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"Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One. I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades."

Revelation 1:17, 18 NIV

The Challenge of Communication

Editor's Note: For the next few months, Elder Joel Tompkins has decided to share his editorial space with the Mid-America Union departmental directors so they can communicate to our readers the most important issues involving their departments in the operation of the church.

When we really analyze it, the whole great controversy between Christ and Satan, the conflict that directly affects the lives of nearly five billion people living on planet earth today, revolves around good and bad communication.

Lucifer began to misrepresent God's love by stirring up jealousy among the angels, accusing God of being unfair to him by honoring Christ above himself. Once he and his followers were cast out of heaven, they came to earth and led our first parents into sin by deception.

Ellen White said he led men to look upon God as a "severe judge, a harsh, exacting creditor." (See *Happiness Digest*, page 2.)

And that is why God sent Jesus to earth, to reveal His infinite love and mercy. Jesus was God's ultimate communication to us and to all beings in the universe. In the first few verses of Hebrews we read, "In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son." (verses 1, 2)

The whole purpose of the church, in fact, is to proclaim Christ to the world but it is an enormous challenge as we approach the last decade of the 20th century. Over half the world has never even heard of Jesus, and even those who have seem to know very little about who He really is and that He is coming again to judge the world.

When we talk about the Seventh-day Adventist Church in particular, it is surpris-

ing that so many know so little about us. Recent polls commissioned by the General Conference reveal that over half the people in North America have never heard of us and the half that has know only that we go to church on Saturday or perhaps are vegetarians.

We may pride ourselves in the fact that we are the most widely dispersed Protestant body, officially operating in over 180 countries, but the majority of people in these countries don't know us.

The recent film, "A Cry in the Dark" about the Lindy Chamberlain case in Australia, underscores this fact. The media in Australia totally misrepresented the characters of the Chamberlains and the name of the church, playing to a scandal-hungry public who knew so little about Seventh-day Adventists that they identified us with a cult like Jim Jones and his followers who perished by drinking poisoned Kool-Aid in the jungle of Guyana a few years ago.

After the Chamberlains' exoneration by the Northern Territory Court of Criminal Appeal, South Pacific Division Communication Director Ray Coombe said, "The Chamberlain case illustrated forcibly that the majority of people knew very little or, worse, possessed many false images and confused ideas about Seventh-day Adventists. Hence, they were prepared to accept—even reinforce such bizarre notions as human sacrifices and secret cultic rites. We need much more to remove such prejudices and misunderstandings." (*Record*, October 8, 1988, page 7).

Pastor Coombe is right. After years and years of media programs, magazines and hospitals, people still don't know us. It's time, under the Lord's guidance, to research and plan more effective communication strategies for reaching the people with the distinctive message of Adventism.

It is perhaps our church's greatest challenge today.

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Outlook On The Cover

February: Kathy Joy Erickson of Cleveland, North Dakota photographed this gravestone and frosty fence in her home state using the framing technique of composition. Kathy uses simple equipment but has a natural eye for composition which is a photographer's most important asset.



Pacific Press Book Chapter

Opening Day

BY DAVID B. SMITH

Opening Day. What a beautiful ring that has to it!

I don't really start looking forward to the new baseball season with real anticipation until about the first of February. By the time I've watched or listened to 162 regular-season games, plus playoffs and the World Series in October, I'm ready for a few months off. So is my wife Lisa, who currently serves as vice president of the Los Angeles chapter of Baseball Widows Anonymous.

I'm sure the players approach the opening of the season with a sense of anticipation as well. Think of it. Every player begins the year from the starting point. Each hitter starts the season with a clean slate. Every pitcher in the league steps onto the mound with no earned runs against him. All twenty-six teams begin the season with identical records and no deficits in the "games behind" column.

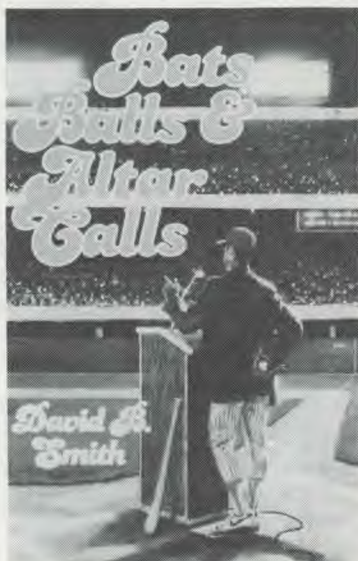
What an opportunity! Batters will sometimes create a little suspense by getting several hits to begin the year. Couple that early hitting streak with a few walks and sacrifice bunts, and a lucky player may still be at the perfect 1.000 mark after several games have gone by. By the same token, a good pitcher may go three or four games without giving up an earned run. One month into the campaign, he may still be sporting an unblemished 0.00 ERA.

Sooner or later, however, every player falls from grace. All it takes is one out, and the 1.000 average is gone forever. No hitting streak in the world can restore it to its original state of perfection. And all a pitcher needs is one earned run charged to his account to make the perfect zero ERA forever a thing of the past. It's just like a 4.0 GPA; one B and it's over.

I'm sure many batters and pitchers, at some point in the season, wish they could have a fresh start. A hitter struggling through a protracted slump might welcome the opportunity to begin anew rather than struggle to inch the suffering average up for the remainder of the season.

And the same is true of the team as a

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whole. So many lofty goals and spring-training fantasies inevitably bite the dust. Only four teams can be in first place in their respective divisions. The others either plot comeback strategies or announce to the press that they are in a "rebuilding phase."

I imagine those twenty-two clubs would probably be relieved if the baseball commissioner were to unexpectedly announce: "Listen, we got off to a bad start. The season just isn't going like we hoped it would. Effective July 1, we're beginning again. All teams right back at the starting gate with a 0-0 mark."

Wiping the slate clear. Opening day. Forgiveness. A new beginning.

Baseball is a lot like life. Humanity craves a new beginning too!

Have you ever gotten yourself into a mess so overwhelming that you simply couldn't see a way to get through it? Have you ever made a series of blunders or misjudgments so horrible, and with such awful impact, that you couldn't bear to think of the possible outcome?

What a temptation it is to cry out at that moment for a new beginning! "If I could only start over," you plead. "Let me backtrack to the beginning of this nightmare and take a new direction. Give me a clean slate."

It's at moments like these that the forgiving power of the gospel really is good news! Forgiveness is yours for the asking!

The worst stains of sin can be instantly blotted out.

It doesn't matter how deep your involvement. It doesn't matter how bad the crime. Even the longest, vilest string of violations can be instantly wiped away.

At the lowest possible moment of your "batting slump," you can look up and ask for a clean slate, a new start. God can grant the worst hitter in the league an opportunity to begin again, with no outs recorded on the scoresheet.

Yes, time and again, those precious words in 1 John 1:9 have given millions courage to go on with life: God "is faithful and just to forgive us our sins."

This doesn't mean God can instantly erase all the painful results of sin. We live in a universe governed by natural laws, and God can't negate them in order to cover up our mistakes. When the alcoholic cries out for forgiveness in his drunken stupor, God gladly forgives, but He doesn't usually take away the hangover. Long and difficult months of healing may still lie ahead.

A would-be burglar confesses his sinful state to God while being driven to the police station after an armed robbery. In the courts of heaven the slate is wiped clean. Down at the local precinct it's another matter. A price remains to be paid.

If you ask God for a new beginning after years of infidelity and adultery, He will gladly forgive you, but your road to marital recovery may be an arduous path of counseling and hard work.

The promise of a new season doesn't carry with it a guarantee that the pitches will be any easier. It simply implies right standing with the Father. A new scoresheet. No more, no less.

And yet, along with the new start comes the promise of power. God's power. Philippians 4:30 contains our guarantee: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Help is available to right the wrongs. Divine assurance stands ready to repair the damage done, to mend broken hearts.

"My strength is sufficient for you," God assures us. He provides it all—the new start, and the power to make the new start work.

Do you need a new start? Ask for it. Today could be opening day for you. ★

*"And I think God must be an L.E. at heart.
He has blessed the publishing work right
from the start.
He gave us books, tracts and papers and the
Spirit to be our friend,
and promised to take us home when He
comes again."*

Thirty-six-year-old Des Moines cab driver Frank Lester sat in the Ankeny, Iowa church during a literature evangelists' rally several months ago, and as he listened to Patty Lesofski sing the chorus of "God Must Be an L.E. at Heart" something strange began to happen.

"I saw the face of everyone who had ever encouraged me to become a literature evangelist during the last six years," Lester told Mid-America Union literature evangelists gathered for their annual convention in the Grand Island Holiday Inn on Interstate 80 December 28-31.

By this time, Lester himself had decided to become one. His brother, Rich, in fact, was an L.E. at the time of the Ankeny meeting. Frank had led Rich into the Adventist church and now it was Rich's turn to help convince Frank to become an L.E. It may not have happened, however, without Patty Lesofski's heartmelting vocal.

Patty, wife of Iowa-Missouri literature evangelist Ben Lesofski, sang the song written by Rocky Mountain Conference publishing assistant John Creelman which has become the theme song of L.E.'s throughout the Mid-America Union.

Creelman's inspiration for the song came from his own experience as an L.E. and from reading Ellen White's book, *Colporteur Ministry*. He told the L.E.'s in Grand Island that it had cost him a lot of money personally to have the music printed and hire studio musicians to record it.

But then he smiled at Frank and Rich Lester after hearing their story and said,

Providential Leading Proves God Must Be An L.E. At Heart

BY JAMES L. FLY



Frank Lester (third from the left) was convinced he should become a literature evangelist when he heard Patty Lesofski (back row) sing John Creelman's song, "God Must Be an L.E. at Heart," during a publishing rally in Ankeny, Iowa. Creelman (far right), assistant publishing leader in the Rocky Mountain Conference, wrote the song to recruit and encourage literature evangelists. Frank Lester's brother Rich (far left) was an L.E. before Frank became one.

"Frank and Rich, it's all been paid for today."

Creelman said he wrote the song to recruit new literature evangelists and encourage experienced ones. It has surely served its purpose.

Frank and Rich believe one of their brothers, Cliff, will soon join them in the book ministry.

The experience of the Lester brothers was just one of many fascinating, true stories told by the L.E.'s at the conference, stories that everyone was calling "providential leadings."

One Rocky Mountain Conference literature evangelist, Dan Moen, was discouraged when he found out he had gone to the wrong address of a referral. But when he met the pretty, pleasant young woman who came to the door of her parents' home in Loveland, he brightened up. Although Lorraine Sena came from a Catholic background, she had bought some Adventist books before and was interested in more. She also wanted to study the Bible, and Dan was only too willing to help her. A deep friendship developed as they studied the Bible together and they had their first date at the Adventist Book Center! Lorraine was baptized six months after they met and



Literature evangelist Dan Moen went to the wrong address in Loveland, Colorado but found the right girl, Lorraine Sena, to be his wife. Their first date was at the Adventist Book Center.



Bob Mastera of Lincoln, Nebraska was nearly speechless as he accepted the Joe Hunt Award during the Saturday night banquet. Standing beside him is his proud wife, Deb. Don Phelps of Des Moines, Iowa, was the co-recipient of the award, the highest recognition that a literature evangelist can receive in the Mid-America Union.

six months later Dan and Lorraine were married.

If God's an L.E. at heart, He's also a matchmaker . . .

Since the L.E.'s main thrust is selling Spirit of Prophecy books, the publishing department of the Mid-America Union

invited Elder Paul Gordon from the E.G. White Estate as the convention's special guest to help the L.E.'s understand the history and purpose of the writings.

He told the L.E.'s that her writings can be divided into two distinct categories—the testimonies for the church which are

especially for Adventists and the other books which are for everyone. In both cases, he said, "Ellen White's role was to call attention to the principles of God's Word . . . When God gives us messages of rebuke, He always gives us hope."

During 1988, the L.E.'s read *The Desire of Ages* and studied a course especially designed for the book by a teacher. Those L.E.'s completing the course received a free Bible. In 1989 they will study *The Great Controversy*.

"Nothing will keep us going like reading the books we sell," Art Page, the "grandfather" of publishing in the Mid-America Union told the L.E.'s. Hope and enthusiasm like Art generates are two things you will always find when a group of literature evangelists get together, and their annual convention is the high point of the year for them. The Saturday night banquet honors literature evangelists in various categories and encourages the others to work harder during the coming year.

