, MN.

Delores Enderson and Nick Ratcliff Jr. were married June 13, 1993, in Cedar Rapids, IA. The ceremony was performed by Pastors Ron Kelly and John Morrison.

Delores is the daughter of Eugene and Donna Enderson of Cedar Rapids, IA; and Nick is the son of Nick Sr. and Mary Ratcliff of Marysville, WA.

The Ratcliffs are making their home in Berrien Springs, MI.

Jackie Henley and Kent Davis were married June 13, 1993, in Battle Creek, MI. The ceremony was performed by Alger Keough.

Jackie is the daughter of Richard Henley of Bluffton, IN; and Judy Henley of Marion, IN; Kent is the son of June Davis of Augusta, MI.

The Davises are making their home in Louisville, KY.

Angela King and Kim R. Stinson were married June 4, 1993, in Evansville, IN. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Keynel Cadet.

Angela is the daughter of Mrs. Margaret King of Evansville; and Kim is the son of Mrs. Wanda Stinson of Evansville.

The Stinsons are making their home in Evansville.

Amy Jo Stone and Kevin Duane Porter were married July 25, 1993, in Kalamazoo, MI. The ceremony was performed by A. Royce Snyman.

Amy is the daughter of Jerry and Alma Stone of Kalamazoo; and Kevin is the son of Morris and Minota Porter of New Market, VA, and Faith and Wayne Marvin of Kalamazoo.

The Porters are making their home in Kalamazoo.

Judy Vasquez and Larry Case were married Sept. 12, 1993, in Hinsdale, IL. The ceremony was performed by Sylvester Case.

Judy is the daughter of Elia Amparo and Eduardo Vasquez; and Larry is the son of Sylvester and Juanita Case.

The Cases are making their home in Park Ridge, IL.

OBITUARIES

BARTELL, Ruth (Huffaker), age 67; born Sept. 21, 1926; died Jan. 16, 1993.

Survivors include: a son, Rickey; 2 brothers, George and Raymond Huffaker; and 2 sisters, Grace Thomas and Margaret Fox.

BLAIR, Elizabeth J., age 72; born July 25, 1920, in Grand Rapids, MI; died March 4, 1993, in Wyoming, MI. She was a member of the Wyoming Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Robert; a son, Gary; and 3 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor William A. Cook, and interment was in Sand Lake (MI) Cemetery.

BONNETTE, Vergil R., age 86; born Aug. 20, 1906, in Chicago; died June 21, 1993, in Spencer, IN. He was a member of the Bloomington (IN) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Carrie; a son, Kenneth; a daughter, Aletha Foster; 6 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

Services were by Pastor Don Short, and interment was in Clear Creek Cemetery, Bloomington.

CONSTANTINE, Maria (Dopp), age 87; born June 18, 1906, in Danesh, Romania; died June 28, 1993, in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. She was a member of the Windsor Church.

Survivors include: 3 sons, Gregory, Emil, George; 3 daughters, Helen Lungu, Aurelia "Rae" Holman and Minerva Straman; and 14 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Gordon Houston, and interment was in Windsor Memorial Garden Cemetery.

COOK, Pearl A., age 92; born Sept. 20, 1900, in Ashland, WI; died June 29, 1993, in Waukesha, WI. She was a member of Waukesha Church.

Survivors are: a son, John W.; a daughter, Celia Kromlich; 2 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Services were by Pastor Duane

Brown, and interment was in Prairie Home Cemetery, Waukesha.

DAVIS, Charles G., age 64; born May 30, 1929, in Deadwood, SD; died June 28, 1993, in Hinsdale, IL. He was a member of Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs, MI.

Survivors include: 2 sons, Steven and Wallace; a daughter, Kelli; his mother, Blanche; a sister, Gladys Holmes; and 2 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Patrick Morrison, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

DeWIND, Ard, age 96; born April 18, 1897, in Michigan; died April 27, 1993, in Middleville, MI. He was a member of the Grand Rapids (MI) Central Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Cleo; 2 brothers, Pete and Hyko; and 2 sisters, Jenny Hosteter and Susie.

Services were conducted by Pastor John B. Fortune, and interment was in the Georgetown Township (MI) Cemetery.

DeWITT, Betty J., age 55; born Sept. 24, 1937, in Vestaburg, PA; died July 15, 1993, in Battle Creek, MI. She was a member of the Rayborn Memorial Church in Coldwater, MI.

