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James Sherwood of Mio, MI, took this picture of round lobed Hepatica on Kodachrome 64 film, with a Pentax P30+camera and a 105 mm macro lens.

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EDITORIAL



What's Good About Our Church?

BY DON SCHNEIDER, PRESIDENT LAKE UNION CONFERENCE

Magazines often come to my desk which specialize in what is wrong with the church. I have not felt called to the ministry of tearing down the church, or calling attention to

what is wrong with the church. In fact, I'd like to tell you some things that I think are *good* about the church.

- It preaches about Jesus. Our church produces Christ-centered media programs, literature, and sermons every day. I want to make sure that church members talk about Jesus, so I'm reminding myself, right now, to do it. The Adventist Church is the most Christ-centered church I've ever heard of.
- 2. *The church is growing*. It took us 97 years to reach our first million members, but in 1994 we added 629,710, and the total membership now is almost nine million.
- 3. The church encourages education. My aunts and uncles did not accept this message, and none of them were privileged to receive the type of education I got. One of the main differences is this church. We talk about preparing for greater service, and education is a big part of that. Adventist members are among the most educated in the world. Imagine a city in the United States with a population of 800,000 supporting the number of church-sponsored colleges and universities that we operate—in addition to supporting public education.
- 4. The church encourages healthful living. You can hardly find an Adventist magazine that does not offer some suggestion for healthful living. All this contributes to the average Adventist living seven years longer than the average population.
- 5. The church is making bold attempts to spread the message about the return of Jesus. NET '95 was a great experiment. NET '96 will be bigger yet. Approximately 2,000 churches in North America will be open at the same time so people can hear the full message being preached. Twenty million handbills will be mailed—enough to fill 20 semi-trucks. I expect that more than 10,000 people will be baptized from this one initiative.
- The church urges its members to be compassionate. Corporately and personally. Thousands of people were helped by our community service centers last year.
- 7. The church is big business. It owns thousands of pieces of property and has thousands of employees who handle millions of dollars. Once in a while something goes wrong with an investment. This happens so rarely that it makes big news. People talk about it for years, and some publications devote many pages to the discussion. Yet most every day correct business decisions are being made, and thousands of employees are doing their jobs properly.
- 8. This church is organized to help members and non-members find Jesus. I'm thankful for the Adventist Church. It has made a difference in my life.

OPERATION AMIGO



Representing a variety of schools and faiths, Jason Snow, Kaethe Shunkwiler, Katie Hieger, and Rick Robertson demonstrate how easy working together can be.



Jonathan Ward, a student from Berrien Springs High School, delivers his first sermon with the help of translator Heidi Lutz.



Dr. Lyn Yeagley dispenses medical care to one of hundreds of patients served in remote mountain villages.

Building Bridges in Honduras

BY STEVE YEAGLEY

I have led and participated in many mission trips before. But this past December's trip to Honduras was different.

I promised myself two years ago in the Dominican Republic that things would be different the next time around. I began thinking, if mission trips have such a powerful spiritual impact on our Adventist students, why not make them available to other youth in the community?

I floated the idea to a group of high school students who meet with me for a weekly Bible study. They liked it.

A scholarship was set up and offered to any public high school student who wanted to help build an orphanage in Honduras.

I didn't know if we'd have enough money, but I felt it was important to initiate the interest.

The investment paid off. Half of the 14 students who joined the mission team were from the Berrien Springs High School. Four other denominations were represented among them.

Mission trips not only build the faith of our own young people, they have tremendous potential for building bridges with kids of other faiths and backgrounds.

Several of our students came from churches that just don't have the resources to put this kind of trip together. We're offering them a lifechanging opportunity that they may not be able to get anywhere else.

Once in Honduras, the group helped to finish a REACH International orphanage in Santa Barbara, conducted medical clinics in surrounding mountain villages, and held a 10-night evangelistic series in the local Adventist church.

Upon their return, these students have had the opportunity of sharing their experiences with friends.

It's opened a lot of good doors. We're discovering that service activities are a powerful tool in youthto-youth evangelism. Doing something good for others is something everyone can agree on, and in the process we learn and grow together in what it means to follow the greatest Servant of all.

Steve Yeagley is associate pastor for youth at the Berrien Springs Village Church.

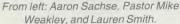


Students threw "Little Nelson" his first-ever birthday party. As an orphan, his birth date is unknown. Now he has one—January 9.

NEW MEMBERS

WISCONSIN







Eric Enquist and Pastor Weakley.

The Wausau Church welcomed three young people into membership during October 1995. On Oct. 7, Lauren Smith was baptized during a special morning worship service. After a fellowship lunch, many of the members reassembled at a park along the Wisconsin River for Aaron Sachse's baptism. Eric Enquist was baptized on Oct. 21 during the worship service at the Wausau Church.

MICHIGAN

Every time someone is baptized, we can be assured that it is the result of a wooing process by the Holy Spirit. The Conaway family is no exception, reports Kay Collins, Cosmic Conflict Crusade team member.

Jerry Tull, Judy Conaway's twin brother, became a Seventh-day Adventist several years ago. After his baptism, he served the Lord as a literature evangelist. Jerry often tried to share his faith with Judy and her twin daughters, Cathy and Colleen, and their children, and with Judy's son, Ron, and his wife, Tina, and their children. Some of the family members



From left, top row: Cathy, Judy, and Tina Conaway holding her daughter Danielle, and Rocky and Colleen Batton. Bottom row: Donovan, Judith, and Ron Conaway holding son Robert, Shylo Boberg (Colleen's daughter), and Shane Hess (Colleen's son).

responded to the Holy Spirit's gentle voice and began attending the South Flint Church. Cathy and Colleen's older children joined the South Flint Pathfinder Club where they continued to grow in a relationship with Jesus and in their knowledge of His word. Shylo, Colleen's daughter, grew to love the Lord more fully through attendance at the First Flint Elementary Church School.

Through "Friendship Evangelism," the South Flint Church family sought to reach out to this family with love and placed each family member's name on the prayer scroll for intercessory prayer. Judy, Ron, and Tina attended the NET '95 evangelistic series held at the First Flint Church, and also the "Festival of Faith" at Camp Au Sable but they held back from making a full commitment because of their smoking habit.

The Cosmic Conflict Crusade was conducted in the South Flint church beginning in October 1995. Judy asked Elder Eigenberg to anoint her for healing of her tobacco addiction. As Judy chose to cooperate with the Holy Spirit, God gave her the victory. Three days later, her son, Ron, wrote a moving poem titled, "Thanks to You"—his personal testimony of the victory Jesus had given him over the habit.

Three of Judy's grandchildren, Rocky, Judith, and Donovan, received the Pathfinder Evangelism Award for faithfully attending and assisting in the crusade.

At the close of the Cosmic Conflict Crusade, nine members of the Conaway family were baptized! The Holy Spirit is not content to let God's children "go their own way."

Baptized at age 15, Leslie Wise was reared as an Adventist, but she wasn't living like one. She was married to Bill who thought his belief in God would get him to heaven. She went to church occasionally, but Bill never attended. Worst of all, their home was always in an uproar and their marriage seemed hopeless. Their marriage counselor told them there was nothing more she could do for them. They probably would have separated, but Leslie didn't want her children to suffer from a broken home. In her heart she kept praying, "What shall I do?"

The answer to her silent prayers began to be answered one afternoon. Leslie's phone rang and a kind voice introduced himself as Quentin Purvis, the new pastor of the Three Rivers Seventh-day Adventist Church. He was visiting the church membership and wanted to stop by and visit with her. His visit proved very meaningful and concluded with a request to come again and meet her husband Bill. "At that time I didn't know it, but I really think God sent the Purvis family to us as an answer to my prayers," Leslie says.

From the inspiration of that visit, Leslie began attending church with her children. They fussed and dragged their feet, but they kept on going. Then her aunt approached her at church one Sabbath and invited Leslie to be a part of her home Bible studies. Fearfully, she went at the last minute, but discovered she had a pleasant time and learned some incredible things! She shared these with Bill and asked him to come and study too. His answer was astonishing! "Yes, he would



On Nov. 11, the day after their 11th wedding anniversary, Bill and Leslie dedicated the rest of their lives to Jesus. Quentin Purvis performed the baptism.

study the Bible, but only with Pastor Purvis in their own home." When Purvis was told of Bill's request, he quickly agreed to come and study with them. That night was the beginning of a new relationship between Bill, Leslie, and Jesus Christ. A wonderful change for the better took place, and others began to notice their improved relationship. It was clear that their emptiness was going away. "We were making friends for the first time," Leslie enthused. "Living my life with Jesus was exciting!"

The following September, about 10 months later, both Leslie and Bill began talking about being baptized and dedicating their lives and hearts to Jesus. On Nov. 11, the day after their 11th wedding anniversary, and the last night of the evangelistic crusade, they were baptized. "Pastor Purvis warned us that Satan would make life miserable as we came near the date and he did," recalls Leslie, "However, we placed our faith in God's promise. 'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

"The evening of our baptism, as Bill rose up from his watery grave, a smile blossomed within me. This was the moment we had been waiting for. Following my baptism, our warm church family gathered around us with hugs and kisses and tears. They were overflowing with the love of Jesus." Bill and Leslie Wise had come home! Better yet, both their marriage and lives had been saved by Jesus' love. Their testimony is how thankful we are for those personal Bible studies and for our wonderful Savior!

Quentin Purvis, Three Rivers Church pastor

Another story actually began in the fall of 1981 when Gordon Fraze, recently retired pastor of the Frankfort Church baptized Pearo and Debbie Ackles. Betty Kossick, Cadillac communication secretary continues the story. On Dec. 30, 1995, Pearo Ackles, interim pastor of the Muskegon Church, baptized two of his family members and a friend in a beautiful ceremony at the Cadillac Church. He and his family had accepted a mission appointment in Cambodia with Adventist Frontier Missions and were scheduled to leave in February 1996.

Before the Sabbath vesper baptism, Franklin Horne, Cadillac pastor, told the congregation that Ackles had been an intern pastor with him in the Chikaming Church before he had accepted a call to pastor in Colorado. "We had a joyous relationship in that church," commented Horne.

Ackles' first candidate for baptism was Marcia McKenzie, of Lansing, his mother-in-law. She had been a Catholic, but as she studied her Bible and attended the Cadillac evangelistic crusade, she felt loved into the church by her family and church friends. "As long as I can remember, I have believed in God, but realized I never really knew Him, until this past



From left: Lorie Sorensen, Marcia McKenzie, and Jodi McKenzie with Pearo Ackles standing behind his mother-in-law.

year," reflected McKenzie. "It has been very exciting as I studied and learned more about Jesus. I now have a sense of peace that I never experienced before."

The second candidate, Jodi McKenzie, is Ackles' sisterin-law. She began Bible studies with him when he pastored in Colorado. When he returned to Michigan, she continued her studies with Jonathan Fraze, son of Gordon Fraze, Now Jodi has learned and accepted the importance of the seventh-day Sabbath. This belief led her to turn down a recent job offer that would have doubled her income because she chose not to violate God's holy day. Her commitment to Christ is the most important relationship, and she believes God will provide for her needs.

The last candidate was Lorie Sorensen, a former Jehovah's Witness. She has worshiped in the Cadillac Church with her Adventist husband Tim for the past 12 years. However, when Brian McMahon, evangelist with The Amazing Facts Broadcast held a series in the church, she surrendered her life to Jesus and wanted to become a member too. "I always felt loved and accepted by this church," said Lorie, "and have been thinking about joining so I could be involved. The evangelistic series was wonderful and helped me make my decision."