Harold Widmayer, a longtime L.E. in the Rocky Mountain Conference, took top soulwinning honors with ten baptisms to his credit for the year. Not far behind him at six baptisms was Eva Dunkin who recently moved to Pueblo, Colorado from California. I had sat beside Eva Dunkin during the Friday morning meeting and she impressed me with her dedication and lovely personality.

"I like to sell the Conflict series books most. They're the ones that really win souls," she told me with a Spanish accent.

Songwriter John Creelman's district took overall soulwinning honors and not surprisingly, the Rocky Mountain Conference topped all other conferences in soulwinning at 35 baptisms.

But when it came to highest sales, the Rocky Mountain Conference had to take a back seat to the Kansas-Nebraska and Iowa-Missouri conferences. Larry Green of Wichita, Kansas, and Lyle Wooten of Desoto, Kansas, were number one and number two respectively in individual sales and Joe McWilliams' district was number one at \$153,000. But when it came to overall sales, the Iowa-Missouri Conference came on top with almost \$400,000 of sales in 1988.

The Joe Hunt Award, the highest honor a literature evangelist in Mid-America can receive, was conferred upon Bob Mastera of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Don Phelps of Des Moines, Iowa.

In his typically low-key and humble manner, Bob Mastera said he didn't consider himself worthy of the award which is given in memory of Joe Hunt, former associate publishing director for the General Conference, killed in a tragic car accident several years ago.

But his fellow literature evangelists saw it, as they seem to see everything else in the special door-to-door ministry, as just another providential leading. ★



Three generations from one family met at Breezy Point Resort for "A Time of Refreshing." Left to right: Rita Kiley is from Lincoln, Nebraska; Tammy Christensen is from Pipestone, Minnesota; and Lou Anne Staeheli is from Mahtomedi, Minnesota.

Minnesota Women Meet For A Time Of Refreshing

BY BARBARA HUFF

Would the women really come? The need seemed to be there; many women had asked for a retreat. But would the nurturers really leave their homes and responsibilities the weekend before Thanksgiving and indulge themselves in a time just for themselves?

The retreat planning committee hoped for at least 150 women when they rented the facilities at Breezy Point Resort located in the center of Minnesota. They knew that the first retreat had to be nearly spectacular or the women would never come back a second year. June Strong, popular Adventist author, agreed to come and

speak. A contact woman was chosen in each church and promotional information was mailed to these women even before plans were firm. When the facility, speaker and date were finalized, applications and posters were mailed to the contact women and then the committee members held their breath and waited. When the first three applications arrived, the rejoicing began. Then a few more came and soon there were 20. When 100 applications were in hand a month before the retreat, speculations began. Some guessed there would be 200; one optimistic husband said there would be 300. Meanwhile the details for the breakaway sessions (mini-seminars) were finalizing. Then came the deluge of applications. The day before the cutoff date, 50 made their way to the desk of Darlene

Rouse, registration coordinator. The week before the retreat, Breezy Point was notified that they would need beds for 359 women and chairperson, Shirley Karls, of Plymouth, had set a date for the committee to meet to begin planning the 1989 women's retreat!

Even before June Strong spoke on Friday night, happy attenders were thanking the committee members for providing "A Time of Refreshing." Shortly after the first meeting began, beautiful, pure snow fell, covering the resort with a snug blanket which seemed to symbolize the safe sanctuary into which the women had entered.

Was there something for everyone at the retreat? It was already proven that June Strong appealed to all age groups. In

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June Strong spoke for the Minnesota Conference women's retreat held November 18-20 at Breezy Point Resort.

planning the breakaway sessions, the committee scrutinized the offerings to see if there was something of interest for various age/status situations and evidently they were on target. Young women with children and old women with canes attended. In one family, three generations were represented. Rita Kiley from Lincoln, Nebraska flew in for the retreat and joined her daughter, Lou Anne Staeheli of Mahtomedi, and her granddaughter, Tammy Christensen, of Pipestone. In the aerobics class as well as in the class on hospitality, one could see both gray heads and tousled curly heads. In all, there were ten different hour-and-a-half seminars to



"TLC For Me" was the name of a breakaway session which explained and taught aerobic exercise.

choose from which were in addition to the four main presentations by June Strong and one talk by Dr. Lilya Wagner of Union College. A flute concert by Dr. Wagner and a marimba concert by Myrna Cleveland of Hutchinson also graced the retreat.

Evelyn Glass from Red Lake Falls, Minnesota, was the prayer band coordinator and she had chosen 26 women to lead the bands on Friday night and Sabbath and Sunday mornings. Evaluating the retreat, some of the attendees said the prayer bands highlighted the weekend for them.

Another feature of the retreat, which was included in the package price, was the service of two trained counselors and over 30 women were able to take advantage of a private session with one of these professionals.

Nancy Learned, who served on the planning committee, and Angie Froemming, both from the Minnetonka church, sold an assortment of books for the Adventist Book Center. Carolyn Kozik, who lives in Brainerd, was the site coordinator, and among other responsibilities, arranged for an instructor from the Brainerd Technical Institute to conduct a seminar on holiday crafts.

With this variety in the program, women were attracted to, and came for various reasons. One young woman said, "I wanted to come and be spiritually refreshed with my sisters. I'm isolated with small children. It feels good to be in the 'midst' of the congregation."

Another said that at first she planned on coming because she didn't want to miss out and she was afraid that she might be stuck at home with everyone else's kids! One woman came because someone else had

paid her way. The person who traveled the farthest was Maralee Brelage from Oregon who came to attend with her sister, Myrna Bowie, of Dodge Center. At least two women came from Canada and one woman from Wisconsin came with six members of her prayer group.

Commitments and recommitments to Christ were made during the weekend which was described as being very spiritual. Reunions with old friends were evident in the hugs and smiles which were freely distributed. And, new friends were made. One woman, when told with whom she would be rooming said, "Oh, good, I get to meet two new people."

After June Strong's message on Sabbath morning, one young woman was heard to say, "I was thoroughly blessed, and I didn't have to get up once to take a child potty!" Several women who were asked what they liked best about the retreat said, "everything," and what they liked least said, "nothing." Others mentioned that a highlight for them was singing together under the sparkly leadership of the music coordinator, Barbara Eno, from LeCenter.

Was home and family really forgotten for 48 hours? Not on your life! Many of the breakaway sessions taught women how they could be more effective homemakers and mothers. Ever the nurturers, several women suggested holding a men's retreat so that the men in their lives could be similarly blessed. No, the men were not forgotten. In fact, when the owner of a Brainerd clothing store was introducing his program on scarf tying, one woman perked up and said, "Finally a man!"

Yes, the women did come. They came cheerfully and thankfully to receive a blessing. They came for the fellowship and for fun. And they went home refreshed. ★



Prayer bands were held three times during the retreat and were considered by many to be the highlight of "A Time of Refreshing."

Goodland, Kansas is just about as far west as one can go in the Sunflower State without crossing over into Colorado. Located off Interstate 70, Goodland is a strategic stopover location for fuel, food and resting between metropolitan cities like Kansas City and Denver.

In a three-week period during the latter part of September, however, the 33-member congregation in Goodland, with the assistance of some 60 volunteers from Maranatha Flights International (MFI), generated enough enthusiasm while staging an "old fashioned barn raising" to rival the more notable celebrations in the "bigger" cities.

Unfamiliar with Goodland, I knew the new church was to be erected at 12th and Cattletrail. Driving into a Conoco service station, I asked the attendant for directions. I soon found out that the new Seventh-day



The new Goodland, Kansas church was raised in a little less than three weeks with the help of Maranatha Flights International volunteers.

New Church Brings Renewed Enthusiasm to Goodland, Kansas

BY JOHN TREOLO

Adventist Church in Goodland was the talk of the town.

"You going to that new church?" the

attendant asked matter-of-factly. When I responded yes, he beamed and said, "That's really going up quick."



Four-year-old "Little Charles," the youngest volunteer, helped wherever he was needed.

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Quick would be an understatement. According to Pastor Mike Kissner, the

5,130-square-foot structure, complete with sanctuary seating for 60, with an additional overflow capacity for 30 more, plus Sabbath School rooms, mother's room, kitchen and a classroom and a future school, was raised in a little less than three weeks.

The dream of a new worship center began long before that. Located in a residential area, the former church building was moved there from Bird City, some 40 miles northeast of Goodland, in 1948. The new church will intersect a major thoroughfare through the city, giving the Adventists a more notable presence.

"The size and condition of the present facility is inadequate to allow for all the functions a church performs besides its worship services," Kissner noted. "Our members are quite excited about the future possibilities for growth."

It was several deceased members who foresaw the need for a new church and that potential for growth which resulted in turning the dream into a reality. The estates of Margaret Anderson and Ed DeFries are providing roughly 98 percent of the estimated \$170,000 construction cost.

Kissner is quick to point out that without volunteer assistance from Maranatha Flights International, the costs would have soared even higher.

"It's been a blessing to our members to have Maranatha assist us," he said. "With the building going up so fast, the question



An MFI volunteer shoots a remembrance of the Goodland, Kansas project.

of quality comes to the mind of many. But the motivation of the volunteers with the coordination and supervision of the professional builders assures quality."

Charles Henkleman from Lincoln, Nebraska served as the on-site project coordinator.

Arriving at a Maranatha project site is like attending an RV convention. Most of them travel by motor home, setting up in an area adjacent to the building site which quickly resembles a KOA campground. Touring through their home-away-from-home temporary quarters provides a cross-section of the unique following Maranatha has throughout the United States.

I spotted license plates from California, Texas, North and South Dakota, Georgia, Washington, Colorado, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois, North Carolina and, of course, Kansas.

Those who travel by car or other means, stay in church members' homes. The majority are not professional builders; many are retired pastors, teachers and doctors. Believing that all Maranatha volunteers are created equally, a number of

women were also on hand, hammering nails and wiring just like their male-counterparts.

Many come for the fellowship and the satisfaction of knowing they're doing the Lord's work by helping to erect edifices in His name.

Age is also no barrier to Maranatha volunteers. The oldest worker on the Goodland site was 92; the youngest a lad of four, sporting a miniature carpenter's apron and lending "support" wherever his services were needed.

As I interviewed Charles Leyland, known to his co-workers as "Little Charles," he told me he came from Cleburne, Texas. Little Charles expressed the same volunteerism spirit that others on the site spoke about.

When asked what type of work he was involved in, he grinned and said, "I've been doing work out here and doing stuff out here. It's fine work."

Humility may not be one of Little Charles' finer assets.

For Avery Dick, 73, a retired pastor-teacher from Loveland, Colorado, serving

with Maranatha has been a major part of his routine the past 10 years. He counts the Goodland project as number 21. Dick readily admits, however, that he's not a carpenter.

"I do miscellaneous work. I'm not a builder. I'm a helper," he acknowledges. "These projects give me a chance to do something in the Lord's work. Maranatha is a fantastic fellowship."

Walking through the soon-to-be-completed sanctuary, with the buzzing of saws and hammering of nails, I spotted Dorothy Carver assisting with wiring the building. A resident of Alvarado, Texas, she's retired but hasn't sought to take life easier. She's worked on six projects in the last year—two in Mexico and several on the East Coast.

"It's a way of working for the Lord. I enjoy doing it so much," she shouts over the construction noise. "I want to do something for the Lord and I enjoy working with my hands."

Two separate groups of students from Platte Valley Academy traveled from Nebraska to work on the project, some spending their home-leave schedule to help build the church.

Locally, Harold Carlson, a member of the nearby Garden City church, lent support and received a personal boost by working for others.

"This is my first Maranatha project," Carlson admitted. "It's meant a lot to me. There's such a nice spirit. It's beautiful."

Local hospital administrator, Rick Ketchem, took three weeks off work to serve on the construction project. When he's in town, Goodland serves as his home church. Covered with dust from head to toe, Ketchem says he's been serving as the mud mixer for the brick layers.

"This is fantastic. Meeting all these people that I can now call friends, it's just hard to explain," Ketchem smiles. "I think it's just a real inspiration to see these folks come from all over the country to help little old Goodland."

