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Marty and Randy Murphy





**Randall Murphy**  
President  
Mountain View Conference

Finally in May of 1995, I was to graduate after 35 years of thinking I would never get finished. I had dreamed of wearing that judge-like robe and the silly square hat with the tassel, walking across a stage somewhere and shaking the hand of completion. Back in the fall of 1959, I had resigned from the Federal Bureau of Investigation to begin my college education at Washington Missionary College. It was to be a journey that suffered many interruptions and included several campuses.

Way down into all those years, I entered a degree completion program from Alderson-Broaddus College in Philippi, West Virginia. I determined to give it one last shot and see if I could finally get this thing behind me. God blessed this tired brain, and I did surprisingly well. Then came the announcement. Graduation exercises would be on Saturday—the Sabbath. There went the dream of wearing that hat and shaking the hand of completion.

My last classes were in business ethics. We were required to give a speech on the topic, "Here I Stand!" It was during that presentation to my fellow classmates that I explained why I would not be with them for the graduation. I presented briefly my convictions regarding the Sabbath and closed by saying, "So, here I stand; mail me the diploma."

You see, my friends, I understand that Jesus, the Righteous Judge, is holding a crown for me and all other people who love His appearing (II Timothy 4:8, paraphrased). Square hats eventually warp, and tassels fade. I do not want to place goals, which are good in and of themselves, ahead of the ultimate goal.

Wherever you live, work, attend classes or play, the day will come when you will need to take a stand for Christ. It may not be quite like my recent experience, but in the courts above it will be written as a statement of your commitment. Let us pray for one another that we might be faithful until His appearing.

**COVER:** Because his college graduation was scheduled on a Sabbath, Randy Murphy was surprised by special ceremonies—in full pomp and circumstance—at the Columbia Union office in Columbia, Maryland. The Mountain View Conference staff, fellow presidents and friends from around the union and Murphy's family came to applaud the completion of his bachelor's degree. Murphy's wife, Marty, came from Parkersburg, West Virginia, to share the joy, and the couple's sons, Larry from Gentry, Arkansas, and Bruce from Olathe, Kansas, traveled to Maryland for the festivities. Visitor Editor Dick Duerksen photographed the event.



**Because  
Jesus Christ is both  
our Lord and our Saviour:**

- The local church will be the central focus and the driving force of the denomination.
- The joy and celebration of worship will attract people to our churches, allowing the Sabbath to become a major evangelistic tool.
- Church fellowship will be so vibrant that retention of members will improve and conflicts over lifestyle issues will decrease.

**Terry Curry, Staunton, Potomac.**

Terry attended church with a friend and started studying with Pastor Robert Clarke, which eventually led to his baptism.



**Carol Armstrong, Staunton, Potomac.**

Carol was baptized in November of 1994 by Pastor Robert Clarke.



**Face**  
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**Darin Hevener, Staunton, Potomac.**

After studying for several months, Darin was baptized on his 13th birthday by Pastor Robert Clarke.



**Barry Hevener, Staunton, Potomac.**

Barry has been studying the Bible at home and school, which led to his baptism.



**Thanks for making Christ real to me**

A heartfelt "Thank you" to Art and Judy Miller. Your friendship, guidance and love have meant so much to me.

You were there for me to answer the many questions I had as a new Adventist. You lifted me up in prayer, comforted me and gave me hope when my father died unexpectedly. You encouraged me to follow God's leading and

to not put myself down when I didn't know everything I thought I should know.

When you tell the different Bible stories, I feel like I am there with Jesus. God has given you the ability to make

*The ability to say thank you*

If a group of people were polled on how many people they appreciate, it would probably be a large number, but if they were also asked how many told the

*Thank you*

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## The best present

**Dick McClure**  
Columbia, Maryland

When I married one year and four months ago, I ended an honest search to find a family I could be a part of. Already a father to my daughter, now 29 and married, this new marriage brought with it the challenge and opportunity of being a stepfather to two sons living at home, ages 20 and 22, and a new daughter who was married and had a toddler named Billy.

Billy, my new grandson! What a startling concept! Suddenly, I was a grandfather—no getting around it! What a maelstrom of feelings came to the surface at first: "I'm a grandfather? Do I look like a grandfather? Am I getting that old?" The answers, of course, are yes, yes and yes. Billy's laughter, joy and ready acceptance quickly erased those worries, leaving me with the absolute delight of being Grandad—eagerly looking for-

ward to Billy's visits to our house or going to his, being a fortunate and loving participant in his emerging boyhood.

It was one thing to establish a relationship with Samantha, Bill and Billy, already a family unit themselves. It was something else entirely to contemplate being a dad to two grown sons who had been without a father for more than 10 years. How would they view a man coming into their mother's life at this time? Or theirs? Would they accept me? Would I matter? Could I be a parent to them? Would I want to? Would they let me? What would it be like to relate to young men? Could I establish an effective relationship?

As time went on, it began to be apparent that my relationship with them was developing all by itself without a lot of trying. We came together, first of all, on the "car scene."

The three of us are bonafide car nuts, devouring the car magazines that arrive in the mail each month (Each of us subscribes to a different one!), comparing the merits of the unattainable exotic sports cars, remarking on this one's engine or that one's top speed or the other's 0-60 time. Beyond that, we talk about a variety of things, from careers to ethics, ICBMs to relationships. We play together and worship together. Our bonds have grown to be comfortable and rewarding, erasing my initial concerns.

Thus it was that Father's Day this year carried an unusual blessing for me. More than just being a day to give Dad a new pair of socks (which would be quite welcome, actually!), it was an opportunity for us to celebrate our lives together as mom and dad, sons and daughter, grandson and grandad. It was also an opportunity for my sons to say things to me like "you're a wonderful guy," "you make a good father to a son who needs one" and "thanks for changing our lives." Those are the richest of presents for a father.

**Cheryl Iden**

McHenry, Maryland  
Mountain View Conference

the Bible come alive. You have shown me God's love for me.

Thank you, Art and Judy, for making Christ more real to me.



people they appreciate "Thank you," the number probably would drop. It is amazing how difficult it is to say those two words. What about you?

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# Calling down

"Save me in spite of  
myself, my weak,  
unChristlike self. Mold  
me, fashion me, raise me  
into a pure and holy  
atmosphere, where the  
rich current of Thy love  
can flow through my  
soul,"

— *Christ's Object Lessons*, page 159.

# the fire

**T**he world would be a better place if some politicians became worm farmers. And sometimes I wonder if maybe the Seventh-day Adventist Church might be a better place if some leaders were given the opportunity to learn new lessons in less responsible careers.

Judging from the mail I received in May and June, others must be having similar thoughts. In fact, for several weeks World War III was being fought in my mailbox. I read the missiles that were being fired at church leadership and wondered if the writers had learned political dirty tricks from Lee Atwater.

First came the letters and books and pamphlets and collections of quotations telling me that the Adventist church would cease to exist if women were given the "gift" of ordination. Then the box was filled by a series of letters and books describing how it is immoral for women not to be given the opportunity of ordination. Spokesmen on each side intimated that a "political conspiracy" was being waged by unnamed leaders.

Then there were the missiles about "linkage." I do not understand the full implications of linkage, but I have read that it is "the most diabolical plot ever hatched by our power-grubbing" leaders. And I've also been told that those who oppose it are mindlessly attempting to "destroy the remnant church by turning us into a group of disconnected congregations." Trouble!

Then booklets and "official" letters began trumpeting the flagrant charges of official graft and misconduct being made by a former auditor of the General Conference. That's when I really began to sense the nastiness of battle. These people weren't just trying to influence my vote on a procedural or policy item, they were trying to get me to distrust denominational leaders. To distrust them so much that I would lose all faith in church organization because "it is full of evil leaders who misuse funds, cheat, lie and live for themselves only."

The stack of acrimony grew so high that it almost blocked out the shelf that holds my Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy volumes.

So I threw it all away and opened *Inspiration*.

I landed in the ninth chapter of Luke, hiking toward Jerusalem with Jesus and the disciples. Several disciples had gone ahead to arrange for meals and beds. But the village leaders had turned their backs on them, refused to help and then thrown them out of town. When Jesus arrived, the advance men angrily demanded permission to call down fire on the town. You could almost smell the brimstone in their eager words. "Can you believe what they've done?" "I've never met anyone as callous and selfish." "It's about time these people get their just due!" "Let's get 'em!!"

Verse 55 says: "Jesus turned and rebuked them." No, not the town leaders. He rebuked the disciples. He said something like, "Why should you allow your attitude to be controlled by the activities or attitudes of others? An angry and vengeful spirit has no place among God's followers."

Ellen White reinforces the point. "God permits men to be placed in positions of responsibility. When they err, He has the power to correct or remove them. We should be careful not to take into our hands the work of judging that belongs to God."<sup>1</sup>

Yes, the church is not perfect. I am reminded of that every time I look into a mirror.

Yes, Jesus is perfectly busy fixing us. He's working on presidents, vice-presidents, assistants, department heads, secretaries, teachers, chairpersons and all the rest of us. I'm reminded of that every time I read my mail.

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*Dick Duerksen uses the Word as his primary tool on the cutting edge of ministry as vice president for creative ministries for the Columbia Union. It cuts both ways.*

<sup>1</sup>The Ministry of Healing (Pacific Press, 1942), page 484.



What do the Capitol Hill church, Tidewater Junior Academy, Philadelphia Spanish IV and Mountaintop have in common? All have built better church and school facilities with loans obtained from the Columbia Union Revolving Fund. Since its inception in 1968, the fund has grown to become an important source of non-tithe funds for local congregations in the Columbia Union.

The Revolving Fund was started by Columbia Union officers who had a vision. They placed a small notice with a response coupon in the *Visitor* encouraging people to invest their savings as a lending bank to help build churches and schools in the union.

One year later, Albert Butler, union treasurer, reported in the *Visitor* that \$200,000 had been deposited by members to provide loan funds for new churches and schools. The depositors earned five percent interest on their investment while the Rockville, Maryland, church built a new sanctuary on Highway 28 and Blue Mountain Academy in Hamburg, Pennsylvania, erected a modern elementary school financed in part by the new Revolving Fund.

Money invested in the Revolving Fund has increased from \$159,828 in 1968 to \$33,351,401 in 1994. More than \$3 million has been added this year since January 1. Loans have been granted for new buildings and a long list of needs such as renovations, roof repair, new bathrooms, carpets, school buses, vans for churches, furnaces, air-conditioners, land and photocopiers.

One of the largest loans was granted to the Seabrook, Maryland, church in the Potomac Conference for a day care center. The church researched their neighborhood and discovered that over-crowded day care services were turning people away. Directors of the facilities suggested that if the Adventists were to provide day care, they would recommend it to parents seeking that service. Seabrook met the requirements of the Revolving Fund and the fund board approved a loan of more than \$1 million.

Two of the smallest loans were approved for \$3,000. The

Eau Claire, Pennsylvania, church in the Allegheny West Conference repaired their roof, the front door and a few other small renovations. In the Ohio Conference, the Piqua church purchased a copy machine and removed an old barn from their property.

The Revolving Fund provides a service that is unique only through unions. The Columbia Union's fund offers variable rate loans that can be approved quickly with no closing costs. The longest term is for 15 years. "Sometimes it is difficult for a church to get a bank loan," says Peggy Lee, Revolving Fund treasurer. "When a traditional bank or lending institution looks at a church, they see a congregation that changes and that money must come from donations instead of a salary. No single member wants to be responsible for the debt."

Lee can produce files with stacks of paperwork eight inches high that churches have been required to produce to satisfy the requirements of a local bank for a loan. With the Revolving Fund, a church or school can make a request and, once it is approved, they can get the entire amount; or in the case of new construction, they can begin to draw on it. While they are drawing on funds, the borrower pays interest only. After the last draw, the first amortized

payment becomes due the following month. "We've never written off a loan for bad debt," Lee says.

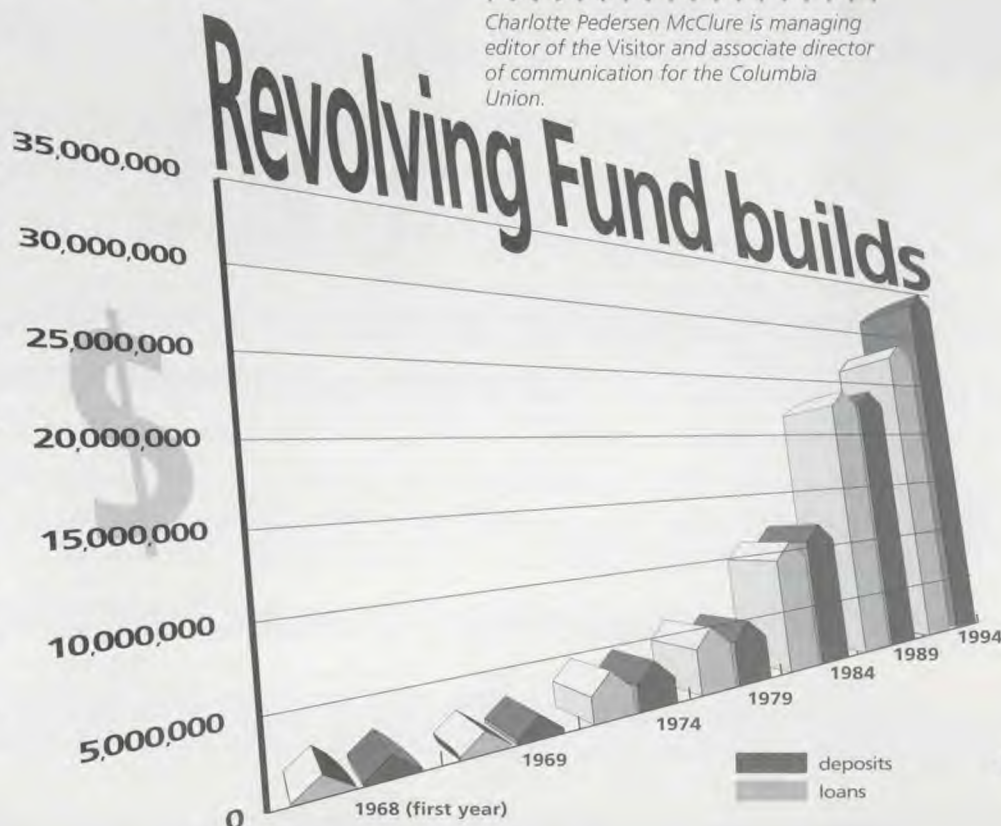
The fund's secretary, Don Russell, who is also treasurer for the Columbia Union, has developed his own little catch phrase from years of experience watching church funds and membership patterns. "Growth builds churches and building brings growth," he says. Russell cites the explosion of growth and building in the Allegheny East and New Jersey conferences as examples.

"I'm sure that the attractive buildings constructed by Allegheny East churches in the past few years have contributed to their soaring membership growth," says Russell.

The Revolving Fund is governed by very strict internal guidelines, and investments must conform to securities laws. While managed under the legal umbrella, God continues to prosper this special resource ministry. The fund allows the strong to support the ministries of those less able. Some revolving funds in other areas of the country lend only the amount to a conference that the members of that particular conference have deposited.

"What I'm proud of," says Russell, "is that our pool of depositors are from all the conferences, and the loans are available to all of the conferences."

Charlotte Pedersen McClure is managing editor of the *Visitor* and associate director of communication for the Columbia Union.





# Graduations

As a result of a gift from philanthropists Tom and Violet Zapara, the Columbia Union is proud to honor nine K-12 educators and one college professor for the 1994-95 school year with the Zapara Excellence in Teaching Award.

Criteria in giving out the \$1,000 awards included spiritual credibility, respect of peers and administrators, concern for students, teaching competence, involvement with both church and community and commitment to quality education and professional development.

RICHARD OSBORN

**Glen Bennett**  
Professor of Biology  
Columbia Union College



During the annual commencement exercises at Columbia Union College, May 6, 170 students received diplomas, while Glen Bennett received the Zapara Award. "Dr. Bennett is a great teacher and deserves the award. He is really tough and pushes us to study and know our material," said junior biology major Malini Meesarapu.