Sixty-three Michigan Members Become Missionaries to Mexico

BY DAVID GLENN
PHOTOS BY PATTI GATWARD

omi Glenn and Connie Vail, wives of two Michigan pastors, returned from Miguel Alenman, Mexico, in March 1995 with a dream. It crystallized while they were in Mexico with a group of youth from Oakwood Junior Academy and Oakwood's associate pastor, Micah Davis. They had joined a Texas group to begin building a new church. Unfortunately that group was only able to get the walls up.

The women brought their dream of returning to finish the church to the Warren Church board and were given permission to raise funds in area churches for a return mission trip to Miguel Alenman, to complete the church building project.

Miguel Alenman Church members had begun worshiping in homes 15 years earlier. When Rolando Gonzalez, an eminent cardiologist, joined the Adventist Church in December 1994, he purchased an old hospital facility and began converting it into a new clinic. The membership then began worshiping on the porch of the clinic. On December 30, 1995, the first church service was held in their brand new Miguel Alenman Church.

The dream came true because, between December 19 and January 2, 63 people from several Michigan churches went to finish the church building. Ray Cook organized the Michigan volunteers: Matt Ballard of Lansing and his construction crew did all the necessary cement block work for the project, including a baptistry; the painting crew was coordinated by John and Mike Johnson; Scott Suy and Marvin Layne's crew prepared the surfaces for painting and also installed the ceiling tiles; and Mike

Suilla of Fort Worth, Texas, directed the electrical crew with Steve Vail and 10 volunteers. The mission team finished by landscaping the church grounds.

The favorite spot on the site was the clinic operating room where Connie Vail, chief cook, worked on a plastic-covered plywood board with her crew of cooks preparing the meals.

As the project progressed, other volunteers reached out to the community by conducting a blood pressure, blood sugar, and general health screening clinic with the local Red Cross. This led to a short public evangelistic series as Pastors Robert Wagley and Steve Vail preached on alternate nights on the prophecies and Christ's return. Pastor Richardo Palacios of Ecuador, a student from Andrews, served as translator.



From left: Brandon Roleda, Kelly Payne, Mitchell Koleda, Correy Geno, and Wade Wagley prepare for mixing cement.



From left: Erin Gatward, Mike Johnson, Julie Lim, and John Johnson paint the medical clinic.



Alan Gatward digging for the septic system. (Photo by Jim Gatward.)



From left: John Reinbold, Kelly Payne, and Steve Vail, electrical crew members. (Photo by Alan Gatward.)



John Johnson checks out the progress or the sidewalk by Mike Dixon (left) and his son Mike. (Photo by Alan Gatward.)

The final night the new church was packed with 130 people. When Pastor Vail made an altar call, 50 people responded. Thirty more responded following the appeal song.

During the evangelistic meeting, Kerri Cook of Andrews University, led a Vacation Bible School (VBS) which grew from a beginning attendance of 26 children to 53 children by closing night. These VBS children sang "My God Is So Great" to their parents at the adult meeting. You could also hear them around town singing 13 different songs they had learned at VBS.

Since it was necessary to purchase items from "across the border," Tomi Glenn, director of "shopping," sometimes had difficulties with the tariffs.

It was marvelous to see how God erased the problems of getting food

and supplies to the volunteers through the mission team's kind acts. On Christmas Eve they took homemade cakes to the border officials who had given them trouble at times. There were no more problems as God blessed this act of kindness and opened the border gates so work on the project could continue unhindered.

Each day, at morning worship, team members shared with one another the marvelous answers to prayer that God had provided the day before. These spiritual respites provided great encouragement during the rainy, cold, and difficult times. God worked things out better than they could have been planned.

Christmas morning, the mission team took 50 Christmas gifts made by Debbie Suy's sister, to children who lived near the church. At one house a man asked, "Why are you doing this?" The American volunteers answered, "Because we feel God's love for us and want to share His love with others." It gave them an opportunity to invite him to the evangelistic meetings. Later that afternoon after a delicious dinner, one crew returned to pour more concrete at the church site.

On January 2, the mission team flew back home, tired but full of joy and gratitude for God's many blessings on them and their project. Looking at all the circumstances and events they rejoiced by saying, "Our God is able!"

David Glenn is pastor of the Warren (MI) Church.



Kerri Cook engages in some child evangelism on Sabbath afternoon. Jody Ballard (right) reads another book.



Workers join with the congregation on the first Sabbath morning in the new church.

Bound for Mission Service

BY MAXINE DODGE

wenty-six Pathfinder teens and 10 professional staff members (doctors, dentist, optometrist, and nurses) left the Detroit Metro airport on Tuesday, December 26, 1995, under the direction of Terry Dodge Sr., Michigan Conference Pathfinder director, with 84 boxes of supplies to be used during the twoweek mission trip in the Dominican Republic. This was the 15th year that Pathfinder teens have gone on this type of mission trip. All were dressed in special blue shirts emblazoned with the Pathfinder logo and the words "Teen Mission."

The Adventist University in Bonao, became our home for several days. Four teens (Michael Davis, Jose Bourget, Karen Figueroa, and Shannan Wyland) who went with us served as translators, which enabled us to serve over 3,500 people during the eight clinics. The first four clinics were held in the area of the university, and the last four were held in the north near the town of Gaspar Hernandez.

Our first Sabbath morning we worshiped with the 120 children (ages 2-18) and their staff at the Adventist orphanage only a couple miles from the University. Following the church service we had the opportunity to visit one of the 10 homes that each house 12 children and their house parents.

The hospitality given to us by the university students and staff was greatly appreciated. Sabbath some iversity students came to pray for

Clockwise from upper left: Dr. Ruben Eliuk, of Plymouth, MI, examines a patient's knee while Shannan Wyland, of Appleton, WI, holds a flashlight. Nurse Denise Petersen, of Berrien Springs, MI, assists and Michael Davis, of Grand Rapids, MI, interprets.

some of our teens who were sick. We know the Lord heard their prayers because of our teens' rapid recovery. We were able to enjoy joint worships with the university students because volunteer worker, Dr. Harvey Miller, served as our translator.

One of our clinics was held in the small community of Batey Ginebra, southwest of the North Dominican Conference youth camp near Gaspar Hernandez. Our hearts were touched by the poverty we observed. The school building was very simple but the people had spent time sweeping, mopping, and preparing for our arrival. They went into their own homes and brought their only tables

for us to use in each of the clinical areas. By the end of the day we were thankful we could come to this needy area. We received many blessings from that day.

Our last Sabbath was spent worshiping in the oldest Seventh-day Adventist Church in Santo Domingo.

Luis Leonor, Lake Union Conference vice president, made arrangements for our comfort while we were in the Dominican and traveled with us there. He endeared himself to the whole group by keeping us supplied with refreshing fresh fruit drinks he had made himself.

These Pathfinder "Teen Mission Impact" trips not only influence the

Maxine Dodge is the wife of Terry Dodge Sr., Michigan Conference Pathfinder Director.



Luis Leonor, Lake Union vice president, gives treats to the children at one of the clinics in the Dominican Republic.



Denise Petersen, RN, (center) checks a child in his mother's lap while Shannan Wyland (right) interprets.

people receiving aid, but also make a terrific impact on the lives of those who go. Several have expressed interest in going again after they learn Spanish, and some are interested in becoming missionaries someday or going into the medical field. "The Lord has blessed the Pathfinder 'Teen Mission Impact' program in many ways," concludes Pastor Dodge. "We especially want to thank the health professionals, teens, parents, and friends for their continuing support in making this program a success. The lives of those who go (on these trips) are never the same after ministering to the needs of others."

Looking Forward

At our clinic in Cabrera, an 18-year-old young man came to the clinic with multiple birth defects. He was hoping that the American doctor could do something to help him with his medical problems.

Helping us as a translator (in the medical area), was a Christian young man from another church who spoke fluent English and Spanish. The condition of the 18-year-old was such that he would probably only live to the age of 35 or 40. The translator explained to this young man that in Jesus there is hope and that the body he is living in is only temporary. When Jesus comes He will give him a new body with no pain or problems and everything would be perfect.

There, sitting on the bench in the medical clinic, this young man accepted Jesus as his Savior.

We can only thank the Lord for His wonderful blessing.



Rick Shaffer, RN, (left) of Three Rivers, MI, examines a child while her mother looks on. Luis Bavieca (right) of the Dominican Republic interprets.



Gymnics Ben Brower and Kathy First were among the 35 Andrews University Gymnics who traversed the Philippines during December. (Photo by Michelle Spangler.)

n December 1995, a group of 35 Andrews students came to the remote town of Butuan on the Philippine Island of Mindanao. While there, they gave an acrobatic performance to an enthusiastic crowd of more than 4,000 people. Crowds all but mobbed team members as they gave out copies of Steps to Christ after their performance.

The town's residents are probably still talking about the Americans who came to town. And at Andrews, the 35 students who traveled to the Philippines are still talking about the biggest Gymnics tour ever.

For four weeks in December, the Gymnics traveled across the Philippines by bus and boat, giving 13 acrobatic performances. Enthusiastic crowds came to see their flips and formations, but Filipinos were probably just as interested to witness rarely-seen Americans in their cities.

Children, in particular, treated the young college students like visiting rock stars. Running and waving alongside the team bus, they strained for glances of the visiting Americans wherever they went.

The Gymnics traveled to the Philippines to help with the ambitious "Target 50,000" Voice of Prophecy

Andrews University **Gymnics** Go to the Philippines

BY JACK STENGER

evangelistic campaign. The students passed up Christmas at home and raised \$1,500 each to pay for trip costs. While there, neither excruciatingly long bus rides (in one case 35 hours!) nor withering subtropical humidity dimmed their enthusiasm for witnessing and evangelism.

The "entering wedge" for the students was the 15,000 copies of Steps to Christ they distributed. Money for the books was put up by Larry Dalson, a Berrien Springs, Michigan, businessman who traveled with the team. In a predominantly Roman Catholic country, biblically based knowledge about Christ is limited. The books and the witness of dedicated college students are likely still being felt in the Philippines.

"It just seemed like a lot of people didn't really know about Jesus," said team member Heidi Kunitz, a freshman political economy major. "People were literally running at us to get their copy of the book."

Now, back in school at Andrews, the Gymnics are still talking about their adventures from half a world

· Four different tour buses, including a rickety yellow school bus that transported them around crowded Manila, the Philippine capital.



Philippine children met the Andrews University students with enthusiasm during all of their 13 performances.

- An evolving itinerary of the "if-it's-Tuesday-we-must-be-in Ormoc" variety.
- · A performance in front of an approving Catholic monsignor who also appreciatively received his copy of Steps to Christ.

As Gymnics assistant coach, Donnie Shull saw how the team benefited everyone spiritually. "It helped me to realize how we need to tell a lot more people about God. Isn't that the reason we're all here?" said the senior physical education major.

Other Gymnics said the mission trip brought them closer to the Lord they were sent to represent.

"The trip brought me closer to Christ because we saw how our actions-my actions-brought people closer to Him," said Natali Padeiro, a sophomore elementary education major.

Since he started the Gymnics at Andrews in 1969, team coach Robert Kalua has led many memorable tours. But he said the Philippine trip was special. "This trip showed how much can be done when God uses a group of young people for His glory."

Jack Stenger is public information officer for Andrews University.