Survivors include: her husband, Harold; 2 sons, Craig and Curtis; 2 daughters, Cindy Hall and Cathy Davidson; her parents, Giovito and Sara DeVincent; 2 brothers, Bob and Gary DeVincent; 2 sisters, Dolores Marchines and Joann Ozohonish; and 10 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors Jim Danforth and Harold DeWitt, and interment was in Lakeside Cemetery, Holly, MI.

FORE, Elvira, age 81; born Aug. 8, 1911, in Redkey, IN; died June 19, 1993, in Union, MI. She was a member of the Elkhart (IN) Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Nelson; a daughter, Delores Dragt; 3 grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors Jerry Fore and Harold Peggau, and interment was in East Union Cemetery.

HERNANDEZ, Rafaela, age 93; born June 11, 1900, in Ciales, Puerto Rico; died July 16, 1993, in Benton Harbor, MI. She was a member of Berrien Springs (MI) Village Church.

Survivors include: 3 sons, Antonio Dominguez, Hiram Jr. and Aram; 2 daughters, Lucinda Boyington and

Dulcinea Hulick; 2 brothers, Octavio and Leo Nides Navdeo; and 2 sisters, Moncerete DeMaldonado and Luz Maria Rivera.

Services were conducted by a SDA pastor of Trenton, NJ, and interment was in Colonial Memorial Park, Trenton.

HOLALY, Betty J., age 68; born Jan. 20, 1925, in Gladwin, MI; died July 3, 1993, in Flint, MI. She was a member of the First Flint (MI) Community Church.

Survivors are: a son, Richard, a daughter, Barbara DeLaVergne; 6 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Services were conducted by Pastor Dan Towar, and interment was in Gracelawn Cemetery, Flint.

LAFFERTY, Rosalie A., age 87; born April 15, 1906, in Reese County, KS; died July 12, 1993, in Berrien Center, MI. She was a member of the Berrien Springs (MI) Village Church.

Survivors include: a son, Charles E.; a daughter, Patricia Ann Anderson; a brother, Howard Rowbottom; 7 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Eston Allen, and interment was in Maquon Township (IL) Cemetery.

MILLER, Wenonah J., age 84; born Dec. 8, 1908, in Indianapolis; died May 8, 1993, in Indianapolis. She was a member of the Capitol City Church in Indianapolis.

Services were by Pastor Jerome L. Davis, and interment was in the Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis.

MOOS, Mildred K., age 83; born April 27, 1910, in Euclid, MN; died July 21, 1993, in Noblesville, IN. She was a member of the Boggsstown (IN) Church.

Survivors include: 2 daughters, Jona Fe (Somers) Adams and Della Jean; 2 brothers, Clyde and Andrew Kohler; a sister, Valma Fjellanger; 3 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Services were by Pastor Lyle Davis, and interment was in South Park Cemetery, Greensburg, IN.

NELSON, Mildred, age 85; born in 1910, in Rockford, MI; died June 20, 1993, in Grand Rapids, MI. She was a member of the Grand Rapids Central Church.

Survivors include: a son, Jack Jr.; a daughter, Marjorie; a foster son, Tim Heimendinger; 5 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastors John B. Fortune and Art Covell, and interment was in Rockford (MI) Cemetery.

OLIVER, Velno, age 90; born June 17, 1903, in Harrietta, MI; died June 30, 1993, in Reed City, MI. She was a member of Cadillac (MI) Church.

Survivors are: 4 sons, Milton, Hubert, Edwin and Kenneth; a daughter, Irene Mongar; 15 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Franklin Horne, and interment was in Sixteen Cemetery, Wexford County, MI.

SCHIRMBRAND, Jean E., age 84; born Nov. 24, 1908, in Lineville, IA; died July 15, 1993, in Menomonee Falls, WI. She was a member of the Milwaukee Northwest Church.

Services were conducted by Pastor Duane Brown, and interment was in Wisconsin Memorial Park, Milwaukee.

SCHIRMBRAND, Howard G., age 81; born July 8, 1911, in Milwaukee; died June 10, 1993, in Menomonee Falls, WI. He was a member of the Milwaukee Northwest Church.

He is survived by a nephew and two nieces.

Services were by Pastor Duane Brown, and interment was in Wisconsin Memorial Park, Milwaukee.

