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Six-year-old Jerrica Boger displays the "vegetable robot" that she created at Vacation Bible School at the Reed City (MI) Church.

The photo was taken by Rae Seath, Reed City VBS leader.

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EDITORIAL

Should Our Church Elders Resign?

BY DON SCHNEIDER, PRESIDENT
LAKE UNION CONFERENCE

What would happen if all church elders would resign their positions and say, "For one year let me work only with the kids of this church"? What would happen if every church nominating committee searched first for the junior and the earliten Sabbath school leaders and the Pathfinder directors?

Wouldn't it be a dynamic church if we *specialized* in working for our own kids! In addition to seeing that anyone who wanted it would have the chance to attend church school, we would have an abundance of activities at the church for our young people. Probably we'd never get over the impact on the church.

I remember what a church elder did for me years ago. My father was out of work for months because of an accident. The church elder knew that Christmas presents at our house would be in short supply that year, so he gave me a yellow jackknife for Christmas. Although I've received many other gifts since, few have been as important to me as that knife. That elder (Glenn Lemon of the Buchanan [Michigan] Church) has remained special to me all of these years.

What would happen if we would go to church next Sabbath determined to say something good to every child we would meet? When he was small, my son said, "Mr. _____ talks to you, but he wouldn't even notice me if *you* weren't there." On the other hand, we noticed that our children were always good when we were with Howard and Jean Voss, because they would talk to our kids one-to-one, even though Don and Carol were quite young.

When I was a pastor in Minneapolis, a family with whom I had been studying the Bible was planning to come to church for the very first time. They prepared their young son for the experience by telling him that "Jesus would be there." The boy did not know much about Jesus, but he kept his eyes open for Him. They came to our home for lunch after the service, and the youngster innocently asked my wife if Jesus would be there too. Stumped briefly, my wife stuttered, "Well . . . uh . . . yes, Jesus will be here." (She was thinking that Jesus' presence is always with us.) A few minutes later the little boy ran excitedly to the kitchen and dragged my wife to the front door, saying, "He's here! Jesus is here now! He's parking the car." And my wife arrived at the door in time to see *me* coming up the walk.

How wonderful if every child would think that you and I are at least *just like* Jesus—kind, gentle, and caring . . . long-suffering and forgiving. When I go to church this week, I'm going to think about how Jesus would want to be represented to the kids in the church, and I'll ask Him for the power to do it.

Jesus said, "If you love me, feed my lambs." Let's do it this week . . . this year.

Global Missions Reaches \$20,000 Goal

BY MICKEY MALLORY

The thirteen churches of Michigan's fourth district and many other Adventists spent Sabbath, November 16, 1996, learning about Global Missions in the expansive facilities of the Fair Haven Ministries Church in Hudsonville, Michigan. More than 1,000 adults were present plus children in all the Sabbath school divisions.

Don Noble of Maranatha Volunteers International told how the Inter-American Division is using church building as a means of exploding evangelism. The conference sends a worker to an unentered city. He holds an evangelistic series and Maranatha volunteers build a church in that area. The congregation grows larger because they now have a place to worship. When the church reaches capacity, the church multiplies and forms a new congregation.

Robert Folkenberg, General Conference president, stated, "Because there is nothing more important than the global mission God gave this church—to preach the gospel to the world—it is our highest priority!"

Don Schneider, Lake Union Conference president, told how he returned to Northern California to sell his home. He visited his neighbor and apologized. Why? Because he had not taken the time

to talk to him about Jesus. Don gave him his own marked Bible to read and learn about Jesus. He prayed with him. It was so exciting because he was watching his neighbor accepting Jesus. This is how people are prepared for baptism. Our church growth must show an increase. We dare not remain the same. This excitement should be witnessed in your life, your city, and in your town.

The whole day was filled with moving stories of changed lives by the grace of Christ's power and under the

influence of the Holy Spirit. So much so, that when a goal was suggested for Global Missions needs in fourteen unentered areas of the world, the funds came from God's people. It was another example of faith-giving, which reflected the experiences shared that day by two successful lay businessmen who gave beyond the ordinary and received blessings from God that were beyond their expectations.

Mickey Mallory is the Wyoming (Michigan) Church pastor.



From left: Mickey Mallory, local Global Missions coordinator, discusses the day's success with Bill Vander Zouwen, Fair Haven Ministries administrator, and Robert Folkenberg, General Conference president, who presented him with an autographed copy of Handbook to Bible Study as a token of appreciation for the use of their facility.

NEW MEMBERS

MICHIGAN

"Sweetheart, we have finally come to the end of our search," thoughtfully acknowledged **Cecil Anderson** to his wife, **Betty**, on the day of their baptism at the Wilson Church. For several years they had looked for a warm and loving church where God's Word was preached, believed, and practiced. They were longing to belong to a group of believers where people reached out and sought to meet



Kay Collins

Cecil and Betty Anderson happy in their new-found church home.

the needs of others.

About five years ago, Monty and Maria DeGraves, members of the Wilson Church, became acquainted with the Andersons, invited them to their home, and involved them in their local prison ministry. Cecil and Betty became enthusiastic about the opportunities to share in this compassionate and caring program for those whose lives had become entangled in crime.

When the Cosmic Conflict Crusade came to the Wilson Church, the Andersons eagerly scanned the handbill searching for meeting subjects, trying to decide which meetings they would attend. Each night their facial expressions gave

evidence that the Bible truths they were hearing were new and welcomed into their hearts. They earnestly responded as God called them to dedicate their lives to Him. As they were baptized on Sabbath morning, Cecil and Betty remembered their longing search for such a church home and knew they had finally come to the end of that search.

*Kay Collins, Cosmic Conflict
Crusades correspondent*

Deborah DeAngelis watched, horrified, from an upstairs window as her five-year-old son, Seth, pedaled furiously down the curving driveway on his bicycle with training wheels and disappeared beneath the tires of a speeding pick-up truck. Screaming, she ran outside to recover her child, whom she was certain had been killed. His hopelessly mangled bicycle was found nearby, but Seth miraculously had been thrown into the nearby bushes. He sustained only a few scrapes and bruises. Because Seth's mother told him his guardian angel had performed an incredible deliverance, his child-like prayer was to be able to see his guardian angel. That night he called out to his mother to come into his bedroom. He told her he had seen a shining light sitting on the end of his bed, and he was sure it was his guardian angel. Ever since that escape from death, eleven years ago, Seth has been reminded by his parents that God saved his life for a special purpose.

In January 1995, reports Ruth Mohr, Pullman Church communication leader, Seth began having Bible studies with Paul Cameron, Pullman Church pastor. Later, he was influenced to make his decision to become a Seventh-day Adventist Christian

after watching the pre-NET '96 services over satellite and the two-video series, *Making Friends for God*, and *Fulfilling the Gospel Commission*, prepared by Mark Finley, series speaker. Seth's decision concluded a series of events begun years earlier. His mother, Deborah, educated in the Catholic school system, became an agnostic. However, as a young woman, she converted to Adventism after attending a *Revelation Seminar*



Deborah DeAngelis

*Paul Cameron, Pullman Church pastor,
and Seth DeAngelis.*

conducted in Boston by Mark Finley. Providentially, Joseph, the young man whom she would later marry, also became an Adventist after attending a *Revelation Seminar* in a different place, at a different time. Then came NET '96, and their son, Seth, decided to become an Adventist because of the godly influence of this same man, Mark Finley!

On August 4, 1996, Joseph and Deborah watched with joyful tears as their sixteen-year-old son, **Seth DeAngelis**, surrendered his life to Jesus, delivered a second time from Satan's grasp. Today when you ask Seth about his future plans, he answers, "I expect God to lead me to

the places He wants me to be." For the time being, the Lord has led him to Polebridge, Montana, where he attends a small self-supporting, home-style Adventist academy.



Don Williams, Troy Church pastor, introduces Derek Riethmeier.

Derek Riethmeier of Auburn Hills, Michigan, was baptized February 10, 1996, in the Troy Church by Don Williams, church pastor, reports Lloyd Nedley, communication team member. Derek had had no connection with and little knowledge of the Seventh-day Adventist Church until he became a student at Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan. He made the acquaintance of a member of the Troy Church, Tammy Pilarski, who was employed at a retail store where he worked part time. As their friendship grew, they began to discuss religion. He was raised in the Lutheran faith. As a young boy, he had an interest in spiritual things and was curious as to the validity of the beliefs that his church held. He became interested in Adventist teachings, and Tammy gave him some study materials. His decision to join our church was made just a month after his graduation at the age of 24.

Immediately after baptism, Derek wanted to share his newfound faith. In his first job he learned how to design World Wide Web pages for the Internet. He used that experience to design one for the Troy Church, which can be seen by users of the Internet

around the world.

Derek gathered information from the various active departments of the local church, including the 10-grade Troy Adventist Academy, and incorporated the information into an Internet site. A beautiful full-color photograph of the church is on the first page, and a Bible study from Daniel and Revelation is included. Internet users not familiar with Seventh-day Adventist teachings are invited to examine it. If they want more information, they are invited to contact him at his Internet e-mail address.

Derek negotiated with an Adventist organization that was already on the Internet to get our home page stored on their computer server without a monthly fee. "We have a note in our church bulletin each week," reports Lloyd Nedley, a member of the Troy Church communication team, "which reads: VISIT OUR WEB SITE. . . CHECK US OUT AT: <http://www.tagnet.org/troy>." The site has been visited by Internet surfers from the U.S. and several other countries. *Lake Union Herald* readers are invited to visit the site too.

It was Friday, the day before the long-awaited NET '96 meetings were to begin. Paul Yeoman, pastor of the Frost Church, reports that he and his

wife Judy had spent most of the day doing last minute errands and had not taken time to eat. By mid-afternoon they were starved and stopped at the local Subway Sandwiches shop to grab a bite to eat. For days they had been inviting every person they met to the *Discovery in Prophecy* series, so now they invited the woman who was preparing their sandwiches. She stopped working and, looking intently at them, spoke earnestly, "I received the invitation in my mail but do not have a car." We quickly assured her we could arrange for a ride for her and left the shop in high spirits. That morning we had prayed for God to lead us to those who were searching for truth, and it seemed like this was an answer.

Well, **Alice Weisensel**, the Subway Sandwiches server, was present on opening night and missed only two meetings during the series. She stopped smoking, removed her jewelry, and requested baptism with only the satellite program and the Holy Spirit speaking to her. At her baptism she told the church, "I asked the Lord to send me some kind of a sign if He wanted me to attend the prophecy lectures. When you made arrangements for my transportation, I knew the Lord wanted me to be here." Isn't it wonderful how God hears and answers prayer and directs our steps right to the people who are searching for these beautiful end-time truths!



From left: Alta Hendrick, Alice Weisensel, Daisy Arnold, Bertha Mero, and Bill Newberg were all baptized following the NET'96 meetings by Paul Yeoman, Frost Church pastor.

Judy Yeoman

Life After NET '96

BY NADINE DOWER

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

The Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC) on the campus of Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan, has been actively conducting annual seminars to address the felt needs of the community, as part of their evangelistic master plan since 1987, according to Skip MacCarty, PMC associate pastor for evangelism. These are all ways to "build bridges" to the community and make friends for Jesus.

For many years PMC, in cooperation with the District 9 churches of the Michigan Conference, has staffed the Seventh-day Adventist booth/tent at the Berrien County Youth Fair in August, giving hundreds of people an opportunity to find out what their "health age" is. Everyone who passes through receives an attractive brochure listing a variety of health and spiritual topics. Participants can check the type of programming they're interested in receiving more information about. The response cards are divided up by geographic locale and distributed to the appropriate churches. When the District 9 churches are planning their seminars for the following year, they can see what interests the most people and plan those types of seminars. When a seminar is about to occur, an attractive brochure about the seminar and an invitation is sent to those people who indicated an interest.