**Tonia Wlasniewski**  
Reading Junior Academy  
Pennsylvania Conference



School board secretary April Schander reports that Tonia Wlasniewski has encouraged her students in a number of outreach programs. Her home economics class made up "Ugly Bags" for the homeless. Students were given flexible time to work on repairing toys to be distributed at branch Sabbath schools during the Christmas season. They have done extensive lawn work and clean-up in the general community area near their school, and participated in a county-wide United Way Day of Caring. They also prepared a local day camp for summer use.

**Erline Burgess**  
Frederick Adventist School  
Chesapeake Conference



When they began studying Native Americans, Erline Burgess took her K-2 classes on a field trip to visit a traveling Indian tribe. They painted Indian signs on fabric and attached it to bound poles creating their own tepee. The children made costumes and role-played Indian rituals and ways of life, reports Linda Wilson, Frederick school board chair.

**Earline Greene**  
Mount Sinai Adventist School  
Allegheny East Conference

Earline Greene teaches first and second graders, and she has expertise in communication with the deaf. She signs to her little students, and they practice and perform signing, reports Principal Carney Bradford of the Trenton, New Jersey, school. Greene is also a poet, artfully writing her verses in calligraphy.



## Blue Mountain Academy

Location: Hamburg, Pennsylvania  
Number of Graduates: 53  
Date of Graduation: May 28, 1995  
Consecration Speaker: Roger Hernandez  
Baccalaureate Speaker: Tony Romeo  
Commencement Speaker: Eddie Braga  
Class President: Sophia Francis  
Class Sponsors: Peggy Hallmon/Dave Hallmon  
Student Association President: Neal Medas



## Highland View Academy

Location: Hagerstown, Maryland  
Number of Graduates: 43  
Date of Graduation: May 28, 1995  
Consecration Speaker: Eddie Braga  
Baccalaureate Speaker: William Jackson  
Commencement Speaker: David Smith  
Class President: Mark Di Pinto  
Valedictorians: Janel Klinger  
Class Sponsors: Monty Murdoch/Lynn Lee  
Student Association President: Andrew Nichols

## Garden State Academy

Location: Tranquility, New Jersey  
Number of Graduates: 34  
Date of Graduation: May 28, 1995  
Consecration Speaker: Dowell Chow  
Baccalaureate Speaker: David Willis  
Commencement Speaker: Ed Keyes  
Class President: Roberto Reyna  
Valedictorians: Rose Chow/Ana Maria Grasso  
Class Sponsors: Michael Abbott/Doria Gadsden  
Student Association President: Fabian Roses

## Mount Vernon Academy

Location: Mount Vernon, Ohio  
Number of Graduates: 30  
Date of Graduation: May 28, 1995  
Consecration Speaker: Kenneth Studer  
Baccalaureate Speaker: Raj Attiken  
Commencement Speaker: Jose Rojas  
Class President: David Mason  
Valedictorian: Wendy Brooks  
Class Sponsors: Bruce & Shari Bellchambers/John & Karen Feltma  
Student Association President: Anthony Czaja



## Kenneth Wilson Takoma Academy Potomac Conference

Ken Wilson has been a science teacher at Takoma Academy in Maryland for the past 33 consecutive years. Clarence Dunbebin, associate superintendent of schools, has known Wilson in four roles: parent, TA board member, member of the Potomac Conference Office of Education staff and as a friend. "In all of these roles, I've seen a consistent modeling of Christianity," he said.



## Martha Feldbush Spencerville Junior Academy Chesapeake Conference



Parent Arla Clapp said, "Every Friday, Mrs. Feldbush sends a letter to each parent detailing the class curriculum and any special events or announcements for the following week. In the outline she gives parents 'homework,' which includes studying Bible memory verses, nature activities or discussing specific topics with their children."

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## Nancy Melashenko Shenandoah Valley Adventist Elementary Potomac Conference



Principal Andrea Herrington reports that Nancy Melashenko, first and second grade teacher, has available a puppet theater and a vast assortment of books and tapes for students to enjoy. Melashenko uses a hands-on approach to math. She can be found scavenging just about anything to fill tubs of materials for learners to manipulate as they work through math concepts.

Principal Andrea Herrington reports that Nancy Melashenko, first and second grade teacher, has available a puppet theater and a vast assortment of books and tapes for students to enjoy.

## Karyl Kramer Blue Mountain Academy Pennsylvania Conference



On the lighter side, she has dressed as Emily Dickenson to introduce students to the joys of classic literature.

Karyl Kramer, chair of BMA's English department, spearheaded an exciting and innovative curriculum that integrates 14 electives with the current required programs," said Caron Oswald, BMA's development director.

## LaJuan Marshall Ramah Junior Academy Allegheny West Conference

LaJuan Marshall teaches grades five and six and is principal of the Cleveland, Ohio, school, where the enrollment is more than 100 students. "Her biggest accomplishment this past school year was to bring the school out of a financial deficit," said Superintendent Harcourt King.



## Clarence Williams Shenandoah Valley Academy Potomac Conference

Clarence Williams is one of the most respected, well-liked staffers on campus, according to Sarah Jane Liers, a colleague for some 30 years at SVA. "Each year he organizes tours of historical interest," she said. "This past year he took the tour to New England and included the 150th anniversary of the October 22, 1844, great disappointment."



## Pine Forge Academy

Location: Pine Forge, Pennsylvania  
Number of Graduates: 55  
Date of Graduation: May 28, 1995  
Consecration Speaker: Trevor Baker  
Baccalaureate Speaker: Donald McPhaul  
Commencement Speaker: Brenda Woods  
Class President: Kimmy Brown  
Valedictorians: Taryn Holman  
Class Sponsors: Jewel Kibble/Kirk Thompson  
Student Association President: Taryn Holman

## Spring Valley Academy

Location: Centerville, Ohio  
Number of Graduates: 26  
Date of Graduation: June 4, 1995  
Consecration Speaker: John Abbott  
Baccalaureate Speaker: Dick Duerksen  
Commencement Speaker: John Wheaton  
Class President: Christina Tate  
Class Sponsors: Carolyn Shields/Don Miller  
Student Association President: Cheryl Constantine

## Shenandoah Valley Academy

Location: New Market, Virginia  
Number of Graduates: 101  
Date of Graduation: May 28, 1995  
Consecration Speaker: Bonnie Boyd  
Baccalaureate Speaker: Lynn Shlisner  
Commencement Speaker: Bj Christensen  
Class President: Samala Gaskins  
Valedictorians: Teresa Roberts ???  
Class Sponsors: Dean Hunt/Clarence Williams  
Student Association President: Jennifer Peeke

## Takoma Academy

Location: Takoma Park, Maryland  
Number of Graduates: 81  
Date of Graduation: June 11, 1995  
Consecration Speaker: William Neely  
Baccalaureate Speaker: Jose Rojas  
Commencement Speaker: Larry Blackmer  
Class President: SaMonna Claiborne  
Valedictorian: Danielle Smith  
Class Sponsors: Virginia Mathis/Ken Wilson  
Student Association President: Danielle Smith



# Missionaries wanted in South Hills

MIKE CAULEY

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, home of steel and glass, has one of the smallest ratios of church members to non-members in North America. There are more than 2.2 million people in the metro area with only 1,300 Seventh-day Adventists, or one Adventist for every 1,800 people.

While this number is incredible for a major city in the United States, it is truly staggering when we focus on the South Hills of Pittsburgh. This region is separated geographically from the city by both a mountain and river and is a true global mission project. The South Hills have more than 350,000 people with an identified Adventist population of only 25, a discouraging ratio of one Adventist for every 14,000 people!

Just over a year ago, the Pennsylvania Conference united with the Columbia Union and Adventist Resource Ministries (ARMS) to plant a new church in this vast area. We looked for the very best people we could find to lead out in the project. Anthony Cortes moved to South Hills with his wife, Leticia, and their children when he was asked to lead a team of workers in establishing the new congregation.

While progress has been made during the past year, it has been tough. Office and meeting space has been leased and now serves as the nerve center of our global mission project. But one thing is lacking, and it cannot be purchased with gold or silver. We need committed Seventh-day Adventists to move to the South Hills of Pittsburgh, take up employment and participate in this new church for one to three years.

Most successful church

planting projects are based upon a church "swarming"—members from a certain church divide to establish two churches. In this model, local leadership comes out of an existing church. In other models, an interested group of members decide they want to start a branch Sabbath School in an unentered region. Again, local church leadership drives the decision to plant the new church.

The South Hills Project is different. It was conceived by a committee who looked at a map and said, "We need a church in this heavily populated area! We must bring the good news of Jesus and the final message of the Three Angels to this significant population of more than 350,000 people. Because of the small Adventist base in the metro area, local leadership is stretched very thin and cannot be easily shifted to the South Hills without the work of the church suffering in other areas."

We are seeking missionary-minded individuals who can support themselves while participating in the experience of a lifetime, planting a church in a major city where there are very few Adventists. People are needed who can serve as Sabbath school teachers for children, who can form relationships with people and grow spiritually with the people who are attending the services.

This call is not a general call. It is a very specific call targeted to individuals and families who could move to the South Hills of Pittsburgh, find employment and contribute their time and energy to this exciting, but difficult, mission project. If you are interested in more information about the South Hills, please contact our project coordinator, Anthony Cortes, at the South Hills Bible Study Fellowship, Equitable Office Building, 5120 Old Clairton Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, or call him at (412) 882-1890. I can be reached at (610) 374-8331.

Mike Cauley is president of the Pennsylvania Conference.



*We are seeking missionary-minded individuals who can support themselves while participating in the experience of a lifetime.*



# A Healing ministry

## *Psychiatric services at Washington Adventist Hospital*

Since it first opened its doors in Takoma Park, Maryland, during 1907 as a sanitarium, Washington Adventist Hospital has earned a reputation for providing skilled care for mental, physical and spiritual health in a warm, Christian atmosphere.

The sanitarium was a gracious facility with spacious grounds and a variety of gardens, intended to be a home-like institution where special diet was combined with instruction in healthful living. It faced the Sligo Creek and a peaceful artificial lake on which patients were taken boating.

Sanitarium patients often stayed several weeks, even months under a relaxing and leisurely rest-diet exercise regimen. Outdoor activities, such as boating, croquet, tennis and shuffleboard, helped keep patients busy on the green and flowered grounds.

Washington Adventist Hospital formally added mental-health services to its wide range of specialties more than 45 years ago and has been providing a full



**Washington Adventist Hospital, located in Takoma Park, Maryland, provides a full range of psychiatric services for residents of the Washington, D.C., area.**

range of psychiatric services ever since then. During 1994, psychiatric services had 1,540 inpatient admissions and 201 day treatment admissions.

The hospital's newly refurbished, 40-bed psychiatric unit includes a 16-bed intensive treatment area and is staffed by a multidisciplinary team of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, psychiatric counselors, social workers and activity therapists.

Washington Adventist Hospital also offers a drug/alcohol detoxification program and a nonresidential day treatment program designed to stabilize or relieve psychiatric symptoms, provide transition

from hospitalization and prevent rehospitalization.

"As a full-service Seventh-day Adventist health-care provider, Washington Adventist Hospital believes that mental health is an important part of its healing ministry," noted Kiltie Leach, chief operations officer at Washington Adventist. "Mental health is an often overlooked facet of health care, which is another reason why we believe this is such an important service to the community."

In addition to private and group therapy, inpatients and day treatment patients benefit from programs designed to im-

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## Editorial

### Who helps the helper?

Good health. It's more than just physical fitness. Seventh-day Adventist health-care organizations operate under the tenet that good health is achieved through wholeness—or a balance of the mind, body and spirit. As the champions for health in our community, it is our task as health-care providers to attend to the three dimensions of good health.

For that reason, at Kettering Medical Center we strive to develop programs that effectively address the mental aspect of health. One particularly innovative program we offer is our Ministry Care Line.

Ministers and teachers are available for others in their time of need, but who takes care of them? Who helps the pastor's wife deal with her stress? Who helps the minister or teacher handle the special stress that arises from helping others deal with their problems?

KMC's Ministry Care Line provides that help. Through an 800 line, Christian teachers, church professionals, administrators and their families have a person who will listen to their problems. Because the program is available nationwide (all conferences in the Columbia Union subscribe to this service

for the benefit of their employees), Ministry Care Line counselors can talk with a pastor in a remote congregation or help a teacher before a full-blown crisis develops in his or her life.

Helping others in their time of need is what we are about. Through the Ministry Care Line, KMC phone counselors are reaching out and touching the very hearts of pastors, teachers and their families throughout the nation.



**Frank Perez**  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Kettering Medical Center

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prove functioning. Patients participate in groups and classes on several topics, including cooking, healthy living, verbal skills, leisure planning, stress management, ceramics and assertiveness training.

To better meet the needs of the greater metropolitan Washington, D.C., area,



## Washington Adventist Hospital

*Member, Adventist HealthCare Mid-Atlantic*

Washington Adventist Hospital's psychiatric services recently added an outpatient clinic, which offers various combinations of individual, group and family therapy.

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#### The Atrium (Assisted Living Center)

9701 Medical Center Dr.  
Rockville, MD 20850  
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Kettering, OH 45429  
(513) 298-4331

#### Kettering Workers' Care

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Dayton, OH 45439  
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Rockville, MD 20850  
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### WELLNESS CENTERS

#### Damascus Community Wellness Center

#### Frederick Community Wellness Center

#### Sligo Community Wellness Center



# A Healing ministry

## News

### ADVENTIST HEALTHCARE MID-ATLANTIC

#### ■ New chief information officer selected

Rajiv Kapur recently was chosen as Adventist HealthCare's new chief information officer.

Kapur comes with an extensive background in both the financial and clinical sides of medical information systems. He headed the clinical information division at Georgetown University Medical Center for 10 years before leaving to form his own medical software concern, SoftMed, Inc., this past year.

Kapur, who has a doctor of philosophy degree, will manage information systems for all Adventist HealthCare entities.

#### ■ Nurses of the Year selected

One nursing professional each from Shady Grove Adventist Hospital and Washington Adventist Hospital were recently honored by being chosen as that institution's Nurse of the Year.

June Harris, an R.N. in Shady Grove's intensive care unit, has worked at the hospital since 1981. Linda Lee Krause, an R.N. in Washington Adventist Hospital's coronary care unit, has served there since 1987. Both were selected for their excellence as nursing professionals and their involvement with the community.

The two nurses were recognized during a ceremony at the governor's mansion in Annapolis, Maryland, hosted by the Maryland Hospital Association and Governor Parris Glendening.

#### ■ Hospitals celebrate Week of Spiritual Emphasis

Washington Adventist Hospital and Shady Grove Adventist Hospital recently celebrated the spring Week of Spiritual Emphasis. Ron M. Wisbey, chairman of Adventist HealthCare Mid-Atlantic and past president of the Columbia Union Conference, was the guest speaker. Wisbey spoke on the following subjects:

- "My Career as a Faith Healer," Matthew 5:43-48;
- "The Ceremony Trap," John 19:31;
- "Is It Lawful to Do Good?" Luke 6:6-11;
- "Faith-Based Hospitals," Hebrews 11, 12; and
- "A Place of Refuge," Hebrews 6:13-20.

Many employees praised Wisbey for sharing his time and insightful thoughts during what turned out to be one of the most well-attended spiritual emphasis weeks the hospitals have had.

#### ■ Adventist Home Health Management Services is formed

Adventist HealthCare Mid-Atlantic announces the development of a new company, Adventist Home Health Management Services, which will contract with other health-care entities to provide the start-up, consultation and support of new home care companies.

Using their 20 years of expertise, AHHMS will extend the reach of Adventist home care throughout Maryland and the surrounding states. Each new start-up company will employ both visiting staff and office staff to help run the business. Ann Kirwan has accepted the position of manager for AHHMS.

#### ■ Adventist HealthCare participates in Relay for Life

Adventist HealthCare Mid-Atlantic provided a team for the second annual Relay for Life in May held at the Walter Johnson High School in Bethesda, Maryland. This 24-hour event paid tribute to loved ones and friends who have had cancer and celebrate cancer survivors.

