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Featuring: Listen

### WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT DRUGS IN THE ADVENTIST HOME?

#### BY FRANCIS A. SOPER

Parents are fighting back! All across the continent they are waking up to the fact that they *can* do something about the drug problem in our society.

"Seventh-day Adventists live in a world of strong enticements and peer pressure," says Charles E. Bradford, North American Division President. "Let's not kid ourselves; no one is immune. We interface with the world, and LISTEN is here to make us aware and to help us as we try to cope with these insidious encroachments."

In an attempt to meet these needs, a special issue of LISTEN magazine coming in February tells vivid personal stories of how parents are meeting the drug challenge in their own homes and communities and how this parent-support movement has grown so quickly over the past five years from two parents getting together on the telephone to more than 4,000 local organizations.

This special February issue of LISTEN includes:

- "Who's on Drugs in this House?" a first-person account by Peggy Mann, an outstanding writer of health articles in *Reader's Digest* and other popular magazines, describing how she dealt with the drug involvement of her own daughter.
- "How Drugs Affect the Family," an interview with noted expert on family counseling, Dr. Harold Voth of the Menninger Clinic, Topeka, Kansas, on the impact of drug problems on the family.
- "When Religious Training Is Not Enough," an interview dealing with a question that is uniquely important to Seventh-day Adventists: Are children brought up in a church-oriented home

safe from drugs? This is answered by Paul and Carol Cannon, directors of a treatment unit for drug-involved teenagers from conservative religious homes.

- "Birth of a Movement," a brief glimpse of how the present parent movement began, and of some of the methods being used today to meet the drug challenge in different communities.
- "Welcome Back, Holly," a how-to article based on an actual Maryland family experience that outlines approaches parents can use to deal with drug pressures on their children.
- "How to Start a Parent Group," an article about what parents themselves can do for mutual support in the local community. Joyce Nalepka, national leader of the parent support movement and strong supporter of LISTEN magazine, tells how she got started.
- "Parents Who Care," the story of a successful parent group in California which successfully combines the needed parent support with youth participation to help teenagers take initiative in solving their own problems.
- "Resources," a helpful list of reference materials for planning and operating parent-support groups, and addresses of organizations from whom how-to manuals and suggestions can be obtained.

Single and bulk-order copies of this valuable special issue of LISTEN are now available from Narcotics Education, Inc., 6830 Laurel St., NW, Washington, DC. 20012.

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The cover of the special February, 1984, issue of "Listen" magazine features the concept of a caring family helping a teenager to put together a life-style free from drug abuse.

HOW DRUGS AFFECT THE FAMILY HOW TO START A PARENT GROUP

#### Is Mom an Alcoholic?

Alcoholism usually affects a family for seven years before it is identified as a serious problem, according to Claudia Black, M.S.W., in a December LISTEN magazine interview entitled "Breaking the Chain: How to Slow the Spread of Alcoholism to Future Generations."

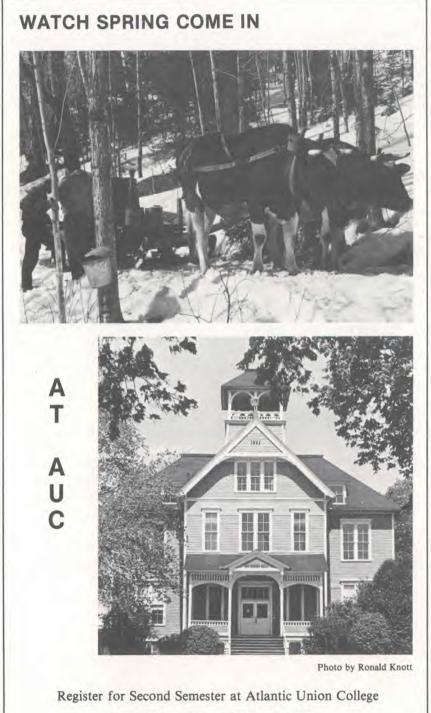
Ms. Black, an internationally recognized specialist on the impact of alcoholism on children, adds, "There are twelve to fifteen million children under eighteen living in alcoholic homes today.

"Long before the alcoholism is ever identified," Ms. Black points out, "the children learn to deny, minimize, discount, and rationalize, all of which distorts their perception of reality and causes problems in relating to peers and adults."

One reason for not recognizing the problem of alcohol in a home, Ms. Black says, is the inaccurate stereotype that many have of an alcoholic. "(Many children) don't realize it's sometimes a woman, meaning it could be their mother. Many don't understand that most people who are alcoholic have jobs, so it doesn't dawn on them that Dad could be an alcoholic."

Ms. Black offers advice for those attempting to help the children of alcoholics. "We can certainly offer education to help to clarify for that child what it is that's going on. We can help him to feel less ashamed and less isolated and to see that he has other choices in his life . . . The first thing he needs to know is that . . . he's not responsible for the unhappiness and the drinking in his home. But he does need to take responsibility that he doesn't repeat the pattern."

### Atlantic Union College



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#### **Bibles Reach Africa**

Last spring AUC sent 40 pounds of Bibles for use by students in Africa. In a letter addressed to Dean Davis, chairman of AUC's Religion Department, Dr. Leslie L. Lee, Academic Dean of the Adventist University of East Africa, sent word that he presented the Bibles to the students and Headmaster of the Chemunder secondary school. He said, "The Bibles are much appreciated by the school administration and students."

Angel Rodriguez, Campus Ministries Leader, was instrumental in organizing the campaign that brought together the 50 Bibles. Dr. Lee taught in AUC's Education Department from 1970 to 1976.

> Gary Gray College Relations

#### **Campus Ministries**

Question: What is the busiest and fastest growing organization on campus?

Answer: Campus Ministries. Under the direction of Angel Rodriguez and Campus Chaplain Rick Trott, the number of activities connected to Campus Ministries has almost doubled, including the addition of a very popular Sabbath school class, planned and run exclusively by students, and Destiny, a group of students who share their commitment to Christ through religious drama.

The goal of Campus Ministries is to provide: 1) religious life activities for the students, 2) Sabbath afternoon programs for the students, 3) ways in which students can share their faith both on and off campus. Their first goal is accomplished through programs such as "Hotline for Help," which meets one evening during the week for prayer and Bible study; and "Afterglow," which follows Friday evening vespers; and Wednesday evening joint worships for the entire student body. On Sabbath afternoons they often sponsor many activities: a movie, a trip to Mount Monadnock, or a Singspiration. Students in the "Shut-in" Ministries also have a chance to visit and witness to those who are unable to get out.

Incorporated in their third goal is their most ambitious plan—"Project Clinton." Angel contends, "People in Clinton have a bad taste in the mouth when it comes to Adventists. We want to change that." They are attempting this through many different avenues, such as S.W.A.T. (Soul Winning Action Team) who pass out literature in Clinton and are taking a survey to see what the needs



Photo by William Fagal AUC Campus Chaplain Rick Trott.



Campus Ministries Leader Angel Rodriguez

of the community are; the Van Program is a medical outreach team that does Blood Pressure Screening and introduces people to more healthful living; Adopt-a-Grandparent is students who bring life and joy into the Clinton Nursing home; and ACTIVE (Adventists Collegiate Team of Volunteer Endeavors) which goes out on Sundays to rake, clean, or do whatever else people need to have done. They want to provide programs that meet the physical and social needs of the community as well as the spiritual needs. Angel is enthusiastic about this project, and optimistic about its success and his ultimate goal-the setting up of a church in Clinton.