The Week That Means Everything

BY JASON WELCH



Send a blind child to camp!



Meagan loves Camp Au Sable.

pplications are coming in quickly," says Jacque Riese, Christian Record Services' blind camp clerk.

Blind camp at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, Michigan is still three months away, but campers are already scrambling to be a part of it. Todd Essex, a counselor at Au Sable, explains, "When it comes down to it, if you were blind, you'd want the same type of opportunity."

Nine-year-old Meagan is one of the excited youngsters counting the days until camp. Meagan's mother, Linda, wrote a letter to Joan Petty, the Christian Record Services coordinator for the blind camp at Au Sable.

Dear Joan.

Thank you so much for coordinating a wonderful camp for our daughter, Meagan, and dozens of other blind youngsters and adults. She's been home a week and still, every day, Meagan mentions something about Camp Au Sable. She's said several times that she wants to return next year.

I guess Meagan's remarks are the greatest compliment you could receive. For, as you know, nine-year-olds like Meagan don't mince words, especially when it comes to their preferences. She's told us about how she enjoyed the horseback riding, crafts, rides on a four-wheeler, canoe trip, and jet skiing! She said she liked hearing "Taps" on the trumpet each night,

Meagan has been fortunate to have been in several camp programs, so it's remarkable that she said her Au Sable counselors are "the best in the world."

Please thank each donor for making this wonderful week of outdoor life and building self-esteem possible for Meagan and others. It is an experience I am sure she will remember for a lifetime. Sincerely, Linda

The best part about blind camp at Au Sable is that the boys and girls don't need to worry about having enough money to come to camp. Concerned church members have decided that the experience is so important that they are willing to pay the costs so that no blind person will be left out, even if they're poor.

If you are concerned about the blind and how our church relates to them, you have a chance to make a difference. This year's offering for the blind and the deaf is March 23. The money will go to Christian Record Services, the General Conference's ministry to the blind and deaf. Mark Christian Record Services on your tithe envelope that Sabbath, or any other Sabbath, and help a precious person like Meagan to experience the wonder of camp.

If you know someone who should be receiving the free services Christian Record offers, let us know. You can write to us at 4444 South 52nd Street, P.O. Box 6097, Lincoln, NE 68506-0097, or call (402) 488-0981. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

Jason Welch works in communications at Christian Record Services.

Here's how you can help make a difference!

Here are just a few things you can do to help the blind or the deaf in your neighborhood:

Help your church become more user friendly for people with disabilities. Offer to become the church Disability Awareness secretary. You don't have to be an expert—you just need to want to get involved. Ask your pastor about it.

Assist Christian Record Services as it ministers to the blind and the deaf around the world by giving a special offering, marking "Christian Record Services" on your offering envelope on March 23, or any week of the year.

Give someone a ride. Things you take for granted, like transportation, are often not so easy for blind people. It's important for blind persons to keep their independence, but buses and taxis get old. It's nice to be able to catch a ride with a friend now and then.

Learn American Sign Language. Community colleges or local organizations for the deaf often offer classes. Or you can take lessons from a deaf friend. Volunteer your skills by being an interpreter for the deaf at local churches and around your neighborhood.



Rob Dunn is using his training as a mechanical engineer in his volunteer work at AWR-PanAmerica, Costa Rica.

on-Marc Peterson, who took a "crash course in radio production" from WAUS at Andrews University where he received his degree in sociology, is spending this vear as a student volunteer at the AWR broadcast facility in Costa Rica.

Jon-Marc, a native of Berrien Springs, is one of three young men volunteering at this AWR facility, which broadcasts to the Caribbean and Central and South America. One of the major target areas is Cuba, where most of the people baptized in the past couple of years are AWR listeners.

Joining Jon-Marc in English program production for the station is Kalvin Follett, who took his degree in broadcasting at Southwestern Adventist College in Texas, and arrived in Costa Rica during the rainy season with his bride of 18 days, Kristine.

Between them, Jon-Marc and Kalvin produce a weekly program called "Gospel," and an hour-long family magazine program which airs daily Monday through Friday, for a total of "about five hours of actual broadcast time" every day. "It's been a challenge, but I've enjoyed it thoroughly," says Jon-Marc.

The third volunteer at Costa Rica is Rob Dunn, a mechanical engineer with a degree from Walla Walla College.

Across the Pacific on the island of Guam, another volunteer works at the AWR facility that broadcasts to Asia. "The 'high' point in my work here is atop the antennas," says Jason Smith, senior engineering student from Walla Walla. "Changing antenna lights and checking structural security-at 350 feet above the bonds of earth. The view on any day is enough to convince the soul we

Student Volunteers Bring Expertise, Enthusiasm to Adventist World Radio

BY ANDREA STEELE

worship a truly awesome God."

One of this station's main audiences is the vast nation of China. AWR-Asia broadcasts about 150 hours a week to that country, and there have been thousands of baptisms and hundreds of

College students interested in serving as volunteers for AWR should contact the chaplain's office at the Adventist college nearest them, or Greg Scott, AWR's student volunteer coordinator. Phone: 423-531-8832. CompuServe: 74532,530. Mailing address: 9223 Tedford Lane, Knoxville, TN 37922.

new congregations as a result.

On the other side of the world in Europe, the AWR office in Darmstadt, Germany, houses a sophisticated duplication system that prepares programs for airing on leased transmitters in Slovakia and

Russia-both stations used to air communist propaganda, but now carry hundreds of hours a week of the Gospel message! A major target area for these broadcasts is the Middle East, where programs in Arabic have created a thirst

for knowledge of Jesus and the Bible.

Two graduate volunteers joined the AWR staff in Darmstadt this year. James Willis, who has a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Maryland, and Adrian Copiz, who speaks fluent German and has a degree in English literature. Adrian's comment about working for AWR sums up the experience of most volunteers: "I am working with a terrific mix of personalities and nationalities and I'm doing something positive for this planet. In a world full of media reports on violence, natural disasters and irresponsible human activity, I find it important to provide a voice of hope to all people so that humanity can persevere and create practical solutions."

Remember the dedication of these young people and the listeners reached by the Gospel through AWR as you plan for the AWR offering on March 9.

Andrea Steele is public relations and development director for Adventist World Radio worldwide.



Jon-Marc Peterson, hailing from Berrien Springs, MI, and Andrews University, learned about radio program production at WAUS before going as a volunteer to AWR-PanAmerica.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

Students Lead Week of Prayer

Andrews University — When the Spirit leads at Andrews, it's not just campus chaplains who lead. A recent week of prayer held during the month of January was planned, coordinated, instigated and celebrated by students.

The theme for the week was "Student Week of Prayer-Jesus: The Master Key; Elijah: Man of Fire." Two meetings were held in a men's residence hall every night and the week culminated with a Friday evening communion and footwashing ceremony. Week of prayer leaders Christopher Small

Joseph Ikner and Christopher Small, two theology students, led a successful week of prayer at

and Joseph Ikner never doubted that students would come to the meetings, which were held Jan. 21 to 26.

"There is a hunger on this campus for closer relationships with the Lord," said Ikner, a junior theology major from Cleveland, OH.

The average evening attendance was around 40. As the Sunday-to-Friday event progressed, enthusiasm grew for the student-led preaching, singing and post-meeting prayer sessions. Friday evening was the Sabbath culmination of the week of prayer and close to 300 students packed the Burman

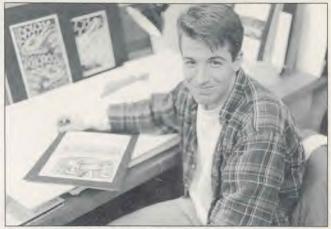
Hall auditorium for evening meetings.

A spirit of revival and recommitment was in the air during all the meetings, said Small, a sophomore pastoral ministry major from Moline, IL. "Our biggest prayer was for a greater outpouring of God's Spirit on this campus," he said.

After the Sabbath evening services and a rededication service, more than 150 people attended an agape feast. Funds for the food came from several campus organizations, but enthusiasm for the meetings was heaven-sent, Ikner said. "It was really incredible."

They say plans are already underway for more student-led spiritual activities that will focus on prayer. The activities will augment all on-going residence hall worship services and other worship activities such as student-run BRANCH (Bringing Andrews to Christ).

"Students recognize that grades are not the only priority while they are here," said campus chaplain David Rand. "In addition to being academically strong, they need Christ in their lives."



Robert Ritzenthaler is a senior graphic design major from Battle Creek, MI. He recently did an internship in the art department for Review and Herald Publishing, Hagerstown, MD. (Photo by Jack Stenger.)

New Creative Power in Old Power Plant

Andrews University — The old university power plant hasn't generated heat in a few years. But since the 1994-95 school year, it has been home to a new kind of power—creative energy.

The old power plant, also known as Riffel Hall, is now home to a new graphic design lab. The lab, which celebrated a Jan. 16 open house, moved from more cramped quarters in the art building during the 1994-95 school year.

The move has been a popular one with students and adminstrators alike. The university gets to recycle a sturdy campus building, and the graphic design students get more space to do what they do best: be creative.

"We have better light and more room to spread out," said Peter Erhard, professor of graphic design.

Andrews offers a bachelor of fine arts degree, with a graphic design emphasis. Call (616) 471-3529 for information about the program.

> Jack Stenger, Andrews University public information officer

Don't Forget:

Alumni Weekend, April 25-28

Alumni from the Lake Union over will come back to their alma mater for Alumni Homecoming Weekend, April 25-28.

This year's theme, "Art Works!" will celebrate the creative gifts that enrich our lives, said Rebecca May, alumni affairs director. Concerts, gallery shows, drama and artistic demonstrations are scheduled. Please come! Call the Alumni House (616) 471-3591 for details.

EDUCATION NEWS

Senior Class to Build a Church

Indiana Academy - The Class of '96 has chosen to do a mission project for their senior class trip. They are going to spend April 18-28 building a small church for a new congregation in the southern part of Mexico. They will fly into Mexico City and take a 12-hour bus ride to their destination, Tuxtla. While they are building, they will be staying in church members' homes. From there they will have a 30-minute walk to the building site where they will be constructing the wooden frame and putting on an aluminum roof.

Their goal as a class is to give others a place to worship God. Even though water will be scarce and conditions primitive, they feel they will grow closer to each other and to Christ. In reaching out, they hope to come home with a new perspective and a stronger walk with Jesus.

Class members are all working hard to raise the funds they need in time to make the trip possible.

> John Taylor, science/mathematics teacher and senior class sponsor

School Receives Front-page News Coverage

Illinois - Quincy Elementary School has earned high profile in the media, thanks to Dennis Shelton, principal/teacher of the one-room school. Shelton has developed an eye for what catches public interest. His first foray into the limelight came earlier this school year when he alerted Channel KHQA-TV about two students who rode horses to school. A reporter came out to take pictures and interview Shelton. The next day a brief article and photo appeared in The Quincy Herald-Whig. A brief feature appeared in the following night's local news.

Next, Shelton learned that Computerland was offering a computer as a prize to the school with the highest student per capita for food collected in the annual Fall Harvest campaign. The food was to be used to restock Salvation Army pantries in the area. Shelton knew this would be a "piece of cake" because his seven students already were committed to collecting food as Pathfinders, Shelton added another half day of collection as part of the school's weekly Bible Labs activity. Final tally was 1,402 food items for Quincy Elementary School's seven students-and they won the computer. Their per capita was right at 200 food items; the next highest school had a per capita of 35 items.