SMITH, Lena I., age 75; born June 5, 1918, in Newaygo County, MI; died June 27, 1993, in Shelby, MI. She was a member of Shelby Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Virgil; 2 sons, DuWayne and Bernard; a daughter, Doreen; 2 brothers, John and Glenn Giddings; and a sister, Martha Smith.

Services were conducted by Pastor Robert Wiese, and interment was in Hart (MI) Cemetery.

SOSNOFSKY, Robert C., age 75; born May 8, 1918, in Ann Arbor, MI; died June 30, 1993, in Saginaw, MI. He was a member of the Midland (MI) Church.

Survivors are: his wife, Julia; 2 sons, Robin and Raymond; a daughter, Elizabeth; and 4 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Douglas Carlson, and interment was in the Larkin Township (MI) Cemetery.

SPENCER, Louise A., age 69; born May 26, 1924, in Standale, MI; died



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Services were conducted by Pastor James Micheff, and interment was in Spring Lake (MI) Cemetery.

SYMONDS, Richard, age 73; born Aug. 5, 1919, in Winters, MI; died June 28, 1993, in Berrien Springs, MI. He was a member of the Berrien Springs Village Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Angeline; 4 sons, James, Ronald, Dan and Bob; 3 daughters, Debbie Naber, Mary Pearcey and Sheryl Bergy; 4 brothers, George, August, David and Clifton; 4 sisters, Ruth Tucker, Vianna Webb, Lila Hurley and Violet McCormick; and 10 grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor Jerry LaFave, and interment was in the North Shore (MI) Memory Gardens.

TILLERT, Arthur, age 77; born July 31, 1915, in Racine, WI; died

July 12, 1993, in Waukesha, WI. His wife is a member of the Racine (WI) Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Ruby M.; a son, David; and 2 daughters, Carol Jean Buelow and Cindy Lou Weber.

WILDMAN, Grace Helen (Hall), age 89; born Dec. 9, 1903, in Orleans, MI; died May 31, 1993, in Dowagiac, MI. She was a member of the Glenwood (MI) Church.

Survivors include: 4 sons, Durward B. Jr., Don, Louis and Gordon; 2 daughters, Beverly Noble and Janet Schlunt; 2 brothers, Herman and Lloyd Hall; 13 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by Pastor La Rue Cook, and interment was in Floral Lawn Memorial Gardens, Battle Creek, MI.

YOUNG, Opal H., age 92; born Dec. 11, 1900, in Sadorus, IL; died July 11, 1993, in Niles, MI. She was a member of the Westside Church in Niles.

She is survived by her niece, Jeannine Snyder.

Services were conducted by Pastor Paul Pellandini, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs, MI.

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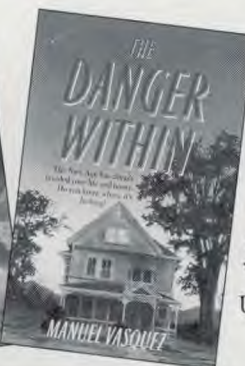
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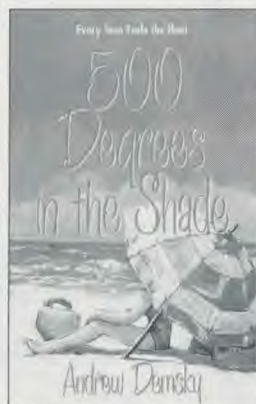
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements for publication in the *Herald* should be sent to your local conference office. Readers may want to verify dates and times of programs with the respective sources.

LAKE UNION

Missions Extension offering, Sept. 11, to benefit Albania in the construction of church buildings.

Thirteenth Sabbath offering, Sept. 25, to assist in the South Pacific Division.

Young musicians, eighth grade through college: The Southern College Symphony Orchestra and its conductor, Orlo Gilbert, invite you to enter the 1993-1994 "Concerto Contest." This event will be on campus in Collegedale, TN, Jan. 23, 1994. For more details and contest rules, please call 615-238-2887. Entry deadline is Nov. 10.

GC seeks theme song for 1995 General Conference Session in Utrecht, Netherlands. The theme is "United in Christ." The song should be easy to learn and remember, and in a mid-range key. The composer of the selected song will receive a cash award and be invited to present the song at the opening session. The GC will work with the composer to produce an orchestral arrangement of

the music. Deadline for entry is Dec. 31. Send to: Israel Leito, Church Ministries, General Conference of SDA, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904.