Chaplain Trott, who has been Campus Ministries sponsor for several years says, "I've never seen it as good as it is, as well organized and structured as it is. I don't know how to make it any better." Angel also sees it as being a successful program. "When I first came here there were only six programs. Now there are fifteen. It wouldn't be growing as rapidly as it is if it hadn't been a success. I hope to keep it growing." Their only complaint is lack of money to fund things such as a sacred concert series.

Students are having no complaints, either. "I really like their programs, especially the Shut-In ministries. I've gone several times, and it makes us feel good as well as those we visit. I think this is a good outreach to the community," says Julie Coates, Freshman physical therapy major. "I think it has good leadership and is extremely well organized. And it offers a lot. The variety of programs that fit whatever the person's talent is great," said Melanie Harris, a senior personal ministries major.

The influence of Campus Ministries is felt on campus and is growing strongly to also touch the community, spreading the students' love for Christ and people wherever it goes.

Janna Hardin College Relations

### Greater New York

#### Mortgage Burning at Grand Concourse

Truly heaven tabernacled with us the weekend of September 16 to 18, 1983, as Pastors D. Robert Kennedy and W. Oliver, members and friends of the Grand Concourse church celebrated the mortgage burning and rededicated the renovated edifice to God's glory.

Indeed, the Lord was worshipped in the "beauty of holiness" when, at sunset Friday evening, the Sabbath was ushered in by a touching candlelight ceremony. Elder Merlin Kretschmar, president of Greater New York Conference, and Pastor Harold Baptiste of Northeastern Conference officiated.

The Sabbath day's celebration found many distinguished guests in the congregation. Pastor Trevor Fraser of West Palm Beach, Florida, taught the Sabbath school. Elder Aaron Brogden, secretary of the Atlantic Union, delivered the Divine hour message. The afternoon's "Celebration of Music" climaxed the day, as several choirs from the metropolitan area and upstate New York praised God in His sanctuary.

Sunday afternoon, the Lord's Shekinah glory shown through as Elder Earl Amundson, president of the Atlantic Union, gave the address and set the pace



Officiating at the candlelight communion service Friday evening were (L. to R.) Elders Baptiste, Kretschmar, Kennedy, and Pastor Oliver.



Darlene Simmons provided one of the many musical numbers highlighting the weekend of September 16.



A candlelight communion service was conducted for the special celebration.

for the actual mortgage-burning exercise. Amid the struggle to complete payment of and burn the mortgage, 47 baptisms were conducted, thus burning Satan's hold over mankind and building spiritual sanctuaries for our Creator.

Members and leaders of Grand Concourse church have come this far by faith, and we say Ebenezer! ("Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.")

> Barbara Mitchell Communication Committee

#### Maranatha Hosts Day for Deacons and Deaconesses

Outgoing and incoming deacons and deaconesses of the Maranatha church in Brooklyn sponsored their first Deacons and Deaconesses Day on September 24, 1983.

Plans for the day's activities were coordinated by James and Mary Riley, head deacon and deaconess, respectively.

The challenge of the day was brought to the group by Pastor Linford Martin of the North Bronx church. His sermon at the eleven o'clock hour was powerful and stirring. He challenged all church officers to faithful and dedicated service to God, with the ultimate goal of winning people to Jesus Christ.

Many deacons and deaconesses from churches in the Northeastern Conference attended the afternoon program, bringing greetings from their congregations.

The day was well spent and proved to be a real blessing and inspiration to all who attended.

> D. A. Thorne, pastor Maranatha Church

## New York

#### Spiritual Gifts Workshop Held

Do you believe that God has a special work for you to do? Do you know what it is? Are you working in the area in which God wants you to work? Twentynine New York laymen and pastors came together on the weekend of October 7 to 9 for a Spiritual Gifts Workshop at Union Springs Academy to answer these questions. These people wanted to find out for themselves what work God has planned for them and to help others find out for themselves.

#### Jackson Heights Honors Senior Citizen



Pictured is Emma Campbell, a longtime faithful member of the Jackson Heights church, who recently moved to the Adventist Retirement Home in Livingston, New York.

Since her father was already a Seventh-day Adventist when he and her mother were married, Emma has never known any other faith but Adventism. One of her happiest childhood memories is of having heard Sister Ellen G. White speak.

Friends gathered in the Jackson Heights church gym after services on September 24 to wish Emma Godspeed. Light refreshments were served, and she was presented with a silk flower arrangement for her new home as a reminder of all those who love her and will miss her.

Shown in the background is Emma's brother, Fred Ornell, also a Jackson Heights member.

The Workshop was sponsored by the

New York Laymen's Association and the New York Conference. Elder Ed-

mund Robinson of the Binghamton

District who led out in the devotions and

the main lectures, stressed the impor-

tance of personal conversion and the Holy Spirit's work in one's life. He ex-

plained how to discover and develop our

Spiritual Gifts and how to find the

special ministry that God has for us.

Every born-again Christian has been

given at least one Spiritual Gift which is

to be used in service for others and to

Joyce Robidoux Communications Secretary build up God's kingdom. Elder Robinson stressed that everyone should seek to know what his gifts are, but only if he is seriously planning to use them.

Blanche Yates, Association President, who explained the value of personal testimony, had them write a short resume of how they came to Jesus and what He means to them now. She also showed how to give a Gospel Presentation and how to lead a soul to Christ.

Ronald Gadsden, Vice-President, led out in the song services and the final portion of the workshop. He helped us to see how understanding different temperaments would help us in our ministry for Christ. We would be better able to understand ourselves and others. He explained how God can improve our strengths and change our weaknesses of character to glorify Him.

All who attended the Workshop will be receiving a certificate after completing follow-up work at home.



Those who led out in the Spiritual Gifts Workshop (L. to R.): Julie Yonke, Pat Shafer, Ron Gadsden, Blanche Yates, Lee Yates, and Elder E. O. Robinson.



Pictured are the persons who attended the Spiritual Gifts Workshop at Union Springs Academy October 7 to 9, 1983.

The group was divided into six smaller units called Action Groups. These were led by Lee Yates, Tioga County Church; Pat Shafer, Bay Knoll-Rochester; Julie Yonke, Association Secretary from Saratoga Springs; Blanche Yates and Ron Gadsden. These group leaders led their teams into a close and loving fellowship through sharing personal experiences and prayer. Many friendships were formed that will last through eternity. One person exclaimed, "This is *NOT* just another program, it's a new beginning!" Another said, "This is filling a tremendous gap in my spiritual experience between Christian theory and practical everyday living."

The Laymen's Association will sponsor more of these workshops wherever there is a group of 25 or more interested people. If you are interested in attending such a workshop or in having one in your area, contact: Nickolaus Satelmajer, Personal Ministries Director, P.O. Box 67, Syracuse, New York 13215.

> Blanche Yates and Julie Yonke

#### Retirement/Farewell Dinner for Pastor and Mrs. Loomis and Mrs. Palmer

Members of the Canton, Gouverneur, and West Bangor Seventh-day Adventist churches honored Pastor and Mrs. Hardy Loomis and Mrs. Esther Palmer at a farewell dinner November 6, 1983, in the Canton church.



Pastor and Mrs. Hardy Loomis.

Pastor and Mrs. Loomis, who have served in the Canton area for the past seven years, recently retired and are preparing to move to the Zanesville, Ohio, area. The Loomises leave many evidences of their work including numerous inprovements that enhance the function and beauty of their churches; and, more importantly, their parishioners feel improved quality of life for many as a result of their various programs, including the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. Hundreds of St. Lawrence County residents will remember and thank the Loomises for helping

them overcome the tobacco habit.