ILLINOIS

A number of pastors in Illinois, inspired by the results of NET '96, are planning to preach evangelistic series

in their own churches this year—some for the first time, reports Ken Denslow, Illinois Conference secretary and evangelism coordinator. Wayne Coulter, conference president, will himself be preaching a series of meetings in the Elmhurst Church in October

Responding to the interest expressed by a number of individuals who are interested in church planting, the Illinois Conference is establishing a Taskforce on Church Planting made up of both laymen and conference workers. Its job will be to put together a philosophy and strategy for church planting. This will be a lay-led movement.

Several training events are planned for church members at the Church Growth Retreat, October 17-19, at Broadview Academy, LaFox, IL.

All of the Illinois Spanish churches will be participating in a one-week reaping series, *La Red '97*, (NET '97) that is originating from the South American Division November 15-22. Alejandro Bullón will be the speaker. Jaime Chanaga, Illinois Conference Spanish coordinator, is planning a lay training weekend March 21-22.

INDIANA

Beyond the nine full-scale evangelistic series that are scheduled for this year, seven seminars that pastors will be conducting, and nine Daniel seminars that laymen will be conducting, the Indiana Conference has been helping to set up several more church-based Bible schools just in the past few weeks, according to John Morrison, Indiana Conference evangelism director. Thirteen *Discovery* Bible schools were started in

connection with NET '96. John would like to see that number double. The conference's goal is to see 65 percent of their churches involved in church-based Bible schools, because where these Bible schools are operating, the lay people are very involved and are enjoying their participation.

The Cicero and Bloomfield churches have sent out very attractive brochures inviting their communities to several different health events throughout the year. Their young pastors have carried what they learned from the PMC model at Andrews University back to their churches and are now implementing them with great success.

Dave DePino, Evansville Church pastor, is conducting three Daniel seminars a day, three days a week, offering college credit through Andrews University. He currently has 30 people registered for college credit.

LAKE REGION

The goal of the Lake Region Conference is to increase a sense of mission, in terms of evangelism, in all of its churches. This is a way of not only gaining new members, but of strengthening those who are already members. "We are encouraging all of our pastors to be involved in some kind of evangelistic thrust in their churches this year," says Norman Miles, Lake Region president. Major evangelistic series are planned for Detroit, Chicago, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, and Minneapolis-St. Paul, where area churches will cooperate in the effort.

Developing plans include the planting of new churches. At their January workers' meeting, the area

pastors got together in small groups to do strategic planning for their areas. These area pastors will have a great deal of input in the planning for growth and development.

Capitalizing on the North American Division's emphasis on health and healing, Paul Musson, Lake Region's health and temperance director, and a practicing physician in Flint, MI, gave inspiring presentations at workers' meeting. Several churches are getting more people involved in evangelism by using a health thrust. For instance, the Hyde Park Church plans to start a mobile dental clinic with the help of some dentists in their church. A van has already been purchased for this purpose.

MICHIGAN

The January 1997 ministerial meeting focused on church planting in Michigan, according to Jay Gallimore, Michigan Conference president. Each of the 12 districts, led by the district superintendent, is giving study and strategic planning to see how new churches may be brought into existence across the Michigan Conference. In addition, there should be between 50 and 60 evangelistic meetings.

Many churches are planning to use the small group outreach that has been so successful in the Oakwood Church in the Detroit area.

The personal ministries department is placing a new emphasis on making Sabbath school evangelistic as well as continuing a strong program in lay Bible ministry training.

WISCONSIN

The *Discovery* Bible schools had a strong emphasis during the last half of the year throughout Wisconsin. This will continue to be a strong emphasis in 1997. The baptismal goal for the conference is to have 1000 by 2000—one thousand baptisms by the General Conference world session in the year 2000.

Throughout 1997 and in future years a strong emphasis will be given to achieve greater growth in the population centers. Evangelistic

outreaches are planned in 1997 in most of these centers. Other strategies discussed to reach the above goal are: helping every member to become involved in a ministry where they can use their spiritual gifts; helping the churches to have a balanced program in worship, evangelism, discipling, fellowship and service; developing an effective lay training program.

Our Hispanic churches are planning an emphasis in evangelistic small groups. A training program is planned early in the new year in which about 200 people will be taught how to be involved with this program.

LAKE UNION

Exciting things are planned for the Spanish-speaking churches in the Lake Union this year, according to Luis Leonor, Lake Union vice president. Preparations are being made for 50 Spanish evangelistic crusades. To accomplish that, the Lake Union is

sponsoring training for five laypersons from each local conference. Each of these laypersons is to conduct two crusades this year in his or her own church with supplies provided by the Lake Union. This is a three-month commitment—a month for preparation (not including the layperson's training time), a month for conducting 22 evangelistic meetings, then a final month devoted to follow-up and organizing home Bible studies and small groups after the meetings conclude.

When the Michigan Conference administrators heard about these plans, they enthusiastically agreed to sponsor 10 additional laypersons. So Michigan will have 15 Spanish laypersons receiving training and becoming empowered to conduct crusades this year.

Nadine Dower is Lake Union Herald managing editor.



Evangelist Doug Batchelor, of Amazing Facts, will be holding a Revelation seminar over the Three Angels Broadcasting network beginning in October. Adventist members with satellite dishes can invite friends and neighbors to watch with them in their homes. Satellite-equipped churches can also use these seminars for evangelistic crusades.

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Rajeana Rau, **Hastings Church** VBS director, wrote, "No one thought that the boys would like the 'Jesus' Kids in the Kitchen' theme. Were we ever surprised! This was one of the best years for our VBS."

Why VBS?



In **Warren**, co-directors Debbie Suy and Terese Cross held VBSs at their homes. The results were amazing. "Parents and neighbors ask well in advance if we're going to have VBS. A delivery man stopped at my house," reports Debbie. "He was so impressed, he spent the morning. Passing cars honked their horns and the passengers waved." "When Pastor Glenn asked the kids attending VBS at my house," reports Terese Cross, "Would you like to give your heart to Jesus?" many of them responded with an enthusiastic yes."



Some of the favorites in **Escanaba** included fruit kabobs, mini-vegetable pizzas, and trail mix!

BY CAROLE A. BIRD

WHY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL?

Because VBS is *fun*. It is one of the most enjoyable ways to share Jesus and His love with children, families, and communities.

Sonia Rodriguez, VBS leader for the **Grand Rapids Maranatha Spanish Church**, comments, "Most of the children attending this year's VBS liked it so much they asked if it could be extended one more week."

According to Eldonna Nephew, VBS leader for **Bauer**, the 40 children who attended the "Jesus' Kids in the Kitchen" program had such a good time. They enjoyed every aspect of the program—cooking, making organ puppets and skeletons. Our closing program featured the Organ Puppet Theater and told of the health principles they had learned during the week. The kids did an excellent job,

and the parents loved it! We also had a mid-week spaghetti and meatball dinner complete with salad, bread, and cookies (many were recipes the kids had made during the cooking segment of our program). The kids made all the table decorations—vegetable robots and peach mice. Everyone had a great time! Even the reluctant, older VBSers became believers in the *fun* of VBS as demonstrated by Heidi, a non-Adventist junior from Lansing, whose "one-night trial" turned into a week of enthusiastic participation.

VBS is also *educational*.

At VBS children met policemen, fire fighters, emergency medical technicians (EMTs), special education teachers, farmers, clowns, but most importantly, Jesus. A nine year old boy from **Warren** said, "I really like Jesus!" This year the craft segment was replaced by an easy-to-make cooking segment of healthy food. Many of the VBS participants were

surprised to learn that healthy snacks could taste so good.

And, through your VBS, your church can offer much needed community services. At the **Midland** VBS, director Debra Navarro reports that each evening they had a health professional, including a registered dietician, dentist, physical therapist, registered nurse, an American Heart Association representative, and a D.A.R.E. representative from the police department, come to present a topic for their Health Club.

St. Joseph decided to try a modified version of outdoor VBS. They held theirs in a neighborhood park. The results? Fifteen of the 21 children who attended were non-Adventists, and all but four were "drop-ins"—kids who came to play in the park but decided to join VBS instead, and many returned the next day and brought their friends, reported Leslie Woodbeck, St. Joseph VBS leader.



A **Lansing** boy prepares a vegetable race car.



Houghton Lake's VBS kids demonstrate their health lesson by giving thumbs up to healthy foods and thumbs down to foods that take you on a deadly drive.



A representative from the sheriff's D.A.R.E. program instructed **Holland's** VBS kids on how to live a drug-free life.



Jackson girls making paper-plate food faces.

Adventist youth have a wonderful time *working* at VBS. Just ask the Pathfinders from **Bad Axe, Bay City, Belleville, Hillsdale, and Lansing** where they had a clown ministry program as part of their VBS under the able-bodied leadership of "Citronella," a.k.a. Patsy Towar.

Is VBS REALLY EVANGELISM? AND HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO SEE RESULTS?

Debbie Underhill from **Lapeer** reported, "Two to three *reluctant* teens attended VBS with their grandmother; however after the first night, they were the first ones ready to go to VBS!" But that's not all the reaping from VBS that Lapeer experienced. A family of 5, who have been involved with VBS for three years, returned again this year to help as skit performers and to help wherever they were needed. Another mother and her nine-year-old daughter have been attending

VBS for the past two years. Now they attend Sabbath services regularly, and this year the mother said at VBS, "When I first started coming here, this was *your* church, now it's *my* church too!" In July, a father was baptized, and his wife and three children (one primary and 2 teenagers) are involved in Bible studies. They regularly attend Sabbath services and bring friends along with them." [The rest of these family members have now been baptized.]

Dottie Tebo, VBS leader from **St. Charles**, enthusiastically reported, "Two years ago, when we started to build our fellowship hall, the father of three children who had attended our VBS stopped by to ask if he could help us. He is still helping us with anything that pertains to building around the church; but now he, his wife, and three children are taking Bible studies.

Need some more examples of

evangelism results? In Michigan alone, for this year only, five people are enrolled in Bible correspondence courses, 21 parents are interested in learning more about Adventists, 25 people have been baptized, 64 non-Adventist children have been enrolled in Sabbath school, three children have been enrolled in church school, 23 children went to summer camp, and a total of 7 children have become either Pathfinders or Adventurers.

So why have a Vacation Bible School? Your church deserves to sponsor something fun, educational, and soul-winning! Is VBS really evangelism? *Absolutely*. How long does it take to see results from this evangelism? Very little for the eternal results!

Carole A. Bird is secretary to Terry Dodge, Michigan Conference children's ministries director.

Radio Ministry in Indiana

BY ADRIAN M. PETERSON

Currently there are five different radio ministries broadcasting on behalf of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Indiana. These diverse radio ministries present various aspects of the Adventist message to local and interstate audiences, to children in the Spanish language, and to an international audience in many countries worldwide.

MESSAGE FOR TODAY

The radio program, *Message for Today*, was founded by Elder John Morrison in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in 1980. This half-hour Biblical presentation on radio is linked with a Bible course under the name, "Good News for You." This combination of radio program and Bible correspondence course has been effective with baptismal results in both Iowa and Indiana.

Message for Today is currently on five stations in Indiana giving almost state-wide coverage. John Morrison, Indiana Conference ministerial director, is director-speaker, and the associate speaker is Ron Kelly, district pastor at the academy church in Cicero.