#### ADVENTIST SENIOR LIVING SERVICES

##### ■ La Pierre new administrator of Shady Grove Nursing Center

Adventist Senior Living Services recently announced that Andrea J. La Pierre has been chosen the new administrator of the Shady Grove Adventist Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Rockville, Maryland, located next to

Shady Grove Adventist Hospital. She began her new position on May 1.

A licensed administrator and registered nurse with over five years of experience in long-term care and over 15 years of experience in the health-care industry, she previously worked as an administrator for Genesis Health Ventures and Beverly Enterprises.

#### HACKETTSTOWN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

##### ■ Hospital reaches out to outlying areas

Hackettstown Community Hospital held open houses in May for two primary care centers it recently established to provide health care to residents in outlying portions of its northwest New Jersey service area.

The Wellness and Medical Center of Washington, which has been offering walk-in laboratory services, internal medicine, orthopedic surgery and obstetrics and gynecology, celebrated the grand opening of several new services—physical and occupational therapy, nutritional counseling and speech and audiology.

The Wellness and Medical Center of Blairstown introduced the community to its new internal medicine and obstetrics/gynecology services. Other components will soon be added to further fulfill the health-care needs of greater Blairstown residents.

Visitors to each open house were offered health screenings and nutritional tips and information, as well as healthful vegetarian refreshments. The 99 Years Band provided blue grass music to entertain the Blairstown guests.

##### ■ Author of Civil War book visits HCH

Hackettstown Community Hospital invited greater Hackettstown, N.J., residents to meet Bernard A. Olsen, historian and author of *Upon the Tented Field*—a book devoted to the wartime letters of six Civil War soldiers from New Jersey—and to hear him present his findings



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about "the real war" on Sunday, June 11, at the hospital.

The program was presented jointly by the Long Valley, N.J., Seniors and Health Link, Hackettstown Hospital's 50+ membership program. Persons of all ages, however, could attend.

As an added treat, members of the Civil War reenactment company, who were giving demonstrations that same day at nearby historic Waterloo Village, visited the hospital to perform marching drills in period uniforms and to answer questions about Civil War life.

## **SHADY GROVE ADVENTIST HOSPITAL**

### ■ Hospital announces plans for child center

Shady Grove Adventist Hospital has been approved for state funding to create a full-service pediatric health-care center. This center will enable the hospital to treat a large number of high-risk and critically ill patients—services now only available locally at specialized units like Children's Hospital in Washington, D.C.

Maryland Governor Parris Glendening recently allocated \$600,000 in state funds toward the development of the center at Shady Grove. The bill was introduced in the Maryland General Assembly by state senators Jennie Forehand and Ida Ruben. The money will be used to upgrade, renovate and expand existing pediatric services. Remaining costs for the project, estimated at \$3 million, will be met through hospital fund-raising efforts.

### ■ Golf and tennis program a record-breaker

The 10th annual Shady Grove Adventist Hospital Golf & Tennis Classic, held Monday, June 5, raised a new record amount—approximately \$100,000, a three percent increase over this past year's event. These funds will help Shady Grove further develop its new pediatric intensive care unit.

One of the big fund-raisers this year was the sale of participation in special field events, such as a putting contest. A

total of \$3,735 was raised, a new record (last year was \$1,300—an increase of 300 percent).

A total of 258 golfers played in the tournament, a new all-time record attendance. The tennis tournament featured 22 players.

## **WASHINGTON ADVENTIST HOSPITAL**

### ■ Educational classes offered for those coping with cancer

"I Can Cope," a series of educational classes for people with cancer and their families and friends, is being offered at Washington Adventist Hospital in cooperation with the Montgomery County chapter of the American Cancer Society.

The course is conducted as a consecutive series addressing topics relevant to the cancer experience, including information on treatment, side-effects to treatment and daily health problems, nutrition, exercise and relaxation, feelings and fears related to cancer and community resources. The classes are taught by such health professionals as physicians, nurses, physical therapists, dietitians and social workers. There is no charge, but advanced registration is requested. For more information, please call Beth Hoskins at (301) 891-5465.

## *Ways to Wellness*

### **Spirituality and health**

Faith and trust in God foster a positive attitude and an appreciation of life while providing you with the strength to handle everyday problems. Spirituality gives a special meaning to your life and the lives of those around you.

As we internalize and practice the spiritual principles outlined in Isaiah 58, even our health will improve! We may claim the promise that "thine health shall spring forth speedily" (verse 8).

*Provided by Hackettstown Community Hospital*



## Turn on big-screen evangelism

their heads in wonder at what happened. More than 60,000 guests showed up to watch Finley preach from a large screen and joined in the singing and prayers. About one-third of the audience were not members of our church. Five thousand have been baptized, and that many more are receiving Bible studies and preparing to join our church. In the Columbia Union, 53 churches participated, with 274 baptisms thus far, and 345 people are studying with a pastor or church members in preparation for baptism.

Not all group leaders were pastors. This great story comes from Mike Cauley, president of the Pennsylvania Conference.

"The Williamsport church had been without a pastor since last summer. But on their own, the members decided to purchase the equipment and have the Net '95 meetings. In January they still did not have a pastor, so the personal ministries director called me. I told him how to prepare for the meetings—to order 2,000 brochures and have the local information printed at a quick print. They did not mail any brochures, but organized an Operation Andrew type of approach and personally invited friends, relatives and neighbors. A week before the meetings began, we sent them a

retired preacher, Darrow Foster, to help with the visitation. They have baptized 11 new converts."

This is the type of story I hear everywhere I travel in the union. In the Mountain View Conference, I heard of a family that conducted a group in their home and had good attendance. Members of the Spencerville, Beltsville, Laurel New Hope and Triadelphia churches in Maryland combined to meet in the General Conference auditorium and had a full house every night. Harrington, Delaware, had the best attendance in many years. In Ohio, the Hamlet congregation held Net '95 meetings, baptizing 16 into their 170-member church. Nationwide, we added more new members to the church in a short time than ever before in our history. And the members who were involved were renewed and energized just as the new converts were.

Typical of those churches that enjoyed success in Net '95, members and pastors are planning to participate again in Net '96. When asked if the Hamlet church is planning for Net '96, church Secretary Linda Stout's reply was quick and direct, "Absolutely. We certainly are!"

If your church missed out on Net '95, you have another chance. Mark Finley will conduct Net '96 beginning October 5, 1996. Instead of 53 churches participating, I hope we will have 500 sites in the Columbia Union. It has been proven once again that great preaching of the gospel will win hearts to Jesus Christ and cause sinners to desire salvation. You can have Mark Finley come to your church as a guest speaker, and he will help lead your family and friends to Christ. All your church needs is the desire to win souls and the equipment to make it possible. Many hundreds of Adventist churches will grow and prosper through the preaching of the Word. Why not make your church a part of the ongoing advance of the gospel?

**Williamsport, Pennsylvania, lay members assisted retired Pastor Darrow Foster (right) in Net '95 satellite evangelism. On March 25, the first five of 11 were baptized: (from left) Rob Spencer, Don Andrews, Greta Spencer, Roger Spencer and Ray Albertson III. "What a thrill it is to see so many individuals giving their lives to Christ in these final days on Earth," said Diane Fulmer, church communication leader. "Come quickly, Lord Jesus!"**



**RALPH MARTIN**

In this age when dozens of news events flash through and out of our minds every day, we may have missed a monumental shift in Adventist evangelism. Very little has changed in evangelistic preaching since Noah and the ark. For 4,000 years or more, Elisha, Jeremiah, John the Baptist, Paul and a thousand Christian preachers that followed them stood before a single group of people at a time to explain the will of God. Last spring that changed radically during Net '95, when Mark Finley simultaneously appeared to 676 audiences from the Atlantic to the Pacific oceans preaching the Three Angels' Messages of Revelation 14.

Even the skeptics are shaking





# Gateway

news from Columbia Union College

## Theology majors dedicated to God

Prayers and words of encouragement filled the Richards Hall chapel on April 22 as the religion department of Columbia Union College held a consecration service for graduating theology majors. Three senior theology students, Jose Tony Rivera, Bonita Shields and Vernon Waters, took part in a special ministry dedication service.

Rivera graduated May 5 with a bachelor's degree in theology, and on May 8 he began work as a pastor for the New Jersey Conference. The conference offered him a position that involves pastoring three churches, an unusual offer for a recent graduate. Currently, Rivera is using the knowledge he gained at CUC to face the many new challenges of his work as a pastor for the Hackensack, Westwood and Union City churches.

"CUC taught me that the church is composed of different cultures and that I have to learn to respect each culture in the light of the gospel," says Rivera. Rivera's son, Juan, will attend CUC as a freshman in the fall of 1995.

## Chad Giles named co-op student of the year



**Chad Giles, Co-op Student of the Year, with Linda Williams, Director of Cooperative Education.**

The Columbia Union College Cooperative Education Department recognized Chad Giles, a junior accounting and finance major, as the co-op student of the 1994-95 school year. The award was presented at the Cooperative Education Association of Maryland's (CEAM) annual recognition brunch at Prince George's Community College on April 27.

"This award is given once a year to honor a student who has shown outstanding performance in cooperative education," says Linda Williams, director of cooperative education at CUC. "Chad has been very involved in pursuing co-op work that has provided him with a variety of experiences."

Most majors require their students to complete 800 hours of parallel or alternating work experience that is related to their major and career goals.

Giles successfully completed his 800-hour co-op program working as an accounting clerk at Home Study International (HSI) in Silver Spring, Maryland. His responsibilities included receiving incoming money, preparing monthly financial statements and assisting the

business manager and the chief accountant of HSI. "This experience has helped me prepare for future jobs by allowing me to view accounting in the real world," says Giles.

Besides being the co-op student of the year, Giles was also named the accounting student of the year which makes him an honorary member of the Maryland CPA Association. Giles now works as the assistant to the controller at CUC. After graduation, he plans to pursue a career in the business world as an accountant or financial advisor.

Shields will officially graduate from CUC in August of 1995, but on July 1 she will start work as an associate pastor at the Spencerville Adventist church in Silver Spring, Maryland. Shields will be working with women's ministries, personal ministries and spiritual gifts. Since she is staying in the area, Shields definitely plans to keep in touch with the college.

"At CUC, I learned to think for myself and search for the truth about God through studying His Word and through His community," says Shields. Known to several CUC students for her inspiring student week of prayer sermon, Shields will be welcome back on campus as a guest speaker.

Another August graduate, Waters is well known among CUC students and faculty for both his theological and athletic abilities. On May 25-27, Waters participated in the N.A.I.A. (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) track and field national championship in Asuzu, California. After placing first in his heat on Thursday and second in his heat on Friday, Waters placed with the third best time among the eight finalists for the 800-meter race. Having made a decision to honor God and not run on the Sabbath, Waters did not participate in the final race on the Sabbath and placed eighth in the championship.

Waters also got married May 7 to Veneth Joseph, a 1994 CUC elementary education graduate. After graduating from CUC, Waters plans to go on to the seminary at Andrews University and get a master of divinity degree.



**From left: Theology seniors Jose Tony Rivera, Vernon Waters and Bonita Shields standing during their dedication in the Richards Hall chapel.**

## Calendar of Events

- July 17** Begin Financial Clearance for Fall Semester
- July 19** Last day for 50% refund for Second Summer Session
- July 20** Student Finance Committee
- July 21** Vespers, 8 p.m., Sligo Church
- July 22** Church, Sligo, 9/11:15 a.m.  
College Sabbath School, 10 a.m.
- July 25-26** Financial Aid Exit Interviews for August Graduates
- July 28** Vespers, Sligo Church, 8 p.m.
- July 29** Church, Sligo, 9/11:15 a.m.  
College Sabbath School, 10 a.m.
- July 31** Capital Summer Session begins
- August 2** Second Summer Session  
Final Exams
- August 3** Summer Session Ends  
August Commencement, 7 p.m.
- August 4** Vespers, Sligo Church, 8 p.m.
- August 5** Church, Sligo, 9/11:15 a.m.  
College Sabbath School, 10 a.m.
- August 11** Vespers, Sligo Church, 8 p.m.
- August 12** Church, Sligo, 9/11:15 a.m.  
College Sabbath School, 10 a.m.
- August 17** Capital Summer Session  
Exams
- August 17-20** Faculty/Staff Retreat



## Why our mission matters

The law of the land requires public colleges and universities to be either hostile or indifferent to Jesus Christ. Did Jesus live the best life possible? Show the world what God is like? Rise up from crucifixion to the everlasting victory?

Public institutions, bound to keep religion outside the high wall that separates church and state, cannot venture a positive answer to any of these questions. The agenda of biblical faith must be dismissed, either with a shaking of fists or a shrugging of shoulders.

I am proud and grateful concerning the new mission statement of Columbia Union College. What I love most is that the new statement, voted by the board of trustees on May 31, puts Christ-centered education at the "heart" of the CUC vision.

All the particulars of the mission express this deep-rooted faith in Christ as the human face of the Creator.

If a God as full of compassion and adventure as Christ is the one who made heaven and earth, this surely backs up each of the six main points. Surely...

- Talent is worth developing.
- Truth is worth pursuing.
- Learning is meant to be a pleasure and a joy.

If Jesus, with all His passion for learning and all His eagerness to care, is truly God's beloved Son, then surely...

- All alliance of scholarship and service is absolutely sacred.

And if, at the climax of His ministry, God's beloved Son cared enough about Jerusalem to seize its challenge and opportunity, surely...

- A college dedicated to His service must embrace the metropolis around it.

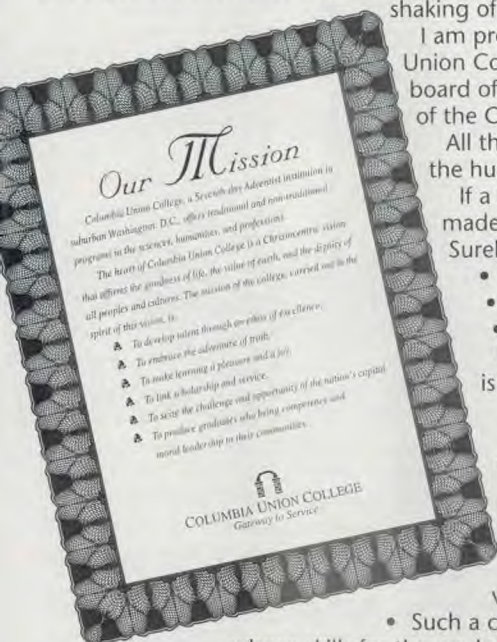
Everything so far directs us to the final mandate for a college devoted to the full adventure of truth and excellence:

- Such a college will bend every ounce of muscle to the making of graduates

whose skills for the workplace are matched by their capacity to make a spiritual difference in God's world.

You can see that a Christ-centered mission demands genuine excellence in learning. My CUC colleagues and I know this, and we pay attention to it daily. We believe our mission will accelerate CUC's journey upward and will enhance the caliber and prospects of every student.

I invite you to read the statement carefully and to pray for our whole endeavor as Columbia Union partners in faith and education.



**CHARLES SCRIVEN,**  
president of Columbia  
Union College

## Conway promoted

Charlotte Conway was recently approved for the position of associate vice president for administration and institutional research by the board of trustees of Columbia Union College.

Conway has worked at CUC for the past eight years. She was most recently the assistant to the president for institutional research and previously, was the director of records.

"Charlotte is a tremendous asset to CUC," says Charles Scriven, president of the college. "She has an eye for important facts and a gift for assembling information in ways that will help us achieve an ever-higher standard of excellence."

Her new duties will include assisting Lyn Bartlett, vice president for academic administration; continuing with institutional research; presiding as chair of the quality committee; and assisting with the strategic planning committee.

"I'm really excited to be working with the president and the vice presidents," says Conway. "I especially hope to be of assistance to Lyn in all his responsibilities."



## Shadel retires after 40 years

Columbia Union College Professor Gerald Shadel retired at the end of this school year after 40 years of teaching history.