Mrs. Esther Palmer, who has resided and worked in Massena as a well-known and highly respected executive legal secretary for the past 40 years, will leave with the Loomises and reside near them in Ohio.  $\Rightarrow$ 

#### Vienna Pathfinder Day

Nearly two hundred Pathfinders, youth, and interested adults, enjoyed a full day of activity climaxed by a pine wood derby race. The special events were held on October 1, 1983, at the Vienna church, under the leadership of Josiah Chase, local Pathfinder Director and Area Coordinator.

The Sabbath school program, conducted by Margaret Ahles, was accented by the presence of a wide-eyed snowy owl perched on a native tree trunk. The theme, "The Wise Old Owl," was



Vespers-camp-fire setting.



Pastor Thomas and snowy white owl.



Grand prize winner, Scott Higby.



Ray Blowers with guitar, Pastor Herbert Coe, Joe Chase.

further illustrated by a chalk talk by Lucinda LaCelle from the Vienna Pathfinder Club. The Sabbath school lesson was enthusiastically presented by Pastor John Portney, and an inspiring sermon was delivered by Pastor Gene Thomas. "Gideon, the Warrior Youth," challenged everyone to reaffirm their commitment to the Lord and the work of the church.

On Sabbath afternoon, Beverly and Dick Tibbits directed our vision toward a missionary outreach through two travelog-slide presentations. These were alternated with two nature programs provided by naturalist Bob Broadhead: "Rocks and Minerals," and "The Eruption of Mt. St. Helen."

Vespers was conducted in a camp-fire setting by Pastor Herbert Coe. Immediately following, the Third Annual Pine Wood Derby Race riveted attention and enthusiasm on the fifty plus contesting cars. Winners in each category were presented ribbons and trophies. The grand prize winner was Scott Higby from the Grindstone Pathfinder Club in Pulaski.

The fatigue that all experienced was more than compensated for by the inspiration, joy, and fulfillment of this most memorable Pathfinder Day!

> Doreen Weeden PR Secretary Vienna SDA Church

#### **Trans-Africa Report**

Miss Mary Kovarick is on furlough from Malawi Africa and is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Kovarick of the Tioga County church.

Miss Kovarick is a Seventh-day Adventist missionary who has served two years as a dental hygienist for the church in Malawi, a part of the Trans-Africa Division.

There are five hospitals in the TAD, four of which run full nurses training programs, and one graduate nurse course. The Trans-Africa Leprosy Rehabilitation and Education Services program runs a leprosy and TB control program in Malawi.

Miss Kovarick serves in the Adventist Health Center in Blantyre, the country's largest city. The center consists of a 23-bed maternity hospital and a dental clinic. A staff of 10 people at the clinic serve approximately 7,000 of the 280,000 people in Blantyre. In addition, Miss Kovarick reports that a private aircraft flies to Blantyre from Sucoma, Mozambique, twice a week with 5 to 7 patients who have heard of the excellent reputation of the clinic and seek treatment there.

When the Seventh-day Adventist Church began the 1000 Days of Reaping, the Trans-Africa Division set their goal at 110,000 baptisms for the 1000 Days. Thus far Malawi has baptized more than 7,000 new converts. In 1980 during one three-month period, an offering by the world-wide membership of the Seventh-day Adventist Church provided for a total of 179 chapels to be built in the local villages of the Trans-Africa Division. This year, during the same three-month period offerings have been solicited for the division to construct lamb shelters, or children's chapels. Most children in the division have to worship outside, or stay with their parents during the Sabbath school, as most buildings are only one-room chapels.

Medical work is an important outreach of the Seventh-day Adventist Church throughout the world to help people physically and to spread the Word of the Gospel to all nations.

Miss Kovarick is returning to Malawi January, 1984, for another term to help the people she has grown to love very dearly.

Helen Kovarick and Marnie Schrader Communications Secretary

#### Dexterville Pathfinders Collect Food for the Needy

On November 15 and 16 homes in Hannibal, New York, were visited by pupils from the Dexterville Seventh-day Adventist Church School. Under the supervision of their Principal, James Penny, pupils from grades one to nine went door-to-door collecting canned food for needy families of Oswego County.

As a result of their efforts, the children were able to present 230 cans of food and other items to the Dexterville

Community Services Center. The food will be distributed during the Holiday season and was a welcome addition to the stock of supplies at the Center.

To correspond with the pupils' collection, the church members at Dexterville brought produce and other foods to church with them. These will also be given to needy families in the area.

> Cecelia Shortslef Communications Secretary

#### **Cortland District Update**

The month of October was a busy one for the Cortland Seventh-day Adventist Church. A successful Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking was held during the first week, with 26 of the initial 37 participants completing the program. The plan was held in cooperation with the American Cancer Society and the Cortland Memorial Hospital, A follow-up program was held the following Friday evening at the hospital to continue to monitor the progress of the participants by Pastor Caraboolad. The group plans to continue to meet on a regular monthly basis so that contacts will be maintained. Many of the participants in the program have shown an interest in visiting the church; and many, too, are attending a Weight-Management Program which began the following week at the Gibbs Medical Building. Program leaders included Pastor Richard Caraboolad, Dr. Donald Gibbs, Margaret Gibbs, Robert Murray, Mike and Stephanie Wallace. Special mention should be made that the Pathfinder/Youth Club hung posters around the Cortland area, which were directly responsible for bringing two of the participants to the program, both of whom quit smoking!

Over 40 people attended the first meeting of a Weight-Management Program, held at the Gibbs Medical Building, with increased attendance since that initial meeting. The program, developed by the Loma Linda Medical Center, does not use a specific diet, but emphasizes gradual lifestyle change, according to Dr. Donald Gibbs, program coordinator. Due to the large attendance, the following nine meetings were held on consecutive Tuesday evenings in the Cortland SDA Church. Program leaders included Pastor Richard Caraboolad, Dr. Donald Gibbs, Margaret Gibbs, and Robert Murray, P.A.

Bradley Proctor reports that the first annual "Tater Feed" held at the Proctor Farm on Saturday evening, October 15, was a success. Brad raised potatoes this year as an investment project. He planned the evening's events, which included potato races on "three wheelers" and building race cars with toothpicks and potatoes—the "older boys" seemed to enjoy the car races the most. Over \$70 was raised for investment at this event, where many members, and a lot of visitors as well, enjoyed baked and salt potatoes and fresh apple cider.

> Stephanie Wallace Communications Secretary



#### Upgrading Industrial Arts at Union Springs Academy

Union Springs Academy is in the process of upgrading its Industrial Arts program, which is made possible through generous donations specified for this area of practice.

Ron Anderson, the new Industrial Arts teacher, is upgrading the auto, welding, woodworking, and graphic-arts equipment for student use. Anderson is hoping to update the auto mechanics area to better facilitate the teaching of personal auto care, automotive mechanics, and advanced auto mechanics.

In the welding department, three Miller AC/DC Arc Welders, one Hobart MIG Welder, and four Oxyacetylene Welding outfits are being purchased. Anderson would like to see welding offered on both the beginning and advanced levels so that a student might be at the job entry level upon completion of the course.

Many new hand tools have been purchased in the area of woodworking. In addition, needed power tools and machinery have been supplemented. The USA farm donated approximately 1,000 board feet of assorted hardwoods for woodworking.

Anderson is also introducing his General Shop class to Screen Printing and Photography. His goal is to expand these areas by including offset printing and layout design.

Union Springs Academy, a Seventhday Adventist boarding school, is now accepting applications for summer work, 1984. Applications for the 1984-85 school year are available. Write to:

Registrar

Union Springs Academy Union Springs, New York 13160

### Northern New England

#### **Cliff Island Day**

Sabbath, August 13, dawned a beautiful warm, sunny day. It was what has become known as Cliff Island Day. This has become an annual day of worship for fellow believers and friends of the Cliff Island church members.