International Pathfinder Camporee, Aug. 2-6, 1994: Ten thousand Pathfinders from all over the United States, Canada and many other countries are expected to attend this event in Morrison, CO, 15 miles west of Denver in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. For more information contact: Rocky Mountain Conference Youth Department, 2520 S. Downing St., Denver, CO 80210; phone 303-733-3771, fax 303-733-1843.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

Homecoming, Oct. 15-16, Andrews University Academy and Emmanuel Missionary College Academy: Honor classes are 1944, 1954, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1984 and 1992. For details contact: Academy Alumni Office, Berrien Springs, MI 49104; 616-471-6140.

Andrews Academy Class of

1954 wishes to locate members for 40th reunion, Oct. 15-17. They are: Bill Blackburn, Eldon Collier, Connie Sue Devore, Donna Jo Ferrel, Alfred Hampton, Ann Minier Hoffman, Helena Kubecka, Harold Rutherford, Shirley Shippy, Astrid Svensen and Merry Tesser. Send information to: Charlene Vitrano, Alumni Affairs, Andrews Academy, Berrien Springs, MI 49104.

INDIANA

Homecoming, Oct. 8-9, Indiana Academy. Special guest speaker will be Pastor Frank Zollman. Honor classes are 1943 and 1968. For more information call Gloria Bolejack at 317-769-6523.

The Heralds Quartet in gospel concert, Oct. 24, at 7 p.m. in the Cicero Church, 24445 State Road 19, Cicero, IN. Call 317-984-4860 if you have any questions.

MICHIGAN

Lake Union Health Professionals, you are invited to a Health Professionals Retreat and Fellowship, Oct. 14-17, at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, MI. Dr. Bruce Bauer from Andrews University will be the guest speaker. For further details contact the Health Temperance Department, Michigan Conference, P.O. Box 19009, Lansing, MI 48901-9009; 517-485-2226 extension 273.

Homecoming, Oct. 8-9, Adelphian, Grand Ledge, Cedar Lake and Great Lakes Adventist academies: Honor classes: 1943, 1953, 1968 and 1983. The Alumni Association is requesting current names and addresses for the alumni newsletter. Please call Shirley Gammon at 517-427-5181.

Plymouth (MI) Junior Academy would like to hear from all former teachers and students to compile a school history. Please send names, dates of attendance, and a brief résumé of you and your family to: Geoffrey Freeth, 4295 Napier Road, Plymouth, MI 48107.

WISCONSIN

Janesville (WI) Church will be dedicated Sept. 18. Conference President Arnold Swanson will speak at the 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. service. The church is located at 1805 Foster Ave., Janesville. For more information call Louise Legreid, 608-754-4762.

First Annual Wisconsin Adventist Singles Ministries Retreat, Sept. 18-20, at Camp Go Seek in Oxford, WI. Enjoy hiking, canoeing, games and Christian fellowship. Call Tonna Rosa at 414-484-3041 for details and cost.

Madison (WI) East Church dedication services, Sept. 24-25. Guest speakers include Pastors John Boyd and Dan Neergaard. Church is located at 910 Femrite Drive, Madison. For more information call Sandy Miller at 608-221-3111.

Annual Mini-Camp Meeting, Oct. 9, for Wisconsin's Northwest District. To be held at the new Rice Lake Elementary School. The guest speaker will be Elder Bill Richardson, professor of religion at Andrews University. For more information call the conference office at 608-241-5235.

Wisconsin's Fifth Annual Women's Retreat, Oct. 15-17, will be at the Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells. Guest speaker will be Barbara Nelson. An active worker in health education, women's ministries and community service, Nelson is the wife of a pastor and mother of three. Her son, Dwight Nelson, pastors Pioneer Memorial Church at Andrews. Register by Sept. 22; for more details call 608-241-5235.

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	1993	1992	Gain or Loss	% of Increase
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Indiana	1,902,570.92	1,783,480.83	119,090.09 G	6.7%
Lake Region	2,592,040.98	2,501,102.49	90,938.49 G	3.6%
Michigan	7,862,955.61	7,618,099.87	244,855.74 G	3.2%
Wisconsin	<u>1,674,920.68</u>	<u>1,575,158.30</u>	<u>99,762.38 G</u>	<u>6.3%</u>
TOTAL	17,186,317.87	16,599,975.24	586,342.63 G	3.5%

