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**"DO NOT JUDGE HER"**



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**R**emember, do not

judge her." When I was much younger, Mom repeatedly gave that caution in response to the daily complaints of her daughter.

I couldn't understand why a certain teacher would be so unkind to us, her students. If one of us answered incorrectly, she'd yell at us. If we answered correctly, she'd laugh. And she had a mean laugh that ended in sharp criticism of something we did wrong—or would soon do.

"Remember, do not judge her. You don't know her past. You don't know what her personal life is like." Mom was convincing.

I later learned that "do not judge her" also applied to the family that came to church without Sabbath clothes, to the teen who smoked in the parking lot and to the people who judged others.

There was a conviction behind my mother's attitude toward my teacher. Earlier that year, Mom had gained deeper insight into the gospel. She had learned good news! Jesus took our place on the cross. His perfect life is put to our account. God accepts us. We can have the assurance of eternal life. God looks at Jesus and says to us, "This is my beloved daughter, this is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased."

Freedom follows an understanding of the gospel. This freedom allows diversity of behavior and ideas as each person continues walking with Christ.

To the Romans Paul wrote, "Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather determine this—not to put an obstacle or a stumbling block in a brother's [or sister's] way,"—*Romans 14:13.\**

A Christian community protects its weaker members from its stronger members. A Christian community keeps from judging those who judge. A Christian community remembers, "do not judge her," and instead reaches out in love and acceptance no matter what the circumstances. "We love, because He first loved us,"—*1 John 4:19.\**

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**COVER:** Bill Weber of Walnutport, Pennsylvania, photographed the outdoor baptism scene selected for this issue to honor Father's Day and one of the most meaningful occasions a father can experience. John Leone, pastor of the Slatington and Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, churches, baptized David Becker, while David's father, Carl, stood nearby reflecting understandable emotion. The baptism took place at the Becker farm near Little Gap, Pennsylvania.

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## TRAIN



ALLEGHENY EAST—Combining the health and spiritual ministries of the church was the focus of weekend training seminars conducted by officers of the Pennsylvania Community Services Federation for church leaders in the southwestern part of the state.

According to federation President Janice Jenkins, women and men from the Philadelphia area met at the West Philadelphia church, while sessions for workers from the Harrisburg and York communities were held at the Harrisburg Spanish church.

At both sessions Tressie Staten discussed how the health and spiritual ministries of the church are interrelated and described how both can be incorporated into the total outreach program of a congregation.

Social worker Corrina Caldwell then explained how to utilize programs of local social service agencies. She also shared a number of case studies and offered solutions to problems church workers often face when interacting with people from the community.

Other highlights of the seminars were question-and-answer periods, discussions on the use of the various supplemental materials available and mock planning sessions that allowed participants to see how meetings should be conducted with other church departmental leaders in order to set goals and plan outreach activities.

## BAPTIZE



PENNSYLVANIA—The story of Betty Hooven is a telling example of the power that Christian love can have in reclaiming souls for Jesus.

Donald Lund, pastor of the Lock Haven congregation, said Hooven

was baptized a Seventh-day Adventist in Harrisburg 19 years ago.

Thirteen years later she and her husband were divorced, leaving her with the responsibility of rearing four children alone. Eventually, Lund said, Hooven became so discouraged that she left the church, turning instead to alcohol, drugs and life on the street before making several unsuccessful attempts at suicide.

Hooven then moved to Lock Haven, where she was reminded by Christian friends that God still loved her and that Jesus would have died on the cross for her alone. Following studies with an Adventist Bible worker, she was rebaptized as a member of the Lock Haven congregation on October 31, 1987.

Hooven's great desire when she gets to heaven is to meet Jesus in person. "I want to be hugged for five minutes by my Saviour. Then everything I have been through will have been worth it all!"



## FACE TO FACE: Profiles of newly baptized people



**Edward Hylton Martin, Takoma Park, Potomac.** Wanting to follow in his parents' footsteps, Edward was baptized in January of 1987.



**Garnet Pier, Erie, Pennsylvania.** After her introduction to Adventism through her husband-to-be, Garnet studied the Bible with Pastor James Krause and was baptized in March of 1987.



**Glenn A. Jones, Takoma Park, Potomac.** He was led to the truth by his Seventh-day Adventist wife and was baptized in May of 1987.



**Eneida Marrero, Philadelphia Spanish I, Pennsylvania.** Bible Instructor Carmen Acosta invited her to come to a Revelation Seminar and studied with her. Eneida was baptized in October of 1987.



**Dawn Howell, Seabrook, Potomac.** Although raised an Adventist, Dawn left the church. Eight years later she realized something was missing in her life and was baptized in August of 1987.



**Velma Toffler, Takoma Park, Potomac.** After encountering Adventism through her husband, Dane, she was baptized on the same day he was rebaptized in January of 1987.



**Dane Toffler, Takoma Park, Potomac.** He studied the Bible with his wife, Velma, before deciding to be rebaptized the same day that she joined the church in January of 1987.



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RICHARD MOYERS

**A college success story** Shawn Stankiewicz graduated from a private high school in Reading, Pennsylvania, with a B-minus grade point average, but his standardized test scores were too low for him to be admitted to Columbia Union College in Takoma Park, Maryland.

Because CUC is committed to giving everyone who wants to go to college a chance, admissions counselors recommended that Stankiewicz attend CUC's Summer Start program, which is designed for students who don't meet regular college admissions standards.

For six weeks last summer Shawn took courses at Columbia Union College, including a class in college study skills, a course in resume writing and interviewing and classes that build basic math, English and computer skills.

He completed the Summer Start program with straight A's and was admitted to CUC last fall. Shawn continued to be a successful student, and this spring became a member of Phi Eta Sigma, a national honor society for freshmen with a GPA of 3.50 or higher.

Shawn enthusiastically recommends the Summer Start program. "You give up your summer, but if you put effort into it, it pays off," he said.

Although everyone who goes through Summer Start doesn't become an honor student, the program does have a high success rate. Thirteen of the 18 students who completed the Summer Start program in 1987 have successfully completed a year of college.