For Goodland, life may never be the same again. Kissner says that nearly everyone in town is asking about the new church that went up in a span of three weeks.

"It's obvious the community is aware of the church. We've had many who have driven by and they've mentioned that they are amazed at the progress that is taking place."

With the interest generated, Kissner has already held evangelistic meetings at the newly-completed church. Four have responded positively to joining the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Goodland.

It seems the old adage rings true again; many hands do, indeed, make light work. Volunteers with Maranatha Flights International can rest assured the fruits of their "light work" will live on for sometime in Goodland, Kansas. ★

It seemed that the smiling young man with the soft Virginia accent was looking directly at me as he began his sermon. So were the handful of members in the rural Iowa church which I was visiting. But before the Sabbath was over, I was the one who had heard and seen things that set me to thinking for a long time.

I was discovering that Mick Mallory spends his weekends very differently than most college students. He pastors three small churches in western Iowa, spending from Friday evening to Sunday in his district. He then returns to Union College to be a full-time student during the week.



Mick Mallory, Union College senior, preaches at Harlan, one of the three Iowa churches he pastors.

I first met Mick in November and was immediately impressed with his enthusiasm and excitement. He loves his work, and it shows. When I asked if I could spend a Sabbath with him and visit "his" churches, he readily agreed.

As we drove together through the rolling countryside, past cornfields and small farms, Mick told me about his work in the district. He preaches at all three churches each weekend. From Harlan, 50 miles northeast of Council Bluffs, he goes about 50 miles northwest to Ute. Then to Onawa, back near the Nebraska state line, for an afternoon service. Mick told me he drives an average of 330 miles a weekend.

Bruce Forbes directs media productions at Union College.



Student Pastor Keeps Faith In Iowa

BY BRUCE FORBES

Many of the church members are elderly. Young people often leave for education or jobs, and never return to the small towns and rural churches. Congregations that once were quite large have slowly dwindled over the years, as have many of the small farming communities. Charles Sawanson, an Adventist for 81 years and currently a member of the Harlan church, told me of a time when the Ute church had 80 members.

It has been about four years since this area has had a full-time pastor. Last year Bob Alarcon, now working in the Atlantic district of the Iowa-Missouri Conference, pastored these churches while he was a student at Union College, and other student pastors have worked here over the years.

The Iowa/Missouri Conference provides an apartment in Harlan, a travel allowance, and a small stipend for the student pastors.

Mick is not the only Union College student preaching on Sabbaths. There are currently five junior theology students involved in the church leadership class. According to Elder Sieg Roeske, who coordinates the program, each student is assigned a church in the area for the school year. They work with the pastor and church elders, preach often, conduct communions, funerals, Sabbath Schools, and board meetings. Some work in their churches for more than a year. In past years, Union has sent out as many as 28 student pastors.



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at each of his churches, and others in members' homes who cannot meet with the church family.

The first church we visited was Harlan. Church began at nine, and Sabbath School followed. Announcements were sort of a church update and planning session, with

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the pastor and church members sharing news. This Sabbath they planned a Christmas celebration for the following week. Members volunteered their talents to sing, play or give readings.

Mick typically preaches without notes, and not necessarily the same sermon in each church. He speaks directly to individual members, even asking questions during the sermon. It's evident that he knows and

Left: The three members present at the Onawa church join Mick in singing a Christmas carol.

enjoys his church members very much.

We left Harlan right after the church service and drove to Ute. Sabbath School was in progress when we arrived. After the service we ate lunch, then stopped to visit Mrs. Clemon, a long-time member of the Ute church who, because of cancer, is

confined to her bed. After a brief visit and prayer, we were on to Onawa.

As we drove, Mick told me that the members are very patient in helping him learn the working of the church. "If there's something that needs caring for in a particular church, I usually work directly with a member in that church. There is very little in the way of formal administration," he said with a laugh.

In Onawa the members meet in a small side room of the church building since the larger main sanctuary is too hard to heat in the winter. Their Sabbath School begins at one in the afternoon and we arrived about two for the church service. In attendance were Zela Christensen, LaVerda Petersen, and Jean Pierce. Announcements included an ingathering report in which two of the members reported great success and plans for completing the task. Mick spoke about growth in the Christian life, God's ideal for our lives, and how we are each at different places in our experience. He also talked about abiding in Christ, His promise to complete the work He began in us, and God's patience with us as our experience grows. "With the call of Christianity, God also gives us the power to overcome, and the promise of peace and rest in Him," he said, holding up his Bible.

As I write this, I can still see Mick's beaming face, speaking to each member of the congregation, speaking directly to me, speaking as though the entire church, an entire hall, were filled to overflowing. Something very special is going on in these churches, something that has been lost in many larger churches, something that we need to cherish and preserve. I saw it in their faces, in their eyes. I saw it in Mick's face when he was speaking. God is present, with many or few, old or young, wherever we gather and seek Him, wherever we keep the faith. ★



Church members and visitors at the Ute, Iowa church with Mick Mallory, student pastor from Union College.

Elder William Wampler, Iowa-Missouri Conference president, has worked with several Union College student pastors in the past four years. He sees the program as an ideal opportunity for students to gain experience while working in the churches, as well as an assistance to the conference. Many Union theology graduates are now working as pastors in the Iowa-Missouri Conference.

These small churches are very different from the church that Mick was accustomed to back east. Here, he offers the prayers, leads songs, passes the offering plate, makes announcements—in essence, conducts the whole service. On communion Sabbath he sometimes has as many as six services; one



Customers have a wide selection to choose from in clothing and household goods.

The Sharing Tree: A Venture in Community Service

BY DEENA BARTEL-WAGNER

The poor and new-poor are in every community across the United States. It can't be denied and it can't be ignored. The needy existed in Christ's time and they exist today. Christ spoke about this group of people when He said, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat . . . I needed clothes and you clothed me . . ." (Matthew 25:34-36 NIV).

The Seventh-day Adventist Churches in the Scottsbluff, Nebraska area are addressing the needs of the poor and new-poor. In 1986 a group of members of the church realized that the local economy was changing. Both agriculture and industry had suffered greatly. Many people who had never been poor found themselves out of

Deena Bartel-Wagner is a pastor's wife who operates her own public relations business called "Image Crafters" in Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

work. These new-poor had never asked for free help from anyone and found it difficult to do so and maintain their self-esteem.

In visiting with other local community service organizations, the Scottsbluff members determined that the needs of many of the poor and new-poor could best be met by providing needed items such as clothing, bedding, and furniture at a very low cost. This would enable many of the new-poor to obtain the items they needed and still maintain their self-esteem.

As ideas fell in place Ron Torske, a local layman and Pastor Gary Wagner, Scottsbluff district pastor, began to make plans for a center which would provide for people's needs. Not knowing what the response would be, the plans were modest and as economical as possible. In the past there had been a Community Service Center in Scottsbluff, but problems of finances and space kept the center from being a long-term success. During its tenure, the center filled a real need in the community, providing clothing and bedding

The Christmas Sharing Tree at Monument Mall is a project which allows people in the community to donate special gifts for needy children each year.

to people. After the center closed, the only organized community service work of the local church in the area was done from the church basement once a month. Disaster relief was also performed on an as-needed basis.

The Good Neighbor Center opened in February, 1986 in the basement of Valley View School, the local Adventist elementary school. It was staffed by volunteers from the Scottsbluff English and Spanish, Minatare and Bridgeport churches. The students were also included in staffing the store as a part of their work-study program.

It soon became apparent that the center needed more room to grow. Donations of clothing and household goods quickly exceeded the available space. The center





and purpose, and that all sharing and love is possible because of the sharing Christ did with us on the cross.

Other changes which came with the move included hiring Roxy Schmidt as full-

Mall. They would in turn be given an ornament to hang on the tree indicating they had made a donation. Names of children who needed these items were obtained from local community service



The Sharing Tree logo includes a cross to indicate Christ's sharing with us on the cross at Calvary.

time paid manager and maintaining longer business hours. A food pantry was established with goods available for referrals from other organizations.

At the same time, The Sharing Tree Committee determined that in order for expenses to be met for the operation of the center, a consistent pricing system needed to be established. The money received from the sale of the items in the center would be used for such things as utilities, rent and community service projects. They decided no clothing item would be priced over \$2.00. Most household items would be kept within this guideline also.

As the months passed, The Sharing Tree impressed community leaders. The church members heard favorable comments about it during the annual business Ingathering time. The media also covered several activities of The Sharing Tree.

As Christmas 1986 approached, plans were developed for a special Christmas project that was to be located in the Monument Mall in Scottsbluff. The Mall was receptive to helping needy children in the area and was open to ideas of how this could be done most effectively.

The project sponsored by the center that first year was called simply, "The Sharing Tree." The community was encouraged to purchase mittens, socks, caps or other winter wear for children. They were to bring the items to official drop sites in the

organizations. Just before Christmas a distribution was held at the Mall. The first-year donations were received to help approximately 70 children. This annual project has continued to be a success. During the 1988 Christmas season, donations had grown to enable over 100 children to receive a gift.

As with any project, periodic reassessment is needed to make sure that the intended goals are being reached. In addition, because The Sharing Tree must be self-supporting, the financial portion of the operation must be monitored regularly.

In August 1988, four volunteers started administering the center. Joyce Thomas, Lupe Escamilla, LaDonna Dunham, and Dorothy Sorensen coordinate the volunteer schedule to staff the store during all business hours. There are 20 volunteers who keep the doors of The Sharing Tree open Monday through Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The church has done much to fulfill its mission of evangelism and community service. As the world changes, new methods are needed to reach broader portions of the public and to enable us to accomplish our tasks. The laypeople of the Scottsbluff churches have struggled to find an alternative course to serve those in need around them. This experiment is a successful venture and holds much promise for the future. ★

was becoming well-known among the other community service agencies and referrals were frequent. So, a committee was established to make plans for expansion.

As new plans were considered, one question persisted among the members of the committee and of the churches. "Should Adventists sell clothes?" Traditionally this has not been the practice of our community service centers. The Dorcas committee, church board and business meetings of the Scottsbluff church wrestled with this and decided to continue doing it. The Kansas-Nebraska Conference approved the proposed plan as an experiment in innovative approaches to community service.

In early summer, 1987, the Good Neighbor Center moved to a new location just one block off the main street in downtown Scottsbluff. With the move came a name change for the center. It was renamed "The Sharing Tree." The logo includes a cross for the "T" in Tree to denote that the center is Christian in nature



Alert To Children's Needs

BY RUTH CUNNINGHAM

"Just walk with your boys and talk with your girls, and live with them all day long. Make life a sweet thing; let times fleeting wing brighten their day with a song."

How wonderful it would be if it was that easy, but we know it isn't. The Belview Home and School committee at Springfield, Missouri is aware of the dangers for our youth in this world, and they are bringing good informative programs for parents. At the September meeting, Officer Bruce Waterman of the Springfield Police Department Crime Prevention, was invited to present the program. Officer Waterman is very active in Drug Prevention, Neighborhood Watch, and the Crime Stoppers programs. He has a display of drug paraphernalia which he discussed and described. He warned the parents and explained how addicts work to influence youth and children to say "yes" to drugs, instead of "no" as they are taught. The film he showed the parents, "Dealing with Drug Abuse—A Family Affair," was excellent; and the question and answer session was a good, informative way to close the program.



Officer Bruce A. Waterman with display of drug paraphernalia.

For the December Home and School meeting, the Committee invited Kate Baldi from the Division of Family Services to present a program on child abuse in

its many forms, and how to be alert to it. She pointed out how very difficult it can be to verify and prove child abuse situations. One main reason is the child is fearful of the abuse being repeated if they report or admit the abuse exists. If a child has bruises or burns, that may not be adequate proof of abuse; but that with other signs and conditions may reveal more. Conditions such as shyness, no friends, nervousness, negative behavior, possible aggressiveness, continuing to deny abuse, should warrant investigation with a follow up as permitted by law.

Consider the abuser. He (or she) may have been abused as a child. May be socially isolated. May be a young mother with a large family. May be insecure or overworked. There may be illness or financial problems. The father may be an alcoholic and may be cruel with the children. If these situations are known to exist, and the children show evidence of abuse, the authorities should be alerted, for they are ready to assist any social worker as needed. Mrs. Baldi encouraged families to be interested in the Foster Children Program, a great help and protection for abused children.