YOUR STORY HOUR AND TU HISTORIA PREFERIDA

The English language edition of *Your Story Hour* was established by Stanley Hill as "Uncle Dan" in 1949. This well known story program is appreciated by international segments of the listening public in many parts of

the English-speaking world. It is currently heard on five radio stations in Indiana.

Equally well known in Spanish areas, *Tu Historia Preferida*, the Spanish version of *Your Story Hour* is heard now on a station in Fort Wayne. "Tia Elena," the "Aunt Sue" of *Tu Historia Preferida*, is an Indiana resident, Ileana Gutierrez. According to some sources, *Tu Historia Preferida* is the best known religious program in the Latin world.

CROSS CURRENTS

Three years ago Don Short, Bloomington Church pastor, initiated a radio ministry on an AM station in Bloomington. This weekly program, *Cross Currents*, features several local speakers and focuses on various aspects of life and health and Biblical religion.

ADVENTIST WORLD RADIO

The international outreach of Adventist World Radio is making a remarkable impact throughout the world. Its gospel programming is presented in some 35 languages, and its short-wave signal can be heard at some time during each day in every country of the world. Indiana residents with short-wave radios may pick it up as well.

For the past 25 years, I have been associated with Adventist World Radio and am currently serving in Indianapolis as co-ordinator for international relations. I also present a radio program which receives more than 55 exposures each week in the



Ileana Gutierrez demonstrates a handicraft from Cuba to the people associated with the five diverse radio ministries in Indiana. From left: Don Short of Cross Currents, Adrian M. Peterson of Adventist World Radio and Life Talk Radio, Ileana Gutierrez of Tu Historia Preferida, John Morrison of Message for Today.

network of AWR stations as well as other shortwave stations located in the United States and in New Zealand.

LIFE TALK RADIO

Appearing recently on the American scene is *Life Talk Radio*. This nationwide network concept was developed in Yakima, Washington, by Paul Moore following the successful launching of a local Adventist FM station five years ago. Just three years ago, the programming of *Life Talk Radio* went to satellite distribution and is now available throughout North America for local downlink coverage.

Earlier this year, *Life Talk Radio* introduced its 24-hour programming over two FM transmitters in Indiana. The station is WJYL 88.3 in New Washington, and the translator is W284AD 104.7 at Edwardsville. The major coverage area of this twin radio complex is Greater Louisville together with the nearby towns and farming areas in Indiana.

The coverage area of this new Adventist radio station will be enhanced with the installation of two additional translators. Currently almost the entire programming for this station in Indiana comes on satellite from Yakima. Local identification announcements and public service announcements are inserted locally.

Dr. Adrian M. Peterson is currently the interim manager for WJYL Life Talk Radio in New Washington, IN.



Michigan's Health Van is available to churches that want to start a health van ministry.

BY STEVE J. VERES

Edith* stepped into the van to get her blood pressure taken. She began to tell her story of falling away from the Adventist church, and how she felt guilty because of the way she was living. The five-minute blood pressure check turned into an hour conversation. Edith left the van with *Power to Cope* and *Powerful Promises* and the commitment to join a small group of the local church that was staffing the van that day.

Donna entered the van because her husband was involved with a cult. She wanted to study the Bible so that she would know how to help her husband steer clear of that extremist group. Donna took two sets of *Power to Cope* and *Powerful Promises*, one for her husband and one for herself. Donna is now studying with a local pastor.

The Michigan Van Ministry has touched the lives of thousands of people in Michigan. Most of the people who step into the vans are not Seventh-day Adventists. The van ministry combines the medical and evangelistic work in the context of the local neighborhood situation where those who are screened reside. This affords an opportunity to directly share who Seventh-day Adventists are and what we believe without any pressure.

The health screening van is parked near local neighborhood stores, malls, and high traffic areas where church members and health professionals can minister to the felt health needs of that community. The trained van staff

Taking Hope to the People

conduct blood pressure screening, health-age appraisal, lifestyle factor evaluation, and, on occasion, cholesterol

screening. The van staff is trained to incorporate tactful spiritual questions that address the real spiritual needs of those whom the van ministry serves.

People who visit the van are asked in a friendly way if they would like to receive biblical guides on stress or Bible studies. Thirty-three percent of those who visit the van respond positively to the two spiritual questions. The names and addresses of those who show an interest in spiritual things are turned over to the local pastors or personal ministries leaders who will later invite them to health seminars or Bible studies. Those who have life-style issues that need to be addressed in their lives are given helpful literature that speaks to that area of need and/or are advised to see their doctor.

The Michigan Conference Van Ministries program was started in 1985 when the Michigan Conference and a group of laymen and pastors felt a burden to reach out to people in the Detroit/Metro area. Their goal was to reach people in their own neighborhoods by addressing their health needs and winning their confidence, then providing an opportunity for them to learn more about the peace that comes with a personal relationship with Christ.

In 1993 the van ministry in Berrien County was started with the same goals and purpose in mind. The purpose of Van Ministries is found in our mission statement: "It is our purpose to work with the churches in the Detroit/Metro and Berrien County areas to develop Bible study interests, health seminar interests, and to

improve community public relations. It is our goal to reach people where they are and to minister to their felt needs and to address their real spiritual needs."

As one of the original 1985 group members, I am currently working full-time with the Detroit area Van Ministries board to structure and organize the work in the Detroit Metro area. Because of the large response to Van Ministries (often 20-30 Bible study interests per site) in the Detroit Metro area, I am working with the pastors of district 12 to get Bible correspondence schools that are operated by church members going at various churches. This will assure that all of the *Power to Cope* and *Powerful Promises* interests are followed-up in an efficient and timely manner.

Pastor Arthur and Bonnie Dyjasek are currently directing the van ministry in the Berrien County area while he is attending the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University.

Van Ministries is supported by the Lake Union Conference, Michigan Conference, individuals, and small groups who believe in the one-on-one ministry that van ministries provide.

Arthur, Bonnie, and I are available to speak at local churches and conduct training for any who would like to be a part of this community-based ministry.

Any further questions or requests for our newsletter may be referred to (888) D-VAN-MIN (toll free) in the Detroit/Metro area or (616) 471-5314 in the Berrien County area.

*Real names are not used.

Steve Veres works with Yorba, an inner city program to feed Detroit's homeless, as well as coordinating the Michigan Van Ministry.

Thermostat or Thermometer?

BY TROY FITZGERALD

In Michigan it is important to know the difference. A thermometer registers the current temperature, while a thermostat causes the machinery to adjust to the desired temperature. Melissa Smith had every human reason to simply reflect the attitudes of the world around her. Yet in Christ she found her identity and mission and, as a result, she compels people to love Christ. She is truly a thermostat.

When she describes her childhood years, it is obvious she is no stranger to disappointment. Melissa knows the hurt and confusion of being taken away from her parents. In her seventeen years of life, she has known fourteen different foster homes. While Melissa still communicates with her family, she is the only one who is a Christian. Many would understand if she chose to be bitter. Yet with child-like enthusiasm her joy spills out into the lives of people around her. How is it that she is so full of life?

Her story begins when two students in the witnessing class at Great Lakes Adventist Academy (GLAA) came to her door. Kaska Smith and Michelle Lewis invited Melissa to join them for ice cream and asked if she wanted to study the Bible with them. Melissa agreed.

Kaska and Michelle studied the Bible with Melissa every Tuesday night. They began searching the Bible together for answers to the questions burning in Melissa's heart. These studies continued for two years, and on December 16, 1995, Melissa was baptized in the Ithaca Church.

Melissa made the decision to attend

GLAA for her final year in high school. Since she began her senior year, the school has yet to recover from her enthusiasm. When asked what is different about her life now, she says, "I care about things I never cared about before. I care about people, my grades, my character."

Melissa demonstrates a genuine interest in the needs of others. She is a catalyst for involving other students in service activities. She is not interested in the spotlight, as a matter of fact the whole idea of being featured in this story was a little uncomfortable for her. She gives the credit to Jesus. When asked how her life is different as a Christian she says, "I'm not sure how to love God directly, so I show my love for Him by loving people."

It requires no real effort to resemble the world one lives in. It is an act of grace that enables one, however, to transform the world around oneself. Melissa Smith is an example of the miracle of grace.

How does Melissa spend her time now? She works as the assistant director for outreach ministries at GLAA. She organizes and leads other students in meeting the needs of



Portraits by Jean

After two Great Lakes Academy students introduced Melissa to Jesus and she was baptized, she decided to attend GLAA. Now she is making an impact on the whole campus as well as the surrounding community, because she is so thrilled with the changes Jesus made in her life.

people on campus as well as in the community. She plans worship services for students to lead out in local churches. She led the students in a Christmas gift drive for 17 families who needed help at Christmas. She organizes community work projects for local people who need a helping hand. Melissa is also part of another team of students conducting a prophecy seminar at the local elementary school in the town of Edmore.

God is raising a generation of young people today that are proactive for Christ. Don't be surprised if you find a teenager at your door some Tuesday night. Be warned! You may never be the same temperature again.

Troy Fitzgerald is the witnessing and outreach director at Great Lakes Adventist Academy and teaches a senior Bible class.

Volunteering for AWR

BY ANDREA STEELE

Climbing tall towers, working on radio interference problems in the local community, and learning Spanish—these are a few of the activities of AWR stations' student volunteers, like Andrews University electrical engineering student Drayton Hanna, serving this year as a Christian Service Volunteer (CSV) at the Adventist World Radio (AWR) station in Costa Rica.

Drayton, a native of Miami,

Florida, is studying electronics engineering at Andrews University. "I decided to answer the AWR call because I felt it would be a good way to serve the Lord and gain experience at the same time," says Drayton.

AWR-PanAmerica comprises an office/studio complex, a relay station on Irazu Volcano, and antennas and five transmitters in Cahuita. Engineers have responsibilities at all these sites. Programs are broadcast in four languages to the Caribbean, Central America, and South America. The

broadcasts to Cuba alone bring in hundreds of letters every week.

While Drayton's main project at AWR-PanAmerica is to develop and implement a packet radio interface for the automation system, he is involved in the recording of the NET '96

programs and assisted in an interference investigation at the transmitter site in Cahuita, Costa Rica. "I've been impressed with AWR and its operation," he

said. "I pray God will bless the station as it endeavors to be the voice of hope to the world."

Another student volunteer flew off to work at the AWR station serving Asia from the island of Guam, but he almost didn't make it. A citizen of Mauritius, Kevin Bhookun arrived on the United States Territory of Guam at 2 a.m.—when most flights arrive there. He spent the next 10 hours waiting and talking to immigration officers who were ready to send him "back to Mauritius" or "back to Detroit." Finally a shift change brought a new set of immigration officers who validated his visa and wished him Hafa Adai—welcome—and he headed for the station at 2 p.m.

Kevin joins the staff of engineers in caring for four 100 kilowatt transmitters and four curtain antennas—each about the size of a football field. "I always enjoy the view from the top of the 300-foot tower," says Kevin. "I'm also amazed at the number of people who write to the station. Thousands and thousands from all over the world are hungry for God's word. So many people depend on us for their "daily bread." It's a great responsibility, but a wonderful one!"

These Christian Service Volunteers join the regular AWR staff in praying that this radio ministry will reach many people for Jesus. Please give generously when the AWR annual offering is taken in your church on March 8. Keep AWR on the air with the good news of salvation.

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



Adventist World Radio

Andrews student, Drayton Hanna, is serving this year as a Christian Service Volunteer at the Adventist World Radio station in Costa Rica.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

Students Sponsor Winter Coat Drive

December always brings a holiday spirit to the Andrews campus. But for many students, a *missionary* spirit is a year-long commitment.