SUNSET CALENDAR

	Sept. 3	Sept. 10	Sept. 17	Sept. 24	Oct. 1	Oct. 8
Berrien Springs, MI	8:16	8:04	7:52	7:40	7:27	7:16
Chicago	7:21	7:09	6:57	6:45	6:33	6:21
Detroit	8:04	7:52	7:40	7:28	7:15	7:04
Indianapolis	7:14	7:02	6:51	6:39	6:28	6:17
La Crosse, WI	7:38	7:25	7:12	6:59	6:47	6:34
Lansing, MI	8:09	7:57	7:45	7:32	7:20	7:08
Madison, WI	7:29	7:17	7:04	6:52	6:39	6:27
Springfield, IL	7:27	7:16	7:05	6:53	6:42	6:30

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Association of Adventist Women 11th Annual Convention, Oct. 14-17, in SeaTac, Seattle, WA. Men are welcome. For more details and registration contact: Helen Thompson, Route 1, Box 84, Walla Walla, WA 99362; 509-529-5964.

Homecoming, Oct. 15-17, Sunnydale Academy in Centralia, MO. For details call 314-682-2164.

Attention all veterans: This year's homecoming, Oct. 28-31, at Southern College in Collegedale, TN, will be a special one recognizing the honor classes of: 1913, 1923, 1933, 1943, 1953, 1963, 1968, 1973 and 1983; as well as all who have served in the armed forces (World War I through Desert Storm). For details call the Alumni Office at Southern College, 615-238-2839.

Black Family Symposium, Dec. 9-12; at Oakwood College, Huntsville, AL. This conference for African-American families will feature "Yesterday's Heritage, Today's Healing: Family, Church, Community—Bridging the Gap." For details contact: Wilma Kirk-Lee, Eight Pleasant Court, Little Rock, AR 72211; 501-225-4388.

Adventist Communication Network: Sept. 18, "Voice of Prophecy" Rally live from Sao Paulo, Brazil, 5:30-7 p.m. (EDT), Galaxy 7 — Channel 8; Nov. 6, Week of Prayer programs, 8-8:30 p.m. (ET, CT, MT, PT), Galaxy 7 — Channel 15 for English or Galaxy 7 — Channel 13 for Spanish.

"Voice of Prophecy": Sept. 5-10, "What to Do With Doubt" (Sunday), followed by "Sex, Lies and Pornography." Sept. 12-17, "Angels at Work" (Sunday), followed by "A Witch Who Found Jesus." Sept. 19-24, "More Angels at Work" (Sunday), followed by "The Secret of Power." Sept. 26-Oct. 1, "Living for Christ in a Sinful World" (Sunday), followed by "The Care and Feeding of Teachers." Oct. 3-8, "God's Prophetic Timetable" (Sunday), followed by "A Place to Belong." For details and radio coverage in your area, call 805-373-7611.

not donate those old tools, appliances and housewares (in good condition) to next year's Wisconsin Academy's Second Annual Auction. Items can be taken to the academy and stored there anytime until May 1994. For details call Floyd Brock or LeRoy Rappette at 414-623-3300.

WORLD CHURCH

Flooding along the Mississippi and Missouri rivers is calling out the full mobilization of the Adventist Community Services network (see article on page 3). A fund has been established and offerings can be marked "ACS-Flood" and sent to: Flood Relief, ACS North America, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904. If a donor wants to use a credit card, dial 800-253-3000.

Adventist Singles Ministries retreat, Sept. 23-26, in Smoky Mountains. Reservations required before Sept. 13. For details call 615-855-7516.

Homecoming, Sept. 24-26, for the New England Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing alumni.

Gateway Junior Academy (Leesburg-Eustis, FL) celebrates its centennial, Oct. 3, from 2-6 p.m. The centennial committee seeks alumni, parents and former teachers with photographs and information of schools days in Leesburg and Eustis, as well as success stories from 1893-1993. Please call 800-552-8823, or write: Centennial Committee, P.O. Box 5267, Leesburg, FL 34789.

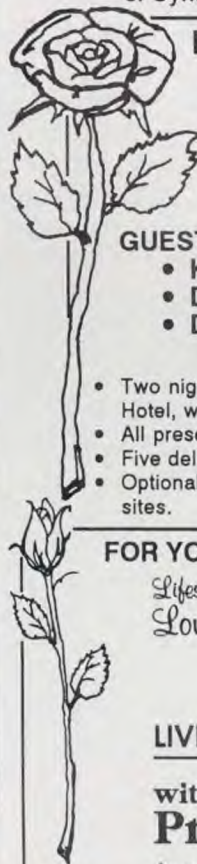
Maplewood Academy Class of 1953, 40-year reunion, Oct. 8-10. Meet on the campus at Hutchinson, MN. If you know the addresses of any class members, please send them to: Doris Bacon, Route 1, Box 328, Two Harbors, MN 55616.



