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EDITORIAL

Where were you?

BY DON SCHNEIDER, PRESIDENT LAKE UNION CONFERENCE

here were YOU last Sabbath morning? Oh, I'm not asking which church you attended, or even IF you attended. I am asking, Where was your head? I mean, About what were you thinking, and how did you relate to what was taking place during the worship service?

Usually at church on Sabbath morning we have music, prayer, and spoken words. Where were you while this was happening?

Some people looked like they were in church worshipping, but actually they were busy serving as judges—kind of like the judges at the Olympics. They sat in church all right, but after the music or the sermon they thought, "I'd give that that a 5.7." They judged it in competition with other music or sermons.

Others went to a fashion show. Their body was at church; but they saw what people were wearing and might even have been a bit upset about skirt lengths or hairstyles. When they left for church they gave themselves the once over in the full length mirror and wondered, How do I look? What will people think?

Others in the same church were concerned about the music-too loud, too fast, too sharp, or too flat.

If you were one of those who was taking part last Sabbath, where were you? Were you on stage giving your best performance, and you surely hoped that people liked it? Were you giving an oration?

A lady asked Jesus in John 4:19 where we should worship, but Jesus turned the answer in a direction she did not expect. It is not where we worship, but that we truly worship God that is important.

This coming Sabbath when I go to church, I do not want to be at a fashion show, in the critics corner, or in the gallery watching a show. My prayer will be, "Lord, I know that I have done nothing to deserve to be in Your presence. Please forgive my sins, and let my worship be acceptable in Thy sight." And I will seek to truly worship—as we sing and pray and listen to the Scripture and the minister's message. I'll give an offering and pray, "Dear Jesus, bless this offering, and please take me and my talents as a part of this offering."

This Sabbath I don't want merely to attend church. This Sabbath I will be in the presence of my God, and I will worship Him.

OPERATION AMIGO

Cicero to Tamazula

BY RAMONA TRUBEY

ratitude filled my heart as I sat won the unpadded pew of the one-hundredth Maranatha church to be built in Mexico in one year, and I had been privileged to be a part of that miracle. Four hundred people tried to pack into a church built to seat 192. It was one of the happiest experiences in my life.

About a year before, notices had begun appearing in our Cicero, Indiana, church bulletin as Lloyd Jacobs appealed to our church members to join a team to go build a church in Tamazula, Sinaloa, Mexico. Interest grew, and, with the weekly presentation at church and a model church pew in the lobby, the Cicero church rallied to the need. Thirtythree members, ages 9 to 65, signed up and started raising money for the project, with extra funds being raised so we could build pews for the church. The junior Sabbath school department raised more than \$500 and purchased Spanish Bible felt sets for two children's Sabbath schools. Members

donated gifts that were placed in little cloth bags to be given to the children.

Early on the morning of March 21, we boarded a plane for Tucson, Arizona, and then rode 14 hours in a bus to reach the small Mexican town of Tamazula. All 33 of us were housed in one home with one bathroom and one small kitchen. Metal bunk beds filled the house, and four tents were raised in the dusty courtyard where six of the men slept.

The first Sabbath our group visited

two small Adventist groups, one meeting under the trees, the other we found inside the four walls of an incomplete church. No roof, floor, doors, or windows graced this church. A sheet of black



Don Hawley and Amber "Sparky" Harrison, our chief electricians.

to let us worship in comfort. At the end of the service, we passed a hat and with joy left \$1,100 for that church. By the next Sabbath, the trusses and a roof were on that church. God must have stretched our love offering because they added the doors and windows the following week.

Three unkempt little girls showed up at our door begging for something to eat. When we followed them home one day, we found, living in a oneroom shack, a pregnant mother, four children, a grandmother, and a crippled uncle in a wheelchair. At night, there was not enough room in the house for the crippled uncle, so he slept out under the trees in his wheelchair with some rags thrown over him. The needs of this family touched our hearts.

On Friday afternoon when the finishing touches were being done on the church, part of our group took some left-over blocks, bought roofing, and went to the little shack and built an 8' x 8' room on the house for the

> uncle to sleep in. The townspeople watched in awe as the room took shape and was completed a few hours before sundown. Clothes were purchased for the children, a little cot was placed in the room, and I felt blessed to be able to donate my blankets and pillow for the room.

As I sat in that finished church on Sabbath, March 30.

and watched the joy on the faces of the thankful members, I knew the text, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these . . ." had been written for me, but an amendment to the text should be written in my case: "Ye shall receive great rewards."

plastic draped in the corner was the only protection from the burning sun. The gracious members insisted on moving from their benches

under the shade

Ramona Trubey is communication leader for the Cicero (Indiana) Church.



Rachael DelRio, Indiana Academy sophomore, surrounded by local children.

Joy in His Service

BY VENERACION G. CABANA

n evangelistic thrust is being conducted in my native country, the Philippines. "As a woman from a traditionally maledominant culture, is there anything I can contribute? In God's service, men and women have equal responsibilities to use the gifts given them by God." These were my thoughts when I volunteered to join an evangelistic crusade in the Philippines.

I went along as the health lecturer for the *Total Health and Happiness Expo '96* crusade at Malolos, Bulakan, in the Philippines, from March 30 to April 13. The crusade was held in conjunction with the *Voice of Prophecy*'s 50th Anniversary *Target 50,000* evangelistic campaign. Teams of pastors and volunteers were invited to conduct crusades throughout the Philippines with a target of 50,000 baptisms by the end of 1996. Daniel Botabara, senior pastor of the Hinsdale Fil-Am Church where I am a member, led the Malolos team.

The crusade was held at the Hiyas Ng Bulakan (Gem of Bulakan)
Convention Center in the historic city of Malolos, a predominantly Catholic community in the province of Bulakan just outside Metro Manila. There huge cathedrals are within walking distance of one another.

I was caught in the excitement of the crusade. A motorcade through the city of Malolos, led by officers of the provincial government, announced the meetings. On opening night, crowds made their way to the convention center. Although most of the population of Malolos are devout Catholics and the meetings were held during the Holy Week, more than a third of the nightly attendance of about 400 people were not Adventists.

I gave the nightly health lectures before the evangelist spoke. A woman lecturing—in Tagalog. The audience was captivated. I know it was God's doing, for it is not easy to convey scientific information in lay language, much less in a tongue which I have not used formally since I left the Philippines 28 years ago. And the burden of conveying God's love

"Only if God were able to speak through me could the message beunderstood the right way."

through the health message was almost overwhelming. Only if God were able to speak through me could the message be understood the right way. But God really blessed. The health message became an opening wedge, not only for the crowd at the convention center, but to other non-Adventist audiences as well, especially those of the educated and elite classes who did not attend the meetings.

Goodwill was created by the health lectures. The seminar on diet and stress management, given to the provincial government officials of Bulakan, was much appreciated. As a result, the last night there the hall was donated free of rental charge. Members of the Worldwide Church of God asked for a health lecture. Also nutritionists from the Manila area attended a continuing education seminar that I conducted, which was

accredited by the Nutrition-Dietetics Association of the Philippines. A nutritionist working at the hospital run by the oldest Catholic university in manila expressed her wish to have a similar seminar on health conducted at her facility. Surely the Lord is opening ways to lead people to Him.

At the end of the crusade, it was my greatest joy to witness 56 persons from Malolos being baptized together with more than 400 others at the Olympic swimming pool of the Rizal Memorial Stadium in Manila.

Among those baptized was a 16year-old girl named Vicky. Vicky is truly a "firebrand snatched from the burning" (Amos 4:11). A couple weeks before the crusade, she was invited to a graduation party at the Ozone Disco in Quezon City, a part of Metro Manila. Having failed to obtain permission from her mother, Vicky slipped out to join her friends after her mother had gone to bed. Upon reaching the appointed meeting place, she discovered that her friends had gone on without her, assuming that she was not coming. The next morning she heard about the fatal fire that reduced the Ozone Disco to ashes. Her friends were among the 158 that perished in the blaze. "The Lord has a plan for me," Vicky concluded.

There are so many stories that could be told. Stories of people who have found the joy of salvation in the Lord Jesus Christ. And I have been blessed with real joy in His service.

Veneracion G. Cabana, PhD, is senior research associate at the University of Chicago Department of Pathology.

NEW MEMBERS

LAKE REGION

Six years ago Yvonne Woodson was baptized in the *Breath of Life* Crusade in Detroit, conducted by Charles Brooks, *Breath of Life* founder, reports J. Blake, Sharon Church communication leader. Yvonne's husband, Fred, was not baptized at that time. Through the



Fred Woodson smiles after being baptized at the Sharon Church, Inkster, MI.

years that have passed since then, Yvonne has often extended invitations to Fred to come with her to Sabbath services.

"In due time, in due time," Fred would respond. "When I do go, I'm going to be for real. God is not to be played with."

When a severe illness sent Fred to the hospital for several months, Zadock Reid, pastor of the Sharon



Pastor Zadock Reid (far left) and head elder Ronald Cantrell stand with some of the newly baptized members of Sharon Church.

Church in Inkster, MI, and several members of the church visited him. While Yvonne kept a faithful vigil by his bedside, she came to a decision. "If he is this sick and still doesn't see the need to go to church, then I won't ask him any more," she thought.

Well, the very first Sabbath morning in April, after he was released from the hospital, Yvonne says, "He beat me to the shower."

"What's up?" she asked.

To her suprise he replied, "I'm going to church."

Fred Woodson took his stand for Jesus that very day and has been attending Sabbath services and prayer meeting regularly and joyfully ever since.

He was baptized on June 8, 1996, along with 17 others who had been prepared by Pastor Reid and Ronald Cantrell, head elder of the Sharon Church.

ILLINOIS



Milton Fish, Northbrook pastor, baptized four young people at church camp.

The Northbrook Church family heads for Camp Timber Ridge in Indiana the first weekend of June for hiking or just enjoying being outside. They enjoy having their devotions around a bonfire and church under the trees. For three days they enjoy conoeing, hiking, swimming, hayriding, game playing, crying, laughing, studying, praying, and worshiping together, reports Ruth Fish, Northbrook member.

A baptism was planned for Sabbath afternoon, so when it began to sprinkle, prayers were said before everyone headed for the beach to witness the baptism. As Milton Fish, Northbrook pastor, walked the four young people into the water of the lake, the sun shown brightly, and the white robes were radiant as Carol Iwankiw, Peter Iwankiw, Willie Iwankiw, and Vera Mitchell were baptized. Fish had studied with these young people for two years, and they were ready to make the committment to join ranks with Jesus.

MICHIGAN



Ryan Counsell, pastor, (center) with Jerome Forbes (left) and Jim Gairns (right).

Jim Gairns and Jerome Forbes heard God's last-days message during

Ryan Counsell's first evangelistic series. Two others are continuing to study, and more than 60 interests were generated. "God blessed His church." reports Counsell, pastor of the Big Rapids and Reed City churches, which both participated in the series, "Jim had discovered many Bible truths including the seventh-day Sabbath, what happens when people die, the second coming of Christ, and the Edenic diet from his own studying," Counsell continues. "Jerome, on the other hand, was invited to church by a friend and attended the meetings that were announced at that time. When he took his stand for the Sabbath, he lost his job. That made him more committed than ever to follow Jesus in baptism."