Continuing a community-service tradition that was started

four years ago, Andrews students gave away more than 700 articles of winter clothing during an early December visit to an area senior citizens center.

More than 40 students visited downtown Benton Harbor, MI, on Dec. 7 to



Jason Lim, AU PR

Holly Moon, a first-year biology major from Whitmore Lake, MI, was one of more than 40 students who gave coats away.

deliver coats, hats, gloves, blankets and boots to lower-income residents of Benton Harbor, MI. Residents of the city's poorest neighborhoods—about 300 people—came to receive the clothing.

Event leaders say the annual coat drive is meant to meet physical needs. But they also promote the spiritual impact that community service has—for those who give and receive.

"It was a lot more than just bringing holiday cheer, or even helping less fortunate people to stay warm during the winter. It was about God's love to people who society can sometimes forget," said Adam Heck, a junior education major and one of the event leaders.

Since 1993, the Andrews Fireside Fellowship has sponsored the coat drive. Members of the student-led organization collected the winter clothes during fall quarter.

Jack Stenger, public information officer

Cornerstone Laid in Andrews Church

After more than ten months of construction, the church building project on the Andrews campus is in the final stages of completion. A Nov. 20, 1996, cornerstone ceremony was attended by university officials and church leaders from around the Lake Union.

The project will add two building extensions to the north and south of Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC), creating space for Sabbath school rooms, a youth chapel, a family education center, and a fellowship hall.

Even more inspiring than the massive project (it nearly

doubles the church's interior space) has been the sacrificial giving on the part of PMC members, said Dwight Nelson, senior church pastor.

"This church family has not forgotten God's house. It has been inspiring to see everyone pitch in to this great work," he said.

Members raised the majority of the \$3.7 million needed for the project, including a miraculous, congregation-wide offering of \$140,000 in cash and pledges on Dec. 14. More than \$150,000 in labor costs were saved by PMC volunteers, who donated hundreds

of hours of work. The sacrifices of time and finances have meant members entered the new facility in January on a near debt-free basis.

Now, two new cornerstones (one on each new building extension) join the original 1958 cornerstone. All three represent God's

continued leading of the "House of Prayer for All People" on the Andrews campus.



Bruce Bablenco

Jay Gallimore, Michigan Conference president, and Niels-Erik Andreasen, Andrews president, were among the church leaders at a PMC cornerstone ceremony.

Andrews Among the Best Again

For the seventh consecutive year, Andrews has been ranked among the best universities in the country by *U.S. News and World Report*.



Jason Lim, AU PR

Andrews is ranked among the top colleges in the nation by U.S. News and World Report.

Andrews is the only Adventist college that has been listed among the nation's best schools every year since the magazine published its first "Best Colleges" edition in 1989. Every year, the magazine divides more than 1,400 accredited colleges and universities into different categories and then lists the top 229 "national universities." The 1996 rankings were listed in the magazine's Sept. 16, 1996, edition.

"This ranking underscores what we've known for a long time: Andrews doesn't have to compromise its Christian identity as it pursues academic quality," said Dean Hunt, vice president for enrollment services. "We're honored by the ranking and will continue to see that our programs merit national attention for years to come."

Bible Study: A Seven-year Covenant

Spending much of his time in a hurried environment, with flashing lights, sirens, beeping monitors, and injured people, one Hinsdale doctor finds solitude in reading the Bible and is in his seventh year of sharing the experience with others. After experiencing inspiration when a college professor suggested he read the Bible cover to cover, David Mayor, an emergency room doctor at Hinsdale Hospital, encourages others to read the "dynamic book."

While many people dream of vacationing in a warm climate relaxing on a tranquil beach, Mayor, with the help of his colleagues, schedules his vacations and work hours around a Bible group he hosts.

The free "Book by Book Bible Study," is offered from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, at The Community House, 415 W. 8th St., Hinsdale.



Brian Westbury, Hinsdale Hospital

Emergency room doctor, David Mayor, is not afraid to discuss religion.

The undertaking is quite a commitment, not just for Mayor, who said he is continually inspired by the readings, but by participants who read the Bible for 20 to 30 minutes daily and devote one hour to the sessions for 36 weeks, he said. In the past seven years, Mayor has only missed two sessions.

Just as Mayor never knows who will appear in the emergency room from day to day, the same is true of his Bible group. On average, eight people participated in the sessions each year, and Mayor said the program draws a variety of people. As a rule, many people try to avoid discussing the sometimes controversial topics of religion and politics, but Mayor embraces the subjects.

While not everybody has a strong association with God, most people come in contact with Him on a daily basis without realizing it.

"Every dollar bill says, 'In God We Trust;' it's incongruent to handle that all the time and not know who we're trusting in," Mayor said.

While Mayor always tries to come away with a new idea or approach to reading the Bible or how he interprets it into his life, he hopes it will help others get to know God better. The sessions are not meant to take the place of anyone's church and do not focus on any specific religion.

"I hope it provides a framework with which to approach people, life and death," Mayor said. "It makes a massive difference in the way you approach life."

Jody Paige, Suburban LIFE Newspapers.

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Brian Westbury, Hinsdale Hospital

Ellie Homan, center, and her mother Diane, help pediatric patient Amanda choose a "Beanie Baby."

Child's Birthday Gifts Benefit Pediatric Patients

Ellie Homan, 6, of Burr Ridge, IL, recently had quite a birthday party. Her guest list included her entire 25-member kindergarten class, as well as neighborhood friends and relatives. As Diane and Jay Homan, Ellie's mother and father, were thinking about the excess of toys Ellie would receive, the family started to hatch a plan.

"My husband actually came up with the idea of donating the toys first," says Diane Homan. "We then talked it over with Ellie, and we all agreed that it was a good idea. At first we did not know where we would donate the toys, but we wanted them to go where they would be needed."

When Diane contacted Mary Gjondla, associate director of the Hinsdale Hospital Foundation, she knew she had found a kindred spirit. "She was so excited by the idea and quick to respond when we called," Homan said. "The information she was able to give us really helped us decide on Hinsdale Hospital."

The party invitation announced that all toys from the party would be donated to the Pediatrics Department at Hinsdale Hospital and needed to be the type of toys that could be played with easily from a hospital bed.

The party guests were more than generous with their gifts. More than 50 "Beanie Babies," many sets of crayons, coloring books, action figures and other toys were brought to the pediatrics unit on Dec. 10, 1996, and distributed personally by Ellie and her mother.

"We are really happy and grateful for this donation," said Lynn Hodges, assistant director of pediatrics and pediatric ICU. "We are always in need of these types of toys. They not only help the patients who are here on the floor recovering, but we use them to help children deal with the stress of tests, such as spinal taps and MRIs. We are able to give them something to hold on to as an incentive to be brave."

"We feel particularly good that Ellie is learning the joy of giving," Homan said. "It has been a fun experience."

Diane had such a wonderful experience with Hinsdale Hospital that she has joined the volunteer organization. Another benefit of this special birthday party has been the response of many other parents who were impressed with the idea. Some similar birthday parties may occur in the future.

Michael Parnell, marketing associate

YOUTH NEWS

Come Over and Help Us

Michigan — A modern “Macedonian cry” was heard by the students of the Metropolitan Elementary School in Plymouth. In their ears, it echoed the call heard by the Apostle Paul when in vision he heard “a cry to come over to Macedonia and help us” (Acts 16:9). How did the Metropolitan students hear it?



Metropolitan students involved in the Macedonia project stand with Jonathan Janevski (front row center) who is holding a copy of *The Desire of Ages* translated into the Macedonian language.

for distribution in that country, reports Nancy Allen, Metro Church communication leader.

When this need was brought to the church board, they recommended it as a *Bible Labs* project for the school's students during the second half of the 1995-1996 school year. The students accepted the challenge, and through a letter-writing campaign raised \$5,305, enough money to cover the whole project. God heard the cry of the Macedonian people and sent it to the Metro school students, who answered their call.

Students Build Chapel

Andrews Academy — Every year, thousands of dollars are spent to help students and adults go abroad to help build churches, schools, and other mission projects. However, Andrews Academy students wanted to help build a “mission village” right here in Michigan. Under the sponsorship of instructors Cary Steinkraus and Manual Vitug, Andrews Academy on Nov. 13-17 took a team of ten students to construct a prayer chapel at Camp AuSable. The project's completion was hampered by bitterly cold days, so the students plan to return and finish it before the end of the school year.

The front of the 12 by 12 foot chapel is intended for use by those who wish to find a place of solitude to meditate and commune with God. The front of the chapel has a large double-panel clear window that overlooks three crosses on the nearby



Andrews Academy students from left: Emily Szilagy, Stephanie Davila, Manual Vitug, Melissa Steinkraus, Cary Steinkraus, Sara Arnett, Pete Johnson, Olen Netteburg, Krystian Zygowiec, and Doug Show, building a small chapel at Camp Au Sable, Grayling, MI.

hillside. The prayer of the student builders is that one day someone's life will be surrendered to Jesus as they use the prayer chapel.

If you are interested in being involved with a similar type of building ministry, contact Brenton Bullock, (517) 348-5570, at Camp AuSable. You don't have to go overseas to be a missionary!

Pathfinders Celebrate 50 Years

On Sabbath, February 8, in celebration of 50 years of Pathfinding, ACN's Cross Training series will feature “The Miracle of Pathfinders.”

“There are countless people in the Seventh-day Adventist Church today who wouldn't be members if it were not for the Pathfinder Clubs,” says Willie Oliver, director of Pathfinder Ministries and co-host of the uplink. “This organization has allowed kids to connect to the church with its history, purpose, and mission and see themselves as a part of that process.”

The uplink will focus on the mission and purpose of Pathfinder Ministries, and share strategies for starting clubs and training leaders. From problem solving to program planning, the event will cover very practical ground for doing successful Pathfinder ministry.

Program Outline

The workshop will consist of six 20-minute segments covering the following:

- Part I - Pathfinding as a ministry; defining pathfinding
- Part II - Benefits of having a Pathfinder Club; organization
- Part III - Strategic planning; getting started
- Part IV - A look at the individual pathfinder; character development
- Part V - Ministry; Pathfinder philosophy; using spiritual gifts
- Part VI - Leadership qualities; successful methods; resource materials

To register for the Pathfinder Workshop, call 800-ACN-1119, ext. 6. Refer to #601850. Hurry, the event airs live on Feb. 8, 4-6 p.m., ET, Galaxy 9, Channel 22.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

Heartbeat '96

Wisconsin — For just \$25, participants in Heartbeat '96 learned a lot about their health and what they could do to improve it, reports Sandy Ritzke, Fox Valley communication leader. Sponsored by the Fox Valley Church (Neenah, WI) last spring, the program gave each of the 25 participants personalized, comprehensive reports showing their risk factors for developing heart disease based on age and sex, family and personal health history, blood pressure, diet, lifestyle, and cholesterol, glucose, and triglyceride levels.

The Adventist Health Network reports were compiled by Fox Valley medical volunteers taking the participants' weight, blood pressure, and blood samples. Three weeks later, they received their reports, along with guidelines for optimum eating and exercise habits.

Fox Valley members Doug Klemp, a nutritionist, and Dr. Donald Knepel coordinated the event.

Play Gives Life to SDA History

Michigan — Seventh-day Adventist church history came to life at the Niles Westside Church with the presentation of the play, "Your House in the World," during the church's Heritage Day service on Nov. 2, 1996.