Kirk Nesbit, president of Computerland, brought the computer to the classroom and demonstrated its use. Brian Murphy, news reporter on The Quincy Herald-Whig staff, held a two-



Computerland president Kirk Nesbit demonstrates the computer won by Quincy Elementary School's seven students. (Photo courtesy of the Quincy Herald-Whig.)

hour interview with Shelton and had pictures taken. Murphy had never heard of one-room schools and he was intrigued with the incongruity of a school that used wood to heat the building, yet had a computer corner with a small CD-ROM library. He went back to his desk and put the story of the school on the front page of Saturday's paper along with three photos of the children in school activities.

And there's more. Radio show "Don Wade and Roma," on station WLS out of Chicago, picked up the theme of Quincy and its one-room school on their 5:30 a.m. talk show. Shelton was alerted to the program by an early morning phone call and became a caller himself, using the opportunity to tell what Adventist education is about. The end result? Two students from two different families have been added to his classroom.

Shelton is amazed at the way the Lord took the novelty of two boys riding horses to school and turned the story of his school into multi-media focus.

Students Lead Week of Prayer

Andrews Academy - The student week of prayer was planned and executed this year by Pastor Manuel Vitug's 13 witnessing class members, reports senior Kristi Straw. These youth were in charge of every aspect of both morning and evening programs. The theme of the week was "Six-inch Difference," referring to the fact that there are only six inches between one's head and heart, Focus was put on contemporary issues facing teens, such as abuse, teen pregnancy, abortion, depression, dysfunctional families, and suicide. Drama illustrating these realities and God's response was written and staged by the witnessing class. During evening meetings, students had the option of joining a prayer and praise session. This week of prayer brought into the open several serious issues and how to deal with them. It made a strong impact on the student body, and became a factor in the decision of five students who were baptized, and two others who are now preparing for baptism.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Reach Out to Help Others

Michigan — Students from Troy Adventist Academy, under the direction of Linda Sullivan, have been contributing a dollar a week to purchase special gifts for needy families, reports Rose King, church communication secretary.

The youth formed "A Chair for Charity" so that they could accumulate funds to care for needy families. At year's end, they were thrilled to be able to give a holiday party for 11 families. Each family was presented with clothing, a food basket from the Community Service Center (CSC), and presents.

The students also collected over 300 canned goods for the CSC to distribute in 20 food baskets to other needy families for the holidays.

Good Press for Bethel Club

Lake Region — Grand Rapids Press reporter, Theresa D. McClellan, wrote the following story for the Oct. 30, 1996, edition (clipped and shared with us by Sarah Smith, Pathfinder director).

Ten youngsters with nicknames including "Busy Bee" and "Helping Hands" were inducted Saturday night into the Bethel Seventh-day Adventist Church's Adventure Club.

"We make a pact because we want to teach them positives," said Jackie Bright, who led the youngsters in the ceremony.

Little boys and girls dressed in blue uniforms marched into the basement of the church bearing a yellow and white church flag and the country's red, white, and blue.

One by one, the children read from cards their promises to keep God in their lives and to be helpful children. Then they lit candles and accepted a tiny plaque from Bright.

For six-year-old Ryan "Busy Bee" Farabee, the singing is the best part of the program. "I love to sing," she said.

For nine-year-old Carisa "Helping Hands" Holtrop, "acting and drawing" are the attractions.

The parents of the children also agree to support their children by being active. "We want to get them involved in something positive now, because if you get them this young, they will always have an interest," said Bright.

While the youngsters were getting their plaques, older students were on the streets for the start of the Halloween weekend. But instead of candy, these 10- to 15-year-olds were collecting cans. Dressed in warm jackets and berets, the Pathfinders ran door to door with plans to help others. The weekend before Halloween they distributed 550 flyers to homes along Philadelphia, Gladstone, and Plymouth Avenues.

Last year the youth groups created 10 Thanksgiving baskets for needy families. This year they hope to double the effort, said Smith.



The new 75-member choir at Milwaukee Jr. Academy performed during the "Senior Saints Luncheon" last Thanksgiving.

New Choir Formed at Milwaukee Junior Academy

Wisconsin — They may be different sizes and ages, but they can all sing. A new 75-member choir, composed of students from day care through grade eight, has been formed at Milwaukee Junior Academy, reports Candy Jakobsons, Milwaukee Junior Academy secretary. So far the youngsters, led by Pam Consuegra, teacher of grades four through six, have performed for two major programs: the annual Senior Saints Luncheon, held at Thanksgiving; and a Christmas program called "Little Christmas Lamb."

10-year-old Recites Verses and Texts

Indiana — Twila Dunder, 10-year-old daughter of Roger and Licia Dunder. recited all the memory verses and their texts for the quarter at the 13th Sabbath program in Cicero, on Dec. 30, 1995. Twila and her family returned last summer from Africa where they had been missionaries in Tanzania for six years. Twila is being home schooled this year and knows her Bible in detail.



Twila Dunder recited all the memory verses and texts for the quarter at the 13th Sabbath program at Cicero.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

Couple Plans Mission Trip to Africa

Wisconsin - Linden and Michelle St. Clair, former members of the Bethel Church in Arpin, WI, are packing up for a sixyear stay in Benin, West Africa, reports Laurie Herr, Wisconsin communication director. Their goal is to plant a church in Somba, a village with a population of 120,000.



Linden and Michelle St. Clair

"We will be doing the actual building of a church and helping people in practical ways," says Linden, who has served twice as a student missionary to the Marshall Islands. Michelle has been a student missionary to Scotland. Before becoming fulltime missionary candidates, the couple worked as literature evangelists.

To accomplish their goals, the St.

Claires must undergo intense training, coordinated through Adventist Frontier Missions, Berrien Springs, MI. Currently they are learning to speak some French and Dittamari, Somba's native language. They must also be prepared to confront serious challenges, such as malaria, spirit worship, a lack of education, and remoteness (Somba is about a day's journey from all other known organized Adventist work).

The St. Claires plan to leave for West Africa this summer. Currently they are in the fund-raising phase of their frontier mission experience.

Just for Men

Wisconsin — Subzero temperatures did not keep men from attending Wisconsin's first annual Men's Retreat, Jan. 26-28 at Camp Go Seek in Westfield, WI. Despite drifting snow and bitter cold (temperatures dropped to -30 degrees, without windchill), about 20 men, from 19-72, came for the weekend of spiritual renewal.

"It was well worth the effort," said Wisconsin Family Life Director Dale Ziegele. "We featured several small group, interactive experiences, in which we explored some issues strictly for husbands, fathers, and singles."

Good food and enthusiastic participation added to the weekend. Another retreat—preferably with warmer weatheris being planned for Jan. 17-19, 1997.



Barb and Ernest DePas cut ribbon on ramp for use by Wilson, MI, members and visitors who are physically challenged.

Official Ribbon-cutting Ceremony Held in Wilson

Michigan — The Wilson Church is happy to announce the official opening of their very attractive and useful ramp for their physically challenged members and visitors. The ramp was built on the south side of the church, using a new side entrance created in place of a window. A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held Oct. 21, 1995, reports Bob Quillin, Wilson pastor. "The new ramp and entrance also will be a blessing to many of the older church members who find it difficult to climb the church's stairs," he said.

Under the leadership of James Galbraith and Howard Berger (building committee chairman), many volunteers donated their time and energies to completing this project.

Evangelistic Effort in East Chicago

Illinois — On Oct. 7, 1995 an evangelistic effort began in the Hispanic Church of East Chicago, IN conducted by evangelist Adly Campos, reports Luis E. Leonor, Lake Union Conference vice president. The attendance was good. The meetings began with a seminar on family issues and then continued with Bible studies.

On Oct. 28 they had their closing ceremony with a beautiful program in which 15 couples renewed their marriage vows. Three people were baptized, and all the attendees were given a certificate. A good number of attendees will continue with their Bible studies.



Seated in front of the couples who renewed their marriage vows are, from left: Carmelo Mercado, Hispanic coordinator for Indiana, Adly Campos, evangelist, and Ruben Rivera, district pastor.

NET '95 "Discoveries in Prophecy" on Cable in Northwest Indiana

Indiana — Dave Devnich, pastor of the Hammond and Northwest churches, approached the local cable TV stations during Mark Finley's NET '95 crusade, "Discoveries in Prophecy" to see if they would be willing to run the program. He was successful in getting the video series placed on not one, but two different cable stations, covering the homes of thousands of families in their area.

The management of one of the cable companies was so inspired by the quality of the programming, that after the 24-week series was completed, the station asked permission to run the series again. It is currently running for the second time in a weekly one-hour 4 pm time slot. The same station also contacted Devnich recently offering a 30-minute prime time slot on Monday evenings, and will begin running the *It Is Written* telecast on a weekly basis. This local cable time is provided at no cost to the church, and at the end of each broadcast they provide the local church address so that viewers can write in for further information.

In addition, the station has offered to televise the local church service. The Northwest Church, located in Crown Point, IN, is currently involved in a building program, but will consider the possibility of televising their service in the future.

We are still reaping the rewards of NET '95. Imagine the limitless possibilities for NET '96!

Capitol City Church 1996 Reunion and Community Guest Day

Lake Region — "Welcome to the Joy," was the theme for community guest day and homecoming celebration '95 for the Capitol City Church in Indianapolis, reports Terri Dawson, church communication secretary. The day commenced with an early morning prayer and praise service led by Alexander Seawood, church elder, followed by a mini concert. Eileen Bell's Sabbath school theme was "JOY" in which she set the scene like a TV talk show—Junior, Older, Youth—and interviewed people in the different categories. Superintendent Cleopatra Martin closed with "Moments of Inspiration and Meditation."

Divine worship added to the joy with good music by "New Awakening," and the Capitol City church school students "Airship," from Pamela Harris' third and fourth grade classes did a presentation to grandparents. Capitol City Pastor Ronald Bell's message was titled, "Welcome to the Joy of Salvation."

In the afternoon Thomasine Wright, a retired educator and Capitol City health and temperance leader, presented a seminar on "The Joy of Giving," and "The Joy of Christian Living."

The youth participated in presenting an evening program in the format of a TV talk show, hosted by Capitol City member Dollis Wright. It was the perfect ending to a *joyful* day.



Burning the mortgage: Gary L. Gray, Oakhill pastor, Jim Muffo, Bud Tomlinson, John Bennett, Mary Grupe, Robert McChesney.

Oakhill Church Dedication

Illinois - The Oakhill Church in Caseyville, IL, held a special service on Sabbath, Nov. 18, 1995, commemorating the retirement of the debt on their church, reports Jean Gray, Oakhill communication secretary. Wayne Coulter, Illinois Conference president, presented the worship hour sermon, "All That Glitters Is Not Gold," based on Revelation 3:18-21. Oakhill's pastor, Gary L. Gray, led out in the ordination of Doug Albright as a church deacon. Appreciation and recognition of the church's deaconesses were expressed by church elder Mary Grupe.

A fellowship dinner at noon was followed by the dedication service. The history of the Oakhill Church was read, and individual members recounted memories of the building process. Coulter presented the dedication message. Gray led the congregation in a litany of dedication after which he and the finance committee members burned the mortgage. Music highlighted the day with Oakhill musicians and guest musicians from the Centralia and Alton churches.

Gray stated, "Through the years, the church has endeavored to maintain its ministries of education and outreach. We rejoice that our mortgage is now paid. We rejoice even more for the assurance of God's grace and the fellowship of our church family. Our community neighbors are also invited to join us for study, worship, and a vegetarian fellowship noon meal each Saturday morning."