Cliff Island Day originated about eleven years ago when a handful of high school students from Pine Tree Academy in Freeport, Maine, decided to prepare a special Sabbath program for the Cliff Islanders. The members of the church there spread the word to nonbelievers and friends. Many people came to that first program and enjoyed a day filled with special music, singalongs and talks, all done by the students.

For the next three or four years the Pine Tree students returned during the summer for a day at Cliff Island. Then, some of the Portland church members suggested having a Cliff Island Day, which included anyone who had ever



Fellow believers and friends arriving at Cliff Island.



Pianists—Chester Pettingill and Leola Townsend.

had any ties with the Island. They may have been born there, or lived there and moved away, or married someone from the Island, et cetera. A date was set in August. Word spread and about fifty people came to that first official "Cliff Island Day."

The next year it was published in the GLEANER and about two hundred people came from as far away as New York, Pennsylvania, and California. In successive years there had been as many as three hundred people come. Two ferry boats were used that year to handle the crowd. Other years there had been between one hundred and three hundred people.

About fifty people came on August 13 of this year. Our Sabbath school song service was led by Kip Libby. Beautiful strains of music were heard from the two pianos played by Chester Pettingill and Leola Townsend. The mission story was given by Preston Smith. During the offering a beautiful rendition of "Peace Be Still" was played by Mrs. Townsend. The Sabbath school lesson was conducted by Pastor Kim Johnson. Gloria DePalma read a poem written by Fred Farley to honor the occasion.

During the church service we were again honored with special music by Leola Townsend, "Sweet Will of God." One couldn't seem to get enough of her piano playing, and when Chester joined her, sweet music filled the air. The sermon was given by Elder Richard Lesher,



Members at Cliff Island, (L. to R.) Pastor Kim Johnson, Preston Smith, Chester Pettingill, Julia Pettingill, Esther Dyer, and Paul McVane.

who is a Vice-President of the General Conference and head of Biblical research and work in the Middle East.

Mrs. Townsend came all the way from California especially for this day. As a young girl she had lived on Cliff Island. Chester stated that his piano playing had been inspired by her. Leola told us of her conversion and how she became a Seventh-day Adventist. She used to give piano lessons for twenty-five cents a week. We thrilled to hear her tell of her experiences. She, along with her husband, Elder Vivian Townsend, were in the work together for thirty-two years. Even though Elder Townsend is gone now and Mrs. Townsend is badly crippled with arthritis, she is still an active worker and witnesses for the Lord.

The Cliff Island church is a small church with only five members. It is under the able leadership of Paul McVane and Preston Smith. Still, in spite of its size, it serves as a lighthouse to all the people of Cliff Island and the other Islands in Casco Bay.

> Judith Dyer Communications Secretary White Memorial Church

#### **Teaspoon Listeners**

It is so easy to sit in church and while listening to the sermon being presented to let one's mind wander. The sermon is being heard but the thoughts are going something like this: I sure hope Joe Black heard that statement—I wonder if the speaker realizes how much what he is saying could line up with the way Kermit Jones lives—What was said could be a real embarrassment to Milly Dow—I sure wish Tom Brown was here to hear this— et cetera.

This could be referred to as "teaspoon" listening.

Have you ever had the experience of having a teaspoon in a bowl when you poured in liquid and have the liquid splash and spill; or, maybe have a spoon in the sink directly under the water flow? When the water is turned on it is almost as if water is everywhere at the same time. It goes all over the countertop, splashes out on the floor, gets the window above the sink wet, and still manages to drench your clothes all in an instant.

Maybe each one of us should make sure there isn't a "teaspoon" in the way when we come to church. Then we would listen to the sermon and apply it to our own lives.

Esther White Communications Secretary Carthage Church

#### Baptism at Randolph, Vermont

Barbara White and Kathryn Locke were welcomed into fellowship in the Randolph, Vermont, church on September 10, 1983. Pastor Kenneth Scribner led the examination of candidates and right hand of fellowship at the church service. Pastor Lee Manning, recently transferred to the Rutland, Vermont, area, performed the baptism.

Barbara White's name had been given to Bible Worker Peggy (then Hoover) Paine as a possible contact for Bible study by a member of the Barre, Vermont, church. The paper with her name was lost and Peggy was unable to follow through. But within a year another church member, Vernita Clifford, became acquainted with Barbara and began Bible studies with her. When Mrs. Clifford left Vermont for the winter, Peggy finished the studies. Peggy remarked, "It's a real testimony that the Lord was able to find Barbara in spite of human error and forgetfulness." The baptism was held outdoors in a stream on a member's farm.



Baptism of Barbara White by Elder Lee Manning.



Left to Right: Bible worker, Peggy Paine, Kathryn Locke, Pastor Scribner, and Barbara White.

Mrs. Locke had been an Adventist as a young girl. Her faithful mother died and she married a non-Adventist. Misfortune and poor health followed, and she gradually slipped away from the truth. In her seventies now, she has rededicated her life to Christ and was welcomed into fellowship on profession of faith.  $\Rightarrow$ 

#### Mountain View District's First Annual Camp-Out

Sometimes around the end of the summer, some of our church members find their excitement of camp meeting wearing off and find themselves back in the same old precamp meeting condition. A couple of the members of our churches decided to do something about this and have an end-of-the-summer camp-out and time of spiritual refreshment for our district.

After much careful planning by Don Pike of the Drewsville, New Hampshire, church and Gary Brodis from the Brattleboro, Vermont, church, the weekend was set for September 8 to 10 at a beautiful camping area in southern Vermont. A group of Juniors had camped there earlier in the summer and the park personnel were most impressed with the quality of the young people. Needless to say, they were most anxious to have an Adventist group return. A special section of the campground was reserved just for our group.

Friday evening 54 people arrived to camp for the entire weekend. After everyone was set up and had eaten their supper, sundown worship was held with Gary Brodis leading the song service and Don Pike having the worship thoughts. Many people gathered around the camp fire after the worship to talk about what the Lord had done for them.

Sabbath morning arrived with a wet start. It rained for a couple of hours, but not enough to discourage anyone. As the 10:00 a.m. Sabbath school hour approached, many people arrived to enjoy the Sabbath day with the group. A total of 107 people shared the Sabbath day together at this beautiful setting. Bob Stacy from the Drewsville church led out in the Sabbath school song service and the adult lesson. Group participation was encouraged and achieved. Children's classes were held in various places on the campground. Susan Smead from the Brattleboro church led out in the children's divisions with Jean Brodis, Ethel Pike, Donna Rice, and Gary Brodis teaching the various classes.



Susan Smead from the Brattleboro, Vermont, church leading out in the Cradle Roll/Kindergarten division during the Mountain View District camp-out.



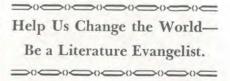
A portion of the group which attended the Mountain View District weekend camp-out on Sabbath afternoon.

An abundant potluck dinner was enjoyed by all, after which we were led in a short nature talk by Fred Hunt from the Drewsville church. He then led out in a nature walk to Ball Mountain Dam and answered many questions.

During the Saturday night vespers, Sandra Harris led the music and Dennis Harris from the Brattleboro church presented the talk. Sunday morning Ken Woods from the West Townshend church started the day off with a short and meaningful worship talk. A softball game was played followed by a grinder feed on Sunday noon.

Everyone agreed that it was a mostrefreshing weekend and wanted to make it an annual event. We all feel that as time goes on we need to have more association with our fellow believers to strengthen one another.

Jean Brodis Communications Secretary Brattleboro Church



#### 1983 Vacation Bible School in Nashua, New Hampshire, Church

Happy voices of boys and girls rang out as registration for the first day of Vacation Bible School was being held at the Nashua, New Hampshire, church, 20 Robinson Road. This year's summer program was held from July 25 through August 4, beginning at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Thirty-six children were registered with an average daily attendance of thirty. Mrs. Ruth Miller was program coordinator for 1983. This year's theme was "God's Holy Book—The Bible" focusing on how God cares for us.