"That statistic is fantastic," said Betty Howard, assistant dean for academic support programs, who coordinates Summer Start. "Those 13 young people have spent a year at an Adventist college instead of a community school. They've gained valuable skills in their Summer Start classes,

*Richard Moyers, an alumnus of Columbia Union College, is CUC's director of public relations.*

"Columbia Union College's academic standards are higher than any other Adventist college."



A CUC:  
class act

Columbia Union College's campus includes a dozen major buildings, an athletic field, gymnasium, pool and tennis and racquetball courts. Wilkinson Hall is the administrative and academic center of the campus and houses the bookstore, snack shop, cafeteria and classrooms.





"The teachers here have time to work with students."

Columbia Union College was founded in 1907 as a missionary training school and has earned the motto, "The Gateway to Service." CUC remains true to its original purpose. Many youth spend a year overseas as student missionaries, and each year a large group of CUC students and staffers spend their spring break working on a short-term mission project. This year's project was on the island of Roatan in Honduras. Dan McWilliams (left), a respiratory care major from Milton, Pennsylvania, and John Wu (right), a senior computer science major from Takoma Park, Maryland, enjoyed spending time with children in Honduras.

and we've been able to give them one-on-one attention. Summer Start is a remarkable success."

### High academic standards

Toughened admissions standards and the Summer Start program are part of an emphasis on academic excellence at Columbia Union College.

Over the past three years, CUC has gradually upgraded its admissions standards. The school requires a 2.5 (C-plus) minimum grade point average for admission, the highest admissions requirement of any Seventh-day Adventist college.

Joseph Gurubatham, CUC's academic dean, explains the new policy: "We did follow-up studies on students with low grades whom we accepted and discovered that those students didn't do well and didn't stay in school," he said. "Our commitment is to accept students who will benefit most from college and whom we can serve best."

Gurubatham emphasizes that students who have low grades or low test scores still have the option of attending Summer Start. If they pass the courses and are recommended by the Summer Start staff, they are admitted to college in the fall and continue to receive academic counseling.

### Promoting academic excellence

In addition to toughened admission standards, several other programs at CUC promote academic excellence.

CUC has chapters of three national

honor societies. Phi Eta Sigma is for students whose freshman grade point average is 3.5 or above, while Alpha Chi is an honor society for students in the top 10 percent of the junior and senior classes and Sigma Tau Delta is for English majors with high grades.

Last semester 19 students were inducted to Phi Eta Sigma, 11 students joined Alpha Chi, and four students were inducted into Sigma Tau Delta.

These honor societies recognize outstanding students and sponsor activities to promote scholarship and academic excellence.

Like many colleges, CUC encourages high academic standards by awarding scholarships to incoming freshmen with high grade point averages. CUC is the only Seventh-day Adventist college that renews those scholarships every year as long as the student stays at Columbia Union College as a full-time student and maintains his or her grades.

Students whose cumulative high school grade point average is between 3.0 and 3.49 receive a \$1,000 scholarship their freshman year. Those whose GPA is 3.5 or above receive a \$1,500 scholarship. After their freshman year, the scholarships are renewed based on their CUC grades.

### Teachers who care

When Tim Hevener graduated from Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, Virginia, in 1985, he chose to attend James Madison University, a public school in Virginia, instead of an Adventist col-

lege. He thought he would get higher quality education for less money.

Tim is now a senior accounting major at Columbia Union College and has changed his opinion of quality education. At JMU, he had some classes of 200 students, and most of his classes were larger than 50 students.

"I would never talk in class because it was like standing in front of an audience," he said. "The teachers never got personally involved—they were never available to give advice or help."

Tim transferred to CUC for his sophomore year, and he immediately noticed many differences. "The teachers here have time to work with students on an individual basis. You learn more here because you understand what you're learning."

Tim said there are rarely more than 30 students in a class at CUC. And in Introduction to Oral Communications, teacher Art Hauck helped Tim conquer his fear of public speaking. "He was willing to work with me on an individual basis and help me learn to give speeches."

Gurubatham agrees that teaching excellence is an important part of academic training at Columbia Union College. "CUC is small enough for maximum interaction between faculty and students," said Gurubatham. "When students evaluate teachers, they say that 90 percent of them are doing an excellent job."

CUC also invests in the professional growth of its faculty. This year the college expects to spend more than \$100,000 to help faculty attend professional conventions, participate in continuing education and earn advanced degrees. Sixty percent of CUC's faculty members hold the highest academic degrees awarded in their fields.

### Learning through experience

Tim Hevener feels that CUC's cooperative education program has had a big impact on the quality of his education.

"Sometimes it's hard to understand the processes of accounting without having practical experience," he said. "At one of my jobs I had to learn four different aspects of accounting. What I've learned in the classroom was more meaningful because I could understand how it applies in practical situations."

High admissions standards, interaction with faculty and learning through experience are all part of CUC's commitment to providing quality Christian education. High academic standards are a vital part of CUC's goal to help each student develop spiritually, physically, intellectually and socially.



## Clifton Davis speaks as Kettering College graduates 136

Kettering College of Medical Arts, a division of Kettering Medical Center and part of the Adventist Health System/NEMA, presented associate degrees to 136 graduates at the Ohio college's 20th annual commencement program April 30.

The 136 graduates received degrees representing 11 allied health fields. Seventy are graduate nurses. Some of the other health fields included biomedical electronics, clinical dietetics, radiology, nuclear medicine and ultrasound.

Clifton Davis, one of the stars of NBC television's popular series, "Amen," was the baccalaureate speaker for the commencement exercises.

The service was held Sabbath morning at the Kettering Seventh-day Adventist Church. The title of Davis' address was "A Challenge to Excellence."