The Holy Spirit used two different approaches, friendship evangelism and personal Bible study, to increase God's church by bringing these two precious souls and many others to a fuller knowledge of Him. There's no limit to God's power to save, and He even lets us help!

Volunteers Make Things Happen

COMPILED FROM STORIES SUBMITTED BY THE REPORTER NAMED IN EACH STORY

There are as many ways to volunteer as there are people volunteering it seems. Lake Union members are finding a variety of ways to make a difference in their communities. Some are doing it on an individual basis as these stories demonstrate.

FUNDRAISING

Tom Hudd had watched movies about famous disabled people who had worked for something they believed in.

After attending the Shalem Church in Waukegan, Illinois for more than a year, Tom, who has cerebral palsy, decided he wanted to do something for his church, reports Maurice Byrd. After soliciting pledges from the church members. Tom and a group of his friends started out on their bikes for their own 20-mile bike-a-thon early one Sunday morning. Church members were stationed at rest points throughout the ride providing cold drinks and words of encouragement. Tom was elated when, three hours later, he rounded the corner and discovered an entourage of members and wellwishers with balloons, noise makers. and congratulations at the finish line. More than \$300 was raised in this way to help complete the church.

Other members are participating in group volunteer projects as the following stories demonstrate.

OUTREACH

The Madison (Wisconsin) and Madison Community churches teamed up with the Country Life Restaurant to operate two booths at the Dane County Junior Fair. More

than 40 church members working in three-hour shifts staffed the booths, reports Tim Crary, communication leader. "Good Health in One Package" read the sign behind the health booth, which featured displays on fat and sugar, the eight laws of health, stopsmoking pamphlets, and magazines on religious subjects. Nearly 600 people took the computerized health-age



Madison Community Church member, Marlene Daugherty, takes a blood pressure reading for a fair-goer.

analysis offered. Some indicated an interest in Bible studies. Three types of vegetarian sandwiches and a variety of natural fruit juices were offered in the Country Life booth.

"If you have the chance to get involved in a similar program in your church, do it!" exclaimed one booth volunteer.

COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTERS

In Michigan, 430 active community service volunteers made it possible for more than 30,000 people to receive assistance with clothing, bedding, and food this past year.

"Our volunteers spend thousands of hours each year reaching out to those

who are in need in their communities," reports Virginia Pfeifle, Michigan Conference Adventist Community Services (ACS) director. As she and the team of federation officers evaluate the community service centers in Michigan, it is obvious that much is accomplished with just a few

Virginia relates that one day a young lady came to a service center and asked if there was something she could do. She was new in the community, had not made friends yet, and with time on her hands, just kept cleaning her house. "We invited her in," Virginia said, "and showed her around the center. Packing ADRA boxes was the job she favored." These boxes are shipped to the Adventist Development and Relief Association (ADRA) warehouse in Baltimore, Maryland for world-wide distribution.

Another community volunteer, a retired schoolteacher who enjoys crafts and sewing, began coming to the center with a friend. Her daughter stopped in one day to visit with her mother. Impressed with the work being accomplished, she also became a volunteer worker. All seem to find satisfaction in the jobs they have chosen and are committed to the work at the center.

"Whenever we are working with community friends," Virginia points out, "we need to be sensitive to their backgrounds. As we do this, it gives us an opportunity to reveal Christ's way of reaching people. The rewards of developing these friendships far outweigh any negative aspects."

Michigan also has an organized

Disaster Response Team which has demonstrated a willingness to volunteer to help in time of disaster. Fortyone members of this team helped repair an Adventist church school which had been closed for 18 years.

Michigan's Disaster Response Team is ready to help whenever there is a natural or man-made disaster.

A new roof was put on, windows

replaced, old carpet removed, and the building was painted, inside and out. Results? The school was reopened this past year.

What makes all this possible? Volunteers who are willing to give of their time and talents to reach out to meet the needs of others.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Oct. 28, 1995, was the fifth annual "Make a Difference Day," a national day of volunteerism. On that day more than 100 **Green Bay Church** members, their families and friends did their best to make a difference in their community, reports Cindy Bunker, communication leader.

Elizabeth Magray, a Green Bay ACS volunteer, reports it all started after reading a newspaper article about "Make a Difference Day," an event created by USA WEEKEND and coordinated in partnership with the Points of Light Foundation.

Elizabeth wanted to get involved but didn't know where to begin. So

> she and other church members began to pray while claiming the promise, "With God all things are possible."

Just five weeks later, volunteers were lined up to visit nursing home residents and shut-ins and to deliver food boxes and meals to homeless shelters. "It was wonderful to see the Holy Spirit at work," said Elizabeth. "There was such unity as it all came about."

Meals were served at two homeless shelters.

Some volunteers baked bread. Susan



Green Bay members Vera Fleming, left, and Joyce Langemak load Joyce's van to take food and other items to the Family Violence Center.

McKenzie, a Green Bay member, baked and decorated large sheet cakes. Volunteers distributed boxes of food, washcloths, bath towels, soap, and personal items to four shelters. They even gave flowers to shelter staff to recognize their dedication.

Other volunteers went to nursing homes. Children mingled with residents while Green Bay Junior Academy students performed a skit and played instruments. Marvin Clark, Green Bay pastor, reported that one resident, a former Adventist, asked him to visit her again. Lorraine Schwabenlender, another resident who is a Green Bay member, said she was proud to have her church friends there.

Still other volunteers visited shutins, some of whom had not been able to attend church for several years.

Not all group volunteer projects are done on such a grand scale.

MEETING SPECIAL NEEDS

The New London Church members in Wisconsin extended warm and caring hands of friendship in March to residents of Weyauwega who had been displaced because of a train derailment in their town, reports Generoso Rodriguez. About 40 displaced people staying at a New London motel responded to the invitation for a home-cooked meal at



Weyauwega residents, Brenda and Doug Hillskotter and their sons Rod, Tony, and Andy, enjoyed a home-cooked meal at New London Church after a train derailed in their town.

the church.

What about your church. What are you doing to make a difference in your community? Do they even know you exist? Or are you spending all your time and effort on programs that only serve to entertain or service your own church members? Think about it.

Historic Adventist Village

A Time to Remember

BY DIANE THURBER

If you were to glance through the Battle Creek *Official Guide for Visitors*, you would read these words:

"The Cereal Capital of the World began as a small pioneer settlement in the early 1800s, and early residents placed major emphasis on the importance of proper health and eating habits. The diet and therapy regimen at the former Battle Creek Sanitarium made Battle Creek world famous as the 'Health City.'"

As city officials and private organizations looked at ways to increase tourism in Battle Creek, various ideas surfaced. The Heritage Center Foundation (HCF) moved beyond the visionary stage to begin planning for the construc-

tion of a \$15 million cereal museum to tell the origin of flaked cereal and its production.

Many market surveys have been conducted to determine the impact this museum would have in luring tourists to Battle Creek. These surveys conclude that between 350,000 and 400,000 tourists would be enticed to visit the museum annually.

In laying out the format Re for the museum, HCF administrators approached Adventist Heritage Ministry, Inc. (AHM), an entity of the North American Division, about the possible interest our denomination might have in tying in to this project. HCF felt they could not tell Kellogg's story without telling how the Seventh-day Adventist

Church first introduced health reform to its membership and the Battle Creek community.

This is an exciting invitation and one AHM feels cannot be passed by. It is an exciting venture to think of many of those visitors being introduced to Seventh-day Adventists' heritage.

Immediately, AHM members began to formulate ideas for the development of Historic Adventist Village, a 1800's pioneer community where tourists would be directed from the Kellogg museum to hear the "rest of the story." Alice Voorheis, AHM president commented, "We pray God will use this means of reaching many precious souls for His kingdom. Only eternity will reveal the far-reaching effects of



James White's parents, Deacon John, a cobbler, and Betsey were baptized after moving to this home. Restoration has not begun yet on this house.

Historic Adventist Village and the many thousands of contacts made there."

It is estimated that as many as onethird of the museum visitors would be interested in hearing about how the Seventh-day Adventist Church influenced the advancement of the health message in Battle Creek. The proposed Historic Adventist Village would contain a visitor's center and many structures—some authentic,



Restoration of the exterior of the J. N. Loughborough house is nearly complete, but the interior awaits restoration.

some replications. Several buildings which are already Adventist landmarks in Battle Creek will be part of the village, including the James and Ellen G. White home, the J. N. Loughborough home, and Deacon John and "Betsey" White's—James White's parents—home. Proposed new structures include the second Adventist church in Battle Creek, Parkville Adventist Church, Western Health Reform Institute, Review & Herald Building, an Adventist store, and others.

AHM has challenged the constituents of the Michigan conference to raise the funds necessary for the first new building to be added to the village. The building selected is the second Adventist church in Battle Creek. Our early pioneers worshiped in this 28 x 44



The exterior of the first home James and Ellen White ever owned is already fully restored. Work is still being done inside. The Whites built the two additions (where the porches are) in order to accommodate widows and orphans who needed help.

foot wooden structure from 1857 until 1867. It was here that the denomination initiated systematic benevolence (1859), chose the name Seventh-day Adventist (1860), organized the Publishing Association and Michigan Conference (1861), and organized the General Conference (1863).

Elder Jay Gallimore, Michigan Conference president, the Michigan lay advisory committee, the Michigan Conference executive committee, pastors, and other interest groups fully support this project. It is seen as an incredibly unique opportunity to witness to the community and visitors. In addition, it will provide a hands-on educational center where new church members and Adventist young people can learn the rich heritage of our church.

In August, Michigan members were challenged to begin saving loose coins in a container. A slogan was introduced, "Your Change Rekindles the Flame," to remind constituents of the desire to rekindle the flame that was ignited so many years ago in the hearts of the early pioneers. Coins will be collected from August through December, and it is anticipated that approximately \$85,000 will be raised to construct the church.

Michigan young people were also challenged to see this project become a reality. They were asked to collect keeping with the Lord's instructions, stones were collected to erect a monument. Joshua said to the people of Israel, "In the future when children ask their parents, 'What do these stones mean?' the children should be told of the Lord's leading and protection. These stones are a permanent reminder for the people of Israel. The Lord did this so that everyone in the world would know His mighty power."

It is the hope of each Adventist member involved with the Historic Adventist Village project that this "monument" will be a reminder to us of how the Lord has led our church in the past, and that visitors will say, "What is the meaning of this?"

If you would like to help "Rekindle the Flame," we invite you to participate with Michigan constituents as



The Michigan Conference has accepted the challenge of financing the construction of a replica of the second Adventist Church in Battle Creek (originally built on Van Buren Street). Members young and old are saving their loose change to "rekindle the flame."

coins in a collection device resembling the second Adventist church. The coins collected by the young people will be used to supply windows and doors for this project. Realizing that youth play an integral part in spreading the Gospel, as the building of this project becomes a reality, Michigan young people will also be included in the construction process.

In the fourth chapter of Joshua, in

they raise funds for the first "new" structure in the village. Inquiries and contributions may be directed to Historic Adventist Village project, Michigan Conference, PO Box 19009, Lansing, MI 48901.

Diane Thurber is Michigan Conference fund-raising coordinator for the Second Adventist Church project.