Our thanks to Elder P. D. Bakker,



Kindergarten class with Francesanne Lafrance, leader, learning about Noah's ark, the flood, and the animals.

former Pastor of the Nashua church and now of Hamilton, Bermuda, who was on hand for one week and made the most of his storytelling ability in the midst of wide-eyed children as he related true stories about life and dangers in Africa.

Our faithful staff of volunteers was once again prepared to assist in this community service. All children attending received arts and crafts instruction, inspirational Bible stories, nature talks and a mid-morning refreshment break of unsweetened fruit juices.

As the two-week program came to an end, parents and friends were invited for an evening climaxed by inspirational singing, narrations and Bible texts from all divisions. A good evening of entertainment was enjoyed by all as another successful year came to a close. May God bless each child who participated in this yearly event. Lise Gilbert

Communications Secretary

### Southern New England

#### School Project Emphasizes God's Plan for Healthful Living

The pupils and teacher from the Berkshire Hills elementary school declared Wednesday, October 12, Meat-Free Day in their school. The emphasis of the day was on God's plan for healthful living. The morning worship session included a story about Mr. Kellogg and his startling announcements regarding the negative effects of meat eating. The real treat was the noon meal which was made by the pupils. The meal was planned by eighth graders Tonya Balsamo, Becky Suriner, and Eric Young along with a church friend Suzette Dingwell.

Our meal consisted of oatmeal patties in sauce, mashed potatoes, green beans, and a garden salad. For dessert we had a special fruit cup and cookies.

All agreed that healthful can be delicious!

THREE NEW MEMBERS IN WICKFORD CHURCH

Matthew Lombard, Principal Berkshire Hills SDA School

Elder P. D. Bakker (center) with VBS children at storytelling time.



Closing VBS program on Thursday evening, August 4, 1983.



The happy group enjoys the meatless meal they planned and prepared together.

As part of the experience, children in grades one through eight enjoyed creating a bulletin board which illustrated the concept that eating meat is wasteful. The captions showed that one acre of corn will feed 1,000 people for one day. In contrast, one acre of corn to feed cattle will feed only 50 people for one day!



Three people who were baptized October 29, 1983, in the Wickford, Rhode Island, church are pictured with Pastor William Johnson, (left): Thomas Stevens holding daughter Kasander, his wife Elizabeth, and Robert Oliver. Paul Knowles, local church elder is on the right. Two Stevens children and three Oliver children were dedicated to the Lord the same day. The service was followed by a fellowship dinner. It was a very special Sabbath for the Wickford congregation.

#### HASKELL RETIREES ATTENTION

Our January meeting will be held on January 22 with luncheon in the college cafeteria at twelve. Business meeting will follow in the Youth Chapel of the College

the Youth Chapel of the College church.

#### Six Devoted Sisters Always Keep in Touch

Six girls were born to Mary and Eli Putney over eighty years ago. The three older girls were born in Canaan, New Hampshire, and later three more girls were born after the family moved to Lyme, New Hampshire.

The six little girls made up a lively, happy household. Growing up was a challenge and real experience for Mom and Dad Putney, for six girls to clothe and feed and train was no small task.

Dad Putney was a first-class mason and brick layer. He was a hard worker and provided well for his family. Mother Putney was a quiet, humble, very lovable person and devoted her time and energy to her home and cared well for her children.

The three older sisters began their education in the small one-room schoolhouse in Lyme. Years later the family moved to Lebanon, New Hampshire, where the other sisters began their schooling.

Through the years characters were formed and talents developed. Some chose teaching for a career, some nursing and sewing; but all developed the art of homemaking talents from Mother and managed well their own homes.

The six sisters were truly devoted and most congenial. Music was a natural talent that all six girls developed. Dad Putney was clever with the violin and Mother Putney played the old pump organ. Often the sisters would gather around the piano and join in singing the old hymns. How Dad Putney loved to hear his girls sing! Tears would well up in his eyes as he sat and listened.

By invitation the six sisters sang at regional meetings, church services, et cetera. One by one the sisters married and left the happy home. It was sad to realize we would be separated and not together as we had been for so long.

These sisters, who annually have a New England reunion, are Mrs. Daisy Lee, South Lancaster, Massachusetts; Mrs. Julia Johnson, Brunswick, Maine;



The six sisters are (L. to R.): Daisy Lee, Julia Johnson, Doris Thistle, Pauline Woodward, Vera Irving, Pansy Currie.

Mrs. Doris Thistle, Brunswick, Maine; Mrs. Pauline Woodward, Collegedale, Tennessee; Mrs. Vera Irving, West Paris, Maine; and Mrs. Pansy Currie, South Lancaster, Massachusetts. All have reached the age mentioned in Psalm 90:10 and are experiencing in their lives the prediction of Psalm 92:13, 14! They also are looking forward to the soon return of the Lord to be reunited with their parents and other loved ones who have been taken in death.

Pansy Currie

# General News ....

#### Atlantic Union Curriculum Committee Completes Creation-Dinosaur Unit

The workshop held on Wednesday, August 31, through Thursday, September 1, 1983, marked the culmination of the work of a selected Science Curriculum Committee in the Atlantic Union. This committee was formed for the express purpose of developing an auxiliary science unit for grades 4 through 6—A Creationist View of Dinosaurs.

The topic of dinosaurs has always excited the imagination of young people. Many classroom teachers observed that their students were reading books that presented the story of the dinosaurs in a way that was contrary to our basic beliefs as creationists. These teachers felt a great need for material that would counterbalance this influence. In January of 1979, during an evaluation of the elementary school of the Bermuda Institute, Delano Gilliam, Associate Director of Education for the Atlantic Union, and Helen Meade, one of the members of the evaluating committee, were introduced to Elder Robert Correia. They soon learned that Elder Correia had done extensive research into the study of dinosaurs.

Elder Correia also expressed a desire to see this material presented in a way that would be beneficial to the students in our church schools. He made available to the Atlantic Union all of the research he had accumulated on the subject of dinosaurs and also that of fossils in general. Consequently, Mrs. Meade developed an interest center in her third and fourth grade classroom using the materials that had been supplied by Elder Correia along with the book *Dinosaurs* by Ruth Wheeler and Dr. Harold Coffin.

From this beginning, a committee was formed during the summer of 1980 to develop a curriculum that would present information on dinosaurs from a creationist point of view. It was soon discovered by those involved that this seemingly simple topic of dinosaurs was much more extensive than any of them had imagined. It was so far reaching in scope that it included creation, the Flood, fossilization, and most comprehensive, the concepts of Bible creation versus evolution.

The committee used the following resource materials: the Bible, the Spirit of Prophecy, and books from prominent paleontologists. Elder Correia was given permission to do extensive research at the White Estate to glean all pertinent references in the Spirit of Prophecy. The committee visited the American Museum of Natural History in New York City, and the Yale Peabody Museum in New Haven, Connecticut, They listened to lectures from museum consultants and studied the dinosaur fossil remains exhibited. At Donosaur State Park in Rocky Hill, Connecticut, the committee studied one of the largest trackways of dinosaur footprints found in North America.