The son of an evangelist, Davis pursued a career in entertainment before completing the requirements for his master of divinity degree, along with concluding a successful first season as the Reverend



Clifton Davis (second from left) visits a number of patients and employees during a tour of Kettering Memorial Hospital in April. With him are (from left) Warren Muth, Kettering Medical Center chief of staff; Anita Richwine, KMC public relations director; and Robert Willett, medical center president. Davis was in Kettering to present the baccalaureate address to 136 graduates of Kettering College of Medical Arts.

Reuben Gregory in "Amen," in 1987.

He performs his television actor role during the week. On weekends he assumes his real-life role as associate pastor

of the Loma Linda, California, Seventh-day Adventist Church.

ANITA RICHWINE  
KMC Public Relations

## BLUE MOUNTAIN ACADEMY ACRO-GYMNASTICS CAMP

Come enjoy Christian Fellowship in a camp type atmosphere while learning or improving Acro-gymnastic skills.

**WHERE:** Blue Mountain Academy, which is nestled at the foot of the scenic Blue Mountain range, in Hamburg, Pennsylvania.

**WHEN:** June 26-July 1, 1988.

**ACTIVITIES:** Floor tumbling, Acro-gymnastics doubles, springboard, beam, parallel and uneven parallel bars, rings, floor tumbling on spring runways, rhythmic activities, crafts, swimming, worships and miniature golf.

**AGES:** Eight through Academy.

**PROFESSIONAL STAFF:** Gary Force—Coach, Blue Mountain Academy; Sue Shobe—R.N., B.S., BMA School Nurse; Amy Appler—International Competition Winner; Sharon Dymond—Director/Owner, Village Arts Studio; Ron Reading—Coach, Spencerville Junior Academy; Rick Schwarz—Coach, Spring Valley Academy.

**FACILITIES:** The gymnasium has over 20,000 square feet of usable floor space plus a stage area. Adjoining it are spacious locker rooms. An abundant supply of gymnastic equipment will be available.

**PRESENTATION:** All participants will be involved in a program on Friday just prior to departure, which will showcase what each child has learned.

**FEES\*:** \$125.00 for resident campers. \$80.00 for commuting campers—no meals. \*A non-refundable deposit of \$25.00 must accompany the registration application.

**CONTACT:** Gary Force at: Blue Mountain Academy • RD 3, Box 3642 Hamburg, PA 19526 • (215) 562-2291 or (215) 562-2862 after 6 p.m.





## AE media director named president of Adventist broadcasters

Charles Williams, operations manager of the Allegheny East Media Center in Philadelphia, was elected president of the Adventist Broadcasters Association at the group's historic meeting in late April.

The meeting at the Adventist Media Center in Thousand Oaks, California, brought more than 60 Adventist broadcasters together for the first time, including people from independent ministries as well as programs operated by the church.

The session had several professional seminars to improve the quality of programming and highlight challenges for placing programs on the air. Kermit Netteburg, communication director of the Columbia Union, presented one of those seminars, on how to reach different types of people.

But the highlight was sharing snippets of programs from the people represented. This sparked several sharp discussions about how much the broadcasters should "proclaim the good old Adventist message" and how much they should "try to meet the people where they are."

The group agreed that both types of programs are valuable, and that the church is blessed by having both types on the air.

Williams and Netteburg were not the only participants from the Columbia Union. Charles Cheatham from the media center, Joe Fields from Amazing Facts in Maryland and Gary and Wayne Burns, who are trying to start a children's program in Ohio, also attended.

In addition to electing officers, the group planned to get together again next April in Thousand Oaks and to produce a newsletter.

Owen Troy, communication director for the North American Division, planned the weekend and was elected executive secretary for the group.

"The purpose of the seminar," Troy explained, "was to give Adventist broadcasters a forum where they could discuss how they can work together to finish the Lord's work."—KN

## Sligo member solos at Kennedy Center

Rosa Lamoreaux concluded her solo concert debut at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., with a personal testimony of her relationship with Jesus.

Her concert bill covered a variety of styles and performing combinations, ranging from the effective simplicity of three Haydn songs with English texts to his elaborate and technically brilliant operatic "In Felice sventurata," Handel's "Sposo ingrato, parto si" from "Radamisto," and the special subtleties of Poulenc.

Brought back to center stage by warm, enthusiastic applause, Lamoreaux surprised the audience with her choice for an encore. "I have chosen to sing J.S. Bach's Cantata 171," she said. "The text translated in English is 'Jesus is my first word in this new year and will be my last word at the end.'"

Rosa Lamoreaux is a lyric soprano and noted recitalist, as well as the soprano in the National Gallery of Art's Vocal Arts Quartet and the Washington Chamber Society.

A featured performer in last year's annual convention of the Association of Adventist Women, Lamoreaux sang in the Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church in Takoma Park, Maryland, where she is a member.—CPC



## Washington Institute releases Kushner book

The Washington Institute of Contemporary Issues has just published its third book, *Giving Meaning to Life*.

Proceedings of last fall's seminar by Harold Kushner, the book explores three questions: Why does God allow terrible things to happen to good, innocent people? How should we live so we can feel we have used our time well? and What difference does religion make?

Author of *When Bad Things Happen to Good People* and *When All You've Ever Wanted Isn't Enough*, Kushner is a practicing rabbi in Natick, Massachusetts.

In his WICI seminar, he combined personal experience, religion and common sense to show how to add meaning to life in an unfair world.

The book is the third in a series of WICI seminar and symposium proceedings that includes *Religion in the Public Square* and *Coping With Life's Crises*.

"Through our seminars and publications, we are working to educate people to live happily and healthfully in a modern world," said James Londis, president of the institute.

WICI members and non-members may order the book by calling (301) 681-8878.

## "What Really Happened in 1888"

The inside story on the events surrounding the most controversial General Conference in the Church's history. A drama depicting these events will be presented by the Columbia Union Conference staff at your Campmeeting this summer. Check the schedule. Don't miss it.

Ohio	June 11	4 p.m.
Chesapeake	June 12	7 p.m.
Mountain View	June 18	10 a.m.
Potomac	June 18	4 p.m.
Pennsylvania	June 25	4 p.m.
New Jersey	July 2	4 p.m.
Allegheny East	July 9	4 p.m.