The tradition of a dramatic production for the Sabbath worship service, close to October 22, began three years ago when Adventism was celebrating its 150th anniversary of the 1844 "great disappointment," according to Ken Schander, Niles Westside pastor and director of the productions. [*The "great disappointment" refers to the feelings of the thousands of followers of William Miller who expected to see the Lord return on Oct. 22, 1844, and were disappointed that He did not come then.* —Editor] Each subsequent drama has featured an all-Westside cast and has been instrumental in bringing community guests into the church. It is an "entry event" designed to help community guests understand more about the Adventist Church in a non-threatening way.

"Bringing dramatic presentations of our church's history to life on stage meant that many of our members could use their talents and be involved in ways that we never dreamed possible," Schander says. "For example, all the costumes, including vests and tailcoats of the period, were sewn by Westside member Pauline Hiatt, a retired high school teacher and professional seamstress. Retired professional radio broadcaster Dan Minter has narrated all three plays. This year's lead character, John Andrews, was dramatized by Westside member Peter Cooper, chair of the Andrews University Department of Music."

The 1996 production, written by Westside member Keith Clouten, James White Library director, was the story of John Nevins Andrews, Adventist pioneer, who went to Switzerland to work in 1874. Andrews, the namesake of Andrews University,

is best remembered as the first Adventist missionary to work outside North America. Considered the foremost intellectual of the early Adventist church, Andrews wrote extensively, edited significant church-related publications, and for a time served as the church's third General Conference president. The play depicted the struggle and dedication of Andrews and his two children, Charles and Mary, after they left America to live in Europe.

Clouten first began writing Adventist history plays while working as library director at Canadian Union College, Lacombe, Alberta, Canada. Eventually so many people requested copies of his plays that a number of them were published as *Playing Our Past*.

Frances Schander, Niles Church communication leader



Charles, (Aaron Pfeifle); John, (Peter Cooper); and Mary, (Audrey Cooper) Andrews bid farewell to America as the first paid Seventh-day Adventist missionary family to work outside North America.

VBS in Edmore

Michigan — When a father brings his son to Vacation Bible School for the opening night exercises, watches the crafts program, and then decides to come every night to help the kids make bird nesting boxes, you know the VBS program is really good, reports John Falconbridge, Edmore communication leader.

"This is the best time I've had all summer," one 10-year-old boy remarks. Two sisters who had to leave to go to their dad's home on Tuesday, asked and were given permission to delay their trip so they could stay at VBS all five nights and be present for the closing program on Thursday night.

Of the 58 children who attended the "Jesus' Kids in the Kitchen" VBS program held in Edmore, 48 came from non-Adventist homes.

One boy who didn't get to paint his robin's nesting box was encouraged to take it home and have his dad help him paint it. "He can't," was his response, "my Dad's in prison." A little Catholic child asked Kerry Griffith, VBS director, "How are Seventh-day Adventists different from other Christians?" Kerry is making arrangements for all these children to receive invitations to attend a weekly evening story hour to be held in the church during the 1996-1997 school term. Students from Great Lakes Adventist Academy have led out in that program since September.



Donna Peters

Children in Rhinelander, WI, learned about their bodies from local doctors in the "science center" at Vacation Bible School.

"Jesus, Kids in the Kitchen" a Culinary Delight

Wisconsin — Forty-seven children attended the **Fox Valley Church's** first ever Vacation Bible School (VBS). Ask the children what they enjoyed the most at the "Jesus, Kids in the Kitchen" program, and they would probably tell you it was "Lickety Split," the puppet lion.

The **Baraboo Church** has not had a VBS for many years. This year twenty-five "little chefs" enjoyed the program. One non-Adventist mother commented that her daughter had attended another VBS with over 100 children. But she liked the Adventist VBS best because of the smaller class size and one-on-one attention given her daughter.

VBS at the **Rhineland Church** was really fun last year. A beginner's class was held for the first time ever, and it turned out to be a lot of fun. Doctors from the Rhineland Medical Clinic came and talked to the children in the "science center," one of four learning centers the children visited. Collin Drew DDS, talked about dental care and passed out dental kits to all the children. At the "kitchen center," students made Noah's Ark watermelons, rainbow pizzas and vegetable robots.



Rhonda Krentz

Children in Baraboo are led in a "standing exercise" by Sherry Bongard.

Jones Receives National Award

Orlando, FL — William E. "Bill" Jones, for 21 years director for community service and loss control for the Lake Union Conference, has been awarded the highest honor bestowed on an individual by the National Safety Council (NSC) in recognition of outstanding service to the field of safety. Jones was nominated by the Council's Community Safety Division for his career-long dedication to the field.

In addition to holding the positions of treasurer of the Blossomland Safety Council in Berrien County, MI, and board member and treasurer of the American Institute for the Prevention of Addiction, Jones has been serving on the NSC board as its only Seventh-day Adventist member for several years. He received its Distinguished Service to Safety Award at their opening session before 20,000 attendees at the Orlando Convention Center on Oct. 28, 1996.

Jones retired from the church ministries department of the Lake Union Conference in 1996 and moved to Florida.



Patty Jones

Bill Jones was honored by the National Safety Council.

Smoot Accepts ADRA Directorship

Hinsdale Hospital — Chris Smoot, director of Hinsdale Hospital's department of education and training, has accepted a director position with the Adventist Development and Relief agency (ADRA) and will be stationed in Dhaka, Bangladesh. His responsibilities include building schools, clinics, housing, and water supply infrastructure, helping community residents start businesses that support the local economy, and working with health agencies with public health concerns, such as the prevention of AIDS. "While my role is mission oriented, my primary job will be to train people and help them grow," said Smoot. "This is an opportunity to help make a difference."

Michael Parnell, Hinsdale Hospital marketing associate



Brian Westbury, Hinsdale Hospital

Shari and Chris Smoot with their daughters, Hannah and Haley, are going to Bangladesh for ADRA.



CREATIVE PARENTING

The Christian perspective for a happier, healthier home life

How To Be There When You Can't Be There

Susan E. Murray

It may be a ball game, a recital, a special program at your child's day care or preschool, a special part in the church or Sabbath school program that you miss. Sometimes no matter how much you plan or how committed you are to your child, you just can't be there!

Parents naturally expect to be a part of their child's memorable events. But even if you were able to spend twenty-four hours a day with your child, it would not guarantee you would witness every "first" or "important" event your child ever had.

No matter how organized you are, no matter how dedicated, emergencies, illness, meetings or trips away from home will likely cause you to miss some of the special events in your child's life. To add to any guilt feelings you may experience, your child's tears, tantrums, or worse—his saying he understands while tears are streaming down his cheeks—will add to your distress.

What to do? First, keep in mind that there will be other events, other occasions when you *can* be there. Do your best to plan to be a part of your child's "important moments." Second, you can tell your child how much you wish you could be there.

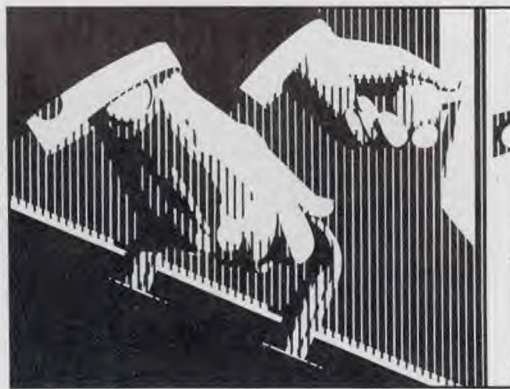
But the next step is to follow up with behaviors that show you really care. Here are some suggestions you may want to consider:

- Rather than assuming that the event is important, or maybe not so important, to your child, ask, "On a scale of one to ten, how important is it to you that I be there?"
- Let your child know specifically where you will be and why you can't attend the event.
- Support your child in prayer, telling him what you will be praying for and when.
- Have someone take pictures or video record the event. You and your child can "share" the event at another time.

- Find a support person to be there for your child. A grandparent, neighbor, or the parent of another child can provide special attention to your child in your absence.
- If your child read a poem, played an instrument, sang a song, ask for a private performance at home. This may make for a more treasured memory than the actual event!
- Leave something with your child that is of personal importance to you. This will help her feel close to you and show how important you think she is.
- Take time to phone or talk to your child at the first opportunity. Ask for details, let him know again how you wished you could have been there.
- If you keep an appointment book, record how often you miss an event that is important to your children. You may want to reassess your priorities.

Sometimes it won't be just that special music or Pathfinder program you miss on any given day or evening. Perhaps you are away from home on business related trips. Here are some suggestions of ways to support your children while you are away for an extended period of time:

- Resist telling your child to "take care of mommy or daddy." That is a heavy responsibility, not one that is appropriate for any child. Big people are supposed to take care of little people—not the other way around.
- For a school-aged child, trace your trip on a map which can hang in their room or in a prominent place in your home.
- Compile a book of photos that shows individual family members, making sure there are some of you with your child. This is also something that can be left for a child when both parents will be away.



- Before leaving, make an audio tape recording for each child, with a favorite story, maybe worship with a prayer.
- Take along some 20-cent post-card stamps, making sure you mail a card the first day you are away. These post-cards can be part of a collection your child builds.
- When you telephone home, ask to speak to each child individually. Tell them something about your activities of the day, and be sure to ask them something about their day.
- Recognize that your child may keep his distance from you when

you first return. This is normal. Let your child know you missed him and that you are ready to spend some time with him when he's ready.

Whether you will be away from your child for a lengthy trip, missing an important event, or just parting for the day for work and school, don't forget the little touches. Parting rituals help. I read of a boy's mother who drives him to school each day. Their parting ritual is a simple one—Mom simply reaches over and squeezes his knee three times. "One for me, one for Dad, and one for God." This moment and reassurance is something Jeremy can hold on to all day . . . all his lifetime.

Ages & Stages

Teenagers:

"Parents are only human, and we are subject to the foibles of character," comfort Greg Johnson and Mike Yorkey in *Faithful Parents, Faithful Kids*. Some regrets parents of teenagers have shared with them are:

"I handed out too much criticism and not enough praise."

"My wife and I weren't always together on discipline."

"I paid too much attention to the small stuff."

"Our great fault was not showing them our love and friendship."

"I was too busy sewing, helping other neighbors, and doing good things that others could have done instead of concentrating on my kids as I know they wanted."

"I did not always trust the Lord with the outcome of our children. I felt it was my responsibility that they grasped all the teachings of the church."

If you want to make some changes in your home, Johnson and Yorkey suggest:

- Pick only one thing to work on at a time.
- Inform your children of upcoming changes.
- If necessary, apologize to your teens.
- Talk with a few friends, read a few books, watch a few videos on how to get it done.
- Find someone you can trust to hold you accountable for the changes you want to make.

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This feature page is designed as a resource. You are welcome to clip it out. The *Lake Union Herald* is committed to providing you with specific and helpful information that will be appropriate for various ages and developmental stages of family members. Your input is important—so let us hear what you need!

Infants & Toddlers:

According to Alicia Lieberman, author of *The Emotional Life of the Toddler*, separation anxiety becomes most acute at about 18 months. Like everything else, she says, it becomes more complicated in the second year. "In the first year, the mother's sensitive response was enough to relieve the baby's distress; but now the toddler fights within himself about wanting versus not wanting his mother's help. He wants to be the one to decide, but most often he can't decide on his own."

Unhelpful parental behaviors include:

- Frequent and long separations from the preferred parent.
- Threats of abandonment like, "I will leave you here if you don't come along."
- Global critical comments like, "You are so stubborn."
- Overconcern about child's physical safety, so that they hover constantly with admonitions about danger like, "You'll fall, You'll bump your head"; "You'll get hurt."
- Becoming too concerned about being sensitive and responsive, minimizing frustration in all circumstances.