1996 ASI convention

"By His Spirit"

BY SHIRLEY BURTON

eeting for the first time in recent years on the East Coast, about 800 members of Adventist-Laymen's Services and Industries (ASI) participated in devotionals, attended professional growth seminars, were inspired by music, heard witnessing adventures, motivated representatives from six countries outside of North America, and enjoyed fellowship at the 49th annual national convention in Providence, Rhode Island, July 31-August 3, 1996.

Featured at each convention are people telling their own stories about how they are sharing Jesus in their market-places. A brief sampling of these stories follows.

Ester was one of Estonia's five top attorneys and a specialist for the Communist Party. She found the Lord through a series of events which began when she found a Bible tipped out from the books in her library (a book she didn't even know she owned) and led to attending a series of meetings sponsored by *Quiet Hour*. Now she has her own lifestyle ministry.

Shirlie was a warden at Alabama's only prison for women which included prisoners ranging from minimum security to those on death row. After seeing the life changes that occurred in her prison when her inmates read *The Desire of Ages*, she took an early retirement to help United Prison Ministries place the book in every prison in the United States.

John manages a Christian care ministry in Florida. Through a series of divine appointments with staffers at Weimar Institute, *Family Matters*, and a Tennessee dentist, he became attracted to the Adventist lifestyle.

Rick had been a Broadway producer, and Gwen was a model and singer. They found Christ after receiving an invitation to meetings in New York.

Ludmila is now the Health and Temperance secretary for the South Ukraine Union. She became a Seventh-day Adventist two years ago



Sharon Robberson (left), Illinois Conference ASI coordinator, misses no opportunity to recruit new members. Here she shares her excitement with Rod and Donna Willey who are attending their first ASI convention in Providence, Rhode Island.

when she learned, through a Ukraine evangelistic series presented by *Amazing Facts* and Uchee Pines, that the gospel of health and the gospel of Scripture complement each other.

Bill is a mission pilot sponsored by Outpost Centers, Inc. He flies mercy missions in an ASI-sponsored airplane throughout eastern Africa.

Frank and Hazel make a living in construction but operate a Bible correspondence school for nearly 500 students from their home in Dunlap, Tennessee.

Dozens of young people knocked on 100,000 doors in greater Providence this summer, sold \$75,000 worth of Magabooks (begun with ASI start-up money), and found 600 people who expressed an interest in Daniel and Revelation seminars.

Seminars which were featured as a part of the convention programming included: opportunities and challenges for end-time soul winning, "winning ways" witnessing, church guest relations, sharing through one's profession, religious freedom, and

understanding inspiration.

Always supportive of the church's mission programs,
ASIers gave more than \$3,200 to the regular Sabbath school offering for the South American Division. And reaching beyond their own marketplaces to support other missions, they donated or pledged more than \$1 million to 12 projects across North America and six more in other divisions.

Lake Union projects to be benefitted were Andrews University's business interns and 3ABN downlinks in North

America. Overflow funds will assist with installation of the new digital uplink equipment broadcasting 3ABN's 24-hour programming to Europe and North Africa. 3ABN is an ASI-member ministry.

Beginning their 50th year under the motto of "Sharing Christ in the Marketplace," ASI marketplace ministers are planning for their golden anniversary, August 6-9, 1997, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Shirley Burton, retired General Conference communication director, is volunteering her time for ASI communication.

Investing for Retirement

BY RICHARD HABENICHT

etting close to retirement or already retired? Financial counselors will tell you this is the state of your life when growth assets are often converted into assets that pay you an income during retirement. Perhaps also now that your kids are educated and the house is paid for, you wish you could do more for God's work. Here is an idea that you can use to accomplish both of these objectives and gain some significant advantages.

Many times couples or individuals just sell these assets, pay the capital gains taxes, then reinvest the remainder in such things as government bonds or some other income-producing asset. Careful planned giving can find several ways to do this conversion and reinvestment without being subject to capital gains taxes while accomplishing additional goals.

This article is suggesting one way. This involves the use of the General Conference "Pooled Income Fund." One can get into the fund without paying a commission, and since the church pays all the expenses of operating the fund, your income isn't reduced by management fees. You are relieved of making investment decisions and are assured of a stream of income for your life and, if applicable, the life of your spouse. You also get a current tax deduction based on your age, since the money remaining in the fund goes to the charitable beneficiary of your choice at your death (or the death of the remaining spouse). Here is how it might work.

Let's suppose you have \$50,000 worth of stock for which you paid \$10,000. It only pays 3% dividends, or \$1,500 a year. If you sell the stock, you will owe 28% capital gains on the \$40,000 appreciation, so you will have to pay approximately \$11,200 in taxes and only have \$38,800 to invest for income.

"Every week you should lay by in some secure place five or ten dollars not to be used up unless in case of sickness. With economy you may place something at interest. With wise management you can save something after paying your debts."

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If you simply transfer this stock to the Pooled Income Fund, they will sell it and no capital gains tax will be owed, thus saving approximately \$11,200 in taxes. The full \$50,000 can then be invested to provide income for you. This money which is invested has the potential to grow in principal as the fund and the economy prospers, providing some inflation

protection for you. You will immediately qualify for the charitable deduction which can offset current taxes. This deduction is based on the size of the initial investment in the fund, your age, and the age of your spouse (if there are two beneficiaries).

You would receive income (last year the fund paid 6.7%) monthly or quarterly and know that should you die before the Lord comes, the principal amount you placed in the fund would go to the church entity of your choice.

Benefits of this example:

- A. Knowing you are advancing the Lord's work.
- B. Increase of income from \$1,500 to \$3,350 yearly.
- C. Savings of approximately \$11,200 in capital gains taxes.
- D. Current charitable deduction of approximately \$22,000 which could save as much as \$6,000 on the current year's income tax depending on one's income and tax rate, assuming husband and wife ages 67 and 65 and two life beneficiary.
- E. Relief of not having to make investment choices.
- F. Saving of probate expenses on the amount which is placed in the fund because it will avoid probate.

All figures are approximate for illustration only. Actual figures will vary for your circumstances. Call your conference trust director for more information or other options.

Richard Habenicht is the Wisconsin Conference stewardship director.

Literature Evangelism

Institute '96

BY DEBBY RULONG

The theme of this year's Literature Evangelist (LE) Institute at Camp Go Seek in Westfield, Wisconsin, on August 14, was "Equal to that of the Ministry." Don Schneider, Lake Union Conference president, inspired the group with several messages about how we could win souls to Jesus.

Several seminars were presented for the LEs by Peter Neri, pastor of the Cedar Lake (Michigan) Church, Ted Wilson and Mark Thomas from the Review and Herald Publishing Association, and Robert Smith, North American Division (NAD) publishing director. Glenda-mae Greene, assistant to the vice president for student affairs at Andrews University, held an interactive seminar for the women entitled, "The Best Stressed Woman," Candi Vinton led out in crafts. recreation, and activities to entertain the children while their parents attended the meetings.

Sabbath morning was a time of sharing. Greg Kaminski, a full-time literature evangelist in the Detroit area, shared the following testimony.

After an afternoon of advertising and trying several leads only to find no one home, Greg stopped at a restaurant for some dinner. He had just finished his meal when his

attention suddenly became focused on a middle-aged couple. Never before had he felt such an impression to just go up to someone and share his books. He thought it odd that God would have him do such a thing. Almost as soon as he felt the tug on his heart to do it, Greg became nervous. And in the few seconds that ticked by he prayed, "Lord, if these people pray before they eat, I'll know for sure that vou want me to share the books with them." A moment later the couple bowed their heads!

As Greg shot out the door to get The Desire of Ages, you can imagine his excitement at having received such an immediate answer to prayer! He approached the couple and said, "I couldn't help but notice your prayer. I, too, love Jesus and sell Christian books." Before he could finish speaking, the man invited him to sit with them. As he showed the couple The Desire of Ages, Greg learned that the man was pastor of a large Pentecostal congregation in Detroit.

The pastor really liked The Desire of Ages and the couple accompanied Greg out to his car to see the rest of the Conflict of the Ages series. The man stated that he would like to buy them all, but that he would like to pray about it first, just to be sure it was

God's will. He gave Greg their home address and they agreed that Greg would come by that Friday to hear the decision. Then they prayed together. The pastor asked God to bless Greg and Greg asked God to guide them concerning the books.

As Greg drove to his next lead, reflecting on God's providence and still praying for these people, he began to think how strangely familiar the address was that the couple had given him. Thumbing through his lead cards, he found a Bible study request card with that exact address! The woman had mailed the card a couple of months earlier and had apparently forgotten all about it.

The following week, Greg went to call on the couple at their home. As he approached the door it appeared that someone was home-the TV was on. the front door was open-but when he knocked, no one came to the door. Greg knocked repeatedly, and finally the woman answered the door.

When Greg asked her if she remembered filling out the request card, she replied that she did.

He then asked if her husband was at home. She said that he was out taking a walk, but that she would call him.

Moments later they returned. The pastor couldn't believe that Greg was there. While he had been walking he had been praying about whether he should buy the books. And there Greg was! They did purchase. God works in wonderful ways."

Debby Rulong is secretary to the director of Home Health Education Service, Inc.



Charles Davisson (left center) and Andres Johnson (right center) being presented Literature Evangelists of the Year Awards by Herb Larsen and Norm Klam.



Billy Lucas being presented top sales award for students. From left, Mark Thomas, Judy Benjamin, Billy Lucas, and Don Schneider.



It was not all meetings and seminars at the Literature Evangelism Institute at Camp Go Seek.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

"Cornerstone" Focuses on Students

A new first-year "Cornerstone Experience" is being implemented at Andrews to create even more opportunities for success for first-year students.

The program—brand new in 1996-97—will touch on a variety of areas that touch the first-year experience: residence halls, academic advising, worship, and career planning.

"The plan is to create a more unified first-year experience that will help freshmen to meet their collegiate goals," said Coral Brenneise, Cornerstone director.

Among the highlights are:

"Freshmen" Dorm: To enhance purpose and collegiate identity, all freshmen men will live in Burman Hall. A dean specifically assigned to "first-year" students will address issues that accompany the first year of college.

Refocused General Education: A revised general education package will better enable first-year students to map out their college experience. The "new and improved" package also further accentuates the distinct nature of Christian higher education at Andrews.

Cornerstone Adviser Training: Teachers and academic advisers have been trained to focus on the needs and concerns specific to first-year college students.

"We're excited about Cornerstone because it's going to make a difference in the lives of our freshmen," said Brenneise.

Call (616) 471-3322 for a copy of the Cornerstone Academic Planner.

Fall Faculty Fellowship

What is the role of a Christian educator? How can faculty improve their mentoring roles? How can ongoing dialogue make a great Christian university an even better one?

These questions and a host of others were discussed on the



Faculty members William Mutch, Jack Stout and Kathy Koudele-Joslin were among the Andrews faculty who attended the annual fall fellowship.

eve of the 1996-97 academic year at the annual Fall Faculty Fellowship, held Sept. 9 and 10 in Berrien Springs. More than 150 Andrews faculty attended the twoday event held in the All Nations Church in Berrien Springs, MI.