**ROBBI PIERSON**

**SVA encompasses international neighborhood**

Students at Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, Virginia, seem to be starting new projects every few weeks to enrich the lives of others in their world.

Their outreach begins within the school neighborhood and extends as far as other communities, other states and even other countries.

Local community service projects are a yearly endeavor of the students, according to Bill Kilgore, chaplain for the academy.

A community clean-up day finds SVA kids picking up trash, painting curbs and doing whatever other tasks they find to help keep the small town of New Market shining. An annual student-run car wash provides support for the local rescue squad.

Students and sponsors also visit surrounding communities to offer spiritual friendship. Sabbath afternoons frequently find students visiting area churches for "Sabbath Celebrations" when students and faculty work with members to provide special programs of worship, music, prayer and praise.

In the past three years, students from the academy have conducted 25 week of prayer programs for elementary schools throughout Virginia and the District of Columbia.

Kilgore reports that the students readily volunteer for helping with these weeks of prayer. They find real joy in helping show children the way to Jesus.

Touring groups from the academy, such as the Shenandoans, the Olympians and the SVA concert band, have witnessed their way to Canada, New England and throughout Virginia, sharing the love of Jesus Christ through their musical and gymnastics talents.

The height of mission activity for the 1987-88 school year came with a trip to Santa Elena, Mexico, March 6-21. SVA was the first of three academies joining together to complete a Maranatha project.

Thirty-eight students and staffers volun-

*Robbi Pierson is communication director for the Potomac Conference.*

**Potomac  
Conference  
youth are  
on the go  
with a  
wide variety  
of mission  
projects, ...**



Some of the youth from five Potomac Conference churches who traveled to Martinique to build a new church worked extra jobs to finance their trip of service. The young people worked side by side with local church members on the tiny tropical island.

teered their time and sacrificed the comforts of home to help build a church for the Adventists of a city of 600,000 people located near Mexico City.

Students were exposed to a completely different lifestyle—some described it as "primitive"—and learned a new appreciation for their own way of living.

In spite of cement floors for mattresses, cold showers and less than adequate restroom facilities, students departed with regret at leaving the warm, giving, Christian friends they had found in Santa Elena.

**TA youth feed the hungry, serve people in need**

Takoma Academy in Takoma Park, Maryland, provides its own brand of energetic, mission-minded youth for the metropolitan Washington, D.C., area.

TA Chaplain George Gainer includes as part of his classwork a religion lab, which offers a variety of service activities for students to become involved in.

These activities vary from working in



Photo courtesy of Shenandoah yearbook

The Shenandoah Valley Academy Olympians gymnastics team travels throughout Potomac, providing not only Saturday night entertainment, but also Sabbath morning and afternoon worship programs. This year's tour schedule culminated in two performances at Heritage USA, home of Jim and Tammy Bakker.

# Potomac youth in action:



soup kitchens to teaching children's Sabbath school classes and helping with evangelistic meetings being held in the area.

Some students serve as volunteers in local nursing homes, while others perform a community service they call "Rake and Run," which finds them cleaning up parks to help beautify the city.

"Beltway Samaritans" go as a group, with parental permission, to assist stranded motorists on nearby Interstate 495.

Students also volunteer to act as "victims" during local Red Cross disaster drills.

Project TALK (Takoma Academy Loves Kids) is a special Christmas project. Each year the Com-

munity Services center in Silver Spring, Maryland, recommends three or four families in need of Christmas cheer. TA students and faculty then work together to provide trees, decorations and gifts to take to the homes, where they sing carols and bring holiday joy to those who otherwise would have little or no Christmas celebration.

They annually provide a month's food supply for the Community Services center through collection of canned and dried foods.

TA kids and staff followed on the heels of SVA to further the Maranatha project in Mexico March 31-April 11.

Six faculty members and 25 students spent their spring break engrossed in the task of completing a church for their brothers and sisters in Santa Elena.

While they had the opportunity to see some of the sights in Mexico City, they spent many long hours hammering, hauling wood, laying blocks, mortaring and roofing to bring the church to a state of near-completion.

Before they left they were able to share in the joy of worshipping with the church family under the roof of the congregation's new sanctuary.

### Youth department sponsors multi-church projects

Not all youth activities in Potomac are connected with schools. Mike Dunn, conference youth director, reports that a two-week youth-Maranatha adventure took 24 young people and 15 adults to the tiny tropical island of Martinique to erect a youth building for the Adventist church there.

The venture was directed by Dunn, who was assisted by Gary Gryte, youth pastor for the Beltsville, Maryland, church.

The young people came from the Beltsville, Fredericksburg, Meadowbridge, Seabrook and Tappahannock churches. These students from both church and public schools had worked hard, some even taking on additional after-school jobs, to cover travel expenses.

According to Dunn, most of the adults were highly skilled in building trades. Ernie Sines, a Beltsville member, served as construction supervisor. As volunteers and church members worked side by side under the hot sun, friendships were formed.

The people of Martinique opened their homes and hearts to the American volunteers, Dunn said.

It quickly became evident that the giving and sharing was two-way. The faith and zeal of the believers on that island left a vivid impression on the minds of the young volunteers.

### Ambitious young volunteers energize the Caring Church

Youth who involve themselves in these activities say they have found new perspectives on life and new meaning to the term, "the family of God."

They are enthusiastic about what they have accomplished and even more important, eager, willing and able to take on new projects, new goals.

Potomac is proud of its youth, thankful for their dedicated energy and, because of them, hopeful for the future.



Mike Dunn



Students and staffers from both Shenandoah Valley and Takoma academies were instrumental in the construction of a new Adventist church in Santa Elena, Mexico. A Takoma Academy student found the children of Santa Elena captivating.

... reaching  
out in their  
own ways  
to others  
both close to  
and far from  
home.

Joelle Patton

# reaching beyond home



**ALLEGHENY EAST**

**Adventists preach in Tidewater prison**

The prison ministry band from the Portsmouth, Norfolk and Suffolk, Virginia, congregations became the first Seventh-day Adventist group to preach in the Goochland Correctional Institute for Women.