During the second summer, two of the committee members attended a Geoscience workshop sponsored by Andrews University and Loma Linda University jointly. This workshop consisted of two and one-half weeks of study of the surface of the earth in conjunction with the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy to substantiate the creationists' beliefs of the origin of our world. Three days were de-







- 1. Elder Robert F. Corriea explains the radial movement of the dinosaur's eye to three of the teachers in attendance at the workshop.
- Dorothy Waters and Melvin Boynton observe some of the murals and dioramas that are part of the teaching unit on dinosaurs.
- Three teachers from Northeastern Conference trace the dispersal of dinosaurs and also view plaster casts of some of the small dinosaur footprints.
- Andrea Herrington (left), Robert Lehrer, and Maisie Washburn find it hard not to touch the many interesting and varied bulletin boards and displays.
- Eldora Kaiser (left) and Helen Meade find that by holding some of the fossilized dinosaur bones they can better visualize the size to which some of the dinosaurs grew.





voted solely to geological study in Yellowstone National Park. After this workshop, all of the material developed the first summer was completely revised.

During the third summer the material was enriched and illustrated. A pilot program was prepared. In the ensuing year, the program was piloted in classrooms by twenty-seven teachers in the Atlantic Union.

Finally, during this summer of 1983, the material was refined, edited, and prepared for publication. A slide and tape presentation was prepared with the aid of Elder John Aitken of the Greater New York Conference.

At the two-day workshop on August 31 and September 1, the unit was presented to all of the teachers of grades 4 through 6 in our Union. During this workshop, the teachers were made aware of all aspects of the material, and the committee fielded questions concerning concepts and presentation of material.

After four years of comprehensive study and preparation, the committee expresses its gratitude to all who have in some way made this possible. Most of all we praise our Creator for the guidance of His Spirit. It is our belief that this unit of study will greatly benefit our students by giving them a firm foundation on which to build their relationship with God, our Creator. It will also help them become more cognizant of evolutionists' theories and aid in refuting them.

#### Sunday after Thanksgiving

Pictured are Rosita Vando, an LE; Paul Bernet, Atlantic Union Conference publishing director; and Mrs. Lois Ramas. Vando and Bernet met with Mrs. Ramas in her home the Sunday after Thanksgiving. During the presentation, one of Mrs. Ramas's friends came to visit. She was very interested in our literature, too, and purchased the medical encyclopedia.



Sister Vando is a very strong believer in our literature. She distributes over 200 free pieces a week. She also enrolls 20 to 25 persons in the Bible course and gives a number of Bible studies each week. Several people have been baptized this year from her contacts.

We need more dedicated believers who will devote 10 to 15 hours a week or full time to this blessed ministry. Contact your local publishing director this week.

#### **Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries**

A new organization, the Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries (ACM), was inaugurated at the General Conference's 1983 Annual Council in Washington, D.C. This umbrella-type organization has been established to cover the many chaplain categories served by Seventhday Adventist ministers. Charles B.



C. D. Martin (left), Director of the new Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries, discusses operational plans with C. B. Hirsch (center), ACM Committee chairman, and J. H. Harris, Associate ACM Director.

Hirsch is Chairman of the ACM, Charles D. Martin is Director, and James H. Harris is Associate Director.

The functions and services of the National Service Organization have been incorporated into the ACM. NSO work for Seventh-day Adventist youth and military personnel will continue through respective youth directors.

Over two hundred Adventist chaplains are serving in military, civilian, prison, and health organizations in the United States. While the majority of these are serving in Adventist hospitals, 31 are on active duty with the military, eight are Reserve Units chaplains, four serve Veteran Administration hospitals, and one is connected with the National Guard. Four ministers are serving as full-time civilian chaplains serving military personnel in Germany, Korea, the Southern and Pacific sections of the United States. As volunteers, 21 serve as Civilian Air Patrol (CAP) chaplains, and two as police chaplains.

Nine seminarians at Andrews University are chaplain candidates, preparing for service as military chaplains, and seven have completed their seminary training and are pastoring churches in preparation for ordination and future military service. Several other ministers have applied for military chaplain service.

According to Elder Neal C. Wilson, President of the General Conference, "institutional chaplain openings present great opportunities for qualified, ordained and church-endorsed chaplains." The 144 members of the SDA Hospital Chaplains Association serve only SDA institutions. A few Adventist chaplains serve the nearly 7,000 non-SDA hospitals.

There are thousands of federal, state, and county correctional institutions, but only one full-time SDA chaplain serves them. Robert L. Mole, chief chaplain at the Jerry L. Pettis Memorial Veterans Hospital, says, "if properly coordinated, the church could have many of its welltrained people in the thousands of institutions as chaplains. If the world is our mission field, the church ought to consider all acceptable methods of tending and gleaning it."

Charles D. Martin

#### ADRA to Oversee Development and Relief Activities

Adventist Development and Relief Agency—International (ADRA—International)-was created by action of the 1983 Annual Council to serve as the umbrella organization for such agencies as SAWS, OFASA, ASA, AIA, and any other organization within the church engaged in development and relief work. The Annual Council appointed a board of directors and an executive committee with R. R. Drachenberg as the agency's executive director.



R. R. Drachenberg

When ADRA International's board of directors met on October 13, it made the remaining appointments. For programming: Marion Ochoa, director for Latin America; Richard W. O'Ffill, director for Africa; and Milton E. Nebblett, director for Asia/Pacific. For evaluation and training: David Syme, director. For operations and finances: R. W. Wilmot, treasurer. For fund raising and public relations, Conrad Visser, director; and for material resources and refugee affairs, Lee Grady, director.

> Conrad Visser, Public Relations ADRA

#### ADVENTIST SINGLES MINISTRIES

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> Bernie Paradis ASM Chapter President 152 Rodiman Ave. Fitchburg, MA 01420

#### "A Gift of Light" Just off the Press

The first new book published by Seventh-day Adventists in the past 20 years written for the express purpose of making a first introduction of Ellen G. White to the non-Adventist reader made its formal debut recently at the Annual Council of the General Conference in Washington, D.C.

Review and Herald Publishing Assn. General Manager Harold F. Otis, Jr., formally presented the first production copy of *A Gift of Light* to its author, Dr. Roger W. Coon, at the October meeting of the Trustees of the Ellen G. White Estate, Inc. Copies were then distributed to the Trustees individually.

Dr. Coon has served as an associate secretary of the White Estate for nearly three years. Last June he held a series at the Northern New England camp meeting.

Earlier, at a banquet for the assembled leadership of the North American and overseas divisions of the world church held at the Review and Herald's new plant at Hagerstown, Maryland, Elder Otis presented copies of *A Gift of Light* to the delegates.

"This book was commissioned by the Review and Herald as a direct response to the growing demand from the field



for an evangelistic tool that could introduce Ellen White to those not of our faith in a simple and interesting, yet compellingly powerful and forthright manner," according to Richard W. Coffen, senior book editor of the publishing house who himself edited the manuscript.

"Previous books on Mrs. White and the SDA Church came out many years ago. They have done an excellent work in acquainting the public with this distinctive feature of our church," Coffen added. "But we needed something that would bring out recent corroboration of Ellen White's prophetic gift, especially in certain scientific areas. A Gift of Light does that, among other of its many features, in an up-to-date manner, presenting Mrs. White in a contemporary setting."



Photo by Holly M. Denton

Review & Herald Publishing Assn. General Manager Harold F. Otis, Jr., presents copies of "A Gift of Light" for the Trustees of the Ellen G. White Estate to Dr. Robert W. Olson, White Estate Secretary, at the October meeting of the Trustees in Washington during Annual Council. Looking on are the author, Dr. Roger W. Coon (second from right), White Estate Associate Secretary, and Kenneth H. Wood (right), Chairman of the White Trustees and former editor of the "Adventist Review."

The 64-page paperback is being introduced in the "Better Living" series of R&H books, according to publishing house book department manager Robert J. Kinney. It is available from Adventist Book Centers now. Be sure to purchase your copy the next time you are there.