Helpful parental behaviors include:

- Remembering that differences in temperament play an important role in the toddler's ability to adjust to separation.
- Making sure the child is familiar and comfortable with the substitute caregiver and the place where he/she will be staying.
- Leaving tangible reminders of your love, an audiotape, photographs, a toy.
- Stressing what you will do when you are together again.
- Being prepared to recognize child's fear of separation in behaviors such as night wakings, relapses in toilet training, sudden tantrums, a low threshold of frustration.
- Remembering to never threaten a child with leaving or loss of love in an effort to control behavior!

Preschoolers:

How about a winter trip to the zoo? You'll need a box of animal crackers, some graham crackers, cream cheese (at room temperature), milk, and some honey if desired. Mix a little honey with the cream cheese. Use the milk to thin the mixture.

Your child can put a bit of the cream cheese mixture on a graham cracker, then select an animal cracker to stand upright on the graham cracker.

Take turns talking about each animal and answering these questions:

What is it? What does it like to eat? Where does it live? Where does it sleep? What sounds does it make? How big (or little) is it? Have you ever seen a real one? Would you want one for a pet? Why or why not?

As your child selects several animals, you can make a 'zoo train' and take an imaginary trip!

Elementary Years:

- Have hooks on which to hang book bags. Help your child learn the routine of always leaving the book bag in its place.
- Set a timer to help your child know when it's time to gather belongings and get ready to leave the house.
- Pack lunches the night before. If your child takes lunch or milk money, be sure it is set aside in an envelope or coin purse and with school belongings before going to bed.
- Listen to yourself, are you ordering and rushing your children in the morning? What do you need to do to send them off on a positive note? Remember, your words will go with them to school. They will likely react towards others in response to how you related to them in those early morning moments.

The Flying Jackhammer

by James and Priscilla Tucker

And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen Luke 19:37.

You probably know what a jackhammer is—that deafeningly loud tool that construction workers use to break up concrete. The worker who uses it must protect against hearing loss caused by the jackhammer’s reverberating racket.

You may not know, though, that the bat’s rapid-fire staccato is twenty to sixty times louder than the jarring noise of the jackhammer. Each species has its own sequence and pitch of beeps, and each bat has its own sound. As a result, every bat can sort out the transmissions and echoes of every other bat from the various night sounds.

Obviously, bats live in a noisy world. Why, then, doesn’t the bat’s racket annoy us the way the jackhammer’s does? Because, fortunately for us, the bat’s beeps are too high pitched for us to hear them. All we hear are clicks and squeaks.

A bat uses its voice to find its way around and to locate

food. Although a bat sees very well, the process called echolocation is a more efficient way to navigate and hunt. Here’s how it works. First, the bat sends out a series of beeps. Then it waits for the beeps to hit a solid object. And finally it interprets the returning echoes. Using the data that it has collected, the bat can distinguish the smallest soft-bodied insect from the tallest concrete-and-iron skyscraper, and it can calculate how far away it is. As it patiently hunts, the bat’s beeps are lower pitched and slower, about 10 per second. But when it picks up the echo of a moth, mosquito, or other insect, the beeps come faster and faster, accelerating from 250 beeps per second to 3,000 per second. The bat can determine the exact location of a gnat and the direction in which it is traveling, intercepting it in less than half a second. The beeps come so close together that they sound like a scream when they are recorded.

The people in our text proclaimed their praises to Jesus in a loud voice. They were happy, and everyone knew it. Maybe we don’t have to be as loud as the jackhammer to be heard, but in our own way we can let the world know about our Jesus and His wonderful works.

The Tuckers have written three daily devotional books and publish Natural Learning, a monthly newsletter to help parents, teachers, and youth leaders use the motivating forces of nature to integrate faith and learning. Their nature column will appear regularly in 1997.

Look, Ma No Hands

Bats catch moving insects in their mouths. Can you catch moving food?

Items needed

String, scissors, masking tape, yardstick, plain doughnuts (one for each participant), blindfolds.

Procedure

1. Tape lengths of string across the top of the doorway. Measure the length so that the lower end of the string is at mouth level plus six inches. Attach one string for each player.
2. Tie a doughnut to each piece of string.
3. Put on the blindfolds.
4. Now, without using your hands—or your eyes—eat the dangling doughnuts.

Play Bat and Gnat

How good is *your* hearing? Can you pick up a gnat at twenty paces? At ten? Okay, how about five?

Items needed

Blindfold

Procedure

1. One player, the Bat, is blindfolded.
2. Four or more other players, the Gnats, stand in a loose circle at least six feet away from and around the Bat. The players should be unevenly spaced and at varying distances from the Bat.
3. To begin the game, all the Gnats call out “gnat, gnat, gnat, gnat. . . .”
4. The Gnats continue calling out “gnat,” interspersing loud calls with soft ones and remaining at all times in their original positions.
5. Based on sound only, the Bat must walk up to and touch each Gnat.
6. The last Gnat to be found by the Bat becomes the Bat for the next game.

Note: In a variation of this activity, the Bat must walk between two lines of Gnats without touching any of them. The Bat must use the “gnat, gnat, gnat” signals to avoid the insects. Players take turns as the Bat.

By the way, bats accelerate from 250 beeps every second to 3,000 every second. Compare that to the world’s fastest rapper, Tung Twista—that’s what he goes by—who can rap out only 597 syllables in 55.12 seconds.

Adventist World Radio News Notes

Nirgua, Venezuela [ANN] — Adventist broadcasting continues its unprecedented growth in many parts of the world. The latest story comes from Venezuela.

A new radio station, Omega Esteroe 97.3 FM, began full-time programming on Jan. 1 in northwest Venezuela, reaching the main population centers of the country. According to William Gomez, founder of this new radio ministry, the new facility at Nirgua, near the city of Barquisimeto, had been testing its signal for the past few months. The signal now reaches into five states. "In the state of Lara, it has already become the fourth most popular of 15 stations," says Gomez.

Gomez says the facility not only plans to serve the community full-time but will also produce programmes for broadcast on AWR's international station in Costa Rica.

Silver Spring, MD [ANN] — Adventist World Radio (AWR) announced its new site on the World Wide Web. "This AWR web site will contain information, news and stories about AWR," says Gordon Retzer, AWR president. "This is one more source for AWR supporters to get the latest news." The web site will contain facts, history, news, stories, program schedules, statistics, information about stations and studios, as well as photos and sound bites. "We also want to create an atmosphere that will attract listeners and non-Adventists to ask questions," Retzer continued. "This, too, can be outreach for AWR."

Such a response has already been received: Davy, a student at Dundee University in Scotland, wrote: "I am a new Christian, but having problems. I was wondering if I could talk with you about them. I'm not an Adventist, but have heard broadcasts on the radio, which led me to look up your web site." Davy has received a reply by phone and mail, and has been put in contact with the church in Scotland. The address is <http://www.awr.org>.

Sarajevo, Bosnia [ANN] — Voice of Hope radio station Manager Petar Jeknic reports from Sarajevo that his station is now on the air 24 hours a day. Thanks to nearly 40 volunteers in the city, the expanded schedule is now possible. AWR helped set up the station earlier this year to assist in revitalizing the war-torn community, and its popularity in the city has grown rapidly. Broadcasts are in both Serbia and Croatia. The station is now soliciting funds to install a new antenna system and procure more music for its added hours on the air, according to AWR-Europe Director Bert Smit. During the war Seventh-day Adventist launched radio programming as part of their contribution to "bring hope" to the inhabitants of the city. The programs announced logistics of food and other aid distribution as well as helping Sarajevans to deal with spiritual issues.

Andrea Steele

ANNIVERSARIES



Oliver Mills Studio

John J. and Roberta J. Ross celebrated their 50th anniversary Sunday, Dec. 1, 1996, when their children honored them with an open house in the fellowship hall of the Coloma (MI) Church.

John Ross and Roberta Hakes were married on Nov. 24, 1946 at the home of the bride's parents, Ray and Bessie Hakes, Albion, MI. In 1952 Jesus became the center of their lives and home, and they have been richly blessed over the years. Currently, they are members of the Coloma Church since their retirement in 1988 from Hinsdale Hospital where John worked as a carpenter and Roberta as a secretary.

The Ross's family includes Patricia A. and William Lykins of Parma, MI; John P. and Beverly Ross of Wisconsin Rapids, WI; and James E. and Ruby Ross of Colville, WA; and three granddaughters.



Ernest and Doris Tarzwell celebrated their 50th anniversary on Sept. 5, 1996, at an open house in their Benton Harbor, MI, home. They have been members of the Fairplain Church for 30 years.

Ernest, a veteran of WWII with the U.S. Army Medical Corps in England and France, and Doris M. Allen, a young church school teacher, met at Emmanuel Missionary College and were married Sept. 5, 1946, in Pontiac, MI, by Pastor R. K. Krick.

Ernest became a high school and elementary teacher, then assumed the duties of elementary principal, a position he held for 19 years before retiring in 1983, after spending a total of 31 years in education. Doris had an educational career and retired from public school service in 1983 with 36 years of experience, 21 years of which were spent in St. Joseph, MI.

The Tarzwell family includes E. Allen and Sherry Tarzwell of La Quinta, CA; 2 grandchildren and 2 step-grandchildren.

WEDDINGS

Gina Smith and Jeffrey Braswell were married Oct. 20, 1996, in Battle Creek, MI. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Martin Crosswait.

Gina is the daughter of Philip and Marsha Smith of Battle Creek, and Jefferey is the son of James and Sherry Braswell of Battle Creek.

The Braswells are making their home in Battle Creek.

Marie Vega and Rich Higby were married Dec. 22, 1996, in Hinsdale, IL. The ceremony was performed by Elder Ken Veal.

Marie is the daughter of Lolita Ramos and the late Pablo Vega of Toa Alta, Puerto Rico, and Rich is the son of Shirley and Robert Higby of Peoria, IL.

The Higbys are making their home in Lockport, IL.

OBITUARIES

BAKER, Edna, age 92; born May 9, 1904, in Milford, MI; died Nov. 21, 1996, in Battle Creek, MI. She was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

She is survived only by her niece, Joyce Long

Memorial services were con-

ducted by Pastor F. Dale Leamon, and interment was in White Chapel Cemetery, Birmingham, MI.

BISHOP, Helen L., age 93; born Sept. 7, 1903, in Chesaning, MI; died Nov. 22, 1996, in Marshall, MI. She was a member of the Marshall (MI) Church.

Survivors include her son, Gerald; daughters, Bonnie Sweet, Leonette Hostetler, Mary Morey, and Sharon Dukes; 24 grandchildren; 51 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Larry Yeagley, and interment was in Wildwood Cemetery, Chesaning, MI.

BROWN, William L., age 76; born Oct. 18, 1920, in Joplin, MO; died Oct. 20, 1996, in La Crosse, WI. He was a member of the Waukon (IA) Church but attended the La Crosse (WI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Eunice; stepsons, Leonard, John, and David Tostenson; stepdaughters, Jean Blaney, Elaine Kipp, and Esther Halverson; sis-

ter, Nellie Comber; 22 grandchildren; and 40 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor John I. Johansen, and interment was in Elleota Cemetery, Canton, MN.

BUENDIA, Victor C., age 60; born Nov. 22, 1936, in Santiago, Chile; died Jan. 1, 1997, in Waukesha, WI. He was a member of the Racine (WI) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Susan; son, Daniel Oswald; daughters, Cynthia Alioto, Shelly Iller, and Rakell Moroney; sisters, Rebecca Tassara and Marianella Ortigas; and 9 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Scofield, and interment was in St. Bruno's Cemetery, Dousman, WI.