A question and answer session followed in which many participated. Mrs. Baldi, with 15 years experience, had wonderful command of knowledge in the field of child abuse in every form. It was a profitable, informative program for interested parents.

Ruth Cunningham, communication secretary, Springfield church.

Oak Park Center

BY W. D. WAMPLER

Nevada, Iowa has played a prominent part in the Iowa Conference history for many years.

On October 15, 1876 R. M. Kilgore organized the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Nevada with a charter membership of 15. Prior to this some Adventists, who had looked for the Lord to come in 1844 and had welcomed Moses Hull when he held tent

meetings in 1858, had formed a company of Seventh-day Adventists then.

The Adventist presence in Nevada was enhanced when the Iowa Sanitarium was located there from 1909 to 1943. When destroyed by fire January 3, 1943, it was not rebuilt.

Oak Park Academy was operated at Nevada from 1911 to 1980 and then closed. This seemed like a heavy blow and the end of an era.

Although there are not constant activities on the campus the facilities are being utilized for a number of events. These have included Lay Training Seminars, Marriage Encounter, Minister's Meetings, Cress Seminars for pastoral couples, Mini-Camp Meeting, Sabbath School Celebration weekend, Elders and Deacons Meetings and Oak Park Academy Alumni weekend.

The Nevada congregation continues to operate their church school and they carefully maintain their church and school facilities.

Ed and Rowena Mills have long served at Oak Park and continue to reside there and keep the facilities in a good state of repair. Some of the older buildings have been removed. The campus today in its park-like setting is very attractive.

The large sign at the entrance no longer says "Oak Park Academy," but now reads "Oak Park Center . . . Seventh-day Adventist."

The Adventist witness is still alive in the Nevada community.

W. D. Wampler, president, Iowa-Missouri Conference.

New Look For Old Church

The Grinnell church has a new look with a ramp that has been installed. This church was founded by Elders Fifield, Le Roy Nicola, and E. W. Farnsworth in 1883 making it the oldest or one of the oldest in Iowa. The building was erected in the 400 block of Broad Street. It had no foundation, heating was by stoves, and lighting was by gas. There were 41 church members and 55 Sabbath School members.

On July 16, 1916 the church was moved to its present location. A foundation was dug, a furnace was installed, and electric lights added. As early as 1900 the membership was less than thirty. At the present time there are 11 adult members.

Where have all the children gone? As church schools were established in the state parents moved so their children might have a Christian education. At least five individuals who attended the Grinnell church in their youth have served in the organized work. Elder Robert Pierson, a former president of the General Conference, is one of them.



Grinnell church with new ramp.

Zima Meetings Fruitful



Eight new church members are pictured with Elder Norman Haas on the left and Elder Bill Zima on the right. Elder Zima conducted this successful evangelistic series in Davenport, Iowa.



Students Give Bread of Life

Fridays are not my favorite day at school. I am the aide at the school my husband, Joe, teaches. There are nineteen students at the Rolla church school in every grade from one through eight with two students working on home study courses in grades nine and ten. One of my duties is to assist grades seven to ten in their practical arts class on Fridays. They bake five different food items to be sold. Sometimes, when the order is big, we have to start baking at 6:30 a.m. to get it all done. (Some students come to school that early!)

It's hard to watch six students making five different things and still find time to grade papers, get the students' work for the week ready to go home, and prepare for a new week. So, that's why Fridays are not my favorite day. Friday, October 7, was even more busy. We had a big order that day and in addition, my husband arranged for the students to make some whole wheat bread to hand out as part of a Bible lab project. (Whole wheat bread was not one of the regular items we made.) The students were to take the bread around the neighborhood at 1:00 pm., but at 12:30, when the bread should have been coming out of the oven, it was sitting on the counter, not rising. When I told my husband that the bread flopped, he asked if more could be made. I was exasperated and feeling just a little sorry for myself, but I said we could try.

We rushed around mixing more bread dough. Thankfully, it rose this time, but the clock was moving faster than the bread. School dismisses at 2:30 and 2:15 the bread was still in the oven. The Bible verses were all written and ready to be placed in the bags with the bread. As the bread came out of the oven, it was stuffed into bags and teams of three and four went to pass out the loaves. The last group left at 2:30, leaving me to collapse at my desk and enjoy the solitude for a few minutes—until parents started arriving wondering where their children were. Then I had to explain what happened—several times. By that

time, I was beginning to feel that it wasn't worth all the effort. But then, on Sunday, the following article appeared in our daily newspaper that changed my mind. Maybe you would think so, too.

A Tasty Interruption in a Typical Day

After a typical day working at the *Daily News*, I need a nap when I get home.

It was a typical day Friday, so I was stretched out on the couch, drifting off, when I heard some not-so-typical sounds outside—children's voices and small scurrying feet.

That's atypical in our apartment complex because it is mostly inhabited by UMR students or young couples with infants or no children at all. And we usually don't have kids running around outside unless . . .

A loud knock at the screen door confirmed my suspicion that we had some juvenile salesmen at hand, all ready to give their halting sales pitch for the latest worthy extracurricular activity that needed funding. My husband answered the door, equally ready, I guessed, to turn them down. I feigned sleep on the couch.

But instead of a sales pitch and big imploring eyes in little faces, the kids at the door giggled, said they represented the Seventh-day Adventist Church, thrust a loaf of homebaked bread in my husband's hands and scurried off.

"It's still warm," he said surprised, showing me the loaf.

Within the plastic bag, along with the bread, was a white slip of paper and the message written: "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." (John 17:3).

There was even a tie-twist included in the bag.

I tried to get back to sleep after the interruption, but finally had to get up to try a piece of bread. Mmmm. Delicious! It would go great with the baked chicken I was going to make for dinner that night.

I tried to get to sleep again after a couple pieces of whole wheat bread and butter. This time I couldn't sleep thinking what a nice impression that gift made. I am a Christian, and am familiar

with Jesus' words from John 17:3. But I wondered what I would have thought had I not been a Christian and had received a free gift and saw the words of scripture included with it. I was impressed that the gift-givers, instead of promoting their church or their doctrine, were promoting Christ through His very own words. It reminded me of some other words of Jesus: "And I, if I be lifted up . . . will draw all men unto me." (John 12:32)

A quick call to the pastor of the church to thank him and the students revealed that the children, who attended the school there, had made the bread themselves on their recess break. It was a new project that they had just started, and he didn't know how many loaves would be made or how many homes they would be able to reach. But the kids were enthusiastic about it.

So was my 3-year-old when she tasted some of the bread.

"Where did it come from, Mommy?"

"Some people gave it to us, honey."

"Didn't they want it?"

"Yes, but it's a gift. It's free. It's from the people who go to the church up the road."

Even a 3-year-old can be impressed at a free gift in this day and age.

"I want to go to that church," she said.

Taken from the Rolla Daily News column, "Anything Goes" and written by Diane Hagni, proofreader/typesetter.

Christian Potter At Oak Grove Heights

BY MORRIS M. GUTMAN



John Campbell, Christian potter from Eureka Springs, Arkansas, used a ball of clay to illustrate some practical truths from Jeremiah 18:1-6 and Romans 9:20-21 at the Oak Grove Heights church. He titled his 50-minute lesson, "Parables from the Potter's House." Guests enjoyed his commentary as he changed a lump of clay into a beautiful vase and then back to a ball of clay at the close. He explained how God is our Potter and has a design plan for each of us. He stressed that we are to be willing to let God mold us. "God is eager to make us into a vessel of beauty, usefulness, and honor," Campbell said.

Morris M. Gutman, communication secretary, Oak Grove Heights church.

Twelve Baptized At Springfield



Newly baptized members shown with Pastor John Mathews. Left to right: Ellen Eastland, Larry Eagan, Nellyne McAnally, Ken Slaughter, Susi Roush, Yolanda Courtney, Elvin Sellars, Kim Sellars, Sonya Hamilton, Eva Strain, Stephanie Jordana, Paul Eagan.



Four Corners Spelling Bee



Six students from the Cortez, Colorado church school participated in a Four Corners Spelling Bee, conducted in Pagosa Springs. The event was sponsored by the First Baptist church in Pagosa Springs. All Christian schools in this area were invited to participate.

Five of the six Cortez students were winners. Eric Jameson received the first place gold medal for first graders. Tim Browning received the first place gold medal for third graders, and three other students earned third place bronze medals for their grades.

According to their teacher, Mrs. Etha Browning, this was a stimulating experience for contestants, teachers, parents, grandparents and friends who attended. All enjoyed a warm atmosphere of Christian fun and fellowship.

What Lies Ahead?

BY R. A. McCUMBER

The future is intriguing—what lies ahead? Have you ever wondered what lies ahead for the Adventist education system and the young people of our churches? Our educators are giving a lot of study and thought to the future of Adventist education. The church moves forward on the feet of its young people. What kind of an educational path will our young people find prepared for them? Will there still be local church schools? What about our academies and colleges? Will they be consolidated into a few locations? Will the small one-teacher school survive? What about pre-school and kindergarten for the little folks?

I'm willing to let the experts study and find answers. It is thrilling to me, however, to discover that there are those who are willing to sacrifice and work to assure that today's children will have educational opportunities from the one-room elementary school through college in a Seventh-day Adventist Christian setting. There are a lot of parents and church members who don't

have children in their local school, but put forth a lot of effort to see that the church school survives.

I have learned of a couple who are not only working and sacrificing to keep their local church school alive and well, but also have plans for the future of Christian education.

Dr. Harold and LaVerna Beltz are pastoring the Laramie and Rawlins, Wyoming congregations. There is a church school in Laramie with six students and one fine teacher, Linda Reitsma. The small congregation and the pastor are excited about their school and don't intend for the doors to be closed.

The Beltzes have been personally involved in education—she as a teacher in schools of nursing and he holds a doctorate in education from Oklahoma State College. Through the years they have become concerned about the small one-teacher schools that have a continual struggle to survive. They decided to take action that would help secure a future for them.

After making ample provision for their children and grandchildren, the Beltzes, with the help of Barry Burton, Director of the

Trust Department of the Rocky Mountain Conference, set up an endowment which will provide funds to help the small church schools in the conference.

Here is what Don Hevener, Superintendent of Education for our conference, had to say about the Beltzes and their plans for the future:

"I have witnessed Harold and LaVerna Beltz's pastoral ministry in three districts. Under their leadership the church and school grow and flourish. In a rural Arkansas community of 4,000 people they helped establish a four-teacher, ten-grade junior academy. Harold believes that a church school is just that . . . school supported by the entire church and consequently a school that every Adventist student can attend, no matter what his financial circumstances.

"Harold and LaVerna have a special burden for the Adventist student in rural areas. They decided to assist small rural Adventist schools in the Rocky Mountain Conference with a financial endowment that upon maturity will greatly assist small schools.

"We thank Harold and LaVerna for their insight and dedication to Adventist education. I personally believe that endowments are the answers to financial dilemmas found by virtually every Seventh-day Adventist school."

If you would like to plan for the future of Adventist education in your church and community, contact: Barry Burton, Director of Trust Services, 2520 South Downing Street, Denver, Colorado 80210, or phone (303) 733-3771.



Pastor and Mrs. Harold Beltz

R. A. McCumber, conference communication director.

Women's Retreat

The third annual Christian Women's Retreat in the Rocky Mountain Conference will feature guest speaker Carol Zarska. Again this year, two identical seminars will be held April 12-14 and April 14-16, 1989 at Glacier View Ranch, near Ward, Colorado. Carol Zarska is a popular speaker who joined American Cassette Ministries in October, 1984. She has a Master's Degree in Religion and has been a student of the Sanctuary for 13 years. Following the theme "You Are Sara's Daughter," Carol's topics include, "Women of Faith," "Women of Prayer" and "Women of Power." Created in His Image," and "So Send I You."

To Register, write to: Kay Wakefield, Rocky Mountain Conference, 2520 South Downing, Denver, Colorado 80210.

Young Adult Summer Employment Rocky Mountain Conference Youth Department

- Needed: Six to eight young adults 18 years of age or older who are committed to Christ and have skills in the following areas: Counseling, Crafts, Mountain Bikes, Archery, Photography, Drama Skills. Dates needed at Glacier View Ranch—June 4-July 25.