Despite the fact that A Gift of Light (which takes its name from two of the more prominent biblical metaphors for the inspiration/revelation process) is exactly twice the length of all of the other books in this particular series, a correspondingly higher price will not be charged for this new book about Mrs. White, he said.

This new volume will be used largely by evangelists and pastors in public campaigns, seminars, and Bible study groups. Church members will also wish to employ it in their personal witnessing and soul-winning endeavors, he concluded.

Although the book is intended primarily for non-Adventists, the author reports that he wrote the manuscript with one eye focused upon his fellow church members, and much if not most of the content will be new even to Adventists who have been in the church for many years, according to Dr. Coon. "I knew we had to 'grab' our own people, if we wanted them to recommend the book with any degree of enthusiasm to their non-Adventist friends, neighbors, and acquaintances," Dr. Coon remarked.

The author, who has spent 20 of the 35 years of his ministry in the college and seminary classroom, was senior pastor of the Takoma Park church at Adventist world headquarters for some three years before joining the White Estate staff on January 1, 1981. Prior to that he served as professor of religion at Pacific Union College for 11 years, and as a missionary in Nigeria, West Africa, for another 12 years, among his various previous responsibilities.

#### Telecast Averts Suicide Attempt

For Lillian—heartbroken, recently widowed and full of despair—suicide seemed the only way out; but God had other plans for her life.

Rapidly progressing cancer had claimed the life of her husband, ending a very happy and secure 33 years of marriage. Lillian felt alone, her life totally shattered.

"One Sunday," she writes from her home in Massachusetts, "when things had hit rock bottom, it seemed as though I had nothing to live for. So I loaded my gun and pointed it to my head.

"I thought about the noise the gun would make," says Lillian, "so I turned the TV to full volume to drown out the sound of the gun going off."

Then something remarkable happened.

"Before I could squeeze the trigger," she exclaims, "I saw Pastor George Vandeman's face. I didn't even know his name or that this program was called *It Is Written*, but thank God it held my attention. Then I put the gun on my tray next to my chair, bowed my head, and right then and there I found Jesus."

Soon after, Lillian wrote It Is Written about her depression and suicide at-



#### JUMBLED TAGS

BY ROBERT H. PIERSON

Refrigerators were marked \$2.89. Bars of toilet soap were going for only \$550. Expensive coats were labelled \$1.98 a dozen. Shaving cream, \$69. Men's socks "marked down" to \$150. Color TV's, three for \$1.00. Candy bars, \$47 each. Obviously, it was the work of a practical joker who switched price tags willy nilly overnight.

Speaking of price tags, do the priority tags in your home ever resemble this small town department store mess up? How do you arrange your priorities? What comes first in your life? Spread your "goods" out on the table. Then be honest with yourself. God. Spouse. Children. Friends. Car. Job. Clothes. TV. Social life. Whatever. Arrange them first as you live your priorities today.

Now go through the list again, carefully and prayerfully. Rearrange it as you would like it to be. I hope your first three will be as I have placed them above. Such priorities will assure the meeting of your family's most fundamental needs.

To keep your priorities straight, check frequently. Don't let anything or anyone jumble your tags.

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tempt. Janice Lenhoff, coordinator of the program's Prayer Alert Telephone Ministry, called from California to encourage her, and so did Pastor Vandeman. The local Seventh-day Adventist church was contacted. The pastors visited Lillian and are now giving her Bible studies which she enjoys immensely.

Lillian admits she still has problems, but doesn't have to face them alone anymore. "God is with me," she says, "and I feel His love in my heart is very strong. So is my faith."

Lillian credits the Seventh-day Adventist Church for bringing her a new outlook, replacing an "agonizing" existence with a new life in Jesus Christ. She's thankful that God arranged for her to see Pastor Vandeman on the TV screen at the time, as she says, "when I needed someone to show me the way."

> Suzanne Goodrich, Associate Director Public Relations & Development IT IS WRITTEN

#### Ad in *Parents* Magazine Brings 3,000 Requests for Bible Course

More than 3,000 persons have requested Bible lessons from the Voice of Prophecy because of a full-page, color ad in the September issue of *Parents* magazine.

The ad was created by Nan Cox, a freelance advertising consultant from Santa Barbara, California. Her goal was to target the advertisement to a particular audience: young couples with children.

"We are delighted with the response to the ad," says Leilani Proctor, supervisor of the Bible School. "Bible course ads are often quite general in nature, so as to appeal to a wide range of persons. The success of the ad in *Parents*, however, indicates the value of designing some ads to appeal to specific groups of readers. We are working on other ads for special audiences."

The VOP Committee of 500 raised the funds necessary for creating the ad, purchasing the magazine space, and paying for a toll-free WATS phone number for readers to call. The WATS lines are installed at Andrews University, where students trained in this work answer the calls.

A little less than 40 percent of the persons who requested the guides did so by calling the toll-free number. The others mailed in the coupon from the ad.

After receiving a few of the New Life



This ad appeared in full color in the September issue of "Parents" magazine and resulted in 3,000 requests for the New Life guides to Bible study offered by the Voice of Prophecy. For a large color copy of the ad, or to enroll in the guides, write: Voice of Prophecy, Box 55, Los Angeles, CA 90053.

lessons, one student wrote: "I am a teenage Christian mother. I'm also single. I spotted your advertisement in *Parents* magazine, and I saw a good way to answer some of my little boy's questions before he starts asking them. However, I discovered that your Bible guides have given me a deeper understanding for myself, as well. Thank you very much for helping me increase my knowledge of God's Word."



Mansir - Fitzherbert Gloria Mansir and Darryl Fitzherbert were united in marriage October 1, 1983, in the Farmingdale, ME, Seventh-day Adventist Church by Pastor Norman Deakin. They are residing in Randolph, ME, where Gloria is a beautician and Darryl is employed by the Willow Crest Nursing Home.

Pastor Norman Deakin

#### Panorama of Adventists—Past, Present, Future

Periodically we will be reprinting brief news summaries from the Adventist Review through the courtesy of the **Review** and its editor, William G. Johnsson. The availability of this service is very much appreciated.

#### "An Hundredfold"

When Philippine Adventist College, Bacolod City, began operation on June 14, 1982, with 114 students, its leaders were determined to make training and participation in lay witnessing one of the school's primary goals. The result: By May 20, 1983, the witness of students and staff had been instrumental in 114 baptisms. Although the student enrollment has more than doubled this school year, by God's grace, the students and faculty plan once again to see at least one baptism per student.

#### **Big-Time** Evangelism

Civil war, economic instability, and natural disasters don't keep Adventists in the Central American Union from thinking big when it comes to evangelism. In an evangelistic extravaganza during the first six months of 1983, some 11,000 people were won to Christ as a result of 2,528 series of meetings held simultaneously throughout the union. As there are only 150 pastors in the entire union, 2,378 of the preachers were lay people—yet they drew an estimated combined nightly attendance of 75,000.

#### Literature Ministry Seminaries Established in Philippines

Three literature ministry seminaries currently are under construction in the Philippines—one in each union. Each seminary will have modern dormitory facilities capable of housing 60 trainees. The three or four classrooms in each will be equipped with the most up-to-date equipment, including video. Currently the literature evangelist force in the Philippines is 3,000, growing steadily, and expected to grow even more rapidly with such sophisticated training facilities available.

#### Coming in the "Adventist Review" in January

For 35 years men and women in the West have awaited the dawn of the year 1984. George Orwell's book 1984, published in 1949, predicted a nightmarelike future for the world. As the new year dawns, how close are his predictions to the reality? Saluting the new year, the Adventist Review will take up this question in the January 5 issue, in addition to suggesting how Adventists should live in expectation of the End.