"I have a bachelor's, a master's and a doctorate in history, and I believe Shadel is probably the most masterful lecturer that I've ever had," says Richard Osborn, vice president for education at the Columbia Union Conference. Osborn also worked for two years with Shadel as a department assistant.

For his farewell gift, CUC presented Shadel with a six-foot Japanese vertical panel scroll painting that he added to his Oriental collections given him by his brother. At the May 31 board of trustees meeting, Shadel was unanimously voted to receive emeritus professorship status that gives him continuing faculty privileges at CUC for the rest of his life.

"I appreciate the honorable mention at the graduation commencement ceremony and the conferring of emeritus status," says Shadel. "I will remember with pleasure the kindness of friends at the college, and I shall wish only the best for the future of CUC."

Shadel plans to move to Oak Harbor on Puget Sound in Washington state to live near his family.







In South Africa, students at Bethel College pose with Bertram Melbourne (far right), a guest teacher who is chair of the division of religion and social sciences at Columbia Union College.

**B**ertram Melbourne, chair of the religion program and the division of religion and social sciences at Columbia Union College in Takoma Park, Maryland, has dreamed of being a missionary in Africa since he was a child. In November 1994, Melbourne's childhood dream came true. He flew to Johannesburg, South Africa, to teach religious seminars through Home Study International.

Melbourne's final destination in South Africa was Butterworth, the town where Bethel College, a Seventh-day Adventist institution, is located. His main assignment was to teach two seminars to local pastors who were working on their bachelor's degrees; Acts and Epistles, and World Religions. The classes included people of various ages and races with one thing in

common—their attitude toward education.

"The students really wanted to learn," said Melbourne of his experience. "In South Africa, educational opportunities are rare, and people in their 20s and 30s are just finishing high school. Given the opportunity to receive college education, South African students will do everything possible to learn as much as they can."

Even though the people in Melbourne's classes didn't have their degrees, all of them were gifted, and some even had experience in pastoral and mission work. He was especially impressed by Pastor Chobokonne, president of the Lesoto Field Conference. The young man became an Adventist when he was 16 years old and started preaching the gospel in his own

congregation work with the community. Unemployment, homelessness and hunger are serious problems in South Africa. Members of the Brooklyn Seventh-day Adventist Church in Capetown, South Africa, invited Melbourne to join their soup kitchen, an outreach ministry to the homeless.

"I'll never forget what I saw," Melbourne said. "Man's inhumanity to man became vivid. I was shocked by what a lack of love can do." At the same time, he could see hope for the future as he watched the church members minister to and help the poor.

Melbourne's religion seminars were completed with great success. The students and teachers at the college invited him back to teach more courses. He admits that he would love to go back to South Africa.

"I was very impressed by the beauty of the place and the beauty of the people. This country has loving and lovely people. I pray that the Lord will continue to fill the hearts of His people with His love and love for each other," said Melbourne.

Natasha Mironova is a sophomore English/communication major at Columbia Union College.

## Bertram Melbourne teaches in South Africa

NATASHA MIRONOVA



Brooklyn Seventh-day Adventist Church members help in the community in a poor village in South Africa.



## MOUNTAIN VIEW

### Murphy receives college diploma

Randall Murphy, president of the Mountain View Conference, recently received his bachelor of arts degree in organizational management from Alderson-Broaddus College in Philippi, West Virginia.

Pastor Murphy, who began his college education some 36 years ago at what was then Washington Missionary College (now Columbia Union College) in Takoma Park, Maryland, had been working towards his degree over the past two years through an adult degree completion program offered at Alderson-Broaddus.

He said, "In addition to receiving my degree, I made many friends in my classes who will be my friends for life. The Lord gave me many instances in which I could witness for Him."

Murphy was unable to attend his graduation service at Alderson-Broaddus College because it was held on the Sabbath. Upon hearing this, administrators at the Columbia Union, in conjunction with the Mountain View officers and staff, surprised him at a special consecration, baccalaureate and graduation service on May 10 at the union office in Columbia, Maryland.

Attending this special program with Murphy were his wife, Marty, and sons Bruce of Olathe, Kansas, and Larry of Gentry, Arkansas, who flew in to surprise their father and celebrate the occasion with him.

**BUNNY ABBOTT**  
Communication Director

## CHESAPEAKE

### Amazing Facts will move to Sacramento

Amazing Facts will soon relocate its office headquarters to northern California. The ministry sold its property in Frederick, Maryland, in the spring of 1994 after steady growth made its current office too small.

Before his untimely death, founder Joe Crews and the Amazing Facts officers had considered several potential areas for relocation, including North Carolina, Tennessee, Florida and Maryland. After careful study and prayerful consideration, it became evident that the Sacramento area would be the most practical and effective place to conduct office operations.

Relocation will result in a great savings of time and finances and will also enhance

the ministry's effectiveness in reaching souls. Amazing Facts will retain its unique status as a global evangelistic ministry, serving both the North American Division and the world church as it continues to preach the three angels' messages.

On Sunday, June 11, the constituency of Amazing Facts voted to relocate its headquarters from Frederick to the Sacramento area. The action came as a result of a recommendation from the officers and the board of directors.

Although its office will soon operate from northern California, Amazing Facts will continue to have a very active presence in the Chesapeake Conference. Through its public evangelism and media programs, Amazing Facts will continue to reach souls in Chesapeake for years to come.

In the near future, Amazing Facts will be able to expand every aspect of its current radio, TV and literature ministry. It also plans to establish a church growth training center in the Sacramento Central church that will serve as a model for North American Division congregations.

The church, which is pastored by Amazing Facts Director-Speaker Doug Batchelor, has grown 500 percent in attendance in the past 18 months. Amazing Facts will operate its radio and television studios within the church, and the ministry headquarters will be located nearby in separate facilities.

Several excellent possibilities for a new office site have already been located. Although no date has been set for the move, officers expect relocation to be completed within the next year because Amazing Facts

must vacate its Frederick office building by September of 1996.

**DEBRA HICKS**  
Correspondent

## ALLEGHENY EAST

### Trinity Temple church burns mortgage

On Sabbath, April 22, members of the Trinity Temple congregation in Newark, New Jersey, burned their mortgage after eight years in their new church building.

Pastor Hayward Weatherford spearheaded the "Jubilee Drive" to coincide with the seventh year, although the total liquidation occurred a year later.

Alvin Kibble, current president of the Allegheny East Conference and pastor of Trinity Temple from September of 1977 to June of 1984, led out at the burning ceremony that evening. During the morning service, he admonished worshippers to learn to "shout before the battle is over" instead of waiting until the victory is won.

Also on hand for the weekend were former pastors Charles Joseph (March of 1976 to July of 1977) and S. Peter Campbell (July of 1984 to July of 1989). They now minister at the Stradford Memorial church in Chicago, Illinois, and the Dupont Park congregation in Washington, D.C., respectively.

The programs were truly Spirit-filled, and the saints present praised the Lord for another victory won.

**LAVERNE HENDERSON**  
Communication Leader



Participants in the Trinity Temple mortgage-burning ceremony were, from left: Pathfinder Tashika Rowe, Family Life Leader Connie Hood, Head Elder Ralph Dawkins, Allegheny East Conference President Alvin Kibble and Assistant Church Clerk Gwen Jones. Photo by Ronald Sullivan.



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## Expressing feelings can solve problems



**Question:** My husband and I are constantly battling over how we should discipline our children. I know it's not good to disagree in front of the children, but I can't keep quiet when I see him being so tough on them and making unreasonable demands. But every time I say something, it only seems to make things worse.

**Answer:** Unless he is physically or verbally out of control and abusive, don't interfere. Here's why: First, it weakens the respect a child has for his parents. It gives the message to the children that the parental force is divided and therefore weak. The child then puts up a stronger defense or pits one parent against the other, hoping there is more of a chance of winning. This then causes the disciplining parent to be all the more severe in order to get the child's cooperation.

Second, public criticism is demeaning. Only people with positive self-worth choose to change. When you demean or criticize the other parent, you make it harder for that person to change.

Therefore, unless the behavior of the other parent is abusive, wait until tempers have cooled and you have a chance to talk privately about the matter. Go out to dinner. Or better yet, take a weekend off without the kids and do something fun to cement your marital relationship.

When you are in a reflective mood with time to talk, you might ask, "If you could change one thing about me, what would it be?" You're not going to like what he mentions, but your task now is to LISTEN and not be defensive. There are always two sides to a disagreement. And because you want him to listen to you, you must first give him a chance to get things off his chest.

If he doesn't bring up the discipline issue, you will need to be more specific. "Tell me how you feel when you start to discipline the children and I interfere and argue with you in front of them."

Listen respectfully to his feelings. They are real. Don't try to explain. Then ask permission to share your feelings. "Do you mind if I share with you how I feel when I think you're being too tough on the kids?" If he gives you permission, simply state: "I feel angry when I see the children being hurt and I don't think they deserve it." You may continue with a word picture. "I'm like a mother bear who sees one of her cubs in danger and rushes to her cub's defense."

Now you need to brainstorm solutions. "What can we do so I don't have to be a mother bear and you don't have to feel ... (as he expressed)?"

Solutions might be to not discipline immediately but talk together first. Read some parenting books together, go to a good parenting class or counseling and learn new techniques of discipline that you could both agree on.

[Read more from Dr. Kay Kuzma in the *Family Times* newspaper. For a free year's subscription, just write to: Family Matters, P.O. Box 7000, Cleveland, TN 37320; or call (615) 339-1144.]



The Visitor is proud to feature another poster that was created for Hands Across the World by a student attending one of the church schools across the Columbia Union. The next Hands Across the World rally in the union is scheduled to be held in Mount Vernon, Ohio, on Sabbath, September 9, with another slated for next March in Washington, D.C.—RANDY HALL

### POTOMAC

## Family evangelistic team wins 23 converts in Silver Spring

A Revelation prophecy seminar held recently at the Silver Spring, Maryland, church combined the labors of Arizona Conference Evangelist Ben George, and his wife, Lila, with their son, Dan, who serves as pastor of that congregation.

This series marked the first time that the father, mother and son united their talents and experience to win souls for Christ.

Many members of the church also gave liberally of their time and talents, but none more than Belinda Hodge. Her father had just died, and she chose to deal with her grief by blessing others and signing for the hearing-impaired at every meeting.

God blessed the efforts and dedication of all. In spite of some adversity and crises in the lives of members at the time of the series, 23 new persons were added onto the church rolls through baptism or profession of faith.

During the final week of the meetings, the church also hosted homeless people in

Montgomery County by providing food and lodging at the church annex, thereby satisfying not only spiritual needs, but also basic, everyday ones as well.

Studies are continuing on Wednesday evenings and Sabbath mornings for those who are newly baptized. Their enthusiasm has already spawned new interests, and others are now attending these meetings.

**VIVIAN ROSS**  
Communication Leader

### WORLD CHURCH

## ADRA helps cyclone-ravaged Bangladesh

Bangladesh's southern coastal belt suffered heavy damage May 16-17, when a cyclonic tidal surge, accompanied by heavy rain and strong winds, caused water levels to rise more than six feet above normal.

Oliver Lofton-Brook, director of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency in Bangladesh, reported that more than 70,000 buildings were extensively damaged or destroyed, as well as food supplies and crops.

ADRA is providing tarpaulins, food and clothing to 1,500 families in the area.

**JEANNETTE JOHNSON**  
Director for News and Information



## CHESAPEAKE

### Students buy sight for African children

Students at Spencerville Junior Academy in Silver Spring, Maryland, learned that a few cents can really add up this past year when they collected pennies for the Adventist Development and Relief Agency.

During a visit to the school, Casey Bahr, ADRA's director for development education, explained that children in Africa's Congo region are suffering from a Vitamin A deficiency that causes blindness.

"But this blindness can be prevented if these children receive a dose of Vitamin A once every six months," Bahr told them. One dose costs a mere five cents.

So instead of buying soda or candy, Jacqueline Messenger's fifth- and sixth-grade pupils dropped their spare change (mostly pennies) into an empty five-gallon water bottle in their classroom.

Within four months, the 32 youngsters had amassed nearly \$250, which will help 5,000 children.

The funds will be used to purchase Vitamin A capsules that will be distributed from ADRA's eye clinic in Zaire, Africa.

**JEANNETTE JOHNSON**  
ADRA Director for News and Information

## NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

### Two new programs debut on ACN

Positive Adventist messages form the basis for two new programs being uplinked via satellite to the nearly 800 Adventist Communication Network downlink sites across North America.

The two 30-minute broadcasts, *People of Hope* and *Global Mission Frontiers*, are produced by the General Conference Communication Department and feature stories about Seventh-day Adventists from an international perspective. They are designed to introduce viewers of all age groups to the Adventist church and to inspire members.

*People of Hope* begins by covering a particular story on location. The second part of that program is in a talk show format.

*Global Mission Frontiers* aims to inform viewers about Global Mission initiatives to reach people around the world with the Advent message. One or two countries will be featured per program.

Both shows are hosted by Dick Duerksen, vice president for creative ministries and communication of the Columbia Union.

Beginning August 4, *People of Hope* and *Global Mission Frontiers* will be uplinked on the first Friday of every month from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. over Telstar 401, Channel 19.

**CELESTE RYAN**  
Correspondent

## MOUNTAIN VIEW

### Lewisburg youth enhance Easter service

The Lewisburg, West Virginia, church combined Youth Sabbath with an Easter service to provide a special worship experience on April 15.

The guest speaker was Grant Serreno, who narrated the part of Christ in "When Jesus Prayed."

Also helping with the service were: Tamia Barnes, who sang a solo; Marissa Neal, who gave the invocation and introduced different phases of Christ's life throughout the narration; Emily Goode, who helped take up the offering; Dawn Erskine, who read the Scripture; Justin Doss, who gave the offering appeal; and Ehren Howard, who led the congregation in the responsive reading.

Those in attendance were deeply moved by the dedication of the young people.

**YVONNE MICHAEL**  
Communication Leader

## COLUMBIA UNION COMMUNICATION

### Allegheny West convention will promote youth involvement

Helping young people become more involved with their church is the goal of the Y.E.S. Convention being held September 7-10 by the Allegheny West Conference. In conjunction with this event's theme, "In Search of Stars," the youth congress will be held in Roanoke, Virginia, the "Star City of the South."

According to C. Richard Rogers, associate director of church ministries for the conference, thousands of youths and young adults are expected to come from five states for four days of inspiration and training for ministry.

A significant part of the event will be an extensive schedule of informative workshops, including "Witnessing One on One," "Single Parenting," "Child Evangelism," "Encouragement—A Soul-Winning Tool," "Media Madness—Satan's Secret Strategy," "How to Conduct Stop-Smoking Programs," "Making Your Bible User Friendly," "The Black Male—An Endangered Species," "Feeling Good about Yourself," "Polishing Your Pathfinder Ministry" and "Being Real in an Artificial World."

The featured speaker at morning meetings and the Sabbath worship hour will be Dr. Ivan Warden, a pastor from Los Angeles, California.

Ministry through music will be provided by the choir from Pine Forge Academy in Pennsylvania; Sisters in the Name of Christ from Columbus, Ohio; the Virginia/West Virginia Youth Federation Mass Choir; and the Allegheny West Conference's 200-voice children's choir, as well as other inspiring musicians.

And the program will include such activities as a Bible Bowl tournament, an oratorical contest, a Pathfinder/youth parade and city-wide outreach before the weekend ends with a prayer breakfast and "Hollywood Star" launching Sunday morning.

For more information, contact Pastor C. Richard Rogers at the Allegheny West Conference headquarters by calling (614) 252-5271.

**RANDY HALL**  
Visitor Assistant Editor

## POTOMAC

### Sligo by the Sea hosts outstanding speakers

A slate of excellent speakers will round out the Sligo by the Sea summer worship series being held in Ocean City, Maryland.

Each week's program begins with Sabbath school at 10 a.m. at Saint Peters Lutheran Church, 10301 Coastal Highway, then features worship at 11 o'clock.

Upcoming speakers include: July 22—Athal Tolhurst; July 29—Elmer Carreno and friends; August 5—Jim Londis; August 12—William Johnsson; August 19—Gary Patterson; August 26—Ralph Martin; and September 2—Walter Scragg.