"The question I

kept hearing during the event was: 'How can we best serve Christian young people,'" said Jack Stout, biology professor and chair of the fellowship planning committee. The keynote address, given by Arthur Holmes of Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL, focused on "What It Means to be a Christian Professor."

Other topics included teaching excellence, research, and faculty-adminstration relationships.

"Whenever we can develop a sense of community and enhance our understanding of this institution's mission, both the students and the faculty win," said Lyndon Furst, professor of education.

Church Project Nears Completion

The sheer size of the church building project on the Andrews campus has been impressive—rivers of poured concrete to make new walls, 40-ft. beams to hold new roofs, tons of cut Indiana limestone to match the existing neo-Gothic veneer.

But just as impressive as the work behind the \$3.7 million project has been the faith of the Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC) members, says Dwight K. Nelson, senior pastor.

"Members have given sacrificially to make a long-held

dream a reality,"
Nelson declares.
"The new building means we will bring all of our children under one roof, while we dynamically expand PMC's community outreach ministries."

The church's new north and south wings primarily will house



Dwight Nelson, senior pastor, stands before a new Pioneer Memorial Church addition.

the Sabbath school divisions which have been meeting at sites across the Andrews campus due to space limitations. The new additions will also have a fellowship hall and kitchen, a chapel for weddings and meetings with smaller audiences, a family education center, and rooms for community outreach.

Since the project was first conceived in 1988, PMC members have been donating money. Now members are just \$400,000 from entering the building on a debt-free basis. After all the dreaming, fundraising, praying and building, the church stands on the verge of a December building completion date.

The project has been big—the new wings all but double the size of the church (constituting 34,000 square feet of new space). But the church's faith has been even bigger, Nelson maintains.

"We really believe God has blessed the whole project and will now use the building to further His kingdom in our community and conference."

Jack Stenger, Andrews University public information officer

EDUCATION NEWS

Dorm Refurbishment Completed

Great Lakes Adventist Academy—Until recently, the physical condition of the dormitories at Great Lakes Adventist Academy (GLAA) had been less than what administration and guests would like for it to be. Not any more. Thanks to Michigan Conference, every dormitory room has new carpet, cabinets, counter-tops, and faucets, reports George Crumley, business manager.

The upgrading began at the close of last school year. First





The renovations at GLAA's dormitories were completed in time for new and returning students to enjoy.

steps were taken by a committee of nine members to select the best quality, while taking into consideration the set standards and available monies. Once the specific renovations were voted on, contractors began removing the old cabinets, countertops, and faucets. While this was going on, faculty member Audley Pierce was converting the boy's dorm community showers into private stall showers. In addition to the renovations, the girls dorm received new desks and bunk beds. Finally, carpet was laid by faculty member Fred Matusik, and touch-up painting was applied to the needed areas.

Indiana Academy Welcomes Exchange Students

Indiana Academy, Cicero, IN—Opening its doors for the 78th year, Indiana Academy welcomed 84 students for the 1996-'97 school year. Of the 84 students enrolled, 24 are village students, while 26 boys and 33 girls are living in the dorms. In addition to Indiana, there are students from Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Tennessee, plus two exchange students. Hinako Wiltse is a 17-year-old senior from Kashuihara, Japan, whose Buddhist background makes Indiana Academy a new and exciting experience. She resides in the dorm and enjoys the closeness of the academy girls. Jean Perazzoli is an

Adventist from Fraiburgo, Brazil. He is a junior and lives with the Charles Trubey family at the school. He says his father told him he has to stay here until he can speak English, so he is concentrating on learning the language.

Block scheduling has been initiated at Indiana Academy to facilitate the academic honors program, which requires students to earn 25.5 hours of credit to graduate rather than the usual 21 hours. Students must maintain a 3.0 grade point average or higher and earn a C or higher in each subject to graduate with the academic honors program.

The new principal, Richard Aldridge, expressed optimism about the schedule and plans for the new year. The choices each student makes are influenced by the continual guidance of Christian teachers and the association of other Christian students. Only in heaven will the real outcome of these choices be known.

Lakeland Mills GLAA Student Employer

Great Lakes Adventist Academy—Lakeland Mills Industry has for years provided employment for students attending Great Lakes Adventist Academy (GLAA), reports George Crumley, business manager. The school and student families have appreciated the ways that the mill has so cordially worked with home leaves, vacations, class trips, etc. They even provide



Lakeland Mills, now located in Edmore, MI, is near Great Lakes Adventist Academy. Their management continues to work cooperatively with GLAA students.

bonus checks to the students at the close of the school year. The benefits have been numerous. We are honored that the mill's commitment and dedication to Christian education continues, even with their current relocation to nearby Edmore.

Adventist education is but the beginning of building workers for Christ. This opportunity for GLAA faculty would have narrower horizons if it were not for Lakeland Mills' financial participation. It is with deep appreciation that we publicly thank Lakeland Mills for working unitedly and unselfishly to provide means for youth to attend GLAA. Their influence of stewardship has put them in high distinction. Thank you!

Adventist Student Is Valedictorian

Lake Region—Doelynn Strong, a vibrant, active member of the Beacon of Joy Church in Chicago, graduated valedictorian of her class of 482 at Thornton Township High School, a public school with more than 2,000 students, reports Tanya Williams, communication leader.



Doelynn Strong, valedictorian of her class of 482 students.

During her four years in high school she remained on the high honor roll and upon graduating received the Henry Vardenburg Award, the School Disctict #205 award which honors both high academic achievement and community service. Strong was active in the Big Brother/Big sister organization, Mathletes, co-captain for the Scholastic Bowl team, president of the National Honor Society chapter, on the steering committee for the senior senate, and a member of the Riverdale youth advisory council.

Strong is head deaconess for Beacon of Joy, as well as being the lower division Sabbath school secretary, an active member of the Adventist Youth Council, a member of the drama team, and a preschool teacher for Vacation Bible School. Her parents are Linda and Jimmie Strong, and she has four sisters: Tanisha, Janelle, Linda, and Krishelle.

Student Named All American

Indiana Academy — The United States Achievement Academy (USAA) has named Norma DelRio an All-American Scholar, reports Ramona Trubey, communication leader. Norma, who attends Indiana Academy (IA) in Cicero, was nominated for this national award by Jo Farwell, registrar of IA. She is the daughter of Marica Morgan of Arcadia, Indiana.

The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award program to offer deserved recognition to superior students



Norma DelRio,recipient of the USAA's All-American Scholar Award.

who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Scholar must earn a GPA of 3.3 or higher.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, winners of the All-American Scholar Awards should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," says George Stevens, executive director of the USAA.

The academy selects All-American Scholars upon the exclusive

recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors. Once awarded, the students may be recognized by the USAA for other honors.

YOUTH NEWS



All Nations Fellowship youth Cherie Colbert, Evond Patterson, and Ron Tunis Jr. surround flood victim Mrs. Greenberg of Joliet, IL.

Church Responsive to Flood Victims in Chicago Suburbs

Lake Region—When August '96 flood waters exceeded 17 feet in the western suburbs of Chicago, All Nations Fellowship (ANF), of Burr Ridge, IL, was responsive. "I knew that there had to be a tremendous need for volunteers to help with the huge clean-up efforts, particularly the elderly citizens of the community," says Barbara Osborne, of ANF community services. "We contacted relief agencies dispatched to the worst hit areas and offered our services."

A group of dedicated youth from ANF worked to assist elderly citizens clean and restore their flood-damaged homes back to livable conditions. The church provided the cleaning materials and supplies, and the team of young adults provided the Christian love and concern. This "hands on" experience in community service has done more for our young adults than words could ever say. It really brought to life for them the teachings of Christ to "love our neighbors as ourselves," says Debra Scott-Osborne, ANF community services director.

Glendale Youth Join Service Project

Indiana—At sunrise on Sunday, July 7, eight eager youth and two adult sponsors from the Indianapolis Glendale Church packed their work clothes in a U-Haul trailer, boarded a van, and headed for the rolling hills and small town communities of Wirt County, West Virginia, reports Barbara Bryant, communication leader. There they joined 400 other Christian youth and 200 adult supervisors in a one week workcamp to refurbish homes of low income residents.

This project marked the second consecutive year that Glendale youth have had the unique opportunity to be the only Adventist group to participate in this interdenominational Christian youth workcamp.

The primary organization responsible for providing these



Glendale youth and their sponsors, ready to leave for a one-week workcamp mission project in Wirt County, WV.

work opportunities, Group Workcamps, located in Loveland, CO, began in 1977 as an outgrowth of the Colorado Flood Disaster Recovery and has a membership of 51,000 young people and their adult sponsors.

The privilege to work, however, is not free; each volunteer is charged a fee of about \$375 for lodging, food, and project materials. Under the dedicated leadership of youth ministries director Jana Withrow, Glendale supports environmental paper and aluminum can recycling projects as a major source of providing funds for youth mission activities.

Before embarking on this mission trip, a dedication service was held for Glendale youth, their sponsors and families on Sabbath, July 6, by Glendale Pastor Bradley Galambos.

Daily devotions, which included the residents, were held at each work site prior to painting, caulking windows, drywalling, repairing ceilings, and building ramps.

Glendale youth returned to Indianapolis satisfied and thankful for another opportunity to meet new friends and to make a difference in the lives of the elderly and poor on a mission adventure called "Workcamp."

Campmeeting is for Service

Wisconsin-Campmeeting isn't just about meetings and sermons. Just ask the 40-some teens, youth, and young adults who spent a day of Wisconsin campmeeting helping out the nearby town of Westfield. Different groups painted bridges, spruced up the local historical museum, and cleaned around the city park.



Fun and messy! was how one teen described the community service projects performed by young people during Wisconsin campmeeting. These kids are cleaning up the park in Westfield, WI.

Crusaders Back in Full Force

Lake Region—The Bethel Pathfinder Club in Grand Rapids MI, also known as the Crusaders, was revived last year, after being inactive for a year and a half, by Sara Smith who is the Pathfinder director and a Master Guide, reports Rudy Tross, communication leader. The Crusaders were very busy throughout the year in the church as well as in the community. The group was involved in painting around the church, pulling weeds, and planting flowers to beautify the exterior of the church.

The Crusaders not only worked to beautify the church, but worked all around the church neighborhood to beautify it as well. The group also engaged in lawn cutting and shopping for the elderly and shut-ins and in the distribution of clothing for the less fortunate. During the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, the Crusaders went door to door collecting cans and boxed food products which were then channeled to help feed nearly 50 families in the community. All these activities did not go unnoticed by the Grand Rapids community. The Crusaders were featured in the local newspaper as well as on the local television evening news.



Bethel Crusaders display one of the many craft projects they worked on during the year.

Adventurers at the Nursing Home

Lake Region-Throughout the past four years, the Adventurer Club of the Sharon Church in Inkster, MI, has been faithfully "letting their light shine" at a local nursing home,

reports J. Blake, communication leader.

Each month Mary Anderson, Adventurer leader, and her faithful staff and children present a short program with lots of singing and scripture recitations. Afterwards, the children give gifts of handmade crafts, socks, or fresh fruit to each senior citizen.

Amidst handshakes and smiles, good feelings are exchanged as the very young and the very old connect for a few brief, meaningful moments.