Church Communication Secretary and Fine Artist Honored

Michigan — Rose Huotari King, Troy Church communication secretary since 1968, placed a paid advertisement for her church's evangelistic crusade on the church page of the local newspaper. However, the editor asked permission to place the ad on the entertainment page. The result? A lovely couple came to the crusade instead of going to a movie, and today they are baptized members of the church.

Bruce Babienco, Michigan communication director, wishes to commend King for her dedication and hard work not only in communication, but also for her continued witness for Jesus as she shares her talents in the artistic community.

WORLD CHURCH NEWS

Local Conference Establishes Women's Ministries Department

Michigan — Following the action of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in Utrecht in July 1995 and the North American Division, the Michigan Conference Executive Committee voted women's ministries to department status at its Feb. 1, 1996, meeting, reports Myrna Earles.

In 1990 a small group from the Detroit area under the leadership of Yvette Chong began planning one-day spiritual renewal days in the metro area. Women's ministries was officially organized by the Michigan Conference in May 1991, with Gaylene Wolkwitz appointed the director. The first statewide retreat was held in Holland, MI, in February 1992. Earles has been appointed director of the newly formed department.

At the present time Michigan Conference has 109 local women's ministries coordinators. In 1995 there were two state-wide retreats plus the First Flint Women's Ministries weekend with a total of 634 women attending, 42 of which stated they are not active members in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Women's Retreat Planned

Michigan — "Windows of the Heart" is the theme of the Conference's Women's Retreat to be held at Camp Au Sable, Apr. 19-21, reports Marjorie Snyder, publicist for Michigan Women's Ministries Board.

Carla Gober, a committed Christian and professional speaker, will address issues and concerns facing today's Christian woman and family. Her audiences describe her as "real" and inspiring as she presents challenging topics with humor and conviction.

Gober is employed by Loma Linda University Medical Center as a spiritual care nurse specialist. She holds degrees in nursing, religion, public health education, and marriage, family, and child counseling. She has spoken to professional and non-professional audiences throughout the country.

"Windows of the Heart" discusses the walls we build around ourselves and how those walls prevent us from being close to our families and to God.

Also included in the weekend will be a choice of breakaway sessions and prayer opportunities designed to bring women closer to God and to each other, reports Michigan Women's Ministries director, Myrna Earles.

Information on the weekend is being sent to all Michigan churches. Contact either your women's ministries coordinator or pastor for information, or call Earles at (517) 886-1093. The retreat will begin with supper on Friday evening at six and end at noon on Sunday. Plan to bring a carload of women from your church and enjoy a relaxing weekend.

Nampa, ID [ANN] — ParentTalk, a bimonthly magazine for Seventh-day Adventist Christian parents will debut in May. Published by Pacific Press Publishing Association, ParentTalk is designed specifically to help parents, grandparents, and caregivers raise happy, spiritually healthy children.

"Right now is the most important time parents have with their children," says Randy Maxwell, who co-edits the magazine with Glen Robinson. "We want the best of everything for our kids, and we intend for *ParentTalk* to be a practical resource to help parents out."

The editorial focus of the magazine will cover topics related to health, values, relationships, discipline, and spirituality. Beginning with its premier issue in May, *ParentTalk* will be packed full of encouragement and ideas to help parents make their own childrearing decisions.

This magazine has also been created to present realistic approaches to sensitive lifestyle and spiritual issues such as diet and the Sabbath. Objective reviews of popular videos, music, and computer games will help parents decide what their children should or should not be seeing or hearing.

Developing a strong bond between readers and editors is an important goal of *ParentTalk*. Tips, advice, and opinions from readers and other parents can be found in the regular column, "My Turn," along with up-close and personal stories from real moms and dads in the featured article, "Family Portrait."

Authoritative advice from family-life professionals will be featured in columns such as "Three Generations," "Education," and "The Wonder Years." "The Wonder Years" is a series of three columns that explore the wonders of watching children grow up through the developmental stages. "Kitchen Notes" will feature healthful, fast, and fun recipes for today's families.

For a complimentary copy of *ParentTalk*, call 1-800-765-6955 or call the *ParentTalk* office at 208-465-2622.

Teresa Pline

Silver Spring, MD [ANN] — Philanthropic Services for Institutions (PSI) announced the debut of its Model for Academy Philanthropy (MAP). MAP is a program designed to place a full-time director of development in 18-20 academies in North America. PSI has asked for support from several major private donors to help cover the costs of the pilot programs. Additional funding will come from the union conferences and from the schools. The MAP program outlines specific goals to be reached with a high degree of accountability during three years that an academy participates in the program. After three years, the academies are expected to have well-rounded development programs based on the MAP program. PSI will then use the model to inspire development programs in other Adventist academies.

Jeff Scoggins



"Vaccinating" Your Children Against Substance Abuse

by Susan E. Murray

If we could just "vaccinate" our children against drug abuse like we can other childhood diseases, we could rest easier. Unfortunately, it isn't that easy. But there are things we can do now that will have a lasting, positive impact on our children's choices later on.

YOU NEED A PLAN.

I walked into a friend's office one day, and he had a new poster on the door. It read, "If you don't know where you are going, you won't know when you got there!" That had an impact on me! That visual statement provided me with encouragement to think about where I was going, and where I wanted my children to go, and to make some specific plans to reach my goals.

A few years later, my husband and I sat in a meeting at our children's school when a parent said, "My daughter has started wearing nail polish, and we don't want her to. What can we do? When should we talk to her?" The speaker, a qualified and experienced counselor, responded, "It's too late." "My, that was blunt," I thought. He then went on to explain some strategies to use at that point, but his premise was that we need to talk to our children about issues that are important to us before they become issues for our children. That made sense to us! We came home and decided to specifically share our beliefs and values about things that our children didn't seem to be facing then—but would be facing in the next few years.

If you have an infant, toddler, preschooler, or child in early elementary years, strategies for preventing drug use and abuse may seem somewhat irrelevant to you right now. Of course, you don't want your child to be caught in the trap of using drugs and alcohol later on—but that's years down the road. Today, there are more crucial things to accomplish—getting coats on and off, getting food into the mouth and down in the the tummy, handling the defiant "no!" getting to bed, toilet training, and the list could go on.

I would like to suggest that much of what you do with and foryour child now will influence your child's later decisions to live safely.

Several years ago I was involved in teaching a drug prevention program to preschoolers. We taught the children how to know the difference between a medicine and a drug, how to handle and express their feelings, how to resist peer pressure, and how to know where to go for help. Several months after we completed the curriculum, I was seated next to one of the children at the home of friends. Someone came to the table and offered us root beer and brownies. Alisa responded, "I'd like a brownie, but I don't drink beer!" Her mother was sur-

prised and said, "Are you sure you don't want something to drink?" "Yes," she said, "but I don't drink beer!"

This child had confidence in herself, she knew what was right for her! There was no hesitation, no wishing, no whining. It was simple. She didn't drink beer! When Alisa's mother realized the reason for her response, she gently explained that the person had offered her root beer. Then Alisa happily accepted a brownie—and some root beer. I like to think that her experiencing appropriate drug education at a very young age will be one of the keys to her being protected, or "vaccinated," against drug use later in her life.

PART OF A BIGGER PICTURE

The issue of addiction is actually part of the larger picture of human struggle that affects every human being. I believe our struggles with self-esteem, sexuality, love, and relationships are all examples of Satan's taking God's very best gifts and twisting them to hurt and destroy mankind. Satan has even taken the bountiful fruits of our earth and turned them into destruction. The invention of alcohol and other mind-altering drugs was part of his insidious design.

Ellen White illustrates this in the book Temperance (page 12): "Satan gathered the fallen angels together to devise some way of doing the most possible evil to the human family. One proposition after another was made, till finally Satan himself thought of a plan. He would take the fruit of the vine, also wheat, and other things given by God as food, and would convert them into poisons, which would ruin man's physical, mental, and moral powers, and so overcome the senses that Satan should have full control."

This side of heaven, we shall have to struggle with the pull of addiction. Let's be very serious about finding ways to protect all children. We need to see ourselves as our own children's most important teachers—giving them information and skills so they can make the best choices. Then we can leave them in God's hands, resting in His promise that He loves them even more deeply than we are able to love them.

Keys to Drug Abuse Prevention

The following 24 keys can be used as guidelines to halt drug abuse before it starts or to help families change direction if someone has already been using alcohol or other drugs. These keys are not arranged in order of importance. Rather, the importance of each will vary from family to family.

Preventing drug abuse is a complex problem. You can think of it as a door with 24 locks. You probably have many of the keys already.

Provide Love and Structure

The love and consistent structure that parents offer is the first line of defense against drug/alcohol abuse.

Build Self-Esteem

It is important for parents to encourage, reward, and celebrate self-esteem in their children and themselves.

Affirm Each State of Growth

Every age is a good age at which to affirm your children of their right to be healthy and to enjoy life without using drugs.

The family is the hearth at which values are forged. Parents teach their values by words and deeds.

Be An Active, Drug-free Role Model About Drug Use

Children need to see responsible attitudes and behavior concerning drug use in their most important role models, their parents.

Talk About Drugs

Children need their parents to initiate talking knowledgeably about drugs/alcohol and their effects.

Value Drug-Free Celebrations

Learning ways to celebrate, play, and have fun without the aid of alcohol/drugs is an important deterrent to drug abuse.

Cherish Rituals and Traditions

As parents we need to realize that tradition and rituals are part of the consistent structure that gives stability to children's lives. It is our job to create rituals and traditions that are meaningful for every family member.

Promote Spiritual Growth

Children need guidance in their spiritual growth.

Care About Others—Teach Empathy

Children need to be helped to know not only that caring about others is important; but they need to practice, with their parents, how to care for others.

Resolve Grief

Children need the family to be a safe place for them to mourn the many losses they encounter while growing up.

Share History of Drug Use, Abuse or Addiction in the Family

Children deserve to know that they are more likely to develop drug/alcohol problems if there is a history of these problems among family members.

Editor, Cari Haus; Associate Editor, Susan E. Murray Editor's Note: This feature page is designed as a resource. You are welcome to clib it out. We at Creative Parenting are committed to providing 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!

March is National Reading Month

Have you read to your kids lately?

A big part of a child's self-confidence comes from knowing what to do in different situations. One way to help a child feel confident is help him or her learn how to look for, use and follow instructions. A child who grows up reading instructions and helping to put together, repair or build things has several great advantages. 1) A child believes things can be fixed; 2) A child learns there are logical, specific steps to most processes; and 3) A child learns that reading and understanding is an invaluable

Respect Feelings

As parents it is our job to teach and model for children how to accept, understand, label, and appropriately express feelings.

Practice Delayed Gratification

The degree of freedom children will experience as adults may depend partly on how they learn to defer the urge to "have it all" now.

Make Decisions, Plan for Action

It is important for children to know how to make decisions and solve problems before they are confronted with pressures to use drugs.

Support Negative Peer Pressure

Resisting peer pressure is a skill that allows children to make their own decisions about their behavior. The parents' job is to teach children this skill.

Support Positive Peer Pressure

Children need to learn how to make and maintain healthy friendships.

Practice Positive Communication Skills

Children need to practice effective communication skills both speaking and listening—within the family.

Resist Media Messages

The media sends constant, persuasive messages that drug use, especially alcohol and tobacco, is OK. Children deserve to know how to recognize and resist those messages.