**RANDY HALL**  
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**Wednesday, August 2**  
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## LEGAL NOTICE

### Pine Forge Academy Constituency Session

Notice is hereby given that the next called meeting of the constituency of Pine Forge Academy is called to convene in the Fellowship Hall of the Pine Forge Seventh-day Adventist Church at Pine Forge, PA 19548 on Sunday, August 20, 1995, beginning at 9:00 a.m. to receive recommendations and revise the constitution and bylaws.

ALVIN M. KIBBLE, *Chairman of the Board*

## OBITUARIES

"For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ... Therefore encourage each other with these words," —1 Thessalonians 4:16, 18 NIV.

**ALFORD**, Beatrice L., born 1911, Carson, VA; died May 21, 1995, Mt. Vernon, OH. She was a member of the Norwalk, OH, church. Survivors: daughter Joanne Gibson, son James, sister Alice Hilty, brother Henry Reinhart and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**BARNETT**, Glenn W., born April 7, 1914, Wooster, OH; died February 7, 1995, Wooster, OH. He was a member of the Wooster church. Survivors: daughter Susan, sons Robert, Marc and Michael, brother Phillip, sister Dorothy Spoonster, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**BROWN**, George L., born February 8, 1907, Indianapolis, IN; died March 27, 1995, Wooster, OH. He was a member with the Wooster church. Survivors: daughter Beverly Nelson, four grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

**CHRISTOFFERS**, Kate, born March 17, 1901, Neckergemund, Germany; died February 6, 1995, Plainfield, NJ. She was a member of the Lake Nelson, NJ, church. Survivors: sons John, Paul and Karl, sisters Bessie Wieland and Gertrude Rohleder and six grandchildren.

**HAASE**, Walter E., born December 27, 1906, Newark, NJ; died June 12, 1995, Downers Grove, IL. He was a member of the Hinsdale, IL, church. Survivors: wife Helen, daughter Marilyn Bauer and son-in-law David Bauer.

**HANSELMAN**, Anna, born November 22, 1909; died April 10, 1995, Fayette, MS. She was a member of the church in Hillsboro, NJ. Survivors: daughter and son-in-law Mary and Phillip Golman and two grandsons.

**KAUFMAN**, Eunice Mae, born May 4, 1911, Washington Court House, OH; died January 20, 1995, Springfield, OH. She was a member of the Springfield Bird Road church. Survivors: daughter Ruth Taulbee, son Don and three grandsons.

**KETTERMAN**, Jody M., born July 3, 1903, Elkins, WV; died March 17, 1995, Beaver Falls, PA. She worked for the church for 42 years. Survivors: members of her adopted family, including Herbert and Marian Hass and their daughter, Jody Lynn Lantz, and son David.

**MAFFULLO**, Monica A., born December 23, 1909, Binghamton, NY; died April 23, 1995, Scranton, PA. She was a member of the Scranton church. Survivors: husband Anthony, daughters Monica Joy Girod and Mary Ann Mayfield, son Michael and one granddaughter.

**MARTIN**, Ralph W. Sr., born April 24, 1906, Chico, CA; died April 1, 1995, Nashville, TN. Survivors: wife Frances, son Ralph Jr., daughters Marian and Alice, 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

**MARTIN**, Weldon D., born August 29, 1924; died March 22, 1995, Deer Lodge, TN. An active church member for most of his life, he served for 27 years as a teacher and principal at several academies and junior academies in five states, including Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Survivors: wife Betty Jean, sons Alan and Loren and one granddaughter.

**McBRIDE**, Erma, born July 9, 1928, Auglaize Co., OH; died June 6, 1995, Hocking Co., OH. She was a member of the church in Athens, OH. Survivors: husband C.W., sons James and Samuel and sister Hila Shultz.

**MEYER**, Louise, died March 17, 1995, Silver Spring, MD. She attended the Capital Memorial church in Washington, DC. Survivor: sister Elizabeth.

**MOTT**, Arthur G., born October 24, 1903, Raven Rock, WV; died February 22, 1995, New Manchester, OH. He was a member of the church in East Liverpool, OH. Survivors: wife Rosa, sons Arthur Jr., Frank, Robert and David, daughters Dorothy McIntosh, Mary Pleso and Betty Hill, 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**PERZESKI**, Louise, born January 23, 1904, England; died March 3, 1995, Wooster, OH. She was a member of the Wooster church. Survivors: daughter Carol Lhotsky, son Allen, brother Ben Grimshaw, 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

**SMITH**, Robert J., born May 1, 1910, Nelsonville, OH; died May 30, 1995, Athens, OH. He was a member of the church in Athens and worked at Kettering Medical Center before retiring in 1975. Survivors: wife Esther and daughters Deanna Sue Howard, Carolyn Seiber and Laraine Sloane.

**STROM**, Nancy T., born September 20, 1899, Norway; died February 26, 1995, Berkeley Springs, WV. She was a member of the Berkeley Springs church. Survivors: daughters E. Irene Coon and Suni Jacobs, son Allan, five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

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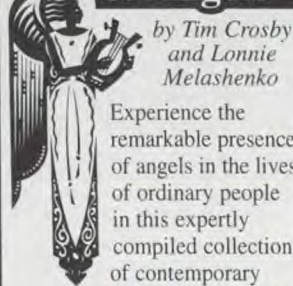


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Columbus	8:55	8:50	8:42
Jersey City	8:22	8:16	8:08
Norfolk	8:21	8:15	8:09
Parkersburg	8:48	8:42	8:35
Philadelphia	8:25	8:19	8:12
Pittsburgh	8:45	8:39	8:32
Reading	8:29	8:23	8:15
Richmond	8:27	8:21	8:15
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## COULTER'S COMMENTS



J. Wayne Coulter

## Ministry to a Mega-City

On June 3, we dedicated our Baltimore Adventist Outreach and Community Center. We appreciate the dedication and support of our faithful members who made this possible. This is a continuation of our "Pigtown" project, when a new group of believers was established as a result of our "Baltimore for Jesus" crusade. I hope all of you will take the opportunity to visit our "new" center. Willis Dagenais, pastor, along with Jim and Yvonne Chamness and the church members, are to be commended for their untiring effort to firmly establish this outreach center.

Baltimore is a major city in America with a population of more than 800,000 and nearly two million living in the surrounding area. It is the largest populated area of our conference territory. While we have the responsibility of carrying the gospel to all the people, we must not forget this mega-city.

We are going through some most radical changes in America, especially within our cities. Most of us are fortunate to live outside or around this city. But what about those who aren't as privileged? The Baltimore Outreach Center, together with our van ministry, is a special conference project. While we belong to other local churches, this center, in a special sense, is the responsibility of us all. Please remember the Baltimore Adventist Outreach and Community Center in your prayers and in your giving.

## 'PEAKING AHEAD

First day of school  
*August 21*

Executive Committee  
*August 29*



Part of the congregation  
in the newly remodeled  
sanctuary of the Baltimore  
City Center.



The newly  
renovated  
parking lot  
of the center.

### Chesapeake Challenge

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## Dedication of Baltimore City Center

On June 3, the Baltimore City Center was dedicated to the Lord for outreach evangelism, human uplift and a church home for all peoples in the inner-city area. It truly was a miracle to see how a run-down, vandalized building had been lovingly and expertly remodeled by members and friends under the direction and leadership of Pastor Willis Dagenais and Jim Chamness. The warehouse at 829 West Baltimore Street has been divided into classrooms, offices, a church sanctuary and facilities to feed and clothe people on the streets.

It was a special Sabbath as more than 200 people attended both the worship hour service and the afternoon dedication. Dagenais preached at the worship hour and then hosted the afternoon service. Jim and Yvonne Chamness pro-

vided special music throughout the day.

Elders J. Wayne Coulter, J. Neville Harcombe, Deryl Knutson, Frank Bondurant, Willis Dagenais, William H. McVay and John Gavin all took part in the dedicatory service. Everyone was inspired as the history of the center and Baltimore City congregation was repeated by several individuals. It all began two and a half years ago with five or six volunteers during the "Baltimore for Jesus" campaign. Pastor Bill McVay held the evangelistic crusade. The North American Division made it the number one Global Mission project. Today, they have 63 members and are growing.

There are plans to expand the evangelism center to include meaningful ministries that will meet the needs of the community.

1. Elder J. Neville Harcombe led the congregation in a homily.
2. Jim Chamness gave special music throughout the day.
3. Elder Bill McVay gave a history of the center.
4. Salena Fields sang a special song.
5. Elder J. Wayne Coulter congratulated the members of the center.
6. Elder Frank Bondurant read Scripture during the service.
7. Sharon Coulter presented a special song.
8. Elder Willis Dagenais preached at the worship hour.





## Health evangelism: the right hand of the gospel ministry

The Spencerville Korean church has actively been involved with "health evangelism" in the past two years through the services of Cha Soon Choi, the speaker/director of the Bethel Health Institute in Korea.

In 1994, we conducted a two-part seminar; the first session, at the Spencerville Korean church, dealt with the "Adventist Health Messages" while the second session, at Mount Aetna camp, provided the patients and patrons with practical applications of those principles.

Choi emphasized very simple health prescriptions throughout the lectures and practices. It was so simple and powerful that everyone could be a part of health ministry. Simple diet and the Word of God made striking changes for the patients suffering from diabetes, hypertension, stroke or cancer, plus giving wonderful hope to those who were described as "incurable."

The success of the first health evangelism seminar prompted us to have the second one at Mount Aetna Camp May 7-20. During the seminar we spent two

weeks learning how to help cure diseases. Forty patients and participants, including a dozen volunteers, participated in spiritual meetings, exercise, prayer, mountain climbing and a good diet program. From the first day on, patients followed the simple diet arrangement. Some had three meals that consisted of: breakfast of three or four kinds of vegetables with brown rice; lunch the same as breakfast with variations in vegetables and rice; and supper consisted of just fruit; only one kind of fruit was recommended to avoid an undesirable mix.

The effects and changes were immediate and drastic. Choi emphasized the importance of Bible study, the Sabbath and Ellen G. White's writings. The non-Adventist patients could not help but accept the plain truth when they experienced miracles in their bodies and souls.

We had the joy of seeing seven individuals make decisions for baptism. Three joined the Highland View Academy church on May 20. Sung Suk Choi and Jin Hee Pierce joined the Spencerville Korean church, and Young Ae Hong joined the

Pennsylvania Korean church.

Mr. and Mrs. Young Sang Soh came from Stockton, California. They were Buddhists who came, with lingering doubts, to see if the incurable cancer of Mr. Soh could be healed. But this couple was not prepared for the surprise God had for them. Mrs. Soh experienced the miraculous healing of her own chronic physical illness, and this miracle convinced Mr. Soh to be more serious about what God was doing for them. They accepted the Lord and decided to be baptized at the Stockton Korean church with their children.

Yes, we can reach out to people from all walks of life who would never have the opportunity to hear the Adventist message. We should have listened to Ellen White's counsels. God's way is very simple, effective and money-saving. Through these health evangelism seminars, we can give hope and healing to those given up by the world.

PAUL SHIN, PASTOR,  
SPENCERVILLE KOREAN CHURCH

## AMAZING FACTS

### votes to move

On Sunday, June 11, the Amazing Facts constituency voted to approve the board's recommendation to move their headquarters to Sacramento, California. The meeting, held in the Atholton church, was well attended by nearly 100 delegates.

Bill May, director of Amazing Facts, presented 15 key factors that influenced them to make the recommendation. Wayne Coulter, chairman of the board, presented an opposing view that would have allowed them to function in the Chesapeake Conference.

Several hours were given for delegates to express their views. There were a number of strong speeches regarding the pros and cons of the motion.

Neville Harcombe finally recommended an amendment to the motion that if Amazing Facts did leave the Chesapeake Conference, that \$50,000 a year would be earmarked for Chesapeake evangelism over the next 10 years.

Wayne Coulter concluded that the Lord's will would only be revealed through prayer and a secret ballot. After a session of sincere and heartfelt prayer, the vote was finally tallied. The results were two to one that they move to Sacramento. Details as to the move and the details of the amendment are to be worked out by both administrations.



### Southern Asian anniversary

On June 3, Wayne Coulter was invited to be the featured speaker at the celebration of the first anniversary of the Chesapeake Southern Asian congregation. It was a year ago that Pastor J.J.S. Moses and friends stepped out in faith

to create the opportunity for a new Asian congregation in Chesapeake.

The Lord has blessed the efforts of the pastor and members. Each Sabbath now produces a packed attendance in their rented quarters at 14411 Old Columbia Pike in Burtonsville, Maryland. Their mission is evangelism. Their focal attention is the growing population in the United States who are immigrating from the Southern Asia region of India.

Letters of commendation and congratulations came from His Excellency, Shri Siddharta Shankar Ray, ambassador of India; Elder Robert Folkenberg, world president of the General Conference; Dr. M. E. Cherian, president of the Southern Asia Division; Elder Ralph Martin, president of the Columbia Union; and Elder J. Wayne Coulter, president of Chesapeake Conference.

Our prayers are with the group as they work toward the official status of a church organization within the sisterhood of churches in the Chesapeake Conference.



## Second Annual Conference on Critical Issues for Adventist Singles

The Second Annual Conference on Critical Issues for Adventist Singles will be held August 18-20 at the conference center of the Mount Aetna Youth Camp. Dr. James Snell, family life director of the Chesapeake Conference, pastor, counselor and experienced lecturer on singles' issues, is the featured speaker for the weekend. His series is entitled "Waiting, Dating, Mating." All singles from the North American Division are invited to attend. Space is limited, so register early. Overflow rooms will be available in nearby Highland View Academy. For more information, call (410) 995-1910, Ext. 22 daytime; and (301) 854-2221 evenings. Fill out the application below and send it as soon as possible to: Chesapeake Family Life Ministries, 6600 Martin Rd., Columbia MD 21044.

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# MOUNTAIN VIEW CHALLENGE

## What's happening around Mountain View

**August 4-6**  
Executive Committee Retreat  
Valley Vista

**August 7-10**  
Ministers' Family Retreat  
Valley Vista

**August 11**  
Russell Burrill Meetings Begin  
Parkersburg

**August 21-23**  
Teachers' Family Retreat  
Valley Vista

**August 25-27**  
Men's Retreat  
Valley Vista

**August 28**  
MV Elementary  
School Begins

### COMING UP

#### Men's Retreat

August 25-27

Valley Vista

Adventist Center

Watch for further details!

## MOUNTAIN VIEW CHALLENGE

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## Courage, Fearful Saints



Randy Murphy  
President

Just this morn-  
ing I read again in  
the 14th chapter  
of Revelation  
about John hear-  
ing a great three-  
fold message  
proclaimed with  
mighty power to  
"every nation and  
kindred and  
tongue and  
people." He in-  
forms us that as a  
result of a people  
keeping "the com-

mandments of God and the faith of Jesus," they  
would be gathered out. The prophet declared  
that this message would reach its climax at the  
second advent.

With world conditions so serious and proph-  
ecy being so rapidly fulfilled; with the Advent  
message surging to victory on so many fronts,  
there can be little doubt that the message we  
bear is soon to triumph gloriously.

The angel told John that the message re-  
vealed to him was "the Revelation of Jesus  
Christ, which God gave unto him." He was  
never told that the message would run into the  
devil's roadblock and fail to achieve its divinely  
appointed goal.

I occasionally hear from some fearful saints  
saying the church is doomed. Some say that the  
church today can hardly be the one spoken of  
by the prophet John. "Look, there are weak-  
nesses everywhere!"

To those who are fearful, I refer you to Mark  
4:35-41. In verse 35, Jesus said: "Let us pass  
over to the other side." You remember the  
story. There was a great storm. The winds  
roared, and the angry waves beat upon the  
boat. There were some fearful saints in a panic  
saying the boat was sinking and that all would  
be lost. When Jesus was awakened, he rebuked  
the wind, the waves and the fearful saints. He  
said to them, "Why are ye so fearful? How is it  
that ye have no faith?"

You see, He had already said, "Let us pass  
over..." He did not say, "Let us launch out into  
the deep and be lost." After all, He is the creator  
of wind, water and the church.