CHANDLER, Lorena, age 97; born Aug. 3, 1899, in Flint, MI; died Nov. 27, 1996, in Flushing, MI. She was a member of the First Flint (MI) Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Mike Fechik, and interment was in Flint Memorial Park Cemetery.

CORNFORTH, Ray, age 51; born Mar. 17, 1944, in Spring Grove, MN; died Dec. 7, 1996, in Eureka, WA. He was a member of the La Crosse (WI) Church prior to moving to Washington.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn; sons, Matthew and Jeremy; father, William; mother, Delores; brothers, Dale, Wayne, and Gary; sisters, Sophie, Charlene, and Janelle Cornforth.

Memorial services were conducted by Elder John Johansen, and interment was in Pasco, WA.

DEGNER, Nila Jean, age 61; born June 21, 1935, in Winamac, IN; died Nov. 29, 1996, in Berrien Springs, MI. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs.

Survivors include her brothers, Dale and Robert; sisters, Vivian, Patty Hoffman, Donna DeLorenzo, Ruby Cotner, and Eula Cotner; and foster sister, Helen Tunis.

Interment was in McKinley Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Winamas, IN.

DUBOIS, Marie E., age 97;

born Apr. 25, 1899, in Oneida Township, Eaton County, MI; died Dec. 14, 1996, in Grand Ledge, MI. She was a member of the Grand Ledge Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Bill Cowin, and interment was in Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge.

EARNs, Labertia "Irene", age 80; born Feb. 11, 1916, in Battle Creek, MI; died Dec. 1, 1996, in Battle Creek. She was a member of the Burlington (MI) Church.

Survivors include her son, George Morris; daughters, Helen Wilson and Hazel Rabourn; 4 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Gotshall, and interment was in Oak Grove Cemetery, Coldwater, MI.

HALLOCK, Glenn Paul, age 84; born Nov. 11, 1911; died Sept. 28, 1996, in Rock Hill, SC. He was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle and Irons churches before retirement.

Survivors include his wife, Ethel; son, Arthur; stepsons,

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Memorial services were conducted in Union, SC, by Pastors Marvin Hunt and Eugene Melashenko, and in Stanton, MI, by Pastor Paul Yeoman. Interment was in Dublin Cemetery, Manistee County, MI.

JOHNSON, Verna T., age 84; born June 28, 1912, in Branch, MI; died Nov. 17, 1996, in Marshall, MI. She was a member of the Grand Ledge (MI) Church.

Survivors include her sons, Harold and Lyle; daughters, Linda Kloepfer and Cheryl Johnson; 8 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Daniel Towar, and interment was in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Lansing, MI.

MESSER, Alan R., age 85; born Jan. 18, 1911, in Chicago, IL; died Nov. 19, 1996, in Janesville, WI. He was a member of the Beloit (WI) Church.

Survivors include his sons Alan, Gary, and Grant; 11 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Hoover, and interment was in East Lawn Cemetery, Beloit, WI.

NELSON, Minnie (Underwood), age 68; born July 18, 1928, in Dayton, TN; died Oct. 28, 1996, in Battle Creek, MI. She was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Survivors include her brothers James Seaborn and Harlon Underwood; half-brothers Sherman and Luther Underwood; sisters Doris Rogers and Elsie Green; half-sisters Lucille Rynes and Mary Kate Perkinson.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Don L. Seng (Redemption Lutheran Church), and interment was in Floral Lawn Memorial Gardens, Battle Creek.

NIQUETTE, Hazel, age 91; born May 24, 1905, in Lena, WI; died Nov. 4, 1996, in Gillett, WI. She was a member of the Lena (WI) Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Delores Makoski; brother, Charles Wise; and a grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor John Knobloch, and interment was in Town of Lena Cemetery.

NOTTELSON, Marjorie A., age 87; born Jan. 23, 1909, in Waupaca County, WI; died May 19, 1996, in New London, WI. She was a member of the New London Church.

Survivors include her son, Darrel; daughters, Avonne Thompson, Gladys Gorecki, and Phyllis Clementi; 8 grandchildren; 4 step-grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor John Riggs, and interment was in Floral Hill Cemetery, New London.

PELLIN, Hazel D., age 58; born Apr. 13, 1938, in Marcellus, MI; died Nov. 30, 1996, in Battle Creek, MI. She was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Survivors include her husband, Luciano; son, Tony; daughter, Dawn Larsen; brothers, Pearly, Jr. and Joseph Grandstaff; sister, Opal Hafey; and a grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor F. Dale Leamon, and interment was in the Bedford Cemetery, Bedford Township, MI.

ROBERTS, Larry L., age 52; born Mar. 29, 1944, in Three Rivers, MI; died Oct. 24, 1996, in Kalamazoo, MI. He was a member of the Three Rivers Church.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie; son, Joseph; daughters, Kelly and Shannon; brothers, Dickie, Dale Jr., and David; sister, Patricia Ballet; and a grandchild.

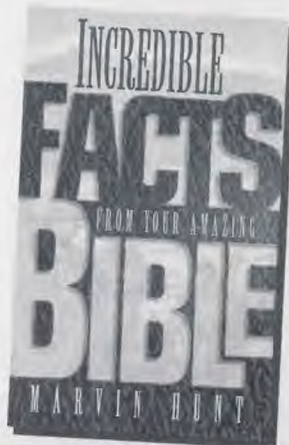
Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Quentin Purvis, and interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Three Rivers.

SHELBY, Lynda L., age 48; born Apr. 4, 1948, in Nashville City, CA; died Oct. 25, 1996, in Ann Arbor, MI. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, MI.

Survivors include her father, C. Warren Becker; mother, Sophie Andross Becker; and brothers, Steven and Harold Becker.

Funeral services were con-

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Survivors include her son, Dale; daughter, Lael Rhino; 3

grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services are planned for the future, and interment was in Clarendon Hills Cemetery, Darien, IL.

SLACK, Gertrude M. (De Young), age 88; born May 31, 1908, in Kalamazoo County, MI; died Nov. 24, 1996, in Battle Creek, MI. She was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Survivors include her son, Roy; daughter, Claudia DeForest; brothers, Corneilus, Jacob, and Harm DeYoung; sisters, Helen Burkhead, Rena Medendorp, and Alice VanDyke; 7 grand-children; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor F. Dale Leamon, and interment was in Bedford (MI) Cemetery.

SMITH, Iona M., age 91; born Aug. 18, 1905, in Grayville, IL; died Dec. 1, 1996, in Howell, MI. She was a member of the Troy (MI) Church.

Survivors include her sons, Millard, Earl, and Michael; daughters, Shirley Croak, Wanda Ross, and Juanita Simmons; father, Omar Pearson; mother, Lula Moore Pearson; sister, Faye Gourley; 13 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Memorial and cremation services were conducted by Pastor Don Williams with private inurnment.

WILLIAMS, Erma I. (Clough), age 83; born Oct. 29, 1913, in Joiet, IL; died Dec. 4, 1996, in Grand Rapids, MI. She was a member of the Grand Rapids Central Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Martha-Jane; and brother, Earl M. Clough.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor John B. Fortune, and interment was in Lakeside Cemetery, Muskegon, MI.

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TRAVEL OPPORTUNITY FOR FRIENDS OF AN-

DREWS UNIVERSITY. Join Dr. Merlene Ogden for two or four weeks in Ireland and/or Scotland. Tour the **beauty spots of Ireland**, July 7-23, 1997, then add the **Highlands and Western Isles of Scotland**, July 23-Aug. 7. For details, contact the Alumni Office, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104, (616) 471-3591 or alumni@andrews.edu. —5370-97,04

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MISSIONARIES NEEDED in Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Thailand. Asia Pacific Division English language schools seek volunteers to teach conversational English and Bible. Teaching requirements: Adventist, native English speaker. Degreed and non-degreed positions. Dedicate one or more years serving Christ. Contact Ray James at (209) 267-0416; fax (209) 267-0342; jamegr@cdepot.net. —5180-97,03

WALLA WALLA COLLEGE SEEKS APPLICANTS for a tenure-track position in psychology. Doctorate required. For job description and application information, interested Adventists should contact Dr. Ralph Coupland, Chair, Department of Education and Psychology, Walla Walla College, 204 S. College

Ave., College Place, WA 99324 or coupura@wwc.edu or (509) 527-2212. —5359-97,03

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PINE TREE ACADEMY in Freeport, Maine, seeking qualified Adventists for the following positions: Principal, M.Ed. in administration & experience preferred; Bible, math, history, music, and Spanish teachers, qualification for denominational certification required. Please call the Northern New England Conference Office of Education immediately for more information at (207) 797-3760. —5371-97,02

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

LAKE UNION

Offerings: Feb. 8, Adventist Media Center; Feb. 15, Church Budget; Feb. 22, Local Conference Advance; Mar. 1, Outreach/Church Budget; Mar. 8, Adventist World Radio/World Budget; Mar. 15, Church Budget

Special Days: Feb. 1-8, Black History Week; Feb. 15-22, Christian Home and Marriage Week; Feb. 22, Health and Temperance Ministries Sabbath; Mar. 1, Women's Day of Prayer; Mar. 8-15, Adventist Youth/Week of Prayer.

ILLINOIS

Broadview Academy is honoring the classes of '51, '72, '82, and '87 at homecoming weekend Apr. 18, 19. Mark your calendar! Do plan to renew friendships at this marvelous weekend. For details contact the alumni office, BVA, PO Box 307, LaFox, IL 60147; (708) 232-7441; fax (708) 232-7443.

INDIANA

Legal Notice: Notice is hereby given that a special constituency meeting of the Indiana Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Indiana Academy Gymnasium, Route 19, Cicero, Indiana, Saturday evening, March 15, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. Duly accredited delegates and delegates-at-large will be authorized to review, discuss and make decisions regarding the recommendations of the Conference Executive Committee as to the proposed Chapel/Music Complex at Indiana Academy, and to transact other business which may properly come before the delegates. Each church will be entitled to one delegate for the church organization and one additional delegate for each 25 members or major fraction thereof.

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MICHIGAN

A Father/Son Retreat is planned at Camp Au Sable,

TITHE INCOME THROUGH NOVEMBER 1996

(FORTY-EIGHT WEEKS)

					Per Capita	
	1996	1995	Gain or Loss	% of Increase	1996	1995
Illinois	6,402,360	6,249,836	152,524	2.44%	561.91	544.13
Indiana	3,846,219	3,708,501	137,718	3.71%	691.89	674.76
Lake Region	6,493,976	6,203,191	290,785	4.69%	290.23	283.37
Michigan	17,819,901	16,388,383	1,431,519	8.73%	772.29	717.97
Wisconsin	<u>3,753,500</u>	<u>3,565,491</u>	<u>188,010</u>	<u>5.27%</u>	<u>614.42</u>	<u>596.54</u>
TOTAL	38,315,957	36,115,402	2,200,555	6.09%	559.27	533.65

SUNSET CALENDAR

	Feb. 14	Feb. 21	Feb. 28	Mar. 7	Mar. 14	Mar. 21
Berrien Springs, MI	6:17	6:25	6:34	6:42	6:50	6:58
Chicago	5:22	5:31	5:39	5:48	5:56	6:04
Detroit	6:04	6:13	6:22	6:30	6:38	6:46
Indianapolis	6:20	6:28	6:36	6:43	6:51	6:58
La Crosse, WI	5:33	5:43	5:52	6:01	6:10	6:18
Lansing, MI	6:08	6:17	6:26	6:34	6:43	6:51
Madison, WI	5:27	5:36	5:45	5:54	6:02	6:10
Springfield, IL	5:33	5:41	5:49	5:57	6:04	6:11

Grayling, MI, Feb. 21-23, to provide time for enjoyable experiences in the wonders of nature. In addition, men are being encouraged to become "Big Brothers" for boys in their local church or community who do not have a father figure in their lives. Larry Yeagley, Marshall Church pastor, and his sons, Steve, Berrien Springs Village Church youth pastor, and David will present the messages on how to build father-son-Savior relationships. For information and reservations call the Michigan Conference Family Life Department at (517) 485-2226.