- Needed: Eight to twelve Taskforce youth pastors to help with youth programming for the summer. Specific dates of employment vary.

- Needed: Two Taskforce youth pastors to work with a church for one complete year to develop the local church's youth and young adult programs. Specific dates of employment vary.

For more specific information on any of the above employment possibilities, write or call pastor Ron today! 2520 South Downing Street, Denver, CO 80210 (303) 733-3771.



Church Serves 50 Years

BY R. A. McCUMBER

The Rock Springs, Wyoming church family recently celebrated 50 years of service to the community and congregation.

The winter of 1938-39 found five baptized church members in the Rock Springs area, according to church historian, Rose Martinez. In the Spring Elder Beaman Senecal brought a young ministerial intern and his wife, Avery and Arline Dick, to assist him in evangelistic meetings. "The meet-



Dr. and Mrs. Avery Dick

ings were not successful as far as winning souls," comments Dr. Dick, but the records show 22 members present when the church was officially organized on September 23, 1939. Much visitation and personal work by this pastoral couple laid a solid groundwork for a thriving church.

Pastor Phil White organized all of the necessary committees and the entire church family joined in to make the celebration a success.

Don Yancheson, a recent convert and an electrical engineer, seems to get much of the credit for an end product that has made every member proud of what has been accomplished.

The love and dedication demonstrated by the church family to this remodeling project was no doubt the catalyst that caused Don and his wife Janice to decide to go to Union College and prepare themselves to enter the ministry of the church!

A recent visitor to the church commented that he was not too well impressed with the appearance of the church building when

he drove up—but was totally amazed when he stepped inside to find himself in "one of the most beautiful sanctuaries in our conference."



Mardian Blair recounts his childhood memories of life in the Rock Springs church. He is currently President of Adventist Health System/Sunbelt.

The fiftieth-year celebration and homecoming provided a special opportunity for the six pastors and two conference presidents to recount many experiences of God's leading and blessing in the past. The entire church

family joined in thanksgiving for God's goodness and determined to be ready for the soon coming of Jesus Christ.

Activities

Junior & Senior Youth
(Jr. Ages 10-15; Sr. Ages 15-17)

April 23
Western Slope Pathfinder Fair—
Montrose

Young Adult
(Ages 18-35)

February 17-19
Marriage Encounter—Glacier View

February 23-26
Wyoming Winter Retreat Weekend—
Mills Springs Ranch. Activities include
snowmobiling, cross country skiing,
snowshoeing, downhill skiing, etc.

March 10-12
Annual Young Adult Retreat Week-
end—Glacier View Ranch

March 13-17
Annual Young Adult Downhill Ski
Retreat Week—Winter Park

April 17-19
Marriage Encounter—Glacier View

For more information, contact Pastor Ron, 2520 S. Downing St., Denver, CO 80210 or call (303) 733-3771 work; (303) 756-5026 home.



Touching Lives

BY BERNEICE LUNDAY



Melita Holland and Zoila Eberhardt with a Thanksgiving basket.

Thirty-two huge Thanksgiving baskets were distributed by numerous Bismarck church officers and workers to cheer the needy.

But Bismarck Community Services Director Melita Holland is busy with more than Thanksgiving baskets the Bismarck Seventh-day Adventist Church usually delivers. She has reached into the pressing needs in the

community that touch hurting lives.

Holland is involved with Hospice, an organization which schedules volunteers to aid families with terminally ill members. After a month's training, Holland said she is now helping her third family.

"You just do what needs to be done for the family such as sit with a patient who is afraid to be

alone at home while his wife works a part-time job," Holland says.

She is also excited about the Ruth Meier's Hospitality House which houses homeless people and has turned away 260 people it could not help this year. Representatives from churches are to meet once a month with Hospitality House officials and then they are to relay their needs to church members.

Holland "house sits" at the home which houses ten people. She may fix meals and answer phone calls or just be present.

Holland and her assistant, Zoila Eberhardt, attended several months of training by the Victim Assistant's Program to become advocates for victims of crime.

There are many needs in a hurting world, and Holland is attempting to find the right niches the Bismarck church can fill.

Berneice Lunday, communication secretary, Bismarck church.

Poore's 50th

BY WILBUR MAUK



Pastor and Mrs. Orville Poore celebrated their fiftieth anniversary at the Pine Ridge Mission. The Poore's two daughters organized the festivities.

Mrs. Poore taught school and Pastor Poore was an L.E. before pastoring the Martin-Pine Ridge District from 1979 to 1985. The Poore's moved to Hay Springs, Nebraska but their car is still often seen making calls and visits to the Native Americans.

Wilbur Mauk, pastor/director, Pine Ridge Mission.



Harvest Festival

BY MILDRED REISWIG

The annual Harvest Festival of the Manfred church was held in October. Gifts of praise and thanksgiving were donated to the Wells County Social Services. Mr. John Mogren of the Social Services office was a special guest, and participated during the worship service with a vocal solo and then stated the needs in the local county.

In addition to food and sundry items, an "outfit" of clothing is donated by the Community Services organization of the church to a school age girl or boy. This year a 14-year-old girl was the recipient.

The Community Services organization has provided quilts made by the ladies and have received wonderful expressions of appreciation from the county office and the recipients.

Quilts to victims of fire; lap robes for the nursing home residents; and layettes for a hospital are other projects the church's Community Services organization has completed in 1988.

Mildred Reiswig, communication secretary, Manfred church.

Nyla Juhl Speaks to Health Advisory

BY CLARENCE FLEMMER

Nyla Juhl, Ph.D., R.N., a member of the North Dakota Nurses' Association, was invited to speak on rural health issues before the National Advisory Committee on Rural Health in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Juhl is the chairperson of the Family and Community Nursing Department at the College of Nursing, University of North Dakota—Grand Forks. The graduate level rural health nurse specialist program of the university is in her department.

Dr. Juhl told the committee that "consideration of rural health issues was especially time-

ly in light of the severe nursing shortage currently facing our country and its impact on access to health care in rural areas." She noted that more than 25 percent of all America has only 18 percent of the nation's nurses.

We hope and pray that the way will be opened so that many men and women of the Seventh-day Adventist Church can pursue nurses' training, and then enter into the nursing profession with real Christian dedication.

Our nurses and other health workers play a very important role in the finishing of the work of our Lord and Saviour.

Clarence Flemmer, communication secretary, Grand Forks church.

Alumni Association Makes Video

BY BERNEICE LUNDAY

SRA-DAA Alumni Association is making a 25-minute video available to those interested. The video features the Dakota Adventist Academy choir singing Christmas music, a tour of the school and roundtable student discussion promoting Christian education.

The video includes songs such as "Go Tell It On The Mountain," "Away In A Manger," and features scenes from the Christmas story with faculty children as actors. The video is designed not only for viewing and listening pleasure but also for promoting Dakota Adventist Academy and Christian education. It was produced by Jim and Berneice Lunday, Bismarck church communication secretary. Cable Access Television of Bismarck broadcast the production five times before Christmas giving Adventists good publicity as believers in Jesus Christ.

Anyone interested in obtaining the video may contact Carol Seibold, Alumni Treasurer, Route 1 #24, Buchanan, North Dakota 58420 for further information.

Berneice Lunday, communication secretary, Bismarck church.

Helping The Needy

BY KAREN TODDEN

Personal Ministries leader, Arnie Calkins and Community Services leader, Terri Tachenko, pooled their efforts with about twenty other members in Grassy Butte to help make Thanksgiving something to be thankful for in Killdeer, North Dakota.

Permission was received from the Killdeer City Council for the church to knock on the residents' doors seeking food/money to help local needy people have a happier Thanksgiving. They also

received about \$125 in cash donations.

Twenty happy families received the groceries. Ingathering literature and the new book, *He Taught Love*, were also inserted in the boxes.

The boxes were delivered to Killdeer Social Services who then delivered them to the needy.

What a joy it is to see our church folks joining hands with those in the community to put a smile on the faces of those in need.

Karen Todden, communication secretary, Grassy Butte church.

Inmates Are Baptized

BY BONNIE MARACLE



Left to right: Pastor Maracle, David Foreman, Marlene Rawls, Jim Bessette, Dave Rawls.

"Jim is like my son, and David is like a brother to me," said Marlene, looking down at the two young men sitting quietly at the front of the church.

The date was December 17—Sabbath afternoon—and the event was a baptism. Jim Bessette is an inmate at the North Dakota State Penitentiary, and David Foreman, also an inmate, was to be released four days later.

David, raised an Adventist, had been attending the church services at the penitentiary directed and conducted by Dave and Marlene Rawls who are also very involved during the week with visiting, phone calls, letters and Bible studies at the prison. Jim, in addition to attending the services, had studied for several months with Pastor Duane Maracle. Both men had asked for baptism.

Having been granted special permission to be absent from the prison for a few hours, Jim and David attended the church service in Mandan and, after potluck, were baptized at the Bismarck church.

Says Pastor Maracle, "Jim and I spend many hours together in the prison visiting room studying the Bible, and to see him and David getting baptized—I just have to say, like the song: 'God still moves. In the hearts of people, God still moves.'"

Bonnie Maracle, communication secretary, Mandan church.





Students Share Their Faith

Nearly fifty students crowded into the campus ministries office that Sabbath afternoon, December 3, laughing and talking amidst a jumble of wrapping paper and boxes and books. The college Sabbath School has set a goal of sending a copy of *Steps to Christ* to every home in the city of Lincoln.

The money to buy the books and materials is part of the overflow from the monthly "Brazil Offering." So much money is coming in each month, including matching funds from an interested alumnus, that the students have taken on other projects with the overflow money. Their offerings now help support a pioneer medical and evangelistic work in the Philippines.

The *Steps to Christ* mailings are the second overflow project. A total of 2800 books have been sent out to Lincoln homes so far. Along with each book, the students send a letter that says, "Thanks for sharing your city with us while we're here in school."

Union College students are sharing their talents and their love for Christ in many ways.

Open Door Fellowship. Two theology students, Mike Larson and John Sheese, pastor the Open Door Fellowship Church, held in the Good Neighbor Center in northwest Lincoln. This

church began a year and a half ago with special programs for children. A group of 30 or 40 people now meet for church services every Sabbath and the student pastors continue outreach work in the area.

Prison Ministry. Every Tuesday evening a group of Union students hold a Bible study for a group of inmates at the Nebraska State Reformatory. Elder Sieg Roeske, religion teacher at Union, organized the prison ministry.

Union for Kids. Twenty-five Union students take time out of a busy school schedule to be big brothers or sisters to 21 children from underprivileged families in Lincoln. John Larson, director of the Union for Kids program, gets lists of such children from the Good Neighbor Center and PASS (Parent Aid Support Services) and invites the families to take part in the program. After a complicated application and matching process, the Union students meet their little sisters or brothers. Union for Kids has had several group activities this year, such as a trip to the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha, a pinata-making party, and a Christmas party. Planned for second semester are a swimming party and a kite-flying picnic. In addition, each Big Brother or Big Sister spends time with his or her child, one to one.

At Union, the Christian experience is not confined to religion classes and church services. It is reaching out in personal ways to those around us.

New Faculty And Staff

Robin and Judy Vance joined the Union College teaching team in January. Robin's area of expertise is physiology, including such courses as histology, gross anatomy, and anatomy and physiology. He recently completed his Ph.D. from Loma Linda University, where he also earned his undergraduate and master's degrees. His dissertation research concerned the effects of diet on the prevention and treatment of cancer. His teaching experience includes six months at West Indies College in Jamaica and a quarter at Walla Walla College.

Judy Russell Vance is teaching three sections of College Writing, the freshmen writing course at Union. She earned her Bachelor of Arts in English and German from Walla Walla College. Her master's degree, completed at Loma Linda University in 1986, is in English with an emphasis in the teaching of writing. She has taught language arts for several years, first at a junior academy in Redding, California, and later at Loma Linda Academy.

and Betty (1978).

Barry Forbes graduated from Southwestern Adventist College in 1987. He recently completed his Master of Business Administration degree from Texas A&M. At Union, in addition to managing the bookstore, Barry will be working part time in the accounting office.