Keith Charles presented the inspirational message to the inmates; the band is led by Eugene Coston.

**ALLEGHENY WEST**

**Seniors strengthen church programs**

The "Sensational Seniors" from the Ross Street church in Danville, Virginia, have reached out into the community, as well as refurbished the church building.

A social in April included community as well as church members, with a fashion show given by the Ross Street seniors. Seniors can grow old gracefully, with dignity and still have fun, according to Communication Secretary George Evans.

The seniors also helped with remodeling in the church, both installing chandelier

lights in the main sanctuary and making the kitchen seem like new again.

According to Evans, the seniors visit and call non-attending members. In addition, they send cards, gifts and even sunshine baskets especially to the congregation's sick and shut-in members.

**NEW JERSEY**

**Pathfinder wins city-wide essay contest**

Monique Richards received the first-place award in the Newark Board of Education's contest for essays on Reverend Martin Luther King Jr.

All Newark elementary students from grades four through eight were eligible to enter the contest.

Richards currently attends the Louise A. Spencer School for Gifted and Talented Students.

She also is a member of the Newark church's Pathfinder Club, the Lightbearers.

Her award included a \$50 savings bond and a one-year membership in the YWCA.



Donnie Seeders and Richard Byrd illustrate the gifts of the spirit for Sabbath school at Williamsport, Maryland. Niki Tooley (background) acted as eyes so that Richard could push Donnie to the place where silver dollars were located.

**CHESAPEAKE**

**Innovative teaching blesses baptismal class**

Children in the first baptismal class of the church in Williamsport, Maryland, were baffled by the meaning of the biblical lesson on spiritual gifts.

But teacher Josephine Benton found a unique way to help them understand the diversity of spiritual gifts as described in I Corinthians 12.

Benton had the children combine their "talents" to find some silver dollars. One used her talent of seeing to give directions to a blindfolded boy who used his talent of walking to push a wheelchair.

In the wheelchair sat a boy whose feet were tied and who was blindfolded, but he could hold the money in his hands.

All six children in the class were baptized in the first service at the new Williamsport church building May 7.

**PENNSYLVANIA**

**Blue Mountain piano students awarded**

Nancy Edison, the keyboard instructor at Blue Mountain Academy in Hamburg, must be doing something right.

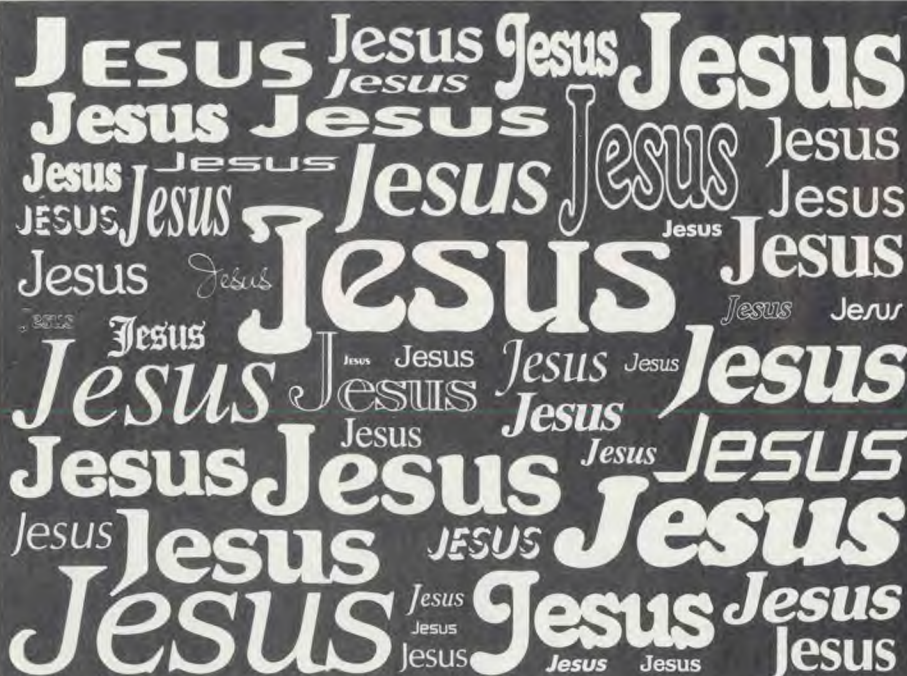
Her students took first and second place in the recent Reading area piano competition. John Stoddart won a \$2,000 scholarship in the Elaine Post Music Foundation competition, and Joanne Park won a \$1,500 scholarship.

Stoddart, who also won the Reading Concerto Contest and the Pennsylvania Symphonia Orchestra competition earlier this year, will attend Columbia Union College in Takoma Park, Maryland, this fall.

Park, a senior at BMA and a three-year student of Edison, will use her scholarship at Temple University this fall.

**DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS?**

(Answer on page 12)





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Genesis 1:29



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## AHS

### Shady Grove helps Jehovah's Witnesses

The medical staff of Shady Grove Adventist Hospital in Rockville, Maryland, responded to the needs of Jehovah's Witnesses by assembling a panel of physicians who will care for patients of this faith.

Only one other hospital in the mid-Atlantic area has a similar program—and it's in Brooklyn, New York.

The problem arises because Jehovah's Witnesses will not accept blood transfusions no matter how critical the circumstances. They believe that the biblical law forbidding the eating of blood applies to transfusions as well.

"Doctors face a very real risk when they treat Jehovah's Witnesses," said Howard Levine, a rheumatologist and chairman of Shady Grove's bioethics committee.

"It is very hard, after years of dedication to saving lives, for a doctor to watch a patient's lifeblood drain on the floor."

Because of the ethical issues, as well as malpractice questions, some doctors refuse to treat Jehovah's Witnesses, while other physicians require them to sign a waiver of legal rights.

Ten Shady Grove doctors have agreed to treat Jehovah's Witnesses, including four physicians in obstetrics and gynecology and four surgeons.