Sharon's Adveturers interact with residents.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

Revive Your Missionary Spirit

Michigan—The Seventh-day Adventist Church is no stranger to mission work. In fact, it was born out of a mission movement around the 1800s called the "Adventists." Now more than 100 years later, do we still have that missionary spirit? Is the spreading of the Good News of Jesus and His second coming still a priority? Or is the name "Adventist" just a label we carry because it was something our forefathers believed in and lived for?

Come find out at the Global Mission Festival, Nov. 16, from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm at the Fair Haven Ministries Church, 2900 Baldwin Street, Hudsonville (in the Grand Rapids area). Hear reports and challenges from Robert Folkenberg, General Conference president, Mike Ryan, Global Mission general field secretary, Don Noble, Maranatha Volunteers International president, and Don Folkenberg, building construction director. Bring a sack lunch. An indoor eating area will be available. Little children are welcome. A mother's room is also provided. If you want more information, contact the Wyoming Church at (616) 532-3418, reports Mickey Mallory, pastor.

Come to the Global Mission Festival and check YOUR missionary pulse!

The directions from either north or south are: Take I-196 to



Global Mission Festival will be held Nov. 16 at the Fair Haven Ministries Church, Hudsonville, MI.

exit 69 (Chicago Drive), go west to the first traffic light (Main St.). Turn right (Main St. becomes Baldwin St.), follow Baldwin until you get to the Fair Haven Ministries Church as pictured at left.

Illinois to Build New Camp

Illinois—At a specially called constituency meeting on Sunday, August 14, 1996, at Broadview Academy, the Illinois Conference Constituency voted to build a new youth camp in central Illinois. This new youth camp is being made possible by the donation of approximately 120 acres of land by Clayton and Joy Mouchon, attorney and homemaker, and Rod and Donna Willey, dentist and homemaker, all from the Peoria area, as well as Rod's parents, Richard and Donna Willey, who have retired from the carpet business in California and are now living in Scottsdale, AZ. The camp site is located in the Peoria

area and consists of 120 hilly, wooded acres. There are level areas suitable for lodge, campsite, and recreational use. A 20-or 30-acre lake on the property could be developed for water sports at the camp.

The constituency made their decision after considerable discussion about the merits of such a proposal. Ken Veal, Illinois Conference youth director, moved to accept the donated land for development into the Illinois youth camp. Following the affirmative vote, a further motion was passed to express appreciation for the land donation by these two families.

For the past eight years, the dedicated laity and youth of the Illinois Conference have maintained an all-volunteer camping ministry in rented facilities. "The people of Illinois are enthusiastic about the positive move toward re-establishing an energetic full-service camp program at our own camp within the next several years," says Veal.

"The camp will be built on a cash-in-hand basis," Wayne Coulter, conference president, told the constituency. "We anticipate our church members supporting this camp in a very significant and positive way. Because of policy constraints, the funds used in construction for the camp will need to come from our members and not from our conference budget or tithe funds."

This camp will not only serve the youth of the Illinois Conference in years to come but will also provide an ability to operate a center that will be available for church retreats, Pathfinder outings, conference seminars, and many other "get away" needs of the Illinois Conference community.

A special fund has been established for those who wish to donate funds toward the development of this camp. Please address all such gifts to "Special Camp Fund," Illinois Conference, 3721 Prairie Ave., Brookfield, Il. 60513.

Conference Is on the Move

Illinois—The Illinois Conference Constituency also voted to relocate the conference office to a new site in the Chicago area. This move comes as a result of the need to either completely overhaul and remodel the existing 40-year-old office building in Brookfield or to consider selling the current property and looking for a new site to rebuild. The possibility of a new building is being made feasible by a donation of land in the Chicago area. The actual site has not yet been made public due to continuing discussions with the land donor.

The new office site would still be in the population center of the Greater Chicago area and easily accessible via the major highways.

The new building would be built entirely from funds generated by the sale of the current property and other related and available appropriate funds.

If you are in charge of communication for your church or group, plan now to see the special program on ACN Sabbath, Nov. 16, 4-6 p.m. (ET) "Building Bridges: Communication in the Local Church"

Purvis and Veres Ordained

Michigan—Jay Gallimore, Michigan Conference president gave the ordination charge to Pastors Quentin Purvis and Steve Veres at the Cedar Lake campmeeting on Sabbath, June 29.

Purvis and his wife Kimberly are pastoring in the Three Rivers and Centreville Churches. Veres and his wife Lynn are serving the Chikaming Church while Veres is a student at the Seminary. Both families have demonstrated the blessings of the Holy Spirit in their ministry as God has used them to bring people to Jesus as a confirmation of their call to serve.



Kimberly & Quentin Purvis.



Steve and Lynn Veres.

Teachers Commissioned

Michigan-The Michigan Conference Department of Education commissioned two of their teachers, Joanne Jordan and Beth Stevenson, in a service at the Cedar Lake campmeeting on Sabbath, June 29.



(From left) Beth Stevenson and Joanne Jordan receive their Commissioning Certificates from Duane Roush, Michigan Education Supervisor.

Jordan's highest priority in the classroom is to instruct her young students in the ways of the Lord. Equally important is her role model as an Adventist teacher. Today she teaches at the Northview Junior Academy in Cadillac.

Stevenson feels strongly the responsibility of leading her students to Christ and helping them build self esteem. She teaches at the Berrien Springs Village elementary school.

Bruce Babienco, Michigan communication director

DePinho Ordained

Indiana-David W. DePinho was ordained to the gospel ministry on Sabbath, March 9, during a special church service at the South Bend Church. John Morrison, Indiana Conference ministerial secretary, had the ordination message. Clay Farwell, conference president, had the ordination prayer, and Archie Moore, conference secretary, gave the ordination charge.

The DePinho's have ministered in several districts in the Indiana Conference and are now serving in the Evansville district. Additionally, DePinho has begun a ministry as a chaplain with the Indiana National Guard.

DePinho and his wife Martha have two children: Amanda, (3), and Matthew, (9 mo.).

> Sheri DeWitt. Indiana Herald correspondent



David and Martha DePinho with Matthew and Amanda.

Fernandez and Ochs Ordained

Wisconsin-Rafael Fernandez and William Ochs were ordained to the gospel ministry June 29 at Wisconsin campmeeting.

Originally from the Dominican Republic, Fernandez has done all his pastoral service in the Wisconsin Conference. Currently he is pastor of the Lancaster, Prairie du Chien, and Richland Center churches. He and his wife Damaris have three children: Ingrid, Alisha, and Angela.

Ochs is a native of Wisconsin. After interning at the Milwaukee Central Church, he now serves the Clearwater Lake, Lakeland, Rhinelander, and Tomahawk churches. He and his wife Gladys have three children: Jerry, John, and Rachelle.

Lauri Herr, Wisconsin communication director



Bill and Gladys Ochs.



Rafael and Damaries Fernandez and daughters Ingrid, Alisha, and Angela.

Beautiful Garden Donated

Michigan-Jim Beardsley was walking in his neighborhood and stopped to talk with Rudy Fedus and to admire his lovely perennial garden, relates Nancy Allen, Metropolitan church communication leader. A friendship developed, and gardening hints were exchanged as Beardsley sought to plant the seeds of Christian values.

When Fedus passed away, his wife, unable to care for the garden, gave all the plants and flowers to Beardsley, who lovingly transplanted them to the Metropolitan Church grounds. He has created a beautiful perennial garden for the church and its surrounding neighborhood to enjoy.

Gobles-Pinedale's Musical Outreach

Michigan—When October rolls around, the Gobles-Pinedale Church choir knows their quiet Friday evenings at home are over, reports Renee Coffee, church communication secretary.

Last year the 34-voice choir dressed in Bible costumes as they presented the cantata "City of Light" to an overflow audience. The city of Bethlehem was recreated with a painted backdrop done by artist Elizabeth Epperly. Baskets of produce, two baby goats, and a rooster completed the setting.

Pinedale choir members Rod and Marcia Boothby prepare to sing in the Christmas musical, "City of Light."

But the church's musical witness does not end there.

In January the Adventist church hosts the annual community Christmas sing. Choirs from the Catholic, Presbyterian, Methodist, and Adventist churches share numbers from their individual Christmas programs. This year nearly 200 people attended.

Delmar Austin, Gobles-Pinedale pastor, feels that the yearly Christmas tradition, which has been going on for more than 15 years, is one of the greatest

outreach tools the church has. "The program brings in people from the community that would otherwise never visit our church. Through music, we have been able to create warm friendships with our Christian brothers and sisters in this area."

Member Designs Card Rack

Michigan—Max Holton, a Coloma Church member, designed and built racks for our *Discover* Bible school lessons and supplies," reports Roberta Ross, Coloma's *Discover* Bible school director, "and we have placed them in laundromats and in a library."



Max Holton designed and built card racks for distributing Discover Bible school lessons and supplies in his community.

Is this system working? Read the rest of Ross's report. "Initially we received 80 requests for the lessons and a goodly number (25-30) returned lesson#1. We now have 15 active enrollees with several nearing completion of the lessons. One has

sent for the "God Cares Daniel" lessons. "Please keep our church and *Discover* Bible school in your prayers," Ross said as she ended her report.



Don Williams, pastor (left) and Joe Melashenko, evangelist (right), welcome and give baptismal certificates to (from left) John David Roberts, Gregory David Allen, and Vincencio I. Masauding Jr.

A Seminar With A Difference

Michigan-Community members in Troy, were invited to "A Seminar with a Difference," relates Rose King, communication secretary of the Troy Church. Hilarious acronyms announced the groups of people who would find this seminar helpful. From YUMPs (Young, Upwardly Mobile Professionals) to HUNKs (Happy, Unmarried, No Kids) and SLACs (Students Looking for A Cause) or WARTs (Widowed And Recovering Thankfully). KADS (Kids Always Disrupt Study) were also welcomed with a friendly "Bring them along-free child care is provided for all children under 10." The seminar was presented by Joe Melashenko, longtime evangelist from California, and Don Williams, pastor of the Troy Church and former singing evangelist who used to provide the music for crusades he and Melashenko held years ago. These fast-paced seminar sessions led those who attended to discover how Scripture "works" where they live, where they work, and where they go to school. Three men took their stand for Jesus: John David Roberts, a real estate salesman; Gregory David Allen, a librarian; and Vincencio I. Masauding, a member of the Troy Church choir who requested rebaptism.

County Fair Outreach

In diana—The Elkhart Church operates a booth at the Elkhart County Fair with the help of 35 volunteers and coordinator Ed Hickman Sr. The booth features a simple game for which "prizes" are awarded. Children's



Noah's Ark game attracts people to the church booth at Elkhart County Fair.

prizes consist of notebooks, erasers, pogs, and pins with Jesus or animal themes. The booth is a popular attraction for the children who remember the enjoyable games and prizes from previous years. Prizes for the adults are books such as *Bible Answers, Steps to Christ*, and *The Almost Forgotten Day*.

The Lake Union Conference Sponsors NET '96 TV Advertising

The Lake Union Conference, supported by the local conferences, has sponsored a bold adventure in advertising for NET '96.