Barry Forbes

Students Win Scholarships

Three students from Union's institutional development degree program have won scholarships to attend professional conferences. Tad Stricker and Ene Beattie were awarded scholarships to Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) District Conference in Kansas City, January 15-18. Tad is a junior majoring in institutional development and business administration. Ene is a senior majoring in institutional development and communications with an emphasis in public relations.

Ene and another senior, Garry Trefl, also received scholarships to attend the famous Fund Raising School in San Bernardino, California, February 13-16. The school provides intensive training in the essential elements of a comprehensive fund raising program. Garry and Ene won two of four student scholarships awarded by PSI (Philanthropic Services for Institutions); airfare, lodging and tuition (normally \$195) will all be covered by the scholarships.

Says Ene, "These conferences will provide me an opportunity for professional growth in exactly the areas I'm interested in."



Judy and Robin Vance

Barry Forbes, who recently took up responsibilities as the new manager of the college bookstore, is finding that his last name is hardly new to Union College. His brother, Brad, who was formerly manager of the bookstore and the Larson Lifestyle Center, has moved to the NADCM Distribution Center as manager. Bruce Forbes, Barry's cousin, is director of photography in Union College's Media Productions Department. And Barry's parents are both Union College graduates: Bob (1961)



Students prepare *Steps to Christ* for Lincoln area mailing.



AHS To Manage Hospital In San Luis Valley



In December 1988, Adventist Health System finalized a management contract with Conejos County Hospital in La Jara, Colorado. Located in the beautiful San Luis Valley of south central Colorado, Conejos County Hospital is a modern 15-bed acute care and 34-bed skilled nursing home facility. Duane Sherbondy is the new administrator/chief financial officer and began his position on December 7, 1988. Mr. Sherbondy comes from Cherokee Medical Center in Rusk, Texas, where he was both the administrator and the chief financial officer.

Hospitals Still Help Church's Outreach

BY RON M. WISBEY

For many years this was the truism of foreign travelers: Anywhere you travel in the world you can find two things—Coca-Cola and Seventh-day Adventist hospitals.

Without question, our health-care work has created greater awareness of the church than any other single activity. Both in America and abroad, concern for people's health created a distinctive niche for the Seventh-day Adventist Church. It has been a central part of the church's outreach for nearly 125 years.

Battle Creek Sanitarium, the church's first major venture into healthcare, attracted the social and intellectual elite of the time: behavioral psychologist Ivan Pavlov, industrialist Henry Ford, inventor Alexander Graham Bell and others came to learn how to enjoy improved health.

In North America today, the trend of being at the forefront of medical care continues, although keeping pace with the changes in the industry has been challenging and costly.

In the past two decades, many Seventh-day Adventist hospitals have either been rebuilt entirely

or modernized. Virtually all of the hospitals now portray an image that reflects the church well.

And while buildings were being modernized, the organizational structure of the health system was being streamlined. Seventh-day Adventist hospitals evolved from a group of independently run facilities, into loosely formed alliances, then into regional organizations and finally into a tightly knit corporate structure.

Change is never without its critics. Certainly, as our health-care work has moved forward, there have been those who are concerned that we will trade away our valued heritage. But the truth is, had we not adapted, few—if any—of our hospitals would exist today.

The volatile marketplace has forced the healthcare work to become more competitive. Regulations and cost constraints require fewer people to accomplish more in a shorter period of time. Hospital stays are becoming shorter.

Yet, in the face of some staggering obstacles, Seventh-day Adventist hospitals are not only surviving, they're prospering. What's more, these hospitals are still the right arm of the message. With some 12,000 acute-care beds nationally, we're reaching a tremendous number of people,

right when their need is the greatest.

Nearly every patient receives daily visits from the hospital chaplain. Millions of pieces of truth-filled literature are given out. And the celebration of the Sabbath is seen firsthand by our patients.

Has Adventist health care changed? Yes, unquestionably. But has it lost its mission? No, not for a minute.

Ron M. Wisbey, President, Columbia Union Conference, Chairman of the Board of Directors for AHS/NEMA.

850 Blankets For Kansas City

Shawnee Mission Medical Center, the employee association of Johnson County Med-Act, and WHB AM 710 jointly sponsored "The Great Kansas City Cover-Up." This program collected approximately 850 blankets for distribution to Kansas City area community organizations from November 28 to December 18, 1988.

By the end of the three-week program, donations were made to three Kansas City organizations by Cover-Up. The Salvation Army received 725 blankets, the American Red Cross 50 blankets, and the Johnson County Home for Battered persons 30 blankets. The balance of the blankets were distributed by Christmas Day.

"The need for blankets in Kansas City was great," according to Chaplain Dick Cathell, director of pastoral care at Shawnee Mission Medical Center and chairman of the Cover-Up. "For instance, the 400 blankets we delivered to the Salvation Army during the second week of the program were given away within an hour."

According to the community relations coordinator of the Salvation Army, blankets are in great demand during the winter months. While many people donate food and clothing, fewer people think to donate blankets.



Porter Memorial Hospital

Program For "High Risk" Youth

The odds are tough. These kids are labeled "delinquents." They might have criminal records, be prone to substance abuse, come from broken or abusive homes. But they have a chance.

"Adventures In Change," a three-year demonstration project sponsored by Porter Memorial's Health Promotion Center, the Organization of Substance Abuse Prevention, the Division of Alcohol/Drug Abuse and the Division of Youth Services, has been working since March of 1988 to reinforce these kids' functional skills and provide them with a new quality of life.

The project consists of an 18-day wilderness experience and a six-month residence that teaches recreational, spiritual, family and social skills. It is strictly for 16-18-year-old males who are classified as "high risk" for adult substance abuse and have entered the court system.

"It's for a very particular group of kids who don't have a lot of options," says Dave Christiansen, director of behavioral health services and former director of "Adventures in Change." "Our number one goal is that they have some practical skills when they leave here."

Five or six kids are accepted at a time. The same size groups enter the program every two months or so. The staff stays in close contact with each individual for four months after he completes the program.

Porter Memorial Hospital was given a contract to provide the majority of the program's services. The program was developed as a model for the state of Colorado and may also be used nationally.

From Update, Porter Memorial Hospital's employee newsletter.

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In Memory

BY JOHN TREOLO

There is a vacancy in the hearts of the workers and members in the Kansas-Nebraska Conference. On December 21, 1988, Gloria McQuistan died after a 16-month courageous battle with leukemia. She was 51.

For those of us who were fortunate enough to know Gloria, her zest and enthusiasm for life was an inspiration. To those who did not know Gloria, you missed out on knowing one of God's beautiful creations.

It was Gloria's zest for life that motivated her to try every procedure known to modern medicine to squeeze out a little bit more time. Even in the final days, she clung on to life with every ounce of strength left inside her already cancer-stricken body. That's how much she loved life.

To those who knew her personally, Gloria rewrote the book on courage. After she was diagnosed as having leukemia in August, 1987, she went through several rounds of chemotherapy, losing some weight and much hair, but never losing sight of the Great Physician. In January 1988, the revelation of remission brought smiles and joys to this lover of life.

Those smiles, however, would soon turn to concern when in October the signs of remission had disappeared, but not before she was blessed with having three new grandbabies. As she held each new miracle of love, you could see the radiant sparkle in her eyes for God's gift of life.

Three months prior to the diagnosis of leukemia, Gloria had marched down the aisle to the tune of "pomp and circumstances" while receiving her bachelor's degree in elementary education at Washburn University in Topeka. She had always dreamed of being a teacher. For three years, through many sleepless nights of cranking out papers and cramming for exams, in addition to working as secretary at the Conference office, Gloria strived to be the best student she could be. She would have been a good teacher and role-model for young people.

Gloria enjoyed writing poetry.

For one project in speech class each student was asked to introduce themselves. The following is an excerpt from Gloria's introduction:

*Seems where'er I go
Somewhere throughout my life,
I'm either one of my kid's mother
Or else I'm Roger's wife.
My husband and I are new here.
(Tornadoes sure are scary).
But we sure have learned to love
Our Little House on the Prairie.
I wouldn't want to trade places,
No . . . not with any other.
I'll always want to be Roger's wife
Or one of our kid's mother.
Oh, my last name is McQuistan,
Just in case you'd like to know.
My sons-in-law call me Gloria,
But one calls me Glo.*

As she read her poem to me, I could see the pride shining in her eyes. No, not being proud of her writing ability, but proud of her family. She leaves behind a loving and devoted husband, Roger; three daughters, Dawn, Stacy and Velvet; and a son, Joel, plus four grandchildren. All were the joy of her life.

During the past few months, my children would always say a special prayer for Gloria during our family worships. It's difficult to explain to a seven-year-old daughter when you tell her about Gloria's death and she asks, "Why didn't God answer our prayers?"

I answered my seven-year-old the way Gloria would have wanted me to, by emphasizing God's love and mercy. That's the kind of courageous faith Gloria possessed.

There is a vacancy in the hearts of the workers and members in the Kansas-Nebraska Conference, but the pain is a lot easier to bear with the wonderful memories Gloria McQuistan left for all of us to share.

You may be wondering why I know so much about this special person named Gloria. You see, she was my secretary and she taught me much more than just proofing my work while crossing the "t's" and dotting the "i's".

She taught me about the word courage and how precious God's gift of life really is.

We'll miss you, Gloria.

John Treolo, conference communication director.

New Pastor For Topeka

BY DOROTHY WOODSON



Rodney Bieber recently was appointed the new pastor of the Topeka church. Bieber grew up in South Dakota, attending Plainview Academy and later Union College.

After three and a half years, Bieber left the colporteur work to finish his education at Union College in theology, accepting his first pastorate in Holdrege, Nebraska. For the past five years Bieber has pastored the Chadron district in western Nebraska.

He and his wife, Judy, have three daughters, Alyse, Annalee and April.

Pastoral Changes



Charlie Thompson

Charlie Thompson has been called to pastor the Chadron district. A 1981 alumnus of Enterprise Academy, Thompson received a degree in theology from Union College in 1985.

Since graduation, Thompson has served as associate pastor of the Wichita South church. The Chadron district includes churches in Chadron, Crawford, Gordon and Hay Springs, located in the Panhandle of Nebraska.

In 1985, Thompson married

the former Patricia Reed.

Bob Cornelisse, formerly pastoring the Holdrege district, has been called to pastor the Leavenworth district, which includes churches in Leavenworth, Lawrence and Troy, Kansas.



Bob Cornelisse

After receiving his bachelor's degree in theology from Union College in 1983, Cornelisse spent the next year serving as associate pastor at Omaha Memorial church. From there he attended Andrews University, receiving his master's of divinity in 1986. In January, 1987, he was assigned to the Holdrege district.

Cornelisse married the former Teresa Baugh in 1980. The Cornelisse's have two children: Kin-dra and Jonathan.

Company Launches Building Drive

A move forward in the establishment of another Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Wichita area was accomplished recently when the Three Angels Company donated and pledged more than \$86,000 to their building fund for a new church.

The average attendance is about 70 adults and many children. More than half of the adults either contributed or pledged financial support to the project when it was presented to them by Pastor O.J. Mills.

The Company now meets in a commodious church building rented at a reasonable rate from another denomination.

Investigation is being made of available properties for a permanent location for this congregation, which anticipates organization into a new church.



Baptisms In Hutchinson

BY AUDRA SHUMAN



It was a high day for Steve Chestnut and his mother, Donna, when they, along with four others, were baptized into the Hutchinson church after attending evangelistic meetings conducted by Wayne Gosling, Conference evangelist, and Mike Pionkowski, Hutchinson pastor.

Steve had been baptized when he was nine years old, but had lost his experience. After his eighth grade graduation, Steve was diagnosed as having muscular dystrophy. However, he went to high school and in 1980 the family's business brought them to Hutchinson and in touch with the church.

Steve has been studying with Pionkowski. He is now rejoicing in his new faith and has been a real inspiration to the members in Hutchinson. Although he has been confined to a wheelchair the past five years, he is making great plans to further his education.

Baptized along with Steve were Diana Murray, Patricia Murray, Renee Toms, Ethel Sinnett and Donna Chestnut. Pionkowski is on the left and Gosling is on the right.

Audra Shuman, communication secretary, Hutchinson church.

Adventist Heritage Week

Students attending Enterprise church school remembered Adventist Heritage Week by staging an "old-fashioned" revival meeting, complete with costumes, singing, praying, preaching and old-time memorabilia relating to Adventist history.