Learn About Drugs, Needles, AIDS, and Sex

Children need information about these aspects of drug use in a way that does not frighten or overwhelm them.

Connect With Your Community

Children need to understand the importance of their membership in several communities, including family, school, neighborhood, nation, and humanity.

Adult Support

Grade-school-age children and adolescents need at least three adults outside of their family to ask for help. The teenager, to help form, identify, and expand values, needs to have frequent, serious conversations with an adult who is not his parent.

School

Children need to feel connected with school and have positive experiences socially and academically. Parents need to be directly involved in the school.

Be Informed About Drugs

In order to be a credible and reliable resource to their children, parents need to know about the effects of different drugs on the mind and body.

These keys are from the book, Help! For Parents About Drugs by Jean Illsley Clarke, Carole Gesme, Marion London, and Don Brundage, Harper Collins, 1993.

MILEPOSTS

ANNIVERSARIES



Bernard and Agnes Andersen of Berrien Springs, MI, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Aug. 23, 1995, at a family reunion at Campion Academy in Loveland, CO. Forty family members, including the Jones and Andersen siblings were present.

Bernard Carl Andersen married Agnes Mary Jones in the Canadian Union College chapel in Lacombe, Alberta, Canada, on Sept. 24, 1945. Elder Hugh Campbell performed the wedding ceremony. In 1950 the couple moved to Berrien Springs so Bernard could attend Emmanuel Missionary College (now Andrews University). Upon graduation he joined the college faculty where he worked for 35 years until his retirement in 1988. Agnes held several secretarial positions for 30 years at the Lake Union Conference and Andrews University.

The Andersens have one daughter, Connie Gail Severin. She and her husband, Myren, and two children live in Hawaii.

Frank and Bernice Booth celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Jan. 1, 1996, with their family in Mio, MI. Bernice Evelyn Hill and Frank W. Booth were married on New Year's Day in 1936, in Comins, MI.

Frank worked many years operating his trucking business. In the early 1960s, he opened a pallet shop, Booth, Inc. Bernice is a homemaker and also did the bookkeeping for Booth, Inc. They both retired in 1978. Frank served as elder and deacon and Bernice as church treasurer for 25 years and also in the capacity of Sabbath school superintendent.



Frank and Bernice Booth

The Booths have two children. Marilyn and her husband, Larry Butcher of Wheeler, MI, and Darrell of Lansing, MI; three granddaughters and five great-grandchildren.



Walter and Grace Kolmodin celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 3, 1995, at an outdoor reception at the home of their daughter Gloria Bolejack, in Brownsburg, IN. The Kolmodins were married in Zion, IL on Sept. 3, 1945. Elder Kolmodin pastored churches in Illinois and Indiana before retiring in Brownsburg in 1985. The Kolmodins have three children: Douglas of Dowagiac, MI, Gloria Bolejack of Brownsburg, and Debra of Orlando, FL; and four grandchil-

WEDDINGS

Lydia Calderon and Douglas Kuebler were married Jan. 14, 1996, in Petoskey, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Ken Micheff.

Lydia is the daughter of Nelly Villamar, of Thousand Oaks, CA, and Douglas is the son of Lloyd and Anna Kuebler of Charlevoix, MI.

The Kueblers are making their home in Charlevoix.

Lisa Halminen and Paul K. Ziegele were married Aug. 27, 1995, in Oshawa, Ontario. Canada. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Dale

Lisa is the daughter of Hannu and Karen Halminen of Courtice, Ont., and Paul is the son of Dale and Judy Ziegele of Janesville, WI.

The Ziegeles are making their home in Apopka, FL.

Jane M. Hanaway and Daniel Mencheski were married Dec. 31, 1995, in Green Bay, WI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Marvin Clark.

Jane is the daughter of the late James and Catherine Hanaway, of Green Bay, and Daniel is the son of David and Barb Mencheski of Denmark.

The Mencheskis are making their home in Green Bay.

Carey Ann Rosen and Jon-Paul Jordan were married Dec. 23, 1995, in Clear Lake. WI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Les Speer.

Carey is the daughter of Dwight and Linda Rosen of Clear Lake, and Jon-Paul is the son of John and Diana Jordan of Nashville, TN.

The Jordans are making their home in Berrien Springs,

April Shabo and Jonathan K. Ziegele were married Dec. 17, 1995, in Lynwood, WA. The ceremony was performed by Pastor J. Battistone.

April is the daughter of K. Duane and Sue Shabo of Bothell, WA, and Jon is the son of Dale and Judy Ziegele of Janesville, WI.

The Ziegeles are making their home in Loma Linda, CA.

Paula Leslie Woodruff and Mark Alexander Fortune were married Dec. 30, 1995, in Grand Rapids, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor John B. Fortune.

Paula is the daughter of David and Carmen Woodruff of Grand Rapids, and Mark is the son of John and Karen Fortune of Grand Rapids.

The Fortunes are making their home in Grand Rapids.

OBITUARIES

APPLETON, Walter W., age 88; born Aug. 19, 1907, in Mason County, MI; died Dec. 25, 1995, in Ludington, MI. He was a member of the Ludington (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife. Marion, son Larry, daughter Joyce Clark, sisters Geneva Walker and Tressa Montan, and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Art Haynor, and interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Custer, MI.

ARTLEY, Arlene, age 79; born June 19, 1916, in Gladstone, MI: died Dec. 29, 1995 in Powers, MI. She was a member of the Escanaba (MI) Church.

Survivors include her ex-husband, Harold, son Jerry, daughters Sharon Allsworth and Darlene Vertz, 14 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Gregg Swope of the Rapid River Congregational Church, and interment was in Fernwood Cemetery, Gladstone.

AVERY, Alvin McKinnen, age 81; born Feb. 19, 1914, in Lovells, MI; died Dec. 28, 1995, in Thousand Oaks, CA. He was a member of the Kalamazoo (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife. Leona, daughters Carol Sayles, Jan Quintos, Del Kaye Carley, and Barbara Martin, 13 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service in Thousand Oaks, CA, was conducted by Pastor Jere Wallack. A burial service was conducted by Pastor Delmar Austin and interment was in the Mount Everest Cemetery, Kalamazoo.

BAKER, D. Joyce, age 54; born Apr. 4, 1941, in Minneapolis; died Dec. 31, 1995, in Valparaiso, IN. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, MI.

Survivors include her husband, Thomas, son Andrew, daughter Lisa Mattson, mother Reva Anderson, brothers Sharon and Lee Waggoner, and sister Norma Wright.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors John Baldwin, Glenn Russell, and Patrick

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Morrison, and interment was in the Eau Claire (MI) Cemetery.

BUURSMA, Janice E., age 53; born Jan. 27, 1942, in Ionia, MI; died Dec. 18, 1995, in East Grand Rapids, MI. She was a member of the Grand Rapids (MI) Central Church.

Survivors include her mother Jane Buursma, brother Charles, and sister Suzanne.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Charles Buursma and John Fortune, and interment was in Pilgrim Home Cemetery, Holland, MI.

CARLSON, Elsie W., age 90; born Mar. 23, 1905, in Grantsburg, WI; died Nov. 19, 1995, in LaGrange, IL. She was a member of the Illinois Conference Church.

Survivors include: son Roger, daughter Maxine Anderson, sisters Evelyn Schwenck, Edna Pitts, and Dagmar Burgess, 9 grandchildren, and 6 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Donovan Davis, and interment was in St. John Community Cemetery, Oakbrook, IL.

CONKELL, John (Jack), age 67; born Apr. 26, 1928, in Battle Creek, MI; died Oct. 12, 1995, in Battle Creek. He was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Survivors include his wife Evelyn, sons John R. and Thomas J., daughter Mary Anne Valenti, sister Yvonne Alexander, and 5 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Dale Leamon and David Sanner, and interment was in Fort Custer National Cemetery, Battle Creek.

CONKLIN, Virginia M., age 78; born Mar. 28, 1917, in Cromuell, MI; died Nov. 24, 1995, in Bay City, MI. She was a member of the Cadillac (MI) Church.

Survivors include: daughters Laurel, Joyce Lamb, and Carolyn Davis, brother Irving DeBolt, sisters Vivian Phillips and Lorraine Terry, 6 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was conducted by Pastors Franklin Horne and Earl Zager.

COOKSEY, Alberta A., age 74; born Feb. 24, 1921; died Nov. 22, 1995, in Chicago. She

was a member of the Shiloh Church in Chicago.

Survivors include her husband Raymond, sisters Carrie Florence and Vivian Ashe, 5 nephews, and 2 nieces.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Mack Wilson and Elder Artur Scott, and interment was in Restvale Cemetery, Chicago.

COWAN, Veola M., age 69; born Mar. 1, 1926, in Arkansas; died Dec. 27, 1995, in Indianapolis. She was a member of the Ludington Church.

Survivors include her husband Kenneth, son Michael Fowler, brothers Arlin, Ed, and Joe, sisters Thelma and Etter.

A graveside service was conducted in Beaverton, MI.

DUTCHER, Roy S., age 93; born Apr. 6, 1902, in Weidman, MI; died Nov. 11, 1995, in Cadillac, MI. He was a member of the Cadillac (MI) Church.

Survivors include: sons Daniel and Duane, daughter Aletha Pefferly, sister Hattie Losey, 7 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Franklin Horne, and interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Mt. Pleasant, MI.

FRAZIER, Oliva E., age 97; born Dec. 3, 1898, in Alexandria, IN; died Dec. 15, 1995, in Anderson, IN. She was a member of the Anderson (IN) Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Dan Hall, and interment was in Park View Cemetery, Alexandria.

GRAY, Ruth E., age 73; born Oct. 25, 1922, in Atlanta; died Dec. 29, 1995, in Indianapolis. She was a member of the Capitol City (IN) Church.

Survivors include her husband Charles, son Charles, daughter Rosita Layrock, brothers Manley and Simeon Maycock Sr., sisters Leontine Williams, Audrey Spencer, Mary Brantley, and Etta Dudley, 7 grandchildren, and 6 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elders Charles Dudley Sr. and James Mosley.

GRECCO, Cleopha Frances, age 83; born Sept. 16, 1912, in Greene County, IN; died Nov.

11, 1995, in Indianapolis. She was a member of the Bedford (IN) Church.

She is survived by a sister Evelyn Moats.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Robert Helm, and interment was in Green Hill Cemetery, Bedford.

HAMMOND, Elsie, age 89; born Mar. 9, 1906, in Kentucky; died Dec. 27, 1995, in Bedford, IN. She was a member of the Bedford Church.

Survivors include her husband Oscar, stepsons Wayne, Alford, and Kent Hammond, stepdaughters Barbara Medlock and Betty Arnold, sisters Sarah White and Rhelda Robbins, half brother Dewey Jones, 2 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Roy Lamb, and interment was in Cresthaven Memory Gardens, Bedford.

HASKELL, John C., age 72; born Mar. 23, 1923, in Flint, MI; died Nov. 11, 1995, in Flint. He was a member of the First Flint Church.

Survivors include his wife Ruth and son Curtis.

A memorial service was conducted by Pastor Ed Eigenberg and elder John Peters, and interment was in Fort Custer National Cemetery, Battle Creek, MI.

KENDALL, Richard Dale, age 79; born Jan. 9, 1916, in Stepnenson, MI; died Nov. 23, 1995, in Bloomingdale Township, MI. He was a member of the Allegan (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife Violet, brother Robert, sisters Florence Kellum and Valah Kratt, and 5 grandchildren.