Earlier this year, the conference and union officers decided to explore the use of commercial television to advertise the NET '96 meetings. As the costs were calculated it became clear that the available funding was insufficient to cover TV advertising in all of the major cities of the Lake Union. Through further discussion, a plan was suggested to advertise intensively in two major cities to test the assumption that attendance and baptisms would increase as a result of TV advertising. The two cities chosen for this test are Grand Rapids, MI, and Indianapolis. Both cities have many churches within a 50-mile radius that are holding NET '96 meetings and would benefit from the advertising.

The 30-second "current events" television ad was produced through the Adventist Media Center and is linked to the speaker for the series, Mark Finley, and to the direct mail advertising.

A follow-up survey will be conducted to compare the attendance at the meetings and the long term results of this kind of advertising. These results will then be shared with the readers of the Lake Union Herald and the leaders of the North American Division.

Richard Dower, Lake Union communication director

Education Float Wins First Place!

Michigan-"The Onaway Church had great plans for an "Outreach Program" to their community but didn't know where to start," reports Mary Preston, Onaway communication leader, "that is until the Home and School Association enthusiastically endorsed the idea of entering the city parade. The parade theme was, "Past, Present, and Future" and the Home and School chose to illustrate it with a unique education theme.

Their float was pulled by a pickup truck, which sported a large sign depicting a rainbow with the words, "Train up a child in the way he should go . . ." Proverbs 22:6 painted over the rainbow. The float illustrated Christian education: Past, Present, and Future. It came complete with giant pencils, erasers, and rulers.

The costumed teachers and students represented the past,



Onaway Church's First place prize winning float features Education: Past. Present. and Future.

present, and future, while more students distributed pencils, pads of paper, and crayons to children along the parade route.

Lake Union Seventh-day Adventist Schools

Statement of Compliance-The Seventh-day Adventist Church, in all of its church-operated schools, admits students of any race to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at its schools; and makes no discrimination on the basis of race in administration of educational policies, applications for admission, scholarship or loan programs, and extracurricular programs.

Illinois Conference

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MILEPOSTS

Satellite Communication Workshop

On November 16, the North American Division Communication Department will uplink a two-hour training workshop for communication leaders. Local church communication coordinators, conference and union leaders, and interested members should plan to attend via satellite on the Adventist Communication Network (ACN).

Participants will learn the role of communication leaders in the local church, how to identify a story worth sharing, how to write news releases, how to take great photos, and where to get image-building church signs.

"Communication leaders in the local church are the people designated to communicate with the community through the media," says Kermit Netteburg, assistant to the president for communication in North America and coordinator of the workshop. "We'll teach them how to do that effectively and help them catch a new vision for communication."

Communication leaders wishing to participate in the workshop can register by calling 800-ACN-1119, ext. 7.

Celeste Ryan, ACN

ACS Services Fran Survivors

Before Hurricane Fran even touched the East Coast Thursday evening, September 5, Adventist Community Services (ACS), the domestic arm of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA), was planning relief efforts for the survivors. Relief efforts continued as those affected by Fran began to recover from its effects.

ACS operated emergency distribution sites in Raleigh at the Gethsemane Adventist Church and various sites between Wilmington and Cape Fear. More than 5,000 families were supplied with ice, bottled water, groceries, and baby supplies from Saturday through Tuesday, September 7 to 10, from this operation. Services were also available in ACS centers throughout North Carolina.

Reception centers also included one at the State Docks in Wilmington. Community groups in Nashville, Miami, Atlanta, and Georgia collected donated goods to send to North Carolina.

Our 800 telephone number was made available for those individuals and groups who wanted to donate and/or volunteer for "Hurricane Fran" relief. The 800 number acts as a clearinghouse, coordinating offers with relief workers on location at Emergency Distribution Centers.

Contributions of canned food, baby diapers, cleaning supplies, personal comfort items (toothpaste, soap, etc.) baby food, can openers, flashlights, batteries, and blankets were accepted. Used clothing was not needed except for children's clothing.

Beth Schaefer, ADRA

ANNIVERSARIES



Stanley and Merrilyn Denski celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 14, 1996 together with family and friends at an open house in Plymouth, MI. They affirmed again that "Love is the gold at the end of the rainbow."

Stanley and Merrilyn were married May 19, 1946, in St. Louis, MI, but settled in Plymouth, MI. Those who helped them celebrate this milestone event came from across the United States and reminded them of reunions at camp meetings where the couple met and fell in love. Stanley was a trash disposal contractor, and Merrilyn was a full-time homemaker.



Ralph and Mildred Verley celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on June 5 with an open house at their Iron Mountain, MI home. They have been members of the Iron Mountain Church for the last 63 years. They were married June 5, 1926 in Crystal Falls, MI, by Pastor Rice. Ralph has been employed at the Ford Motor Company and the Grand Ledge Craftshop where Mildred also worked.

The Verley's family includes Ralph and Irene Verley of Arlington Heights, IL; Lois and Bruce Ring of Iron Mountain; Norman and Evelyn Verley. Della and Ron Van Alstine, and Susan Kempf all of Quinnesec, MI; 11 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

WEDDINGS

Amy L. Afton and Bryan S. Benedict were married July 7. 1996, in Grand Rapids, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor John B. Fortune.

Amy is the daughter of Richard and Sharon Afton of Cedar Springs, MI, and Bryan is the son of William and Yola Benedict of E. Brunswick, NJ.

The Benedicts are making their home in Gaylord, MI.

Anita J. Anzures and Thomas M. Jezierski were married Aug. 25, 1996, in Waterford, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastors David Glenn and Lyle

Anita is the daughter of Andres and Lydia Anzures of Pontiac, MI, and Tom is the son of Don and Sylvia Martin of St. Clair Shores, MI.

The Jezierskis are making their home in St. Clair Shores.

Silvia Canale and Gianluca Bacchiocchi were married July 21, 1996, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Elders Samuele Bacchiocchi and

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Fernando Canale.

Silvia is the daughter of Fernando and Mirta Canale of Berrien Springs, MI, and Gianluca is the son of Samuele and Anna Bacchiocchi of Berrien Springs, MI.

The Bacchiocchis are making their home in New York, NY.

Karla Corn and Daniel Poth were married Mar. 31, 1996, in Lincoln City, IN. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Ron Higgs.

Karla is the daughter of Barbara Evans and the late John Evans of Winslow, IN. Daniel is the son of Elva and Austin Poth of Lincoln City.

The Poths are making their home in Lincoln City.

Patricia A. Frist and Harold C. Avila were married Aug. 4, 1996, in Anderson, IN. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Lyle Davis.

Patricia is the daughter of Phillip and Vicki Frist of Anderson, IN, and Harold is the son of Wilson and Leoni Avila of Riverside, CA.

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

Debra Hackleman and Dean West II were married July 14, 1996, in Cicero, IN. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Buz Menhardt.

Debra is the daughter of

Michael and Ronalyn Hackleman of Cicero, and Dean is the son of Dean and Linda West of Westminster, MD.

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

Macie M. Miller and Chris M. VanderWaal were married Aug. 18, 1996, in Alma, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor James E. Micheff Sr.

Macie is the daughter of Galen and Mickey Miller of Ithaca, MI, and Chris is the son of Neal and Pat VanderWaal of Battle Creek, MI.

The VanderWaals are making their home in McDonald, TN

Jasminka Pejcic and Michael Knecht were married Aug. 18, 1996, in Berrien Springs, MI. The ceremony was performed by Elder Miroslav Kis.

Jasminka is the daughter of Dobrivoje and Ljubica Pejcic of Grubisno Polje, Croatia, and Michael is the son of William and Dorothy Knecht of Owosso, MI.

The Knechts are making their home in Hinsdale, IL.

Krista L. Phillips and Jeffrey A. Hainey were married June 30, 1996, in Niles, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Buzz Menhardt.

Krista is the daughter of Louis E. and Lorrine Phillips of Berrien Springs, MI, and Jeffrey is the son of Clyde and Bernita Hainey of Niles.

The Haineys are making their home in Niles.

Bethania Ruiz and John Davis Jr. were married June 23, 1996, in Anderson, IN. The ceremony was performed by Elder Don Inglish.

Bethania is the daughter of Vinicio and Lidia Ruiz of the Dominican Republic, and John is the son of John and Sharon Davis of Alexandria, IN.

The Davises are making their home in Muncie, IN.

Heather Ann Verhelle and Nicholas Shaun Conner were married June 23, 1996, in Northville Twp., MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Frank Haynes

Heather is the daughter of Mary and Thomas Verhelle of Bloomfield Hills, MI, and Nicholas is the son of Ethel and Paul Conner of Shiocton, WI.

The Conners are making their home in Farmington Hills, MI.

OBITUARIES

COGSWELL, Marion E., age 58; born Jun. 7, 1938, in Otisco Township, Ionia County, MI; died Jul. 22, 1996, in Grand Rapids, MI. She was a member of the Lakeview (MI) Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Tammy Greene and Denise DeVries; brothers, Sidney, Earl, Norman, and Dennis Snow; and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Paul Pellandini and Richard Wuttke, and interment was in Cato Township Cemetery, Lakeview.

GRUNDSEL, Mary L., age 69; born Sept. 8, 1926, in Utica, NY; died June 22, 1996, in Wildwood, IL. She was a member of the Waukegan (IL) Church.

Survivors include her sons, Brian and Mark Frederiksen; sister, Genevieve Grosbaum; and 2 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Jerry R. Coyle, and interment was in Highland Memorial Cemetery, Libertyville, IL.

HANNON, Farrel F., age 87; born Sept. 10, 1908, in Menominee, MI; died July 18, 1995, in Hawaii. She was a member of the Menominee Church.

Survivors include her son, Richard; daughter, Kathy E. Beardsley; 4 grandchildren; and foster son, Sahat Sittumorong.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Robert C. Quillin, and interment was in the Wilson (MI) Church Cemetery.

HINRICHS, Iva B., age 93; born Dec. 13, 1902, in Sugar Grove, WI; died July 27, 1996, in Baraboo, WI. She was a member of the Baraboo Church.

Survivors include her son, Harry; daughter, ElainSchwartz; sister, Vera Gwin; 7 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Wendell Springer, and interment was in Springfield Cemetery, Westfield, WI.

HOFFER, Raymond A., age 81; born Feb. 18, 1915, in Milwaukee, WI; died May 9, 1996, in Wilson, MI. He was a member of the Wilson Church.

He was not survived by any family members.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Robert C. Quillin, and interment was in the Wilson Church Cemetery.

JOHNSON, Michael C., age 47; born Feb. 1, 1949, in Detroit, MI; died June 27, 1996, in Buchanan, MI. He was a member of the Berrien Springs (MI) Village Church.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela; sons, Peter and Mark; father, Carl Sr.; mother, Mildred; brother, Carl Jr.; and sisters, Mary Beth Beckermeyer and Kathryn Johnson.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors J.D. Westfall, Steve Yeagley, and Jeff Jordan; and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

JOHNSON, Sharidan M., age 78; born Apr. 4, 1918, in Crawford, NE; died July 25, 1996, in Birch Twp., Irma, WI. He was a member of the Oxford (WI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Agnes; sons, Sheridan and James; brother, Gwyn; 3 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Wendell

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Springer and Mike Weakley, and interment was in Snow Hill Cemetery, Scott Twp., Merrill, WI.