TAMARA RUSSELL  
Public Relations Director

## OHIO

### Adventist receives TV award for service

A Mount Vernon Hill church member won a Columbus television station's award for voluntary service.

Carol Paulson was given the 1988 Jefferson Award for Outstanding Voluntary Service from WCMH-TV for organizing a local chapter of a support group for bereaved parents and siblings.

Paulson became involved with Compassionate Friends when her son, David, was killed in an airplane crash in 1982.

"It was a big relief," she said. "I was in a room with people who understood how I felt. They gave me a chance to talk."

Paulson began the local chapter through contacts received from an article in the newspaper. Only five people attended the first meeting in October of 1984.

The chapter now reaches more than 200 bereaved families each year, operates a 24-hour hotline, publishes a monthly newsletter and holds monthly meetings. It also has available a lending library of books and cassettes.

"One never recovers from a loss. People need to realize that it takes two to four years to stabilize when surviving the death of a sibling or parent.

"If kids are slow in math or reading, they get help. But if they are grieving, most schools have no program," Paulson said.

"The most important part of the helper is the ear; be there to listen and hug. Let them know you care. You don't have to have answers."

Paulson also is chairperson for the 1988 national conference of Compassionate Friends, to be held in Columbus July 15-17. Through her influence the conference will have Sabbath worship services for the first time, and Adventist Chaplain Larry Yeagley from Huguley Memorial Medical Center in Texas will speak at the National Children's Memorial Day service.

Paulson wasn't even aware that she had been nominated for the award. "I was really surprised," she said. Her third- and fourth-grade students at Mount Vernon Adventist Elementary School attended the luncheon with her.

CAROLYN PERRINE  
Communication Director

## OHIO



Lydia Reuss Brown of Mansfield received her diploma 55 years after she graduated from Mount Vernon Academy. The diploma had been forgotten in the school safe since 1932, but was presented to her by Edward Dinger, school public relations director.



**ALLEGHENY EAST**

**350 march against drugs in Pottstown**

The Walnut Street church of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, and students from nearby Pine Forge Academy mobilized churches in the area last spring to march against drugs.

Last fall the church and school staged a parade through the main business district.

Because the six-block area around the Adventist church has the highest concentration of drug activity in the area, Pottstown Pastor Paul Anderson and Pine Forge Chaplain Eustace Morrison targeted this zone for the spring parade.

They also invited other churches in the area, and 350 people turned out, including members from the Second Baptist, African Methodist Episcopal and Church of the Living God congregations, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the local chapter of Students Against Drunk Driving.

The approach of the marchers was announced boldly by the Ebenezer Drum Corps from Philadelphia as led by Danny Davis, Allegheny East youth director.

Next came the color guard of students from Pine Forge, followed by ministers of the various churches in their robes.

Encouraged by the neighborhood re-



Young people make signs for the march against drugs organized by the Walnut Street church in Pottstown, Pennsylvania. Kim Ford and Samuel Darby hold this sign with its clear message.

sponse, the church plans to repeat the event at least once every six months.

JAYNE DARBY

*Communication Secretary*

**ALLEGHENY EAST**

**Concert raises \$1,000 for school**

The Ephesus congregation in Richmond, Virginia, has found a successful new way to financially support its church school.

A total of more than \$1,000 was raised when the Lloyd Mallory Singers of Huntsville, Alabama, presented a concert to benefit Ephesus Junior Academy.

School board Chairman Lois Ashburn and her daughter, Monique Hacker, spearheaded the project.

**Leland Hospital hosts community health fair**

Since 1974 the Rotary Club of Bladensburg, Maryland, has held an annual health fair, and for the past six years Leland Memorial Hospital in nearby Riverdale, Maryland, has been the host.

"If not for the many volunteers from the hospital, this fair would not be possible," said Warren Santander, a Leland vice president and chairman of the Rotary health fair committee.

The health fair attracted several other organizations: the American Red Cross, the Hearing and Speech Society, the Society for the Prevention of Blindness and Maryland Health Fair, Inc.

In fact, the fair stimulated such interest that appointments to have testing done were full two weeks in advance. The hospital began receiving calls in December to get appointments for the March health fair.

The 462 participants took advantage of free and low-cost screening for blood pressure, hearing, vision, glaucoma, anemia, pulmonary function and oral cancer.

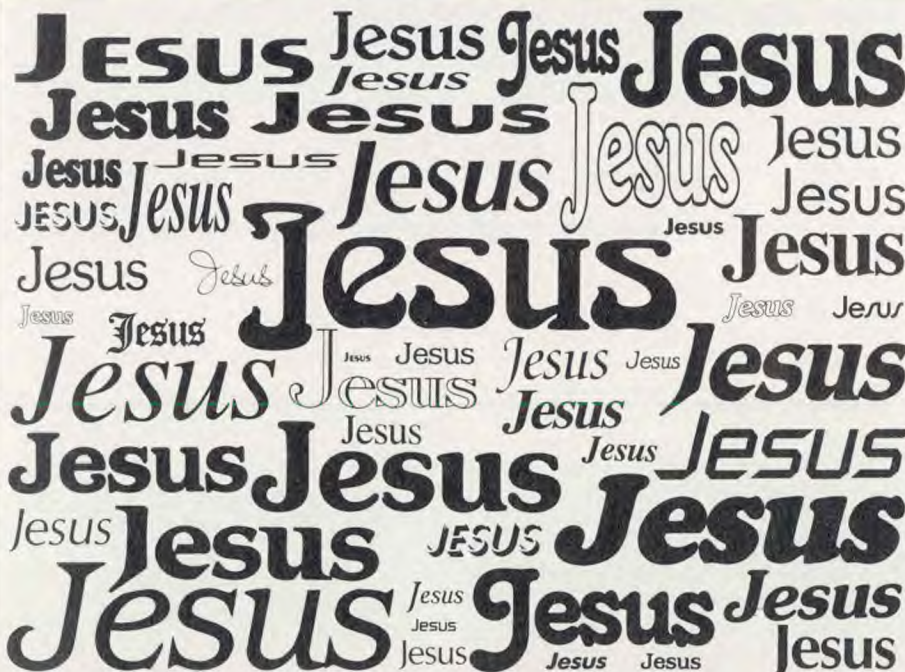
Counselors also reviewed the test results and recommended areas that should be discussed with a physician.