Michigan Academy Alumni Meeting will be held at Forest Lake Academy, Mar. 1, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a potluck dinner. For information please contact Elder Paul Howell, 5475 Eureka Springs Road, Tampa, Florida 33610; (813) 626-8760.

A Marriage Commitment Seminar will be conducted by Drs. John and Millie Youngberg, directors of Family Life International at Andrews University, Mar. 7-9, at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, MI. The emphasis will be on how to strengthen your marriage, and participants will leave with a deeper commitment to making their marriage the best it can be with God's help. Couples will also have the opportunity to renew their wedding vows. Since accommodation space for couples is limited at Camp Au Sable, please make your reservation now. Call the Michigan Family Life Dept. At (517) 485-2226.

WISCONSIN

Clear Lake Church invites all friends and former members to a centennial homecoming celebration July 4, 5. For information contact Clear Lake Adventist Church, 76 20th Ave., Clear Lake, WI, 54005; (715) 263-2470; e-mail: nbritain@win.bright.net

WORLD CHURCH

Highland View Academy 30th anniversary alumni weekend. Mark your calendar now! April 11-13. Golf tournament on Sunday the 13th. Classes to be honored include: '67, '72, '77, '87. Call Donna at (301) 739-8480, ext. 207 if you have any questions.

Attention! La Sierra Academy graduating class of 1947. Our 50th alumni reunion is coming up Apr. 26. We are searching for our fellow class members. Please contact us as soon as possible so we can notify you with the details. Contact Richard and Sybil Mautz, 559 Sunset Dr., Paradise, CA 95969; (916) 877-7221; fax (916) 877-2103.

San Gabriel Academy (CA) alumni and friends are invited to attend homecoming celebrations, Apr. 5, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the gymnasium. Classes to be honored include: '62, '67, '72, '77, '82, '87, and '92. Contact the academy office at (818) 292-1156 for further details.

ADVENTIST MEDIA CENTER SCHEDULES

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9

Faith For Today: "The Dark Side of the Apocalypse." On this *Lifestyle Magazine* we'll get an inside look at how apocalyptic cults work and why they draw people into their bizarre world. **It Is Written:** "Strength from a Lamb." Pastor Finley takes viewers inside the heart and mind of Claes and Soetgen through their last letters to show how we may acquire remarkable strength—from a Lamb. **Voice of Prophecy:** Sun: *To be announced.* Mon-Fri: "More than Just a P.S." Don't miss the wrap-up of this fascinating *Voice of Prophecy* journey!

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16

Faith For Today: "Ecological Responsibility." Actor Ed Begley Jr., shares his passion for a cleaner and greener earth. **It Is Written:** "Standing in a Circle." Thomas Cranmer, Nicholas Ridley and Hugh Latimer are honored today as the Oxford martyrs, the pioneers of the English Reformation. But Pastor Finley uncovers the untold story behind their heroic stand in 17th century England. **Voice of Prophecy:** Sun: *To be announced.* Mon-Fri: "When Does the Trumpet Blow?—1" "The trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable." But *what happens when?* Lonnie Melashenko takes listeners on a careful tour of the doctrine of the resurrection.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23

Faith For Today: "Living with Loss." Author Melodie Beattie shares how she initiated her own healing process and learned to rediscover her passion for life when it all seemed too hard to take after the sudden death of her 12-year-old son. **It Is Written:** "A Place to Stand." Pastor Finley tells the story of one little-known but courageous individual who was interrogated and imprisoned medieval city of Brugge. **Voice of Prophecy Sun:** *To be announced.* Mon-Fri, "When Does the Trumpet Blow?—2" Key doctrines are explored in Part 2 of this vital *Voice of Prophecy* series.

ADVENTIST COMMUNICATION NETWORK SCHEDULE

February 16, 7-9 p.m. ET: Lifestyle Live—Heartbeat '97! POSTPONED. The February 16 outreach uplink has been postponed until **May 18.** Harry Krueger, coordinator of Heartbeat '97! for the Adventist Health Network (AHN), says that the decision was made because of a computer programming problem and numerous requests from churches for more time to prepare for the program and blood draw. Since more than 300 churches have registered for this Lifestyle Live event already, ACN has complied with the Heartbeat! team to help assure a more successful outreach opportunity for all involved.

Registered churches with questions or concerns should contact Harry Krueger at (301) 831-9844. For emergencies, call (800) 809-2337 (PIN #39499).

Churches still wishing to participate in Heartbeat '97! can register by calling (800) 823-3237. Participant materials will be forwarded within two weeks.

March 5, 7:30-8:30 p.m., ET: First Wednesday. Galaxy 9, Channel 22.

March 8, 4-6 p.m., ET: Cross Training—Growing Churches. Galaxy 9, Channel 22.

Communication Workshop Videos Available. Nearly 170 churches registered to participate in the communication workshop "Building Bridges: How Communication Leaders Minister in

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Their Communities" uplinked on ACN last November. If your church missed the 2-hour training event, you can still benefit from the training about the role of communication leaders in the local church, how to write news releases, how to take great photos, and where to get image-building church signs. Order videotapes of this educational event from *AdventSource*. Call 800-ACN-1119, ext. 5. Cost: \$39.95 for promotional materials, a communication leader training book, a handout guide master, and the videotape.

NET '96 Videotapes Available. Videotapes of the NET '96 evangelism series "Discoveries in Prophecy" with Mark Finley, are now available from *Hart Research Center and Seminars Unlimited* in English, Spanish, and PAL versions. The cost \$149.95 plus shipping and handling (\$10). Cassettes are also available for \$79.95. Call *Hart* at 800-487-4278. Call *Seminars Unlimited* at 800-982-3344.

Youth who dare care?

What If You Were a Multibillionaire?

Did you hear what we just said?
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Not long ago, Ted Turner, CNN and Atlanta Braves owner, railed against his fellow billionaires. He called them funny names to encourage them to open up their pockets and to not fear falling off the *Forbes* business magazine rich list. He told them to give away one billion dollars each, thus moving down the *Forbes* richest people list equally together. Well, that didn't exactly happen, but among multi-billionaires, there are some spectacularly generous philanthropists such as Walter Annenberg. He has given nearly \$1 billion from 1991 to 1995. He is only worth 3.62 billion, so he has given away more than 27% of all that he owns. Wow!

I can't help but think of how you and I give or don't give of our means. Are we doing 10%, 15%, or 20%? Or are we like the people Ted Turner calls "ol' skinflints," (whatever that means)?

Here at the Center we just heard about an Adventist church that takes a text of scripture literally. The text says "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, prove me, and see if I will not open the windows of heaven and pour out blessings so that there isn't any room to receive them." The Colorado Springs church has placed a guarantee

Experience the Front Lines

It was the third day of the almost below zero January blizzard. The clock struck three on that frigid Saturday afternoon, the 11th. More than 40 Andrews University students clustered together inside the warm women's dorm lobby, but not to be sheltered from the cold. They were about to drive 15 miles down the slippery highway into the poorest town in Michigan, Benton Harbor.

Getting out of the vans into the snow-covered streets of Benton Harbor, youth and young adults weren't distracted by the inclement forecast. They had a mission to live Christ's love through a children's, health, and street ministry.

Sharleen and David went to Tina's house. She was leaving to go to work with her husband. But when she saw the two students shoveling snow out of her driveway, she told her husband to wait because "they are going to pray with us!" Sharleen had been there a week before and had given Tina a *Steps to Christ*. Now Tina was anxious to share with them her personal struggles. There, the two students gave 100% of their Christian love.

Mrs. Lipkins, on the other hand, didn't want to share her personal struggles; she wanted to share *Steps to Christ*. Carlos and Keri had given her one weeks before, and now she wanted more to give to her friends. The two students gave her more than 15 *Steps to Christ*, one of which Mrs. Lipkins gave to her Baptist pastor. The pastor preached on it the next Sunday!

I could go on telling you great stories about how young people have given of their time, talent and resources without hesitation. Isn't it exciting? Why do young people not worry about the cold? Because their inner fire for Jesus Christ is blazing out of them, making the blizzard in people's hearts turn into *sonshine*. That's awesome! Youth call it showtime!

That's right! Together with your elders, you are the ones who will show your world the ultimate power of salvation. Youth aren't planning to disappoint their God, they are planning to take the front lines!

Are you including yourself in this *cool* youth movement? Don't be left behind! Include yourself by sincerely asking God to transform you into a powerful soldier for Him. Then start giving your time, money and means to His cause, and see how He zaps down his fortunes on you.

William Hurtado



behind this text. After you faithfully give your tithe for a number of months, if you have not received a greater blessing, the church will give you back your money no questions asked. Wow! This is taking scripture at "its word!"

Think about how much you give. Not just your money, but also your time and talent. Let's take God's

Word literally, and He will bless us beyond our wildest imagination!

If you want more information about the Colorado Springs giving guarantee program, call Sam Miller at the Rocky Mountain Conference at (800) 254-9687. Also, call us anytime (800) youth-2-u for ideas on how you can join us in giving.

Ron Whitehead

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PROFILES OF YOUTH



John H. Keel

Alicen Zalabak

Alicen Ruth Zalabak, 18, a senior at Wisconsin Academy (WA), Columbus, WI, is "a kind and conscientious young lady," says Sue Rappette, WA administrative secretary. "You can always count on her to get the job done and get it done to the best of her ability."

In addition to reading, writing, and playing the piano, Alicen enjoys doing things for others such as playing with little kids and cheering up someone who is down. She is editor of the school newspaper, the *Wisconsinian*, and pastor of the senior class. Her excellent academics earned her membership in WA's National Honor Society chapter.

Born and raised in Marshfield, WI, Alicen is the daughter of Glenda Joch and Ralph Zalabak. She calls the Bethel Church, Arpin, WI, her home church. Alicen says, "Being away from home creates difficulties, but I know I can go to God with any problems and He'll listen. He's proven it time after time in my life. Seeing Him in the lives of others here at WA has made me want to get to know Him better."

Jason Swen Rosen, 18, a senior at Wisconsin Academy, is "a positive influence on campus," according to Sue Rappette. "His humble, caring attitude is evident in all that he does. He is a well-rounded person, not only excelling in his academic program, but participating in many other aspects of our school."

Jason enjoys drawing, playing the guitar, reading, computers, math, and doing puzzles. He finds mission trips and helping others extremely enjoyable. He says, "I think the event that had the most impact on my life was the Week of Prayer we had with the Great Lakes Academy students. I was so impressed by the students' genuine love for God. . . . Now I have daily devotions and take God and life more seriously."

A student body president that is respected by both his peers and teachers, Jason was voted the school's "Good Citizen" by both the staff and his fellow classmates and will represent WA in the "Good Citizen" scholarship competition sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution. He is also a member of the National Honor Society.

A member of the Clear Lake (WI) Church, Jason is the son of Dwight and Linda Rosen of Clear Lake. He would like to become an architect or engineer one day.



Jason Rosen

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