KEISER, Kenneth C., age 42; born Oct. 6, 1953, in Madison, WI; died July 15, 1996, in California. He was a member of the Green Bay (WI) Church.

Survivors include his father, Orris; mother, Rachel; brother, Terry; and sister, Karyn Clemmenson.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Marvin Clark, and interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, De Pere, WI.

LAPINE, John E., age 88; born Feb. 17, 1908, in Port Austin, MI; died May 6, 1996, in St. Petersburg, FL. He was a member of the St. Petersburg Church. What Michigan church was he a member of?

Survivors include his wife, Mary E. (Moody); daughters, Dolores Schley and Carolyn Henke; 6 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Michael Nickless, and inurnment was in Delton, MI.

LARSON, Clyde, age 79; born Mar. 6, 1917, in Rapid River, MI; died Aug. 18, 1996, in Lansing, MI. He was a member of the Charlotte (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Frances; sons, Wayne and Gary Brock, Chester, Brian, Jonathan, and David Larson; sisters, Betty Newlin, Ethel DiAngelo, and Alwin Gibbs; 18 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Larry Yeagley, and interment was in Pope Church Cemetery, Springport, MI

LEROY, Henri C., age 25; born Aug. 18, 1971, in Chicago; died Aug. 8, 1996, in Chicago. He was a member of the Straford Memorial Church, Chicago.

Survivors include his father, Emmanuel; mother, Josette; brothers, Evans, Jean, and Philippe; and sister, Phoebee.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Charles Joseph, and interment was in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Blue Island, IL.

LUDTKE, Hazel I. (Cowley), age 84; born Apr. 14, 1912, in

Antrim County, MI; died Apr. 19, 1996, in Cadillac, MI. She was a member of the Lake City (MI) Church.

Survivors include her husband, Willis; son, Lloyd Cowley; daughters, Delores Cubitt, Phyllis Bailey, Marilyn Fraser, and Beverly Cowley; 18 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Robert C. Quillin and John Johnston, and interment was in Lake City Cemetery.

MACK, Violet E., age 82; born Sept. 10, 1908, in Cedar River, MI; died Mar. 24, 1996, in Marinette, WI. She was a member of the Wilson (MI) Church.

Survivors include her sisters, Ellen and Selma Strauss; 3 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-greatgrandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Robert C. Quillin, and interment was in the Wilson Church Cemetery.

MATULA, Paul, age 88; born Mar. 24, 1908, in Newark, NJ; died Aug. 22, 1996, in Dearborn,



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MI. He was a member of the Oakwood (MI) Church.

Survivors include his brother, Frank; and grandson, Nathaniel Brunetti.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Mike Oxentenko, and interment was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.



MEACHAM, Raymond A., age 92; born Sept. 1, 1904, in Burdell Township, MI; died July 12, 1996, in Cadillac, MI. He was a member of the Bristol (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian; and daughter, Betty Lou Sharp.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor James Micheff, and interment was in Dover Township Cemetery, Bristol, MI.

MESSERSMITH, Irvin H., age 76; born Oct. 7, 1918, in Webster, WI; died July 2, 1995, in Grand Junction, CO. He was a member of the Wilson (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Velda; sons, Keith, Clair, Gailyn, LeRoy, and Leslie; daughter, Darlene Walden; brother, Earl; 17 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Robert C. Quillin, and interment was in the Wilson Church Cemetery.

MORGAN, Eileen C., age 72; born Jan. 24, 1924, in Daleville, IN; died July 14, 1996, in Pendleton, IN. She was a member of the Anderson (IN) Church.

Survivors include her son, Charles Conger; mother, Jessie Carroll; sister, Joanna Carroll; 2 grandchildren; and 5 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Don Inglish, and interment was in Grove Lawn Cemetery, Pendleton.

NASH, A. Emery, age 101; born Oct. 5, 1894, in Howard County, IN; died July 23, 1996, in Owensboro, KY. He was a member of the Tell City (IN) Church.

Survivors include his daughters, Elva Poth, Vedah Mobley, Margie Huffman, and Marzell Milberger; 11 grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Fish, and interment was in Mt. Zion Seventh-day Adventist Cemetery, Tell City.

NEWCOMER, Phyllis L., age 55; born May 19, 1940, in Freeport, IL; died May 17, 1996, in Freeport. She was a member of the Freeport Church.

Survivors include her son, Terry Martin; daughter, Christine Bryant; and sisters, Mary Gritzmaker, Karon Niesman, Jane Ussery, and Sandra Segner.

A memorial service was conducted by Pastor Leonard J. Marsa with private inurnment.

NYQUIST, Mable, age 88; born Sept. 23, 1907, in Rusk County, WI; died June 14, 1996, in Elgin, IL. She was a member of the Elgin Church.

Survivors include her son, Roland Wilcox; stepson, Bernard Nyquist; daughter, Retha Bernard; 6 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Jerry R. Coyle, and interment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Barrington, IL.

OLIVER, John, age 98; born June 11, 1897, in Ford River Township, MI; died June 10, 1996, in Powers, MI. He was a member of the Escanaba (MI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Thelma; sons, Kenneth and Harold; daughters, Carolyn Belleau, Mary Lou Buckland, and Diane Oliver; 7 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and 1 greatgreat-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Rick Binford, and interment was in West Ford River Cemetery, Escanaba.

POWSER, Eleanore, age 85; born June 26, 1910, in Wyandotte, MI; died Mar. 3, 1996, in Inkster, MI. She was a member of the Houghton Lake (MI) Church

Survivors include her sons, John, Carl, Herbert and Norman; daughters, Ruth Otter, Judith Paesnell, Cynthia Powser, and Sandra Darocha; and 16 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Micah Davis,

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and interment was in Roscommon Twp. Cemetery, Houghton

ROBERTS, Pearl M., age 80; born Sep. 5, 1915, in Gladwin, MI; died Jun. 10, 1996, in Kalamazoo, MI. She was a member of the Three Rivers (MI) Church.

Survivors include his sons, Dickie, Dale, Larry, and David; and daughter, Patricia Ballet.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Albert R. Parker, and interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Three Rivers.

SCHEIDT, Richard, age 66; born May 21, 1930, in Grand Ledge, MI; died Jun. 9, 1996, in Charlotte, MI. He was a member of the Grand Ledge Church.

Survivors include his sons, Richard Jr., Kevin, and Thomas; daughters, Luane Day and Norelea Houseman; brother, Roger; sisters, Phyllis Lackey, Donna Besko, Barbara Bush, Marvel Bessmer, Marion McVay, Adrene Lackey, Gretchen Farrell, and Peggy Rider; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Terry Coursey, and interment was in Lakeside Cemetery, Lake Odessa, MI.

STRICKLER, Lee Esther, age 95; born Nov. 6, 1900, in Boggstown, IN; died Aug. 26, 1996, in Shelbyville, IN. She was a member of the Boggstown Church

Survivors include three nieces and two nephews.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Jerry Lastine, and interment was in the Boggstown Cemetery.

WEBER, Katherine, age 85; born Jan. 6, 1911, in Romania; died July 14, 1996, in St. Louis, MI. She was a member of the Troy (MI) Church.

Survivors include her husband, Michael; son, Richard; daughter, Ingrid Killius; sisters, Marina Berger and Agnes Adam; and 2 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Hans Killius and Don Williams, and interment was in Metamora (MI) Cemetery.

WILSON, Chester C., age 90; born Jan. 24, 1906, in Alexandria, IN; died Aug. 8, 1996, in Alexandria. He was a member of the Alexandria Church.

Survivors include his wife. Irene; son, Larry; daughters, Ann Lee Anderson, Carol Jean Esh, and Fran Owens; 7 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchil-

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Don Inglish and interment was in Park View Cemetery, Alexandria.

WINDLER, Tessie M., age 84; born Oct. 12, 1911, in Emmettsburg, IA; died Aug. 18, 1996, in La Crosse, WI. She was a member of the Minnesota Conference Church, but was well know by the Hylandale members in Rockland, WI.

Survivors include her sons, George and Thomas; and sister, Mabel Weiland.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor John I. Johansen, and interment was in Lakeview Cemetery, Herron Lake, MN.

WOOD, Clifford C., age 83; born July 17, 1913, in Ironton, OH; died Aug. 15, 1996, in Muskegon, MI. He was a member of the Muskegon (MI)

Survivors include his wife, Bernice; son, Cliff; daughters, Delores Letherby, Ruth Walker, and Shirley Brooks; sister, Georgia Simrell; 19 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; and 2 greatgreat-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Douglas L. Inglish, and interment was in Sun-Memorial Gardens. Muskegon.

WUTZKE, Margarete H., age 68; born May 1, 1928, in Mockritz, Germany; died Jun. 27, 1996, in Mishawaka, IN. She was a member of the Niles (MI) Westside Church.

Survivors include her husband, Helmut; son, Michael; daughters, Nancy Wutzke-Johnson and Betty Gonser.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Allan Freed and Ken Schander, and interment was in Silverbrook Cemetery, Niles.

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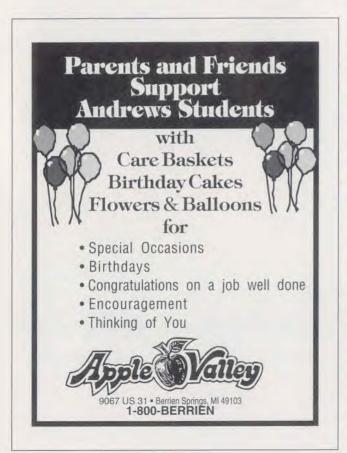
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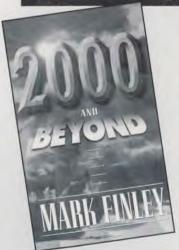
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LAKE UNION

The 13th Sabbath offering overflow for the 4th quarter of 1996 is for the South Pacific Division.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

Adventist Engaged Encounter (AEE) at Andrews University has served more than 1,300 people. Now in its 17th year, the event helps engaged and newly married couples learn the tools that will help their marriage succeed. 1996-97 dates: Nov. 1-3, Jan. 31-Feb. 2, and May 2-4. Register for AEE through Andrews Campus Ministries (616)471-3211. Seminar is conducted by Donald and Susan Murray, family life educators.

INDIANA

Indiana Academy Alumni Weekend Oct. 11–12. Golf Friday, Oct. 11, 7:30 a.m., Fox Prairie Golf Course in Noblesville. Vespers Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Michigan

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10,380,717

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in the Cicero (IN) Church. Main program Sabbath, Oct. 12, 9:15 a.m. at Indiana Academy.

MICHIGAN

Global Mission Festival coming to the Grand Rapids area Nov. 16, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Fair Haven Ministries Church, 2900 Baldwin St., Hudsonville, MI. Come hear exciting mission stories about the progress of the gospel in countries around the world-including China. Speakers include Robert Folkenberg, president, General Conference; Mike Ryan, field secretary for Global Mission; Don Noble, president, Maranatha Volunteers International; Don Folkenberg, director of building construction; Jackie Smith, director, Global Mission Pioneers Program; and Garwin McNeilus, layperson. For more information call the Wyoming Church at (616) 532-3418.