Under the direction of teachers Annette Park and Alice Reinoehl, students portrayed James and Ellen White, Joseph Bates, Annie Smith, Rachel Oakes and William Miller.

Mrs. White, portrayed by Laura Birth, shared some new visions recently given her by the Lord. The sermon was presented by Joseph Bates, portrayed by Ryan Peterson.



Ryan Peterson "preaches" in the style of Joseph Bates.



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Deadline: March 15

PVA Honors Class of 2000



Ray Davis, PVA principal, presents a bear to daughter, Kristen, a first grader, representing the class of 2000. A \$100 scholarship was presented to 8th graders Windy Goodchild and Glenn Gibson.

It's never too early to prepare for academy. With that theme in mind, the Platte Valley Academy Operating Committee instituted a program to recognize the class of 2000, which would be those in first grade now.

Eleven-inch bears were given to first graders as potential members of the class of 2000. A button attached to each bear read, "PVA is Beary Special; Class of 2000." In addition, a \$100 scholarship will be given to that student when registering to attend PVA.

Also honored were those in 7th and 8th grades. A \$25 scholarship was given to 7th graders, while 8th graders received a \$100 scholarship.

According to Ray Davis, PVA principal, all 1st, 7th and 8th graders were recognized, whether attending church school or public school.

"We hope that students and parents will start planning for future Adventist education," he says. "It's also our desire that this program will help develop a sense of class and school spirit and loyalty before the students are even in academy."

Bears and scholarship certificates are still available to anyone who requests on behalf of a student in the appropriate grade. Contact PVA with the students' name, age, class, address and parents' name.



Baptism In Duluth

Although each of the seven persons baptized in Duluth after Ted Struntz' evangelistic meetings come from various backgrounds with diverse histories, Lisa Farr's recent training and choice of career is especially interesting. She tells about it here: "Firefighter! Who ever thought I would be a firefighter? I went to school for seven weeks and learned during that time not only how to fight numerous types of fires, but also how to save lives on a mountain, in water, in a car accident, from electrocution and entrapment. I think the most interesting part to me was learn-

ing to work with danger safely. I learned so many ways to work with and around danger. I listened to personal experiences from firefighters, experiences of saving and of losing lives. It affected me deeply when I heard of little children dying in fires. These firefighters taught me how to reach little children in a fire, where they hide and how they respond to someone coming at them that looks like Darth Vader. I found that most lives are saved. I'm thankful that I can be a part in saving lives. Hopefully In April 1989 I can pass the Civil Service Test to be hired as a firefighter. I know that God has led me and He will continue to show me what He has planned for me."



Seven persons were recently baptized in Duluth. Back row: Elder Bob Brauer, Sean Robillard, Debbie O'Conner, Martin Staples, Elder Ted Struntz. Front row: Beth Kelly, Agnes Bates, Everett Bates, Lisa Farr.

50th Anniversary



Clifford and Viola Anderson recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at a luncheon served at the Wadena Seventh-day Adventist Church. The festivity was sponsored by their daughter, Maxine Hanson of Chanhassen, and their son, Eugene Anderson of Austin, Texas.

Alternative Worship Service At Northbrook

Because the Seventh-day Adventist Church today is blessed with a growing membership that is very diverse, the Northbrook church in Robbinsdale (4630 France Avenue North) is offering a dynamic contemporary expression of worship at 8:30 on Sabbath mornings. This service is being offered in addition to the traditional worship service which begins at 11:00 a.m., and is especially for those who would prefer attending a service that among other things, would offer more worshipper participation. If your worship needs are not currently being met, you are warmly welcomed to attend these alternative services.



Eight-Year-Old Earns Tuition

BY BARBARA HUFF

The Seventh-day Adventist Church has always taught that one is neither too young nor too old for service and for witnessing. The church also teaches that Christian education is an important aspect to training youth for life and for Christian service. So it should be no surprise that eight-year-old Seth Pierce, who is a second grader at Minneapolis Junior Academy, has earned a good part of his tuition this school year by selling the book, *He Taught Love*.

He Taught Love is a colorful version of *Christ's Object Lessons* by Ellen White. *Christ's Object Lessons* was first printed in 1900 with the proceeds of the book dedicated to Christian education. So this is not a new plan, but a very old plan that has been neglected in recent years. (The book is available to all conferences and the profit is greater when larger quantities are purchased.)

Seth started selling the books after the 1988 camp meeting when the event was introduced by literature evangelists. He goes alone to the doors of neighbors and strangers; however, his dad, Elder Tim Pierce, pastor of the

Minnetonka church, is nearby in the background. By the time school started last fall, Seth had sold 80 of the \$5.00 books. He makes a sale in about one of every three homes he contacts. He usually works about an hour at a time and during that time he often sells three books. His experiences range from having doors slammed in his face to a woman who sympathetically remembered what it was like to sell things when she was a kid attending a private school.

Elder Pierce says that Seth is saving the family money by earning part of his tuition so he gives Seth an incentive of \$10.00 for each case of 20 books that he sells. Elder Pierce also says candidly that the Dairy Queen Plan (a treat after a selling session) is probably as good a motivator as any!

Seth's initial reaction to selling the books was favorable so Elder Pierce made up a canvass for him to memorize. One Sunday when the family was relaxing at home, Seth buzzed through the house and announced to his dad that he was going to sell a book. The door slammed and in a few minutes he was back with \$5.00. Thus he sold the first book completely on his own.

Seth enjoys life in a philosophical manner and he takes it as a matter of course that he will continue selling the books to help with his tuition. He has thoughtfully asked his parents if there will be anyone in heaven because of buying and reading the books he sells them. It's easy to believe that there will be.



Seth Pierce is a student at Minneapolis Junior Academy. He sells the book, *He Taught Love* to help pay his tuition.



Live Nativity Scene In Maple Plain

On two weekends in December, the youth class of the Maple Plain church staged on their church grounds a live nativity scene which was made up of 13 costumed people, two ponies and three sheep. Kim Burgess, a member of the class and motivator for the event, estimates that between 500 and 600 people stopped by to see the scene.

More than 25 people came into the church each night for the refreshments which were served during the hours of the pageant. Kim Burgess and Kathy Olson served as greeters and distributed leaflets which told about the Maple Plain church and about Adventists' beliefs.

Miss Burgess said that in choosing this project the youth wanted to do something for their

church and community and that they wanted to be friendly and give their neighbors something to think about. Viewers remarked with very positive and favorable comments. One woman said that she felt a distinct sense of peace and calm as she listened to the music which was played near the scene, and contemplated on the Christmas story.



Jim Linder is shown playing the role of a shepherd at Maple Plain's live nativity scene. The animals which were used belong to Russ and Kathy Olson.

Physician And Health Teacher Run Experiment

BY LORA WELCH

During the first two weeks of November, 1988, in preparation for "D-Day," Dr. Carlyle Welch and an Owatonna High School health teacher conducted a survey in which underage youth were sent out to buy cigarettes in the stores of Owatonna. Of the 31 stores contacted, only two refused service as is legally required of them. Dr. Welch then sent a letter to each store either commending them or pointing out that they had sold to minors. An article with the statistics was then written and printed in the local newspaper without revealing the names of the offending stores. The stores have been notified that the survey will be conducted again at a later date. Prior to the survey, the local police

force was contacted regarding the plans for the survey. As well as helping the community be aware of a need for greater control on the sale of cigarettes, this information will be used as current data for the March Breathe-Free program.



Dr. Carlyle Welch

Lora Welch, communication secretary, Owatonna church.

it is written



Seminar Graduation

BY IVORY CHALMERS

There were two Revelation Seminars last year at the Denver Park Hill Seventh-day Adventist Church. The attendance varied from thirty to fifty or more. The seminars, conducted by Pastor E. A. Hyatt, were inspirational and informative, and the students

were enthusiastic.

Graduation took place Sabbath morning November 5, in a ceremony that began with the students marching into the main auditorium. It was a beautiful picture that represented souls that had been reached, some of whom would and did join the church.



Seminar staff, left to right: Sebie Coleman, Pastor E. A. Hyatt, Elder Jones, Joan Johnson, Clarence Johnson, Dr. Nathaniel Miller of the conference office, Gregg Holmes and first elder Freaney.

Ivory Chalmers, communication secretary, Denver Park Hill church.



Brenda L. Woodard

Ms. Woodard, Law School Graduate

BY GORDON B. SIMS, SR.

Omaha Sharon church focuses on its newest attorney, Ms. Brenda L. Woodard, daughter of Luther and Odelcie Woodard.

Ms. Woodard graduated from

Creighton University School of Law on May 14, 1988 and was one of over 150 graduates to receive a Juris Doctorate degree. She holds a Bachelor of Social Work degree from Creighton University and was awarded the Patricia Roberts Harris Fellowship.

During law school, Ms. Woodard was active in a number of organizations. She served as secretary of the Black Law Student Association and on the Minority Admissions Committee. Recently, she received a monetary award for being a finalist in the First Tier Bank Estate Planning Contest. Brenda is listed in *Who's Who of American Law Students, 7th Edition*, for her outstanding achievements in the study of law for 1987 and 1988. Eventually, Ms. Woodard desires to return to school to obtain a Masters degree.

Congratulations Brenda to you and your family on your outstanding achievements.

Gordon B. Sims, Sr., communication secretary, Sharon church.



Baptism At Omaha Sharon

BY GORDON B. SIMS, SR.

On Sunday night, July 31, 1988, Pastor Emmitt Slocumb, Jr. and the Bible Answer Crusade Team opened their four-week evangelistic meeting at the Sharon church in Omaha. The theme was "Jesus is the Answer for the World Today." Those in attendance witnessed a clear revelation of Bible truth as Pastor Slocumb preached the wonderful word of God using color slides and a screen. The members of Sharon supported their pastor with their prayers and attendance. Many who were present every night remarked how spiritually blessed they had been.

The crusade team included Bible workers: Robbie Bass, Ju-

lie Butler, Latanya Hunt and Joan Slocumb. Raymond Davis, Adora Greene and Joann Herrington served as music coordinators and instructors. Millard Taylor served as the associate evangelist. Crusade soloists and musicians included Sharon's own Charles Poirier, Traci Sims and the Hub of Harmony. Local guest artists were Jean Reliford-Wilson, Inez Fitz and Anthony Briley of Rising Star Baptist church.

Those who were baptized in the meeting were Gillian Blackson, Pat Bass, Nicole Douglas, Bill Foster, Aretta Johnson, Larkisha Maben, Troy Maben, Tre-na Maben, Maurice Maben, Broderick Tellis, Merrietta White, Sydell Toney and Cas-sander Bender.

We pray God's continued blessings on His harvest of precious souls!

Notes From Palace Of Peace

BY BOB CAMPBELL

Palace of Peace had a special Sabbath November 5—it was Women's Day. The theme was "Women on the Move for

Christ." The Claremont Ladies' Choir was on hand with a few selections and a poem was presented by Sister Washington. Sarah Mann was the speaker of the morning with a special message about Women's Mission for Christ. The Palace of Peace Women's Choir also brought praise to the Lord in song. The service was followed by a fellowship dinner prepared and served by the men of Palace of Peace.

The youth of Palace of Peace are active with the AYA. A play was presented at the Rocky Mountain Youth Federation in Denver, and they also participated with Claremont church's chilly hayride after Sabbath. A good time was had by all. More plans are in the making.

Bible studies are up, as the literature band continues to make contact in Colorado Springs.



Sarah Mann



Claremont Women's Choir

Bob Campbell, communication secretary, Palace of Peace church.

Pennies For Investment

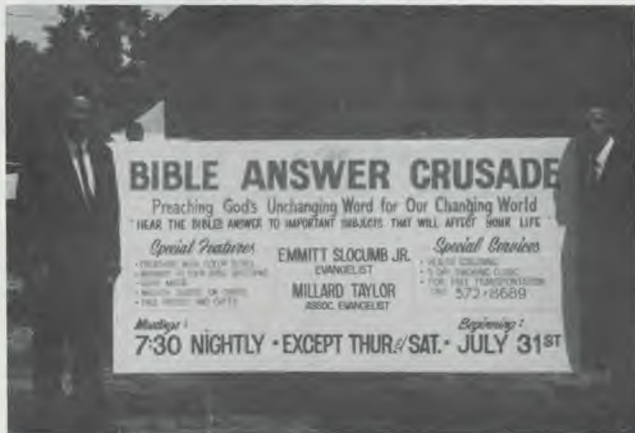
BY IVORY CHALMERS



Investment Day was a beautiful day at Park Hill. The project, the saving of pennies, was promoted by the Investment Sabbath School superintendent, Delores Martin.