A memorial service was conducted by Pastor Karl Tsatalbasidis in Bloomingdale, MI.

LUTTRELL, Brenda E., age 37; born Mar. 26, 1958, in Bedford, IN; died Oct. 11, 1995, in Bedford. She was a member of the Bedford (IN) Church.

Survivors include: son Kyle, daughter Kristin, parents Margie Godsey and Darrel Chastain, sisters Darlene Fields, Jana Ferguson, and Jonda Fletcher, and half sister Kelly Eagan.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. William Fields, and interment was in Lawrence Port Cemetery, Mitchell, IN. MARTIN, Ronald A., age 40;

born Dec. 21, 1955, in Chicago; died Dec. 31, 1995, in Chicago. He was a member of the New Life Church in Chicago.

Survivors include: son Antonio, daughter Rachel, parents Dorethia and Lloyd Martin Sr., and 1 grandchild.

Interment was in Burr Oak Cemetery, Chicago.

MCGRATH, Sybil C., age 94; born Oct. 30, 1901, in Donipan, MO; died Dec. 29, 1995, in Moline, IL. She was a member of the Moline (IL) Church.

Survivors include: 3 nephews, and 3 nieces.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Roseco Smiley, and interment was in Rose Lawn Memorial Estates, Moline.

NICKLESS, Elizabeth L., age 63; born July 14, 1932, in Indianapolis; died Dec. 19, 1995, in Williams, IN. She was a member of the Bedford (IN) Church.

Survivors include her husband Paul, sons Dan and David Butler, daughters Chris Smith and Cynthia Williams, stepsons Paul T. and Tim Nickless, stepdaughters Barbara Baxter, Joyce Baker, and Paula Thompson, mother Eva Kinney, sister Bonnie Stephenson, 7 grandchildren, 12 step-grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, and 6 stepgreat-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Robert Helm and Rev. Merla Craig, and interment was in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Bedford, IN.

QUILLAN, Daniel A., age 64; born Apr. 20, 1931, in Lowell, MI; died Dec. 21, 1995, in Coopersville, MI. He was a member of the Grand Rapids (MI) Central Church.

Survivors include his ex-wife Carol, sons Michael and John, daughters Helen Kay Scherencel, Betty Marvin, Linda Champion, and Gerri Huyser, brothers Bill and Tom, sisters Vianne Stout and Rose Cole, and 17 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor John Fortune, and interment was in Oakwood Cemetery, Lowell.

RICH, Genevieve L., age 70; born Apr. 19, 1925; died Oct. 28, 1995. She was a member of the Bedford (IN) Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Robert Helm,



and interment was in Mitchell Cemetery, Mitchell, IN.

RUSSELL, Addie L., age 80; born Mar. 9, 1915, in Jackson, MI; died Nov. 19, 1995, in Owosso, MI. She was a member of the Owosso (MI) Church.

Survivors include: son Jim, and sister Irene Schrader.

Inurement was in Maple River Cemetery, Owosso.

SCHULZ, Mary V. (Churchill), age 90; born June 17, 1905; died July 16, 1995, in Livonia, MI. She was a member of the Metropolitan (MI) Church.

Survivors include: sons Donald, William, Kenneth, Thomas, and Stephen, daughters Margaret La Plant and Marilyn Ostrander, stepdaughters Lois Arnold and Marguerite Ries, 25 grandchildren, many greatgrandchildren, and great-greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Paul La Blanc, and interment was in Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley, MI.

SNELL, Hazel R., age 94; born June 14, 1901, in Janesville, WI; died Nov. 19, 1995, in Columbus, WI. She was a member of the Watertown (WI) Church.

Survivors include: daughter Crystal Koehler, stepsons John, Gerald, and Robert Snell, stepdaughters Mae Gloede, Ruth Ceithamer, and Myrtle Hopper, and sister Eileen Krause.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Gaylan Herr, and interment was in Oak Hill Cemetery, Watertown, WI.

WALFORD, Isabella, age 88; born Sept. 10, 1907, in Empire Canal Zone, Panama; died Dec. 29, 1995, in Chicago. She was a member of the Shiloh Church in Chicago.

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Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Mack Wilson, and interment was in Restvale Cemetery, Chicago.



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RISK MANAGEMENT DI-RECTOR. Requires risk management or administrative experience, preferably with college or law degree. Needs writing, interpersonal, communication skills. Coordinates insurance policies, labor and industry issues, worker's compensation, campus safety. Develops policies and contracts. Contact Carolyn Dickinson, Walla Walla College, 204 S. College Ave., College Place, WA 99324; (509) 527-2202. —5153-96,03

WWC MARINE STATION MANAGER. Requires interpersonal skills, strong background and abilities in electrical, plumbing, carpentry and other construction skills. Innkeeping, bookkeeping and computer skills a plus. Be a self-starter. Contact Carolyn Dickinson, Walla Walla College, 204 S. College Ave., College Place, WA 99324; (509) 527-2202. —5154-96,03

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WALLA WALLA VALLEY ACADEMY seeks to hire a full-time music instructor for handbells, choirs, and band, beginning July 1, 1996. Interested Adventists may contact the principal at WWVA, 700 SW 4th, College Place, WA 99324; (509) 525-1050. —5158-96,03

REAL ESTATE

ANY REAL ESTATE NEEDS IN SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN? Liz Beck, Andrews alumna, has many years of experience and is a member of Multiple Listing Service. Call her in Berrien Springs at (616) 471-9662, and she'll send regularly to you, at no charge, pictures of all available homes, or call her at McLauchlin Realty, (616) 473-4061. —5089-97,01

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MOVING TO BERRIEN SPRINGS? Then call Dixie Barber Wong, a multiple-listing Realtor broker and Andrews University graduate—18 years' experience serving southwestern Michigan's residential, land, and commercial needs. Call (616) 473-1234 for a free moving packet (homes, maps, amenities). I aim to make your move less stressful. —4863-96,12

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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

LEGAL NOTICE Lake Union Conference Association: Notice is hereby given that the 18th business session of the Lake Union Conference of Seventhday Adventists will be held in the Pioneer Memorial Church at Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI, on June 16 and 17, 1996. The first meeting of the session will convene at 3 p.m. on June 16. This session is being held for the purpose of receiving reports for the five-year period ending December 31, 1995, the election of officers, assistant treasurers, departmental directors and associate directors, and an executive committee for the ensuing five years, and to consider proposed constitutional changes and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

Don C. Schneider, president Herbert S. Larsen, secretary

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

ALUMNI HOMECOMING Apr. 25–28. The theme is "Art Works." Gala Banquet on Apr. 25. Special reunions planned for Classes of '36, '46, '56, '66, '71, '76, and '86. Weekend features sidewalk art contest, Kiddy Kollege, international flag-raising ceremony and a "Messiah" sing-along.

ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS ADVENTIST PRISON MINISTRY ORGANIZATION will hold its general election of officers Mar. 17, 1995, in Alsip, IL. For dinner reservations, contact Prisoner of Hope Project, 1507 E. 53rd St., Dept. 178, Chicago, IL 60615; (312) 509-8090.

MICHIGAN

GREAT LAKES ADVEN-TIST ACADEMY invites all Michigan Conference eighth graders and academy-age students to attend our annual Academy Day program on Sunday and Monday, Apr. 21–22. Please notify your church pastor or elementary school principal of your desire to attend and/or to request more detailed information.

FORMER STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND FRIENDS of all Michigan academies are invited to a reunion on Sabbath, May 4, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at La Sierra Adventist Academy. Special Sabbath school and church services are being planned, followed by a potluck lunch. Questions? Call (909) 799-8039 or (909) 354-7150.

WISCONSIN

WISCONSIN ACADEMY Alumni Weekend, Apr. 12–13, Columbus, WI. Theme for the weekend: "More Like Jesus." Speakers: Friday night, Jeff Cinquemani ('76); Sabbath morning, Don Schneider ('60). Honored classes are Wisconsin Academy '91, '86, '76, '71, '66, '56; Bethel Academy '46, '36, '26; Walderly School '26, '16. Some housing available. For information call Marcia Sigler at (414) 623-3300.

TITHE INCOME THROUGH DECEMBER 1995 (FIFTY-TWO WEEKS)

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Illinois	7,412,383.76	7,309,167.67	103,216.09 G	1.4%
Indiana	4,313,971.39	4,220,494.14	93,477.25 G	2.2%
Lake Region	7.321,215.98	6,614,011,21	707,204,77 G	10.7%
Michigan	19,071,548.24	18,430,277.23	641,271.01 G	3.5%
Wisconsin	4,200,300.96	3,930,123,36	270,177,60 G	6.9%
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Madison, WI	5:55	6:03	6:12	6:20	6:28	7:36
Springfield, IL	5:58	6:05	6:12	6:20	6:27	7:34

WORLD CHURCH

ADVENTIST PIONEER LI-BRARY announces the release of a new 2nd edition of "Words of the Pioneers," a CD-ROM which contains sermons and writings of such pioneers as J. N. Andrews, Joseph Bates, Charles Fitch, J. N. Loughborough, Uriah Smith, J. H. Waggoner, James White and 10 others. Also included are entire issues of Present Truth (1849-1850); the Advent Review and Sabbath Herald (1850-1863) and the General Conference Session Bulletins (1857-1913). The CD contains some 39,000 pages and 175 megabytes. For more information contact Adventist Pioneer Library, P.O. Box 1844, Loma Linda, CA 92354-0380; phone/FAX (909) 824-1361.

THREE ANGELS BROAD-CASTING NETWORK (3ABN) moved to a new satellite on Feb. 1. This change affects only those who view 3ABN with a home satellite dish. 3ABN now broadcasts from Galaxy 3R. channel 23, using horizontal polarity. Galaxy 3R is located at 95 degrees west longitude, and covers the entire continental United States, Alaska, Hawaii and the Caribbean basin. Viewers who watch 3ABN on one of the 65 network downlink stations will not be affected by this satellite change.

Three Angels Broadcasting Network is a Seventh-day Adventist supporting ministry, and broadcasts 24 hours a day. It carries a distinctively Adventist message through Bible study, prophecy, health, family and children's programming. Viewers with questions may wish to call 3ABN directly at (800) 752-3226.

HIGHLAND VIEW ACAD-EMY Alumni Weekend, Mar. 29– 31. Friday evening, Merle Rouse, former HVA guidance/Bible teacher; Sabbath school, HVA Drama; church service, William Jackson, former vice-principal; musical vespers, 6 p.m., Paula Weisner Woodruff (*92); followed by business meeting/supper, basketball game. Honor classes are *51, *56, *66, *76, *86. Alumni, friends, families welcomed! For further information, contact Karen Sigler, 234 W. Lee Hwy., New Market, VA 22844. UNION COLLEGE Alumni Weekend, Apr. 4–6, will have a special Global Mission emphasis. Alumni, former students, missionaries, and student missionaries are urged to bring their symbols of national dress for a mission pageant to precede the "Hanging of the Golden Cords" on Friday night with Mike Ryan ('71), "Mr. Global Mission" from the General Conference.

PHILANTHROPIC SER-VICE FOR INSTITUTIONS (PSI) announces its 7th annual conference on philanthropy at Chevenne Mountain Conference Resort in Colorado Springs, CO, June 29-July 2. The conference, targeted for SDA educational and healthcare institutions, will run the gamut of the philanthropic field with direct mail, volunteers, ethics, a variety of fund-raising campaigns, planned giving, and more. For information contact Kathy Lindemann, (301) 680-6131.