WISCONSIN

A parenting seminar will be presented by Dr. Raymond and Dorothy Moore on Sunday, Oct. 20, from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Salem Baptist Church, 1210 Clairemont, Eau Claire, WI. For more information call (715) 726-1620.

WORLD CHURCH

Faced with developing many international sites for International Children's Care within the next 6 months, Service Station is currently seeking professionals to manage the construction tasks to be performed by the participants on their short-term service trips. Contractors. plumbers, electricians, and masons are needed for each site. The task is building and expanding orphanages, medical clinics, and schools in Baja, Mexico. Guatemala, Haiti, Thailand, and the Dominican Republic. Use your off-season time productively by helping children who will benefit from these facilities. Call Fred at Service Station, (208) 459-8522; fax (208) 459-8522; INTERNET: fred@service station; CompuServe 74617,335.

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ADVENTIST MEDIA CENTER SCHEDULE

WEEK OF OCTOBER 13 Faith For Today: "Public Schools and Religion." This Lifestyle Magazine looks at what can happen when a school board is dominated by those trying to mix politics and religion. It Is Written: Jesus. Face to Face-A five-part series on transforming encounters with Christ. "He Washed Away My Anger-Part I." John, the Son of Thunder, was always ready to do battle on behalf of his Master. But he had to learn that human anger often masquerades as religious zeal. Pastor Finley explains why Jesus can help us deal with the anger that handicaps our lives. Walter Arties sings "Share His Love." Voice of Prophecy: Sun .: "Prophecies of Christ's Divinity." Continuing a series of programs from the Voice of Prophecy archive, featuring classic messages by founder H.M.S. Richards Sr. Mon.-Fri.: "I Hope You Don't Mean Me, Brother Paul," If Paul thought hard times were ahead and people shouldn't get married, how about now? Is the infamous "Chapter Seven" passage applicable in the year 1996?

WEEK OF OCTOBER 20

Faith For Today: "Excitotoxins." It is hard to avoid them. They are everywhere. How do they affect us and what are the dangers? And how can we protect ourselves from them? Tune in to Lifestyle Magazine and find out. It Is Written: "He Redeemed All My Failures" (Jesus Face to Face-Part 2). Mary was a seven-time loser. She'd reached the bottom of society. But an encounter with Christ redeemed all her failures. She became one of the most important witnesses in all history. Voice of Prophecy: Sun.: "The Main Event." Lonnie Melashenko presents the nuts and bolts of the Second Coming. Mon.-Fri.:

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SUNSET CALENDAR						
	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct 25	Nov. 1	Nov. 8	Nov. 15
Berrien Springs, MI	7:11	7:00	6:49	5:40	5:31	5:25
Chicago	6:16	6:05	5:55	4:45	4:37	4:30
Detroit	6:59	6:47	6:37	5:27	5:19	5:12
Indianapolis	6:12	6:02	5:52	5:44	5:36	5:30
La Crosse, WI	6:29	6:17	6:06	4:56	4:47	4:39
Lansing, MI	7:03	6:51	6:41	5:31	5:22	5:15
Madison, WI	6:22	6:10	5:59	4:50	4:41	4:34
Springfield, IL	6:26	6:15	6:06	4:57	4:49	4:43

"Your Necklace Offends Me— Take it Off!" How does a Christian who is free in Christ balance his liberty with Paul's admonition to consider the fragility of new or weak Christians? Is it possible to be held hostage to someone else's legalism?

WEEK OF OCTOBER 27 Faith For Today: "Kids Learn Conflict Resolution." Is it true that you can learn one of life's most important lessons when you are on the playground at recess? One school has found an effective way to keep the peace on the playground by having students help other students resolve their differences and reach compromises. It Is Written: "He Lightened My Pride" (Jesus Face to Face-Part 3). Nicodemus thought he had all the answers; he thought he'd earned religious security. But one night he discovered that a most unexpected barrier lay between himself and the truth. Matt Bittner sings "Feel the Nails." Voice of Prophecy Sun.: "Dating the Advent." How do we interpret signs and jubilees and millenni-

ums? Mon.-Fri.: "Does Rev.

Moon Deserve to Be a Millionaire?" A Christian preacher deserves a paycheck . . . so says a preacher named Paul. But it seems that in the 1990s the Christian world has created its own multibillion-dollar economy. Is this appropriate?

Due to preemptions by individual stations, some programs may not be aired on the scheduled dates. *Feel free to record us.* To learn the time and station for these programs in your area, call 1-800-SDA-PLUS (1-800-732-7587).

ADVENTIST COMMUNICATION NETWORK SCHEDULE

October 2, 7:30-8:30 p.m., EDT. First Wednesday, Galaxy 9, Channel 1.

October 3, 4-6 p.m., EDT. NET '96 Workers' Meeting. Galaxy 9, Channel 2.

October 5-November 9. NET '96: "Beyond 2000" with speaker Mark Finley. Uplinked Sun., Tues., Wed., Fri., and Sab. from 7:30-9 p.m., Eastern and Pacific Times on Galaxy 9, Channels 1 and 2, and on 3ABN in Central Time.

October 26, 10:30–12:30 p.m., EDT. NET '96 Church Service. Galaxy 9, Channel 5.

November 2, 4:30–6:30 p.m., EST. Reclaiming Roundtable. Galaxy 9, Channel 22.

November 6, 5:30–6:30 p.m., EST. First Wednesday. Galaxy 9, Channel 2.

November 10, 12:30-3 p.m., EST. NET '96 Pastor's Conference. Galaxy 9, Channel 1.

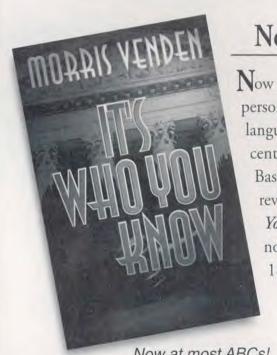
November 16, 4–6 p.m., EST. Cross Training: Communication Workshop. Galaxy 9, Channel 21.

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FOR YOUTH EYES ONLY



Peter Neri

My Brother's Keeper

Slinking in the shadows, the culprit moved cautiously along the edge of the garden so as not to be noticed. The light flashing from the swords at the garden's entrance brought him to an abrupt halt. There before him stood the two altars. The first was charred and still smoldering, while the other, his, stood intact. As his

mind desperately searched to make sense out of the events of the past few hours, his concentration was unexpectedly broken. "Cain, where is your brother Abel?" Recognizing the voice, Cain angrily looked up into heaven and defiantly retorted "Am I my brother's keeper?" *Genesis 4:9*.

Now that you are well into the new school year, I want you to consider this age-old question, are you your brother's keeper? The answer to this question could help make your school year a more meaningful one. First, though, we must define the two words, "brother" and "keeper."

The word "brother" comes from the Hebrew word *each*. In the Genesis 4 context, it means a blood relative. Notice, though, in other places this same word is used in a much boarder sense, such as those you come into contact with. The latter word "keeper" comes from the Hebrew word *shamar*, which means to protect or to tend to.

Knowing these facts, you can clearly see by his question that Cain was denying any responsibility for his brother, and this attitude ultimately led to murder.

Since sin came into our world, Cain's attitude has been most prevalent. Jesus had to deal with it constantly with the religious leaders of Israel. One of the most dramatic examples of this is found in Luke 10. Here one of Israel's most talented young lawyers, bristling over the text "love your neighbor as yourself," made a vain attempt to exclude some by asking the question, "And who is my neighbor?"

Yes, Jesus' concern over this issue was so great that one of His last parables plainly taught "inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matthew 25:40.

Indeed, Jesus expects us to recognize that we are our brothers' keeper!

What does this have to do with you? Next month I will share some ideas of how you can incorporate being your brothers' keeper during this new school year which will make it much more meaningful.

Peter Neri, Cedar Lake, MI

PROFILES OF YOUTH



Cherry Wilson

Cherry Delight Wilson, age 18, is a senior at Great Lakes Adventist Academy (GLAA). Cherry's smile expresses her inner Christian beauty. Her quiet and gentle, yet strong and dependable leadership capabilities have aided her in many student offices.

Teacher, Cindy Hall, says "Cherry is a person committed to prayer. She seeks God's wisdom and guidance in all aspects of her

life. She is an absolutely wonderful person."

Born to James and Muriel Wilson, in Lansing, MI, on May 28, 1978, Cherry is a member of the Charlotte Church. Her special interest is in being a member and girls team captain of the "Aerokhanas" gymnastics/witnessing team. Fred Matusik, coach of the team, comments, "Cherry's smile stands out—she's a sweetheart! She has a sensitive heart and cares deeply for others. I can't say enough good about her."

Cherry's future ambition is to work with people, perhaps in the medical field, but she is most interested in discovering what God's will for her life is.

David Karl Dickerson, age 18, is a senior at GLAA. He is genuinely friendly, full of life, and has earned the respect and admiration of students and staff. Troy Fitzgerald, witnessing and religion teacher, says "David is a servant to all people." As student association pastor last year and president this year, David wants to make a difference in people's lives and make his school an even better place as he strives to "walk the talk."



David Dickerson

Born Dec. 28, 1977, to Karl and Linda Dickerson, in Saginaw, MI, David attends the Centreville Church with his family and calls Nottawa, MI, his home town.

David enjoys golf, snow skiing, dirt biking, preaching, playing guitar, and singing. He loves his job as custodian in the administration building which he has held all four years. His work supervisor, Robin Berlin, says, "He's terrific—a real gogetter! I can always depend on David to do more than I ask."

David's one ambition and desire is to accept and understand God's love for him and to serve Him.

ADVENTIST NEWS ONLINE

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

New University Name Voted for Southern College

Collegedale, TN [ANN]—With its entry into the graduate realm, Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists is now Southern Adventist University.

"Delegates to the college constituency meeting ratified the change," Dr. Donald Sahly, president of the 104-year-old school announced, September 9, 1996, in Knoxville, Tennessee.

The university, located just east of Chattanooga, Tennessee, enrolled 1,600 students this fall in its undergraduate program, which included 39 baccalaureate degree majors, 18 associate degree majors, and four one-year technology certificates. In addition, 52 graduate students enrolled this past summer in Southern's new masters of science in education program. The vote followed discussion and surveys among students, faculty, staff, and alumni. On July 1, trustees had given approval for Southern to become a university and recommended appointment of a committee to propose a name. Seventy-two percent of students, alumni, and employees who responded to the surveys favored the change.

"Southern will retain small classes, a friendly atmosphere and the other attractive strengths associated with this school in the past," said Dr. Sahly. "Use of the word 'college' has changed in the academic marketplace. It has evolved into a term often used by two-year, nonresidential, open-admission public institutions. But Southern is a largely residential, independent institution now granting graduate degrees as well as four-year bachelor's degrees."

It's not the first name change made to accommodate changing realities. From Graysville Academy it has grown from name to name: Southern Industrial School, Southern Training School, Southern Junior College, Southern Missionary College, and Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists (which was adopted in 1982).

One of the new realities is that in many countries the word "college" suggests "high school" or "middle school," posing an obstacle for international students who are a small, but growing percentage of Southern's student body. Last year, 47 different countries were represented.

In May, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools granted approval for Southern to become an accredited Level III institution (which confers the master's as its highest degree).

Doris Burdick

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