The January 12 Review will include an Adventist People feature about Clifford Goldstein, editor of *The New Israelite*, a magazine published quarterly by the Seventh-day Adventist Church for people of Jewish heritage. The proper care of pastors by members of their congregations also will be discussed in this issue.

V. Norskov Olsen, president of Loma Linda University, writes about "Holistic Health—the Adventist Slant" in the January 19 *Review*. He explores the way Seventh-day Adventist Church members' belief in the human being as an entire person relates to Adventist health care.

Writing will be the topic of special emphasis in the January 26 issue. Editor William G. Johnsson writes about the *Adventist Review*'s editorial philosophy and informs prospective authors about the kind of articles for which the *Review* is looking. In a related article, "Writing for God," June Strong, well-known Adventist author from Batavia, New York, describes an author's challenges and rewards. In the second article of her two-part series, which will be published February 2, Mrs. Strong will share with those who have an urge to put pen to paper her hints for writing a salable manuscript.

In response to requests from single parents for suggestions on raising their children alone, the *Review*'s Single Life article in the January 26 issue will give answers to questions submitted by a number of single parents.

"God requires the training of the mental faculties. He designs that His servants shall possess more intelligence and clearer discernment than the worldling, and He is displeased with those who are too careless or too indolent to become efficient, well-informed workers" (*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 333).

At Rest

ARMSTRONG, Dr. Edward W., born in Moretown, VT, February 26, 1930, died at home August 30, 1983.

He was a graduate of Union Springs Academy, Atlantic Union College, and the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery. He was certified by the American College of Osteopathy in General Practice. Dr. Armstrong was in partnership with Dr. Ronald Gadway in the practice of family medicine. He was president of the Vermont State Board of Osteopathic Examination and Registration and a member of the Vermont State Board of Health. He also was past president and staff member of Gifford Memorial Hospital, Randolph, VT, and an elder of the Randolph Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: his wife, Janet (Foster); three daughters, Mrs. Jeanne Turner and Miss Lizabeth Armstrong of Bethel, VT, and Mrs. Eileen Valdez of Manchester, NH; three grandchildren; his parents; one sister; and three brothers. Memorial services were conducted by Pastors Lee Manning, Kenneth Scribner, and Phillip Johnson. Pastor William Dudgeon held the committal service. Mrs. Vivien MacEwen

BOHNERT, Alma Jane, born May 30, 1895, in Lorenton, PA, died in Wilcox, AZ, September 28, 1983. She was a charter member of the Norwich, NY, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: nine children; 36 grandchildren; and 56 great-grandchildren. Her husband, Preston, predeceased her in 1968.

Funeral services were held in both Benson, AZ, with Pastor George Sova officiating, and Earlville, NY, with Pastor Maurice Witt of North Carolina officiating. Pastor Witt is Alma's grandson. Interment was in the West Hill Cemetery, Sherburne, NY.

JENKINS, Beulah A., 85, formerly of 300 Burt St., Syracuse, NY, died October 31, 1983, in Cortland, NY. She was a registered nurse at Herkimer Hospital and a member of the Syracuse, NY, West Genesee church.

Survivors: a niece, Mrs. George Boothe of Minoa, NY, and a nephew, Paul Jones, of N. Syracuse, NY. Funeral services were held at Jenkins Cemetery, Glens Falls, NY.

RHODES, Sarah Meribah Fuller, born June 26, 1895, in Pierrepont, NY, died October 11, 1983, in Syracuse, NY.

After graduating from Canton, NY, high school in 1915, she attended Normal School at Atlantic Union College, So. Lancaster, MA, and taught church school for several years.

Survivors: a sister, Mrs. Clara Merritt; a brother, James Fuller; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were conducted in the Canton, NY, church by her nephew, Edmund M. Peterson, with interment in the Garrison Cemetery, East Pitcairn, NY.

Edmund M. Peterson

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

NEW YORK Launch 2% Commitment Plan January 1

Pathfinder/Youth Leader Training Seminar—Utica Church Jan. 7 & 8 Contact Conference Youth Dept.

for further information

- ABC Open for Business Jan. 8; 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- Albany Tri-District Youth Rally Jan. 14
- Religious Liberty Offering Jan. 21
- Temperance Leader Workshop —Utica Jan. 21

Music Festival Union Springs Academy Union Springs, NY 13160 Mar. 22-25, 1984

Pan American Youth Congress Dec. 18-22, 1984

#### SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

#### Haskell Retirees Luncheon, College Cafeteria 12:00 Noon Business Meeting following lunch, Youth Chapel, College Church Jan. 22

ATLANTIC UNION ASM New Year's Retreat Starting Fri., Dec. 30, 7:00 p.m. Village Church So. Lancaster, MA

# Out-of-Union Announcements.

Holy Lands and Oberammergau Tour-12 days next September. More information: Holy Land Tour, 3090 Polk St., San Diego, CA 92104.

Addresses needed—Walla Walla College, Class of '53: Marilyn Aichele, Eunice Wood Bartholomew, Marcelle Hays, Richard W. Jackson, Helen C. Kiehm, Thos. C. Miller, Muriel Munson Pillor, Margaret L. Smith, Frank A. Stanyer, Leroy Templeman, Mary E. Wagner. Send to: Alumni Records, Walla Walla College, College Place, WA 99324.

WESTGATE, Ethel, born in Wareham, MA, died at home in New Bedford, MA, October 13, 1983. She lived most of her life in the New Bedford area where she worked as a licensed practical nurse. She attended Atlantic Union College and was a missionary in Newfoundland for a time. She was a staunch member of the New Bedford Seventh-day Adventist Church. Survivors: four sisters, Myrtice Dunn, Bessie Goodbeau, and Madeline and Charlotte Westgate all of New Bedford; a brother, Warren A. of San Antonio, TX; and several nieces and nephews. Interment was in the Centre Cemetery, Wareham, MA, with services conducted by Elder Victor W. Collins assisted by Pastor Joseph Hagan of the local church.

Elder Victor W. Collins

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Portland, ME	4:18	4:26	4:34	4:43
Boston, MA	4:26	4:33	4:41	4:50
So. Lancaster, MA	4:28	4:35	4:43	4:52
Pittsfield, MA	4:34	4:42	4:50	4:58
Hartford, CT	4:34	4:41	4:49	4:58
New York, NY	4:43	4:49	4:57	5:06
Utica, NY	4:40	4:47	4:56	5:05
Syracuse, NY	4:44	4:51	5:00	5:08
Rochester, NY	4:49	4:57	5:05	5:14
Buffalo, NY	4:55	5:03	5:11	5:20
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### LIFE'S LOTTERY

#### BY SANDRA DORAN

Reading the paper the other day, I came across an article which, upon first glance, could send one's mind in a hundred different directions. A 52-year-old woman had purchased a lottery ticket in New York State and promptly won a million dollars.

A million dollars. The very thought of it triggers images of vacations on the Riviera, cruises on a private yacht, a driveway graced by a Rolls Royce and Mercedes Benz, crystal, silver, adventure . . .

But the article's conclusion caused all such mental images to melt with the sharp glare of reality: "Just one month after joining the world's allotments of millionaires, the latest lottery winner sped through a yield sign, struck a highway department truck, and died of massive head injuries after being thrown 30 feet."

Makes you stop and catch your breath for a minute, doesn't it? One million dollars—seemingly the answer to all of life's problems—is suddenly seen as nothing more than a flimsy wad of green and fading paper—powerless to buy even one second of life.

It is at such moments of recognition that God calls us back to the heavenly ordained priorities that sometimes become buried in the clamor of everyday living. All triviality loses significance in light of the higher reality presented by Jesus in the gospel: "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" Mark 8:36.

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