The 175 volunteers staffing the fair, mostly from the Rotary Club and Leland Hospital, run one of the best programs, according to Herschel Kyle, who lives in Glendale, Maryland. "They cover a variety of areas. The staff runs the fair efficiently with personalized and friendly service."

After completing the testing and counseling, participants were invited to enjoy free refreshments and lunch provided by Leland, with everything from fruit salad and muffins to taco salad.

LYNELLE QUINNAM SMITH  
*Public Relations*

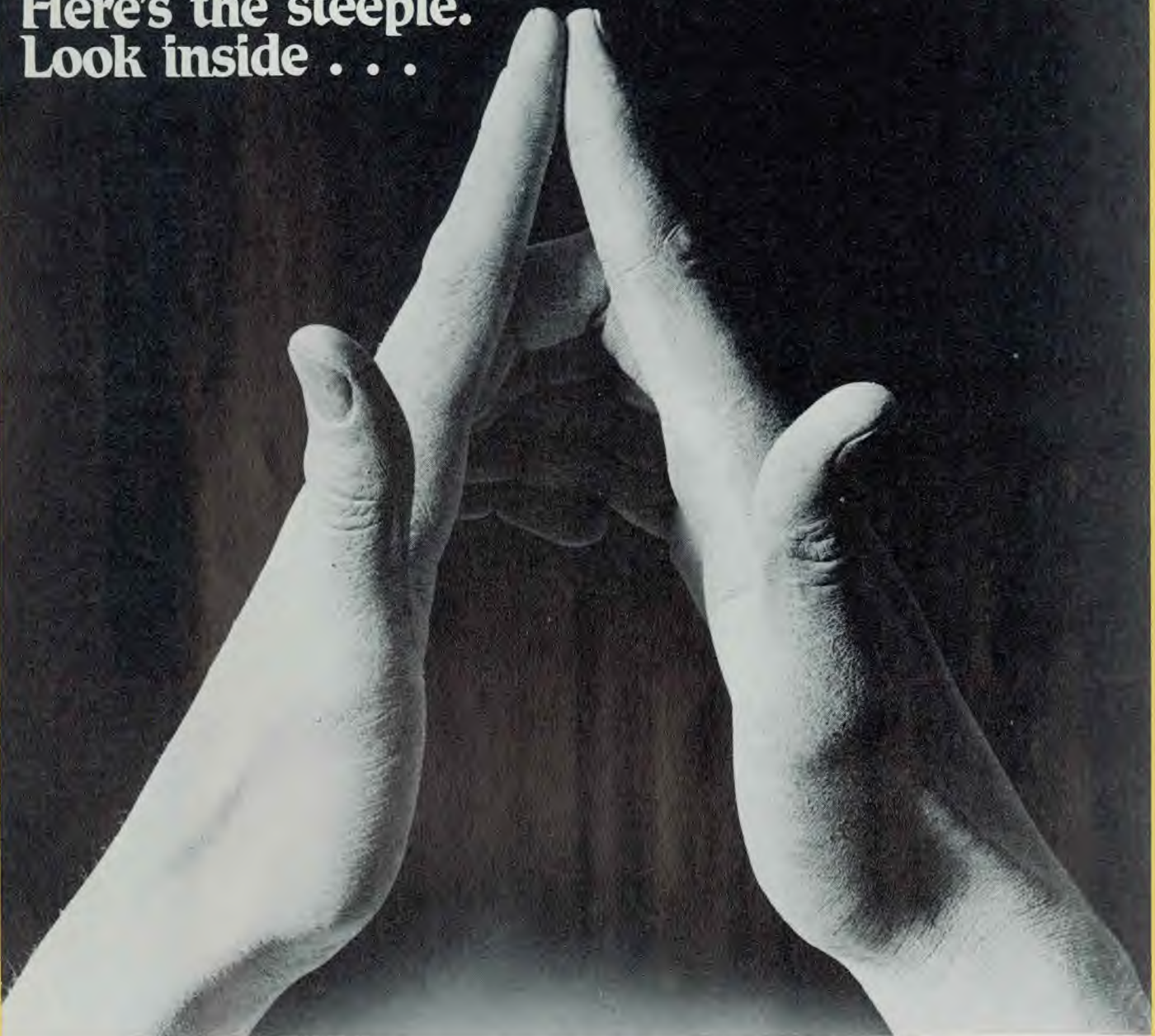
**50 GOOD REASONS TO GO TO CAMPMEETING!**



Alvin Maier, a Bladensburg Rotary Club member, conducts a free eye screening for one of the 462 health fair participants at Leland Memorial Hospital.



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## **Where are the people?**

Where are the people? Recent research says that as many as half of Adventist members don't attend church regularly, most because they don't feel welcome.

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invited to church. Welcome them. Get your youth Sabbath school to plan social events that sound exciting for young people.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Adventist singles sponsor Friday night meetings

Adventist Singles Ministries is sponsoring a meeting every Friday night at 7:45 in the fellowship room of the Beltsville, MD, church. Any single, divorced, separated or widowed Adventist is encouraged to come for a time of Christian fellowship, discussion groups, speakers, workshops, etc. The last Friday of every month is "potluck" Friday. Bring something to share. Call the Beltsville church secretary at 937-8118 during office hours for directions.

### Tennessee church marks centennial

The centennial celebration of the organization of the Graysville, TN, church will be held on October 22. Elder D.W. Hunter, who attended school at Graysville, will be the speaker. For motel reservations, contact Hester Gordon, P.O. Box 160, Graysville, TN 37338; (615) 775-2198.