Approximately two hundred dollars was raised. An interesting feature during the Investment program was a cross containing ten thousand pennies.

Ivory Chalmers, communication secretary, Park Hill church.



New members of Sharon church.

Gordon B. Sims, Sr., communication secretary, Sharon church.

MESSAGE

MAGAZINE



Listen Magazine

BY ROBERT L. DUPONT

As we enter the third decade of the war on drugs, some are so weary that they're running up a white flag of surrender. They're suggesting legalization of drugs.

Legalization means treating a drug, such as marijuana or cocaine or heroin, the way we now treat alcohol and tobacco. It means a legal supply of the drug.

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Robert L. DuPont, M.D., first director of National Institute on Drug Abuse.

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Obituaries

ANDRESEN, Hazel Marie, b. Aug. 20, 1900 at Jefferson, SD; d. Nov. 15, 1988, Missouri Valley, IA. Survivors: husband, Henry; daughters Ardis Meyer and 2 step-daughters; sons, Harold and Francis Coyle and 5 stepsons; sisters, Mary Sorensen and Herma Klutts; 4 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren; 12 step-grandchildren and 4 step-great-grandchildren.

DALE, Lillian Mable, b. July 31, 1903 in Starlake, MN; d. Nov. 5, 1988, in Lincoln, NE. She was a member of the College View church. Survivors: daughter, Mrs. Helen Brodie; sons, Rodney, Wilbert, Robert, Dick and Dwain; brothers Rudolph and Vernon Burgeson; 19 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.



DIEDE, Irene Will, b. Jan. 14, 1918, Logan County, ND; d. Dec. 11, 1988, Bismarck, ND. Survivors: sons, Rodney, Jerald and Dr. Stan; brother, Milton; 7 grandchildren.

FRIESTAD, Joseph Mervin, b. June 9, 1905 in Ottawa, IL; d. Nov. 2, 1988 at Hooper, NE. Survivors: wife, Hazel; sons Lloyd and Lawrence; daughter Lorraine and 1 granddaughter, Jean Marie.

GLADDEN, Faye L., b. May 11, 1900, Anderson, KS; d. Dec. 9, 1988, Bellflower, CA. Survivors: daughter, Donna Lee Hartman; 2 brothers and 3 sisters.

HAAS, Edward; b. Sept. 27, 1895, Ashley, ND; d. Dec. 10, 1988, Jamestown, ND. No survivors. Member of the Gackle SDA church.

HEALZER, Clara Mae, b. Nov. 17, 1892 in Hillsboro, KS; d. Nov. 4, 1988, Hutchinson, KS. She married Willis Healzer Oct. 19, 1919, who died in 1951. Survivors: 5 children: Betty Unruh, Althea Day, Maureen Roth, Gerald Healzer, and Willis Healzer; a sister, Ruth Chapman, a brother, Dr. Howard Huengerd; 10 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren.

JORGENSEN, Olive Mae Hart, b. Feb. 1, 1923, Lincoln, NE; d. Nov. 16, 1988, Napa, CA. Survivors: husband, Gilbert Jorgensen; brother, Roland Hart.

KALDAHL, Richard Thomas, b. Sept. 3, 1962 in Brooklyn Park, MN; d. Oct. 1, 1988 as a result of a car accident. Member of the Anoka church. His father, Harold, and sister, Jeanne, preceded him in death. Survivors: mother, Martha; brothers, James and Larry; sister, Kathy Carlson; and grandfather, Bert Shelton.

KRUEGER, Jon Paul, b. Oct. 17, 1968, Jamestown, ND; d. Nov. 25, 1988, Bismarck, ND. Survivors: parents, Jim and Judy Krueger; brothers, Walter, James and Jay; sister, Jayna; grandparents, Walter & Elmer Krueger, & Ernest & Vera Wolfe.

LANG, Maria, b. Aug. 28, 1900, Streeter, ND; d. Nov. 30, 1988, Jamestown, ND. Survivors: husband, Gust; daughters, Mrs. Mollie Kurtz, Mrs. Ardena Schlaht and Mrs. Elsie Kreil; son, Edwin; sisters, Martha Diede and Ruth Renke; brother, Emmanuel Miller; 11 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren.

MARSH, Opal, b. Aug. 15, 1908 at Clarinda, IA; d. Nov. 20, 1988 at Nebraska City, NE. Survivors: husband, Raymond W. Marsh; daughter Eileen Grandfield; son Charles Kuhns; sisters, Edith Morse and Ellen Radford; brother Earl Smith; 17 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

SHEPHERD, John Albert, b. Mar. 6, 1890, Sully County, SD; d. Dec. 24, 1988, Pierre, SD. Survivors: daughters, Laura Patzer, Lorraine Shepherd, Mrs. Cleo Wightman, Betty Engelman & Evelyn Baker; sons, John, Robert & Edward; 35 grandchildren & 60 great-grandchildren.

TROTTER, J. Merle, b. May 16, 1912, Warren County, IA. d. Nov. 24, 1988, Des Moines, IA. Survivors: wife, Dorothy Unruh-Trotter; daughters, Mrs. Darla Beard and Mrs. Fonda Cone; son Merlyn Trotter; stepsons, Delmar, Arvid and Larry Unruh; 8 grandchildren and 11 step-grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren and 5 step-great-grandchildren.

TROUT, Benjamin, b. Sept. 4, 1919, Holly, CO; d. Dec. 16, 1988, Phoenix, AZ. He served as business manager of Campion Academy from 1951 to 1955, then as pastor and principal at Enterprise Academy from 1955 to 1957. From 1957 to 1963 he served as secretary-treasurer of the Nebraska Conference, and from 1963 to 1969 he was president of the North Dakota Conference. He then served the Atlantic Union Conference as secretary-treasurer from 1969 to 1975, at which time he took a medical retirement. As a retired pastor he still served, pastoring the Estes Park, CO church from 1977 to 1979, during which time the present church building was constructed. Survivors: wife, Billie Ann; 2 sons, Gary and John; 3 sisters: Martha Sampson, Letha Eaton, & Virginia Berlin, & 2 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Randy.

WESTERBURG, William B., b. Apr. 27, 1920, Sioux City, IA; d. Dec. 17, 1988, Evans, CO. Survivors: wife, Gloria; son, Scott; daughter, Lori McReynolds; 4 brothers; Roger, John, Harris and Richard; 2 sisters: Janie Hamontree and Linda Arthur; and 1 granddaughter, Christina Boriach.

WIENER, Hilma B., b. Oct. 31, 1904; d. Nov. 14, 1988 in Mesa, AZ. Long-time member of the St. Paul Eastside church. Survivors: 3 sons, Charles, Thomas and Michael; daughter, Donna Loberg; 14 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Notices

PARKVIEW ADVENTIST ACADEMY ALUMNI WEEKEND, Apr. 14-15, 1989. Celebrating 90 years. Names and addresses of alumni, former students and staff are requested to update alumni files. Contact Kevin Reasor, Parkview Adventist Academy, 4201 Martin Luther King Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73111, (405) 427-6525.

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| Denver, CO | 5:22 | 5:30 | 5:38 | 5:46 | 5:54 |
| Grand Junc., CO | 5:37 | 5:45 | 5:53 | 6:01 | 6:08 |
| Pueblo, CO | 5:23 | 5:31 | 5:38 | 5:46 | 5:53 |
| Cedar Rapids, IA | 5:24 | 5:33 | 5:42 | 5:50 | 5:59 |
| Davenport, IA | 5:20 | 5:29 | 5:38 | 5:46 | 5:55 |
| Des Moines, IA | 5:33 | 5:41 | 5:50 | 5:59 | 6:07 |
| Sioux City, IA | 5:42 | 5:51 | 6:00 | 6:09 | 6:17 |
| Dodge City, KS | 6:05 | 6:13 | 6:21 | 6:28 | 6:35 |
| Goodland, KS | 5:09 | 5:18 | 5:26 | 5:33 | 5:41 |
| Topeka, KS | 5:46 | 5:54 | 6:02 | 6:09 | 6:17 |
| Wichita, KS | 5:55 | 6:03 | 6:11 | 6:18 | 6:25 |
| Duluth, MN | 5:15 | 5:25 | 5:36 | 5:47 | 5:57 |
| Internl. Falls, MN | 5:15 | 5:26 | 5:38 | 5:49 | 6:00 |
| Minneapolis, MN | 5:24 | 5:34 | 5:44 | 5:53 | 6:03 |
| Rochester, MN | 5:23 | 5:32 | 5:42 | 5:51 | 6:00 |
| Columbia, MO | 5:33 | 5:41 | 5:49 | 5:57 | 6:04 |
| Kansas City, MO | 5:41 | 5:49 | 5:57 | 6:05 | 6:13 |
| Springfield, MO | 5:40 | 5:48 | 5:55 | 6:02 | 6:09 |
| St. Louis, MO | 5:25 | 5:33 | 5:41 | 5:48 | 5:56 |
| Grand Island, NE | 5:53 | 6:01 | 6:10 | 6:18 | 6:26 |
| Lincoln, NE | 5:46 | 5:55 | 6:04 | 6:12 | 6:20 |
| North Platte, NE | 6:02 | 6:10 | 6:19 | 6:27 | 6:36 |
| Omaha, NE | 5:42 | 5:51 | 6:00 | 6:08 | 6:16 |
| Scottsbluff, NE | 5:12 | 5:21 | 5:30 | 5:38 | 5:47 |
| Bismarck, ND | 5:49 | 6:00 | 6:10 | 6:21 | 6:31 |
| Fargo, ND | 5:33 | 5:44 | 5:54 | 6:05 | 6:15 |
| Williston, ND | 5:57 | 6:08 | 6:19 | 6:30 | 6:41 |
| Pierre, SD | 5:53 | 6:03 | 6:13 | 6:22 | 6:32 |
| Rapid City, SD | 5:05 | 5:15 | 5:24 | 5:34 | 5:43 |
| Sioux Falls, SD | 6:18 | 6:27 | 6:00 | 6:09 | 6:18 |
| Casper, WY | 5:21 | 5:30 | 5:40 | 5:49 | 5:57 |
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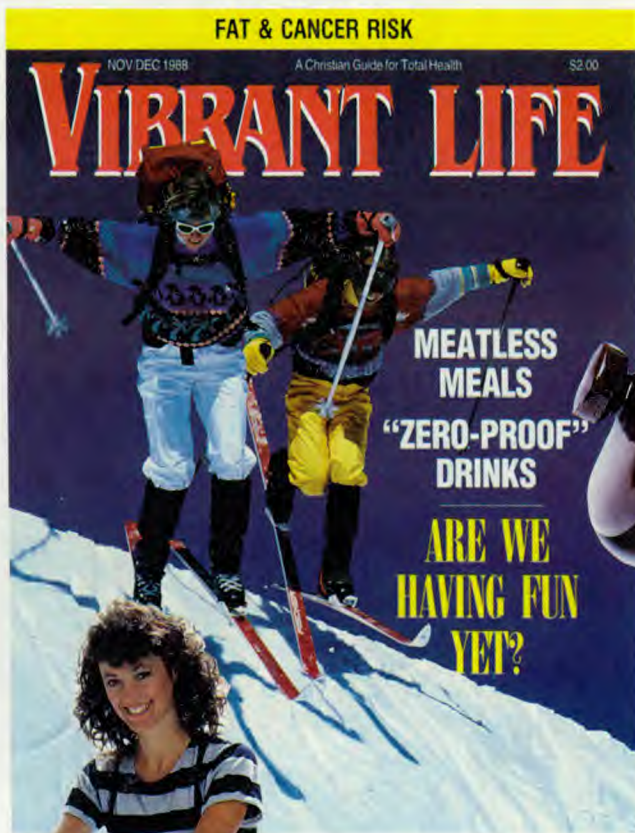
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