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would be decided, once and for all, who was the real God! It was here that Elijah uttered those fateful words:

"How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal is God, follow him" (Ibid).

How could the Israelites, God's chosen people, be silent at such a time of crisis?

There must have been youth on Mount Carmel because they would never miss such an exciting event. I can imagine just how it was. "Hey, guys, words out, there's going to be a showdown on Mount Carmel. Elijah's going to take on the Prophets of Baal. It's going to be a massacre. Come on!" And many youth went, for many reasons: some to show off their latest clothes; some to show off their new cars; others to see who was there; and still others went because they were bored. The youth went, and just like all the rest, they were silent, too!

Young person, as on Mount Carmel so it is true now, this is no time for silence! That time is long since past. Jesus is looking for young people, like yourselves, who will make their stand for Him and no longer remain silent. Young people like Elijah, who will stand for principle even when woefully outnumbered and when the peer pressure is greatest. Your school, your Church, your Lord Jesus needs you. And now is the time.

This is the purpose of our new column, "For Youth Eyes Only." To call you to see this need and to encourage you to respond to it. And I, as the author, will commit myself to you for this, because I know many people believe in you. You can do things that I, your parents, your teachers and your Church leaders cannot do. And that is precisely why Satan works so hard to distract you. Don't let Satan succeed.

Last fall I was flying back from a West Coast academy where I had just finished a Week of Prayer. I distinctly remembered Roger: a good-looking, smart, popular, athletic junior. At every meeting, Roger sat in the same seat, arms folded over his chest and feet on a chair in front of him. He appeared bored.

Roger attended the Friday night communion service. I read in his letter, afterward, that he was deeply moved by the Week of Prayer and recommitted his life to Christ. But what a travesty Roger never shared this. Something valuable was lost, something fantastic missed because of his silence.

Young people, it is no longer a time to be silent. I will close

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by Kira Duman of Ithaca, MI, age nine

Youth Send in Submissions Now

North America — Plans are underway for a different kind of youth devotional book, one written by youth for youth.

Submit devotionals that are between 150-300 words, and feature personal experiences written to strengthen a reader's faith and love for God.

Contributions must arrive in Dick Barron's office at the General Conference church ministries department by Sept. 30. Guidelines for authors are available by contacting: Dick Barron, General Conference Church Ministries, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904; or fax 301-680-6155.

this article with prayer. "Father in heaven, thank you that you care about youth and that they are important to you. Thank you that you know their value and want their services. Bless them through this column, whether they be at Andrews University, at a public school, in one of our academies, or at home working. I know how desperate you are to have a meaningful relationship with them. May this column reach them and may they respond to your call. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Pastor Peter Neri, Cedar Lake, MI

LETTERS

■ WE WELCOME LETTERS from our readers, especially those who comment directly on material published in the *Lake Union Herald*. Short letters are more likely to be published, and all letters are subject to editing for clarity or space. Please submit letters, including your name and address, to: "Letters," *Lake Union Herald*, P.O. Box C, Berrien Springs, MI 49103.

Child Abuse in the Church,

I am writing in response to a series of articles and letters regarding child abuse in the Church, which appeared in the *Adventist Review* (Jan. 21 and 28). In an effort to dispel the myth that abuse does not happen in "good" Adventist families, and in an effort to stop the cycle, I am including pertinent facts about myself.

I'm a mother of five children, myself an abused child and a child abuser. No, I didn't abuse my children outright, nevertheless, they were emotionally, spiritually, physically and sexually abused in more subtle ways.

Personally, I was sexually abused by a relative who was a known child molester. My parents left me at home with him on Sabbath when I was sick so they could attend church. This incident has had a profound effect on my view of God and the Church. It was spiritual as well as sexual abuse.

I became a perfectionistic, religion addict that tried to earn back my place as a worthy and pure human being. I abused myself and others by "wresting" the scriptures. Truths, filtered through my experiences, distorted the picture of who God was and what He required of me. Oh yes, I could parrot that God is love; but deep in my heart I thought He wanted me to have sawdust for brains, blinders on my eyes, a bit in my mouth, a whip at my back, and a carrot in front of my nose.