When he says, "let's cross over" or "the  
church will be victorious"—believe him! Let  
Him still the storm in His own time and in His  
own way.

"The church of Christ on earth will be  
imperfect, but God does not destroy His church  
because of its imperfection"—*Testimonies to  
Ministries*, page 46.

"We should remember that the church, en-  
feebled and defective though it be, is the only  
object on the earth on which Christ bestows His  
supreme regard. He is constantly watching it  
with solicitude and is strengthening it by His  
Holy Spirit"—*Selected Messages*, Volume 2,  
page 396.

While lamenting the weaknesses to be found  
in us—His church, we should be most careful  
not to try to play the role of God as judge, lest  
He rebuke us for our presumption.

Courage, brother; courage, sister. God has  
not fallen from the throne—nor will He!

## Penny Estes Wheeler to Speak at Fall Women's Retreat

Penny Estes Wheeler, editor of the new women's magazine, *Women of Spirit*, will be the guest speaker at the Mountain View Conference Fall Women's Retreat that will be held October 6-8. "Seasons of the Heart" is the theme for this year's retreat which will be held at the Valley Vista Adventist Center. Wheeler is the author of nine books and numerous stories and articles, including the current junior and earliteen Sabbath school lessons.

"I would like to encourage every woman in the Mountain View Conference to attend this retreat," stated Lynn Ripley, women's ministries coordinator. She further noted that: "Women go through many stages in their lives, and it is our hope that this weekend will be of benefit to each woman who attends no matter what stage of life she is in right now." The cost for the weekend is \$35, which includes room and five meals. For further information contact, the Mountain View Conference Office, 1400 Liberty Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101; or call (304) 422-4581.





## MOUNTAIN VIEWS



Janice and Wilton Williams are served at a dinner in Parkersburg where approximately 20 friends gathered on May 15 to help them celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. The Williamses are well known throughout the Mountain View Conference. Wilton is camp manager for the Valley Vista Adventist Center; is a conference trustee and member of the executive committee. In addition, he serves as head elder and personal ministries leader at the TOLLGATE church. Janice serves as treasurer, communication secretary and pianist.

The CENTRAL HILLS church in CLARKSBURG conducted a Tony Cirigliano Gospel Workers' Training Seminar. Students learned how to share the Bible with others. They are conducting community surveys to see how best the local church can respond to the needs of area residents. Personal contact is being made with family, friends, co-workers, etc., to offer them the Bible study course. Members are praying for Bible study interests that will lead to baptisms in the months ahead. Pastor Richard Perkins serves as instructor for the training sessions.

The LEWISBURG church is planning to open a community service center in a local high school building that is no longer used. They have also been offered the use of the kitchen in the building, which will allow them to be able to conduct cooking classes and other seminars in the same building.

Dale Tunnell, pastor of the Huntington/Point Pleasant district, conducted a "Discoveries in Prophecies" seminar at the LEWISBURG church from April 20 to May 21. During this series, more than 95 non-Adventists attended one or more of the lectures. Out of this group, 15-20 attended regularly. Five of these have thus far been baptized, and others are preparing for baptism. Members of the church were supportive and made the meetings a success by handing out literature and by their faithful attendance while they experienced a spiritual revival in the process.



Arlene Callahan took Bible studies from church member Delsie Pack while staying at her home to recover from a serious illness. She made the decision to be baptized after attending the "Discoveries in Prophecies" seminar. Dale Tunnell looks on as Callahan, the first baptismal candidate as the result of the meetings, is being baptized by Brian Jones, pastor of the Lewisburg church.

Members of the PARKERSBURG church have begun a Bible correspondence school. Letters were mailed out offering free Bible lessons, and Russell Burrill's book, *The New World Order*, was offered as a gift to those enrolling in the Bible school. Among those responding was an inmate of a local penitentiary who stated that he was thrilled for the opportunity to be able to study the Bible and that he had seven other inmates who were inter-

The CHARLESTON church hosted the internationally acclaimed Heralds Quartet on Wednesday, April 26. Here they are shown singing "Only a Boy Named David," which through the years has been the most requested song during their concerts.



ested in also taking the course. Some church members are personally taking lessons to local people who have requested Bible studies through a mail request card.

Youth in the LEWISBURG church participated in a special Easter service. Guest speaker was Grant Serreno, who narrated the part of Christ in "When Jesus Prayed." Also participating was Tamia Barnes, who sang a solo; Marissa Neel, who gave the invocation and introduced different phases of Christ's life throughout the narration; Emily Goode, who helped take up the offering; Dawn Erskine, who read the scripture, Justin Doss, who gave the offering appeal; and Ehren Howard, who led the congregation in the responsive reading. All those in attendance were deeply moved by the dedication of the young people.

April 15 was a "high Sabbath" for members of the LOGAN church. The members rededicated themselves to the Lord's service as the newly refurbished sanctuary was rededicated free of debt following an early payoff of 12 months for the \$6,000 cost for the project. Randall Murphy, conference president, was the guest speaker for the event, and Rachel Savage presented a piano solo, "Via Dolorosa" during Sabbath school.



Brian Savage

Elder Brian Savage has accepted a call to pastor the Cumberland/Frostburg district. Savage previously pastored in the Logan/Williamson district after coming to the Mountain View Conference in 1993 from the Oklahoma Conference. Savage and his wife, Joy, have two daughters, Rachel and Melony.

Elder Randall Murphy, conference president, is shown with his wife, Marty, and sons Larry of Gentry, Arkansas and Bruce of Olathe, Kansas, following a special graduation service held in his honor at the Columbia Union Conference. Murphy completed the requirements for a bachelor of arts degree in organizational management from Alderson-Broaddus College in Philippi but was unable to attend the graduation service due to it being held on the Sabbath.





## MOUNTAIN VIEW STUDENT ADVENTURES



church and school, nestled in the beautiful, lush green valley at Bluefield, West Virginia provided a most wholesome atmosphere for the 1995 annual music festival. These kindergarten through 10th grade students blended their voices under the direction of Feryl Harris, children's ministries director for the conference. Leonard Smith, principal of Mountain State Academy, utilized his musical gifts in providing accompaniment.

The featured music during the worship hour, presented by the mass choir, was "The Creation" by Gene Grier and Lowell Everson. The afternoon program provided music from each school group. Two school groups, Morgantown and Elkins, sang music in French. The students from Summersville utilized sign language in expressing God's message in song. The bell choir from Elkins played during the church service, with chimes being featured in the afternoon by the Charleston school. The Parkersburg school band presented a medley of songs as well. Thank God for our dedicated teachers and outstanding students who seek to praise God with their voices, instruments and lives!

Bake sales, car washes, work-a-thons, walk-a-thons, bike-a-thons, fruit sales, yard sales, etc., were some of the ways students throughout the conference earned money needed for this year's exciting OUTDOOR SCHOOL adventure. At first, it was announced that each school group would stay in tents for the week, with most of the meals to be prepared outdoors. However, the

Students from church schools throughout Mountain View gathered together to lift their voices in praise to God at the annual MUSIC FESTIVAL held last spring.

The Valley View

Lord opened the way for the gang (105) to stay at Richmond Academy for two nights while we visited historical sites nearby. For the next four nights, the group was most grateful to stay in the four-bedroom cabins that were provided for them at Rodanthe, North Carolina at a resort right on the beach of the Outer Banks!

The hands-on learning that took place on this trip was invaluable. Students listened and watched intently as Indian guides explained what life was like in Jamestown as they shared their land with the English settlers there in the 1600s. They participated in a tour of colonial Williamsburg and stood for a picture next to the governor's mansion. They stood on the ground where the Wright brothers took that first historic flight.

They saw aquatic creatures at the North Carolina Aquarium and along the Atlantic Ocean and bay areas. They looked through spotting scopes at a variety of sea creatures and birds at a national wildlife refuge. Taking a walking tour of Ocracoke Island was most enjoyable as they visited the sheltered cove used by navy ships in World War II, as well as by Blackbeard and his fellow pirates years before. And then there were the lighthouses shining beams across the waves to warn ships of impending danger and to bring them home to safe harbors.

Isn't that really the purpose of Christian education...to provide a safe harbor for our young people, and to train and inspire them to shine out for Jesus in leading others safely home? There are so many lessons to learn at "Outdoor School!"

Anticipation, participation, satisfaction...GRADUATION '95!

Eighth-graders throughout Mountain View participated in graduation services at the end of this last school year. It is evident that much thought and prayer were put into these programs as students marched down aisles for graduation and walked out with diplomas to serve. No doubt many of these graduates are giving serious consideration to where they will be attending school for their ninth grade. We are grateful for the fine Adventist academies surrounding Mountain View that are anxious to welcome our graduates as they enter secondary education. We encourage parents and students to pray about it and check out those academies closer to us: Mount Vernon Academy, Shenandoah Valley Academy, Highland View Academy and Blue Mountain Academy. Also, we have two excellent schools in the conference that offer secondary education as well: Highland Adventist Academy in Elkins offering grades K-11; and Willowbrook Junior Academy in Cumberland offering grades K-10. These schools are open to discussing arrangements for lodging in the homes of the church families.

Thank you, parents and church members, for providing quality Adventist education for these students in preparing them for service to others and for graduation into heaven!

KINGSLEY WHITSETT  
EDUCATIONAL SUPERINTENDENT



Michael Nichols, Charleston, marches down the candlelit aisle at his graduation service





## Mission Report from the Duroes in the Southeast Asia Union Mission

*The Mountain View Conference received the following report from Pastor John and Irene Duroe in the Southeast Asia Union Mission, where Elder Duroe is the ministerial director. Duroe recently served as pastor of the Franklin, Moorefield and Romney district prior to accepting his mission appointment.*



## Dear Randy and Friends:

Thought that I should write and let you know what is happening over on this side of the globe. I just returned from a trip to Thailand. I left the Burmese/Thailand border at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday and after hiking through the jungle, riding pickup trucks, an overnight bus and a morning flight, arrived home at 12:00 a.m. on Monday.

I taught a class to a group of 30 pastors and lay pastors way up in the hills along the border between Burma and Thailand, where there is a lot of trouble. One pastor who attended our meetings returned home to find his village burned down. Another pastor had his home set on fire while he, his wife and children were inside.

The people in this area are all Korean who came from Burma, having dodged through Burmese soldiers and border guards, or they were refugees living in the hills in Northern Thailand. These people fled the persecution of the Burmese government and settled in refugee camps in Thailand, but now the Burmese soldiers are trying to burn their camps and drive the refugees back into Burma. They think that a large refugee population in Thailand makes it look bad for the Burmese government, which is trying to put on a brave new face for the world in 1996 when they will open their country to tourists. At the moment, the government is capturing whole villages of people, burning their houses and then putting them in forced labor camps, guarded by armed soldiers and made to work on road construction to be made ready for the tourists. They are given very few tools and no food, so much of their food has to be begged or stolen. We have work in the refugee camps for them and provide schooling for many of the children.

Our plan was to have an ordination service for one of the pastors, so we planned the training course in his village. After an overnight trip and a couple of pickup truck rides, we got out in the middle of nowhere and started to walk through the jungle. In the first 15 minutes, I had seen two elephants and wild pigs and crossed four rivers (I mean waded through). I then realized it was the same river, and we were traveling up a winding river valley. In the rainy season, the bridges would wash away, so we just rolled up our trousers and waded through. We went through the river more than 20 times before arriving at our destination. The locals wore a kind of skirt (a sarong) pulled up to reveal a very intricate tattoo pattern from their knees up. We passed a soldier with three servants carrying supplies—we didn't know which side he was on!

When we arrived at the pastor's house three and a half hours later, it was a little better than the other houses in the village because it had a tin roof instead of the usual leaf roof and split bamboo sides. It was up on stilts with a wooden board floor with no furniture in the house. We all slept on the boards. I was given one bedsheet that I put under me for the first half of the night. I woke up when it turned cool about 3:00 a.m. to pull it on top of myself. By 4:00 a.m., all the ducks, hens and chicks living under the house were wide awake. Fortunately, we did not have any pigs under the house like most of the non-Adventist houses. The food was good, and rice was the staple. I tasted some very interesting soups made of wild leaves, roots and flowers from the trees. The first meeting of the day was at 5:00 a.m., but at least we got to bed fairly early since there was no electricity. Some of the pastors had no idea if their houses would still be standing when they arrived home or if they would just find ashes.

Next week, I plan to go to the island of Borneo. The place I am to visit is far north in Sarawak next to the small, rich Muslim country of Brunei (it's an oil country). To reach the place where the workshop will be held, I have to travel a few hours by boat up the river. Sarawak is a very beautiful green country. It's tropical rain forest. Sarawak actually belongs to Malaysia. The people there are very friendly, and the birds are so beautiful. There is no road through Brunei, so I have to fly over to Saba (the northern part of Borneo), where we are making preparations for a field school of evangelism this November. An evangelistic team from the Southern Union will be assisting

us, and we hope to baptize a few hundred people there because our work is quite strong in that area. The team will be led by someone who used to be a president in Borneo, so he is familiar with the territory.

Things are happening very quickly in Cambodia. It's new work there, so we are in the process of training 30 new pastors. Two retired college teachers, Ralph and Bea Neal who used to live in Cambodia before the Communists (and speak the language), teach there for six months every year. Most of the new pastors were converted in the refugee camps over the border in Thailand. Now they are able to return home and are working hard for the Lord. The president (who is a life-long missionary) lives in a large house that they bought for the mission, and he shares it with the mission office and some of the mission workers. He is planning to open a day school in the same building and will need student missionaries to assist as teachers. (They will probably live in the same house, too.) At least the church is recognized by the government, and we have some strong ADRA work established in the area.

Recently, two men walked into the mission office in Cambodia and stated that they were trying to reorganize a non-denominational church, and someone told them that if they wanted to do it right, they should contact the Seventh-day Adventist Church. As they were walking one day in Phnom Penh, they saw the mission sign, went in and asked the president, Dan Walter, if he could help them. One of the first questions they asked was "Why do Seventh-day Adventists worship on the sixth day instead of the seventh day?" (The Cambodian calendar starts the week with Monday.) The whole church is now studying to become Adventists.

In another town, the town official showed our president plans for the development and rebuilding of the town. They showed him on the plan where they wanted the Seventh-day Adventist church to be built. They want to learn about Christianity.

The first quarter of this year, Dan Walter (the only ordained pastor in the area) baptized 257 people. They now have 1,200 members in Cambodia.

Our work in Vietnam is not going so well because the Communists are too strong there. Things are opening up in Laos. I will tell you about that some other time.

Irene is the school nurse at the Adventist school by our union office. There are approximately 400 students in the school, where she has also been doing some substitute teaching. She is also teaching at our overseas American school where Sonia studies.

This weekend, we are going to a nearby island to help at the local Pathfinder camp where Sonia is a member. I will be using my pastor's chemistry set, which Sonia told me I had to buy after she saw Pastor Dale Tunnell's. It went over well at two weeks of prayer in Sarawak.

Margot is enjoying college here and has many friends and even a new American girlfriend who just arrived this quarter. She also has red hair! Margot is busy raising money at the moment to go on a mission trip to Pakistan during the Christmas holidays (the main holiday here in Singapore). The group will consist of some of the college students and some young people from the local churches.

Sonia is growing taller every day and is doing fine. She has a good violin teacher but misses all her West Virginia friends. Two weeks ago, she was in her school musical play based on Zacchaeus, and she surprised everyone with a nice solo song.

The rain is pouring down outside—that is nothing new. We are certainly not short of rain here.

God bless,

*John and Irene*



# MISSION

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## Mark Your Calendar



**August 28**

School starts  
(MVA - August 21)

**September 8 to 10**  
Concentration Camp

**October 6 to 8**  
Pathfinder Camporee

**October 13 to 15**  
Women's Retreat



**Carol L. Myers**

### The most precious gift

Today, more than ever before, the home, school and church must unite to pass on our faith and values to our children. Our youth should be given the opportunity to share their ideas, to hold church office and to have a voice in the decisions of the church. Our homes must provide a rich devotional life and a loving atmosphere where there are rules and responsibilities. Parents need to give children their "presence instead of presents." The school needs to create an environment where knowing how to think is more important than facts. The teachers need to be perceived as loving, caring Christians who teach a "Christ-centered curriculum."