### Alumni homecomings are scheduled

Madison College, June 17-19; Newbold College, July 15-17; Broadview Academy, August 12-14; and the Portales, NM, church school, August 13. For information on the Pioneer Valley Academy gathering July 1-3, call (617) 365-6009. People interested in the Far Eastern Academy and division reunion to be held July 28-31, call (208) 238-1086.

## WEDDINGS

**BARNETT-MOHLER.** Delores Geraldine Barnett and Kenneth Robert Mohler were married on April 9, 1988, by Harry Sharley of the Radford, VA, church.

**HALLERON-FRANKLIN.** Laura Lee Halleron and Richard Franklin were joined in marriage on January 9, 1988, at the Atholton church in Columbia, MD. Laura is an optician working at Sears Optical and Richard is a photographer in the United States Army. They are currently living in Columbia, MD.

**SNOW-FALES.** Julie Ellen Snow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Snow of Roanoke, VA, was united in marriage at the Roanoke church on October 11, 1987, to William Scott Fales, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Fales of Hagerstown, MD. Pastor Harry Sharley of the Salem-Radford, VA, district officiated at the wedding. The bride and groom, both of whom received bachelor of science degrees from Southern College in Collegedale, TN, now reside in Richmond, VA.

**ZIRAKIAN-WATTS.** Nora Ann Zirakian and Stephen L. Watts were married September 20, 1987, in Cypress Gardens, Winter Haven, FL, at sunrise. Nora, a graduate of Loma Linda University in California and Florida State University, works as a clinical social worker. Steve is also a graduate of Florida State University and a captain in the United States Air Force on reserve status. He works at the Mount Rogers mental health center as a crisis counselor. The couple resides in Marion, VA.

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## OBITUARIES

**ALVIS,** Eulalia P., born November 3, 1897, Bluefield, WV; died March 10, 1988, Blacksburg, VA. She was a member of the Pearisburg, VA, church. Survivors: son J.D. and daughters Dolores Smith, Madeline Moles, Evangeline Burton and Helen Johnson.

**BEARDSLEY,** Grace, born August 29, 1895; died March 27, 1988, Huntsburg, OH. She served as a Bible worker for many years, including service in Ohio. Survivors: son Ronald and brother Don Lair.

**COLLINS,** Clifford M., born October 20, 1905, Granite City, IL; died March 23, 1988, State College, PA. Retired from Washington Adventist Hospital in Takoma Park, MD, after 24 years of service, he was a member of the Clearfield, PA, church. Survivors: wife Nola, stepchildren Richard Schoch, Alice Overpeck, Jane Beamer and Nancy Pearce, 19 stepgrandchildren and 10 stepgreat-grandchildren.

**CUNDIFF,** Olive E., born September 15, 1907, Sebring, OH; died April 11, 1988, East Liverpool, OH. She was a member of the East Liverpool church. Survivors: husband Richard, one granddaughter and one great-grandson.

**GRAVES,** Mary B., born April 3, 1905, Dresden, OH; died May 2, 1988, Dresden, OH. She was a member of the Zanesville, OH, church. Survivors: four daughters and 12 grandchildren.

**ROSS,** Elsie R., born January 25, 1890, Bradford County, PA; died April 24, 1988, Montrose, PA. She was a member of the Montrose congregation. Survivors: daughters Arlene Kissel, Zadie and Donna Arnold and sons Elwin, Eugene and Ward.


**STEVENS,** Eva M., born December 24, 1910, Avondale, Cincinnati, OH; died December 30, 1987, Cincinnati, OH. She was a member of the Cincinnati First church. Survivors: husband Roy, sons Roy Dale and Richard Lee, daughters Grace Inlow and Rosemary Schaffer, sisters Helen, Marion and Dorothy Black, 12 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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	June	June	July
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Baltimore .....	8:35	8:37	8:37
Cincinnati .....	9:06	9:08	9:08
Cleveland .....	9:03	9:04	9:04
Columbus .....	9:03	9:04	9:04
Jersey City .....	8:29	8:31	8:31
Norfolk .....	8:26	8:28	8:28
Parkersburg .....	8:55	8:57	8:57
Philadelphia .....	8:32	8:33	8:33
Pittsburgh .....	8:53	8:54	8:54
Reading .....	8:36	8:38	8:38
Richmond .....	8:33	8:34	8:34
Roanoke .....	8:43	8:44	8:44
Scranton .....	8:38	8:40	8:40
Toledo .....	9:12	9:13	9:13
Trenton .....	8:31	8:32	8:32
Washington, D.C. ...	8:36	8:37	8:37

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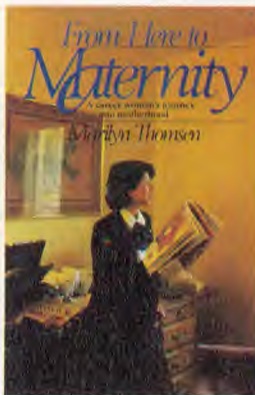
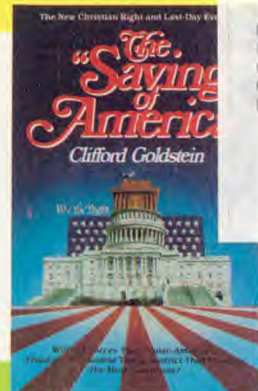


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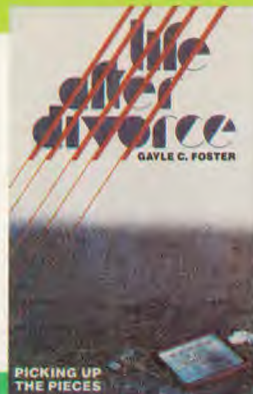


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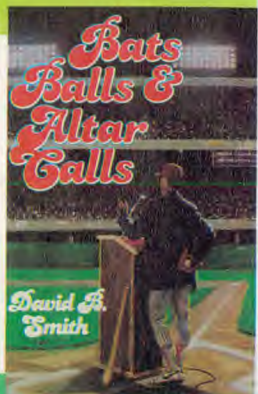


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