I can hear someone saying, "Well, you need a thorough conversion."

But no one has tried harder than I to seek God and obey Him. That was not the issue. It was my view, at an unconscious level, of God as a punitive, harsh, uninvolved, hard-bitten legalist — and me as nothing.

I had to find God through "12 Steps," therapy and support groups. How sad! The very places we are to find God — in a loving, forgiving and accepting Church fellowship — He was not. My own struggle to recover has been long, arduous and expensive, but no longer am I suicidal and depressed. I love life, and look to Jesus as my friend and advocate.

My heart aches for the victims of abuse, and I long to bring to other hurting Adventists the message that there is healing from childhood and adult trauma. I know there is hope — though it may be a long, painful struggle — because God is a motivator and our source of strength. Thanks be to Him.

Maxine Scott, Shepherd, MI

Dear Editors,

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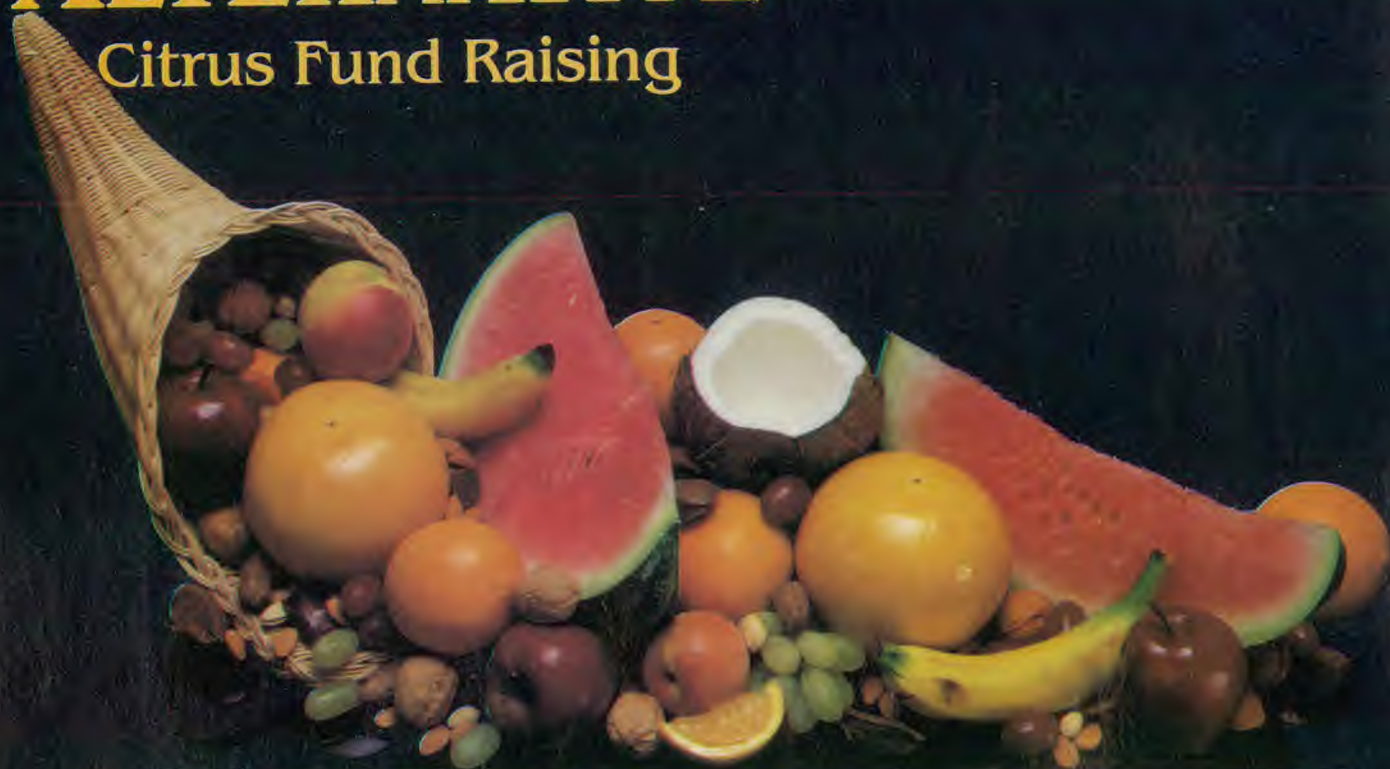
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