Our children are the most precious gift entrusted to us. They are the future of our church, and it will take the combined efforts of the home, church and school to prepare them for Jesus' soon coming. We need parents, teachers, pastors and church members who are loving, caring Christians who consistently model what it means to live in relationship with God.

After faithfully serving the Ohio Conference for eight years, Bob Skeggs and his wife, Thelma, are returning to Thelma's home turf. Bob is "retiring" on September 1. He will be working part time as an associate superintendent in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. We have appreciated Bob's leadership and wish Bob and Thelma God's blessings in their new field of leadership and service.

The new associate superintendent in Ohio will be Jay Colburn. Jay has been the principal of the Berrien Springs Village Elementary School for the past nine years. During his tenure, the enrollment has almost doubled, and there is a waiting list for many of the grades.

Jay has served on various committees, including the Lake Union Conference Curriculum Committee, the Michigan Conference Curriculum Committee and the Andrews University Teacher Education Councils.

We welcome Jay and his wife, Carolyn, and son Jay Jr. to our conference. Jay Jr. will be a senior at Mount Vernon Academy this coming school year. The Colburns also have a daughter who will be a senior at Andrews University next year.

Carol L. Myers  
Associate Superintendent of Schools



**Robert Skeggs**

*Editor's note: Carol Myers will assume her duties as superintendent of schools September 1 upon Bob Skeggs' retirement. Carol, we welcome **you** to your new position.*

### **Mission: Ohio**

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## School's strength related to teacher's certification

The strength of Adventist education in Ohio is directly related to the qualifications of those persons teaching in the schools. Ohio Conference teacher certification records exceed the standards for denominational teachers. All Ohio teachers must meet the minimum standard for a state teacher license. Requirements for denominational teacher certification are even more demanding than those for state certification. Training includes philosophies that are unique to Seventh-day Adventists.

The denomination issues four different teacher certificates:

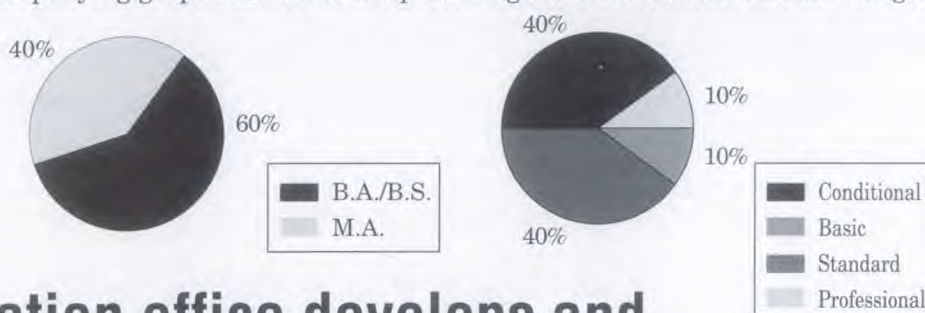
**Professional Certificate**—issued to teachers with a master's degree or equivalent.

**Standard Certificate**—issued to teachers with a bachelor's degree and at least three years of teaching science.

**Basic Certificate**—issued to entry-level teachers who meet the minimum requirements and have a bachelor's degree.

**Conditional Certificate**—issued to teachers who hold a B.A. or B.S. degree but who do not meet the minimum requirements for a basic certificate. These teachers must take a minimum of six hours each year until they meet the minimum requirements.

The accompanying graphs illustrate the percentage of Ohio teachers in each category.



## Education office develops and initiates plans

Ohio Conference Office of Education presented plans for 1995 to the board of education. Many of the goals established have been accomplished.

- A math course of study for K-12 that meets the requirements of the state of Ohio has been developed. This course of study follows the state model competency program and standards from the National Council of Teaching of Mathematics.

- A one-week graduate-level course, "Using Literature with the Life Reading Series" was conducted by Carol L. Myers during the Ohio Conference Camp Meeting for all Ohio Conference teachers. Participants received two quarter hours of graduate credit from Andrews University.

- A kindergarten/grade one packet for prospective students and parents has been developed and made available to schools to use at their "Round-up" days.

- A Christ-centered activity booth titled "Come, Discover & Grow with Us!" was set up and conducted during the Ohio camp meeting.

- A teacher personnel procedure and employment process that includes an application, a job description and required recommendations has been implemented.



### Ohio Conference Mission

The Ohio Conference is dedicated to facilitating students to receive Adventist education.

**Christian growth**  
Where families, communities nurture students in faith with Jesus.

**Quality academics**  
In an intellectually stimulating environment.

**Dedicated teachers**  
Who model exemplary loving and safe environments.



## Investigation leads to more options for schools

In June of 1994, the Ohio constituency took action that mandated the Ohio Conference Office of Education investigate ways to provide more secondary options for students in Ohio.

The Ohio Conference presently operates two junior academies, K-10; Cincinnati Junior Academy and Mayfair Junior Academy in the Akron/Canton area. These are strong schools with support to enhance their programs in the future. The Griswold school (Worthington) has voted to add grade nine for the 1995-96 school year with plans to add grade 10 in the future.

There are 22 schools in the conference, and all but one of these are fully chartered by the state of Ohio. This year, the Kaleidoscope Christian School received full chartered status from the state. Nine other schools added grade levels to their present state charters.

Ashtabula, the only school yet to receive full charter status, holds a letter of approval from the state of Ohio. Two small schools have opted to add ninth grade through Home Study International. This program is designed to allow secondary subjects to be taught at

the local church school without additional teaching staff. A third school is exploring this option for their students in the future.

In order to encourage the local boards to provide secondary options to ninth-graders, the Ohio Conference Board of Education has voted a financial package that subsidizes the cost of Home Study International.

One of the most exciting developments to enhance secondary options is the resources available for technology and distance learning. A program available in Ohio is "SERC" (*ser-see*), Secondary Educational Resources Consortium, Inc. This program allows some students to take high school classes through satellite interactive TV. The Ohio Conference Board of Education has taken an action that the Ohio Conference Office of Education give serious study to selecting a secondary-level test site to pilot the SERC program in Ohio before the next conference constituency in May of 1996.

Plans for upgrading facilities at Mount Vernon Academy are underway. A building committee and a fundraising committee are hard at work taking steps to ensure that the Administration Building will be remodeled and made functional for the students and faculty.

### Office of Education Statement

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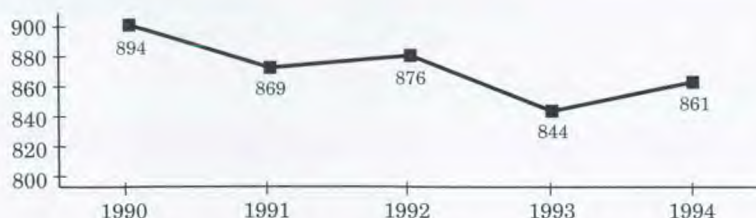
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## Enrollment trends moving in a positive direction

Ohio Conference enrollment trends are beginning to move in a positive direction. After several years of decline, a slight gain in enrollment was achieved for the 1994-95 school year. Of the 23 schools reporting, 13 reported a gain over the previous year. These figures represent an overall enrollment increase over 1993-94 of 13 students. It is to be noted that two schools in Ohio closed for 1994-95.

The Ohio Conference Office of Education is working with local boards in marketing Ohio's schools in order to provide Adventist education to the youth of the church.

Five-year K-10 Enrollment Comparison





# Ohio Conference schools welcome new teachers

Many students arriving at school on August 28 will be greeted by new teachers for the 1995-96 school year. The Education Office would like to welcome each of these teachers to the Ohio Conference.



## EASTWOOD JUNIOR ACADEMY

Students in grades five and six will be greeted by **Robert Jackson**. He graduated from Atlantic Union College in May with a B.S. in elementary education. Robert is the son of Pastor William Jackson.

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## GRISWOLD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Another teacher was needed at Griswold after grade nine was added for the 1996-96 school year. **James Lim**, a 1995 graduate in computer science and mathematics from Andrews University, was chosen by the Griswold board.



## HAMLET SDA ELEMENTARY

**Julie Fults** has accepted the position as the teacher in Hamlet. Julie is a 1995 graduate of Union College. She served as a teacher for a year in the Marshall Islands, teaching grade six prior to her senior year at Union.



## HAM-MID SDA ELEMENTARY

The Ham-Mid school experienced an increase in enrollment that necessitated the addition of a second full-time teacher to the staff. **Tracy Fletcher**, who worked as a part-time teacher in 1994-95, has accepted the position as the second teacher. He is a graduate of North Kentucky University.

## MAYFAIR JUNIOR ACADEMY

**Lori Thordarson** is returning to Mayfair to teach K-2. Lori took maternity leave in 1990 after teaching at Mayfair for two years. She has been teaching kindergarten part time. Lori is a 1988 graduate of Nazareth College in Kalamazoo, Michigan.



**Julie Paul** has been assisting at Mayfair for several years in grades seven to 10. Academic and enrollment demands have required the addition of another full-time teacher. Julie is a graduate of Andrews University and has a M.A. in special education from Eastern Michigan University.



## SPRING VALLEY ACADEMY

**Michelle Williams** is moving from Orlando, Florida, to teach math and science at Spring Valley Academy. Michelle is a 1993 graduate of Southern College with a specialty in mathematics. She will be teaching in both the elementary and secondary levels of the academy.



**Diane Lim**, who has been working at the school, will be moving into a full-time teaching position. She will be teaching in the middle school division.







**MIKE CAULEY**  
President

## Investing in education

How much do you think it costs to train a fighter pilot? The United States government invests \$500,000 in every pilot for initial training in the Air Force. It costs an additional \$1,000,000 to train a fighter pilot. If it were the responsibility of the parents to pay for their training, the U.S. would have very few pilots.

The country looks upon this as an investment.

How expensive is Christian education? Is it too expensive? Is it worthwhile? I believe that it is an investment that gives an outstanding return on the money. Those who have children attending Adventist schools at any level know that the amount we are paying is small compared to the results it brings, though it undoubtedly diminishes our income.

We as parents should do our part. Providing a Christian education requires frugality and sacrifice. But when it is not possible to afford it, the church should be there to help. It is up to the church to provide for its youth. It is God's design that our schools be *church* schools, not parent schools.

By using every available means to encourage our young people and bring them closer to Jesus, by providing godly homes and churches where we are highly sensitive to their needs, we can see the Seventh-day Adventist Church experience renewal and the working of the Holy Spirit. Let us enter into a partnership to invest in our youth.

## The basic facts ...

**During the 1994-95 school year, the Pennsylvania Conference reports:**

- 1 new school opened (Fairview Village)**
- 20 elementary schools**
- 2 junior academies (K-10)**
- 1 senior academy (9-12)**
- 61 teachers**
- 2 teachers receive Zapara Awards for Excellence in Teaching**
- 835 students**
- 25 students receive Christian Service Achievement Awards**
- 98 eighth-grade graduates**
- 53 senior academy graduates**

## What most parents don't appreciate about Christian education

Many parents, when comparing the differences between an Adventist church school versus a public school, tend to evaluate the differences in terms of external factors. The prevailing view of Christian education is that many Adventist parents put their children in our K-12 system of education because they are fed up with the problems of the public schools: drug abuse, alcohol abuse, violence, sexual permissiveness

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND PENNSYLVANIA

- JULY 28**
  - ▲ **Prayer P.A.T.C.H. Friday**  
(Prayer for Educators and Youth)
- AUGUST 6-13**
  - ▲ **Youth Dept Canada Canoe Trip**
- AUGUST 18-20**
  - ▲ **BMA Orientation Weekend**  
Blue Mountain Academy
- AUGUST 21**
  - ▲ **Classes Begin**  
Blue Mountain Academy
- AUGUST 18-20**
  - ▲ **Pathfinder Exec Committee**  
Laurel Lake Camp
- AUGUST 25**
  - ▲ **Prayer P.A.T.C.H. Friday**
- AUGUST 25-27**
  - ▲ **Spanish Youth Camp**  
Laurel Lake Camp
- AUGUST 28**
  - ▲ **First Day of School**  
Pennsylvania K-10 Schools
- SEPTEMBER 15-17**
  - ▲ **Western Pennsylvania Camp Meeting**  
Greater Pittsburgh Junior Academy

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## RJA tours

Take 30 adolescents and 16 adults, include a couple of younger children for good measure, transport them all on a trip to New England, sharing close quarters for six days, and anything can happen! The seventh- through 10th-grade classes of Reading Junior Academy embarked on such an adventure on April 18 and enjoyed a

educational hands-on workshops, such as stenciling, baking and carving.

Thanks to the availability of the Blue Mountain Academy bus, we were able to travel together for most of the day trips. The historical highlights included a walk of the Boston Freedom Trail and a guided bus tour of Lexington and Concord.

One of the favorite stops was the Boston Aquarium with its "totally tubular main tank," as Nirvana Seepurshad described it. At the sea lion show, we were proud of Sylvia Garcia, who suggested a way to reduce ocean pollution and gained a new meaning of the expression "sealed with a kiss."

There were breaks from the intense sightseeing itinerary. One morning, we at-

tended a rehearsal of the Boston Symphony and relaxed (or dozed, according to Deborah Schander and Candice Dziedzic) to the strains of Tchaikovsky.

The Sabbath hours were especially rewarding. Friday night, Barry Tryon, pastor of the Reading Hampden Heights church, led out in an interactive discussion of the parable of the prodigal son, generating enthusiastic and insightful comments. Sabbath morning, Pastor Tryon fulfilled his dream of preaching in the first Adventist church at Washington, New Hampshire. During the service, we were surprised to turn around and discover that conference President Mike Cauley and his family had joined our congregation. We spent most of the day there, chatting, exploring the woods and reading the cemetery stones. So one Newman summed up the feelings of several

students by saying, "It was spiritually fulfilling to know my faith started here."

It was a tired group that returned home, but we counted our blessings in so many ways. Camaraderie had developed between students and their parents and teachers. The spirit generated by this trip was felt through the remainder of the school year.

**TONI WLASNIESKI**

*English Teacher  
Reading Junior Academy*

## Influences, environment and choices

"BMA has been a huge stepping stone in my spiritual life. I've come to realize how much I need a relationship with Christ. Because without that relationship, I have nothing. BMA has been a haven where I have to come to know Christ."

Cesilia Brent of Wellsboro is a four-year senior and graduate of the class of '95.

That's a wonderful testimony, isn't it? Influences, environment and choices—that's what Christian education is all about.

For Cesilia, academy would not have been possible without financial help. We, her church family, did not let her down. Her church



Pastor Barry Tryon leads song service on the bus.



RJA students and sponsors pose in front of the first Adventist church in Washington, New Hampshire.

richly rewarding experience of fellowship and learning. Through the arrangements of RJA staff member Marcia Gifford, Atlantic Union College was very gracious in providing accommodations for the group.

On a tour of the AUC campus, students learned about Adventist history and were exposed to a variety of architectural styles, including the William Miller Chapel in Founders' Hall.

The day scheduled for Sturbridge Village was rainy, despite the weatherman's promises. Mutiny was averted by the opportunity to get out of the weather and participate in a variety of



RJA students, from left, Renza Woods, Mike Betack, Sean Stuber and Jaime Bernet experience hands-on activity at Sturbridge Village.





family members included her local church, the academy, the conference and individual sponsors.

I believe ALL Adventist teenagers deserve the privilege of academy, don't you? But for some families, financial need is a barrier. We can remove that barrier. Here's how.

Individual constituents can get involved. (I call them worthy student sponsors; the students call them wonderful.) Contributing monthly, regularly or annually, these believers are committed to Christian education for ALL our students through ALL their schooling. For the 1994-95 school year, more than

Some churches do much more. Regular offerings collected for their BMA student provide additional financial support; \$5, \$10 or \$20 a week really adds up! There are also churches that donate to BMA's worthy student fund even though they do not have students attending from their area. Others adopt a student.