ALL MIDDLE EAST DIVISION/UNION members and workers (past and present) in North america, please arrange your schedule to attend the "Middle East Fellowship" to convene Mar. 28–30, 1997, at Leoni Meadows, CA. Details for reservations and cost will be sent in a master mailing list. For further information contact Thomas S. Geraty, Linda Valley Villa, 11075 Benton St., Loma Linda, CA 92354.

SPECIAL "HANDS A ACROSS THE WORLD" RALLY will be broadcast live from the Atlanta area over the Adventist Communication Network on Mar. 23, 1996. Programming runs from 10 am to 1 pm Eastern time and from 3 pm to 5 pm. Tune your satellite equipment to Galaxy 4, Channel 9 to receive the program. This program will feature Robert Folkenberg, General Conference President; Alfred McClure, North American Division President: Charles Bradford, retired North American Division President, and many other dynamic speakers.

ADVENTIST MEDIA CENTER SCHEDULE

WEEK OF MARCH 10— Faith For Today: "Organ Donors: Stories of Saved Lives." What is it like to make the ultimate sacrifice-giving one of your organs to someone else so that they might live? On this Lifestyle Magazine, meet some amazing "miracle workers" who have shared the gift of life. It Is Written: "From Skeptic to Advocate." In an interview with Pastor Finley, Christian author Josh McDowell shares the story of his conversion while researching material for a book to refute Christianity. Voice of Prophecy: Sun.: "Words from the Cross-2 Paradise Guaranteed." Good news for people who have ruined their lives. Mon.-Fri.: "A Kid Named Joe." One of the greatest of all Old Testament stories. Host Lonnie Melashenko describes how God used this unique young man to save His people.

WEEK OF MARCH 17-Faith For Today: "Grandparents Raising Grandchildren." On this Lifestyle Magazinehow to cope with becoming a parent the second time around. It Is Written: "God in the Rain Forest." When a young man named Bruce Olson stumbled into the forest in the 1960s, the last thing he expected to find there was Jesus Christ. Voice of Prophecy: Sun .: "Words from the Cross-3: My God, Why Have You Forsaken me?" Terrifying words that offer us hope. Mon.-Fri.: "When Does the Trumpet Blow?" Lonnie Melashenko takes listeners on a careful tour of the doctrine of the resurrection.

WEEK OF MARCH 24 Faith For Today: "Old Remedies Doctors Use Themselves." Folk medicine-does it really work or is it all in our heads? When is it safe, and when should you consult your doctor? The truth on this Lifestyle Magazine. It Is Written: "En-counters of Another Kind." Pastor Finley looks at apparitions of various kinds which have had an electrifying effect on communities across America-and around the world. Voice of Prophecy: Sun .: "Words from the Cross-4: I'm Thirsty." Being spiritual doesn't make us less human. Mon.-Fri.: "Bathsheba-gate" Lonnie Melashenko explores the good news to be found even in the Bible's most sordid tale.

WEEK OF MARCH 31-

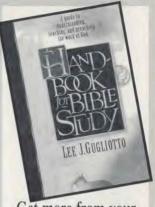
Faith For Today: "Drug Abuse Recovery" Actress Mackenzie Phillips talks about how drug abuse ruined her career and affected her life. And she shares the story of her long road back to health-physically and emotionally. It Is Written: "Basher 52-Where Are You? Good News from Bosnia!" When Captain Scott O'Grady emerged from a helicopter on a U.S. aircraft carrier, a whole nation, and much of the rest of the world, celebrated the event. He had been rescued after disappearing in the war-torn Bosnian landscape for almost six days. Many have heard the story of how he stayed alive and eluded capture. But Pastor Finley shares the rest of this dramatic story-how faith and love played a key part in the miraculous rescue. Voice of Prophecy: Sun .: "Words from the Cross-5: It Is Finished.' Jesusultimately triumphed because He lived for God. Mon .-Fri.: "Winning the Parenting Home Wars," Five brand-new messages for today's battle-worn moms and dads.

WEEK OF APRIL 7-Faith For Today: "Hair Loss: Is Baldness the Only Option?" Is there more hair in your comb and on your shower floor than on your head? Lifestyle Magazine details alternatives to male-pattern baldness. It Is Written: "Never an Empty Chair." Has death snatched a loved one away and left an empty chair? Pastor Finley talks about the glorious day when there will never again be an empty chair! Don't miss this classic It Is Written Easter message. Voice of Prophecy: Sun.: "He Is Risen." The devil did his worst: Jesus bowled him over. Mon.-Fri.: "Home Runs and Heavenly Dreams." Discover the spiritual truths to be found in 28 baseball parks.

ADVENTIST COMMUNICATION NETWORK

March 6, 7:30-8:30 p.m. (Eastern and Central) "First Wednesday." Features news and mission reports from the Adventist Church around the world. Galaxy 4, Channel 5.

March 9, 4-6 p.m. (Eastern) "Visitation Skills for Nurture



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and Outreach." Looking for ways to make your church grow spiritually and numerically? Leslie Bumgardner and Ben Maxson show participants how to make visitation one of the most productive, evangelistic, and enjoyable skills church leaders can possess. Galaxy 4, Channel 7.

March 17, 7-9 p.m. (Eastern) "Regaining Your Health." Learn a lifestyle that strengthens your immune system, reduces stress, resolves conflict, and puts the zip back in your step. Invite members of your community to come out and hear the good news about following a healthful, fruitful, and fulfilling lifestyle. Galaxy 4, Channel 7.

April 3, 7:30–8:30 p.m. (Eastern and Central) "First Wednesday" features news and mission reports from the Adventist Church around the world. Galaxy 4, Channel 5.

April 5, 8:30–9 p.m. (Eastern) "People of Hope." A 30-minute program designed to introduce viewers to the Adventist Church and to inspire church members. Galaxy 4, Channel 5.



Peter Neri

What's the Logic?

Just the other day a junior girl came to my office to talk with me. It was obvious from her look that she was quite perplexed. As soon as she opened her mouth, my suspicions were verified. Indeed, she was perplexed and needed to talk. And talk she did!

What was frustrating her was the differences she had with her parents. This was especially true

of her mother. Religion, in general, and Adventist standards, specifically, were the real problem. She felt that TV, music, makeup, jewelry, movies, and so on, would not necessarily affect her relationship with Jesus. And why couldn't her mother understand that?

As she continued to talk, though, the real issue soon surfaced, jewelry. Repeatedly she returned to that one issue. As I listened, I realized that today many people, young and old, have questions about jewelry. That is why, jewelry will be the subject of my column in the next few months.

But before we do that, something else she said needs to be analyzed first. She said, "I don't see any difference in my wearing jewelry and church members who own expensive cars, live in big, luxurious houses, or wear the latest fashions."

I bet you have heard this logic before! I have and often. Perhaps you have even felt this way yourself. The question is, is this logic correct?

I say no, for two reasons.

The first reason is found in Exodus 23:2, NIV, "Do not follow the crowd in doing wrong."

Whether the majority or not, we should never do something wrong because others are. Equally, if people are doing wrong, we should never use that as an excuse for us doing wrong. If we do something, let us do it because it is right, regardless of who, or how many, may or may not be doing it. To think otherwise, is a mistake.

The second reason is found in 1 John 2:6, NIV, "Whoever claims to live in Him must walk as Jesus did."

We need to ask what would Jesus do? Looking at what others are doing should never be our guide. By looking at His life instead of other people for guidance, we will know what to do. This simple principle will never fail us.

Young friend, applying these two reasons to your life, you will experience the great rewards obtained from following in His footsteps as well as being a good example to others.

Peter Neri, Cedar Lake, MI



Toni Pierre

Farrah "Toni" Pierre, age 16, is a junior at Chicago Academy where she is an outstanding student who is constantly in the top group of honor students, reports Principal Benjamin Furman. While she is quiet and reserved, she mixes well with all members of the school community. She is president of the school's chapter of the National Honor Society. She is also a member of the math club and the girl's club.

Toni contributes to the academic and spiritual atmosphere of her school and church community. She frequently provides special music at the Bethlehem French Church in Chicago, and is a Pathfinder deputy director there.

Born in Chicago, Dec. 15, 1979, Toni is the daughter of Rita François. Her interests include science, reading, and piano. Her goal is to become an obstetrician.

Kevin Scott is a 17-year-old senior at Chicago Academy. He is a dynamic young man that has overcome many medical concerns to become an outstanding student and person. A member of the school's chapter of the National Honor Society, Kevin displays a thirst for knowledge that dictates a constant quest for learning from various sources and media. "His interest and facility with comput-



Kevin Scott

ers enhances and makes efficient his orderly accumulation of facts, figures, and other information," says Principal Benjamin Furman. But he balances his interest in computers by serving as president of the student association. His other interests include basketball and reading.

The son of Mack and Keena Lemons, of Maywood, IL, Kevin was born Sept. 8, 1978, in Chicago. He attends the Maywood Community Church, where he plays both organ and piano.

Kevin's determination to be successful has developed into plans for the present and the future. His goal is to become an anesthesiologist. Furman says, "Kevin is an asset to our academic community and his talent and intelligence make him a positive contributor in the lives of his peers."

ADVENTIST NEWS ONLINE

Stories of interest from around the world, from the SDAs Online Forum on CompuServe

Grandson of Adventist Missionary Named Minister of Police and Immigration in Tonga

Nuku'alofa, Tonga [ANN] — Clive Edwards, Order of the British Empire, and grandson of a Seventh-day Adventist missionary was named Tonga's minister of police and immigration on Jan. 12. He succeeds the late Noble Akau'ola. Edwards grandmother, Maraea Young, a young Pitcairn Islander, traveled to Tonga on the mission ship "Pitcairn" after it visited Pitcairn Island in 1890. She later married Charles Edwards, one of the first converts of that missionary visit. A nurse, Maraea Edwards served as the private nurse to Queen Salote of Tonga, and as midwife at the birth of all the royal princes and princesses.

Edwards was educated in Tonga and graduated from law school in New Zealand where he practiced law. In 1974 he was involved in negotiating amnesty for Tongan "overstayers" who were living in New Zealand. He returned to Tonga in 1974 and has been president of the Tonga Law Society since 1993. At the time of his appointment, Edwards was one of 61 candidates vying for nine parliamentary seats in Tonga.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church is respected in Tonga where it is known for the high academic standards of Beulah College—a large boarding school near Nuku'alofa, and its famous brass band that performs at many state functions.

Ray Coombe

Adventist Receives Distinguished Service Medal as Umpire in Germany

Berlin, Germany [ANN] — The Federal Distinguished Service Medal was awarded to Johannes Stefanescu, 70, for his honorary work of 17 years as umpire in Berlin-Spandau. During this time Stefanescu has settled, by arbitration, many cases of trespassing, insult, and damage to property. "I invite the contracting parties into my home," explains Stefanescu. In most cases he is successful at reaching an agreement instead of the resumption of formal complaints. The amicable settlement not only costs less, between 35 and 60 DMarks; it is also more pleasant. A signature serves to end a continued dispute in court.

A trained mason and social pedagogue, Stefanescu came to Berlin from Romania. The Spandau Umpires have elected him as their speaker. For the past seven years he has also served as president of the Berlin men-umpire and women-umpire association. Stefanescu is a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Berlin-Spandau.

Holger Teubert

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