The students can do their part. Through the academy's work program, they earn dollars as well as develop good work habits. The on-campus industry guarantees work year-round. Price tagging, folding and packaging various wares, students' earnings ranged from \$4.32-\$5.50 an hour for the 1994-95 school year. Last summer 45 students earned registration dollars.

In this upside-down society where wrong seems right and role models are lacking, an environment that supports Adventist values and Christian beliefs is imperative. Together we can help save our children!

**CARON OSWALD**  
Director of Advancement

## More than tumbling

Dave Morgan, coach of the Mt. Praise gymnastics team, has been using gymnastics for several years to not only teach motor skills, coordination and team work, but also to promote the importance of Christian friends and the ability of elementary young people to witness to people around them.

This past year's program was portrayed in a park, with several hobo clowns occupying its place. As the Praise Team looks for a place to practice for an upcoming program, they decide this park is perfect. So they move the sleeping clowns and proceed with a warm-up.

At first the clowns argue, but after losing the rights to the park via a duel between the clown leader and the team's top gymnast, the team slowly wins each clown, one at a

use their God-given talents to witness to others about the wonders of being a Christian!

For more information, contact David Morgan, Mt. View Adventist School, 305 Fleming St., Williamsport, PA 17701.



time, and convinces them to give their hearts to Jesus. This occurs following doubles routines, teen tumbling, pyramids and eventually leads to the always exciting vaulting.

This sort of approach to gymnastics makes it interesting for everybody—the coach, the kids and the people you're trying to reach. The young people are learning to



Norine Briner, Denise Kope and Rebekah Daum packaging and folding garment wear at BMA's on-campus industry.

*photo by Caron Oswald*

\$45,000 was gifted to help our kids.

Churches can get involved. The three-way aid program allows families that qualify to receive free dollars through a matching system. The church, academy and conference each supply part of the needed funds.



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—not to mention that evolution is treated as a scientific fact, the exposure of unwholesome social activities or the formation of worldly friendships and so forth. Although this is all true, it is negative thinking. Adventist parents need to be less concerned with what is wrong with public schools than with what is right with our Adventist system of education.

The one distinguishing mark that separates our Christian schools from any public school (as well as private schools) in our nation relates to that one unique reason for Christian education: to gain a knowledge of the world from God's point

of view rather than man's through the application of biblical principles in every area of the curriculum and in each school activity. The primary aim of the Adventist educational system is to "provide opportunities for students to accept Jesus Christ as their Savior, to allow the Holy Spirit to transform their lives and to fulfill the commission of preaching the gospel to all the world."

Former NAD Associate Director of Education Marion Hartlein observed

*"Next to the family, the elementary school is the single most important influence in shaping children's lives."*

that one of the goals of Adventist education "is to place children and young people in a school in which that influence works with the home and church to shape the child's life. There are many competent, kind and concerned

teachers in the public schools. They cannot, however, pray with their students, teach them about our loving heavenly Father or invite the Holy Spirit's presence into their classroom."

Former U.S. Secretary of

Education William J. Bennett declared, "Next to the family, the elementary school is the single most important influence in shaping children's lives."

It states in *Christ's Object Lessons*, page 195: "Our children are the heritage of the Lord, and we are answerable to Him for the management of His property." If we honestly believe this, Adventist parents should place their children in schools where God's name is glorified and where there is spiritual nurturance, as well as a focus on educational excellence.

Praise God for Christian education!

**DAVID A. CADAVERO**  
Superintendent of Schools  
Pennsylvania Conference

## "Mission field"

A missionary is "one sent out to do religious or charitable work." I used to think of a missionary as someone cutting a trail through a dense jungle, eager to bring the good news of Jesus to an isolated group of pagan savages. I was wrong.

In 1991, I met a woman in Fremont, Michigan, who has been doing missionary work since the age of 9, when she told her friends about Jesus. Ann Ferrari later worked her way through Adelphian Adventist Academy as a literature evangelist. Her missionary work continued through college and right into her teaching career.

While I taught in Fremont, my oldest son was one of her students. During that particular Ingathering sea-

son, Ann and her students collected more than \$1,100. For the past three years, Ann has taught at the Coudersport Adventist school. Last fall, Ann and her students collected more than \$1,200 for Ingathering—breaking a record for that area.

Ann incorporates missionary work as part of her teaching curriculum by getting the students involved in outreach programs, in which they can earn Christian Service Achievement Certificates issued by the Pennsylvania Conference Education Department.

A recent project involved initiating a letter-writing campaign within the schools

of the Pennsylvania Conference, at the request for help by Willi Wutzke, a volunteer for Your Story Hour, called "The Russian



Project." The students write letters of encouragement to newly-baptized Adventist Christians in the former U.S.S.R.

Her missionary work has included helping in Community Services and working with outside agencies to reach out to the needy and destitute in the community.

She has also, for a number of years, sent pencils and other school supplies to the University of East Africa and Bibles and hymnals to Forest Hills Adventist Academy in the Philippines.

Ann has taught me that it doesn't matter if you are in the jungles of the Congo or the concrete jungles of America. Any work done in the name of the Lord, and for His glory, is missionary work.

This writer was very impressed with Ann, and thought that if I wanted to keep track of her work, I'd better marry her. So I did. Has Ann made a difference? I think the answer is an obvious YES!

**BRIAN BURGESS SR.**  
Husband of Ann Ferrari Burgess  
Principal/Teacher of  
Coudersport SDA School



# Blue Mountain Academy COMMUNIQUE



## Graduation 1995

Spirits were high the weekend of May 26-28 as Blue Mountain Academy held commencement services for the class of 1995. Families and friends came from near and far to share in the excitement. The weekend offered an opportunity to reflect on God's goodness and to thank Him for so richly blessing the most recent additions to BMA's alumni association.

This was an outstanding academic year for the class of 1995. Along with 53 high school diplomas, 14 specialization certificates were awarded. Academic and leadership scholarships totaling more than \$67,000, offered primarily by Columbia Union College, were awarded to 70 percent of the class. More than half the students graduated with honors, many of them high honors.

Music filled the chapel as the La Sonnette Ensemble and several seniors

presented musical selections during the Friday night consecration service. Pastor Roger Hernandez of Silver Spring, Maryland, delivered a clear message to the seniors, imploring them to find their niche in God's Adventist church.

On Sabbath morning, hundreds attended the Sabbath school and baccalaureate services in the gymnasium. Pastor Sergio Manente led out in an uplifting Sabbath school lesson study, and Tony Romeo, in an interesting and forceful style, challenged the graduates to stand firm for right.

Other Sabbath activities included the afternoon tribute to parents and a final vesper program, presented by the senior class. Then applause and laughter filled the gym as Senior Class Night erupted with musical numbers and humorous skits.

On Sunday morning, Eddie Braga, associate vice president of CUC, wrapped up the weekend as he shared insights on entering the "real world." Our prayer for the class of '95 is that they will live out their aim and motto: "Leading others to the path of truth by following in Christ's footprints."

**ANDREA SMITH**



For the Eglinger family, BMA is a family affair. Pictured with graduate Barbie is Susie, class of '98; Cheri, class of '99; Bob, class of '64; and mom Linda.

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## Spring concerts

The La Sonnette Bell Choir began the special concert weekend with Friday evening vespers. This concert culminated an aggressive and successful tour season that included performances in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland and at World Youth Sunday in Edinburg, Virginia. Director Nancy Edison credits their success with the group's cohesive spirit. "They were goal-oriented, challenged for excellence and united in purpose."

Darrel and Jean Hutchinson, parents of two group members, are continually amazed by what the students accomplished. "With a 50 percent turnover each year, it's amazing to see the outstandingly professional performances. And they are having so much fun!"

The Sylvan Singers, BMA's 72-member concert choir, performed for the 11 o'clock hour Sabbath

morning. Selections were prefaced with remarks from Pastor Sergio Manente. This high-light made each song unique and special. "I love music, but I like the spoken word to be a part of our concert, too," explains Director Tom Buller.

Buller believes an academy choir needs to be as inclusive as possible. "If a student has an interest in making music but has limited ability and/or experience, the general choir

is the place for him. I believe firmly that in high school, everyone who desires to be in choir should get that opportunity."

Bel Canto, BMA's select touring choir, closed the Sabbath with a musical vespers. Bel Canto's 21 members are from the Sylvan Singers and are selected on the basis of musicianship, range, tone quality and music reading ability. For their 1994-95 touring schedule, the group performed across Pennsylvania and New England.

"I thought they were excellent, very professional," said Raema Mitsouras. "I'm very proud to have my son in that group."



Top: La Sonnette Bell Choir members are, left to right, Laura Fisher, Stacy Hutchinson, Christina Cale, Sandy Hutchinson, Danny Cates, Brian Becker, Andy Van Arsdale, Chris Rogers, Tyson Page, Tara Lehman and Jose Dorta.

Above: The Sylvan Singers perform one number with student conductor Trevor Scheuneman. Seated is Pastor Sergio Manente.



Bel Canto members (Front row) Cesilia Brent, Sherry Haakenson, Katrina Shobe, Judi Berry, Teri Brown, Janette McDade, Nicole Agbonkheshe, Jessica Dancek and Camy Buller. (Back row) Joe Mitsouras, Zac Peters, David Josey, Danny Kim, Ric Torres, Brad Robinson, Dan Roelker, Joey Navarro, Han Seong Woo and Mike Cannon.

BMA's Concert Band closed the weekend with a secular program Saturday evening. Conducted by Tom Buller, the band began on their feet as they played the Star Spangled Banner and ended on their feet in a rousing Sousa march. Performing a wide variety of music, the concert included featured soloists Michelle Sterner, timpani; Dan Roelker, clarinet; Nadine Briner, flute; Tara Lehman, alto saxophone; Brad Robinson, tenor saxophone;





and Amber Shobe and Danny Kim, trombone. Student Camy Buller conducted one selection.

For freshman band member Aprille Febre, it was a special evening. "This is the first band I've ever played in. We practiced really hard! It was so exciting, and I was so scared, but then all of a sudden everything came together. I was like - Wow! This is amazing."



Throughout the weekend, Mr. Buller presented five awards. Recipients were selected for excellence in music, attendance, cooperation, supportive spirit and perseverance. They are (seated) Cesilia Brent, Bel Canto's outstanding choral member; Tara Lehman, John Philip Sousa Band award; and Judi Berry, Sylvan's Singers' music honor award. Accompanists Sandy Hutchinson and Alex Dubee received distinguished service awards for their time and commitment.

## Senior certificates

Fourteen members of the Class of '95 completed certificate programs in addition to earning academic diplomas. These students took advantage of BMA's programs to excel in office skills, aviation, auto body, auto mechanics or music.

Career and vocational certificates are designed to provide the basic experience, knowledge and skills necessary for a student to be able to obtain at least an entry-level position upon graduation. Certificate candidates must complete up to 37.5 semester hours of additional class work and have 350 hours of work experience.

The Private Pilot Certificate is awarded to students who have successfully passed ground school, the FAA written examination, solo flight and the private pilot test.



Office skills certificates were awarded by Miss Shelly Dinning (far right) to (top) Cesilia Brent, Angela Evans, Shawnee Burns, Sofia Francis, Lorely Collado, Michelle Sterner and Becky Fry. (Front) Ellen Gibson, Stephanie Holtry, Victor Bryan, Janette McDade, and Barbie Eglinger.



The auto mechanics certificate was awarded to Russell Hallman by Mr. Dave Benton. Hallman (at right in bottom photo) also received the private pilot certificate from Mr. Chuck Huenergardt.



### F.Y.I.

August 18 - 19	New Student/Family Orientation
August 20	Registration for the 1995-96 school year 8:30 - 12:00 & 1:00 - 4:00
August 21	Classes begin





## May highlights ...

The Aerial Aires gymnastics team Home Show, as this year-end tradition is called, was presented in the M.W. Shultz Gymnasium to an enthusiastic audience of family members, BMA students and staff, Academy Days guests and community friends.

Coached by Ed Eberhardt assisted by Barbara Mathias, the 27 gymnasts presented various routines featuring acrosports, floor-x and power tumbling. The team's seniors took turns introducing each routine. The show's finale featured their theme song, "We Believe in God," sung by Barbie Eglinger with the team as chorus.

Lawrence Medas liked the spiritual nature of the performance and

had the highest praise for the coaching staff. "When Neal [his son] first joined the team, he couldn't even do a pushup. He has developed awesome strength. I was amazed at their beautiful display of strength."

On Academy Days May 7 and 8, 114 prospective

students visited our campus. These guests enjoyed the Aerial Aires Home Show, slept in the dorms, visited special "hands-on" classes prepared just for them, sampled cafeteria food and were entertained by BMA's music groups. Thirty-three parents also participated in a special parent Academy Days program.



For keyboard students, May is recital month. In addition, an individual student may choose to perform on his or her major instrument. For those students working toward the music certificate, an individual recital is required. Pictured are (clockwise from top) Ingrid Forss, organ; Alex Dubee IV, piano; Sandy Hutchinson, organ; Victor Bryan, piano; Nadine Briner, flute; and Dan Roelker, clarinet.



Academy day guests perform experiments in the chemistry lab.





# Potomac People

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## Community Services

**What's  
happening  
around  
Potomac**

### Summer Camp Dates

**Camp Blue Ridge**  
Montebello, VA  
Ultimate Quest  
White Water Outpost  
Horse Outpost V  
July 16 - 22

**Family Camp**  
July 25 - 29

**Family Life Trip**  
July 14 - 23  
Slovakia

**Potomac Mission  
Trip**  
July 30 - August 15  
Romania

### Pennsylvania Avenue in action

#### Pennsylvania Avenue church free food bank feeds hundreds

At the Pennsylvania Avenue church (PASDAC), the task of providing physical and spiritual food for people in need is one of the most important concerns of this church family. Every member knows how hard it is to tell people who are living on the street, staying in a shelter or even in their own homes who are hungry or worried about obtaining food for their families about how much Jesus loves and cares for them. How can you tell people that Jesus can supply all their needs when their most pressing need is the growling in their stomachs or their children asking for food when the cupboard is bare? It's simple. You provide for both needs at the same time. You give them the food first to care for their physical need; then you tell them about Jesus to fill their spiritual need.

We at PASDAC have many programs to accomplish this for all ages and circumstances. These programs and a short synopsis of each follow.

#### PASDAC Visitors' Luncheon

Every Sabbath, a visitors' luncheon is provided after the 11 o'clock worship service. During the welcoming remarks, all visitors are invited to attend this luncheon. A hearty meal is served to all. Among our visiting friends are homeless people passing through our area and people who are in need of additional help from our Community Services division. This is also an excellent time to make sure our elderly

*"Pennsylvania Avenue" continued on PP-2*

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*Above and right: The  
Pennsylvania Avenue  
church took food and  
clothing to Lafayette  
Park, across the  
street from the White  
House, to help the  
homeless there.*







## Guest Editorial

### Ministries of compassion

When a church serves the community's needs, it is a visible expression of the love of Christ to an on-looking world. In His earthly ministry, Christ worked out a pattern for His followers to follow. He "went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed,"—*Acts 10:38*.

Christ identified with the poor and oppressed. By the good He accomplished, by His loving words and kindly deeds, He interpreted the gospel to mankind. Ellen White comments, "Christ's work in behalf of man is not finished. It continues today... by an unselfish interest in those who need help, they are to give a practical demonstration of the truth of the gospel."

In recent years, the government has cut many social services, which brings greater responsibilities to the private sector and churches to respond in these areas of need. Facing up to some of these new challenges, both the conference and churches became involved in training programs for members. Bob and Diane Mitchell and Don and Elinor McGlauflin presented highly effective classes in disaster preparedness response and prison ministry. In the past, much has been accomplished; however, the future will bring an even greater need. We must be ready to respond. Every congregation should be so trained and equipped that when the occasion requires action, the Seventh-day Adventist Church is first on the scene.

Throughout the churches of the Potomac Conference, we have hundreds of dedicated, active, spirit-filled volunteers who help the poor, comfort the abused, shelter the homeless, feed the hungry, care for the victims of disaster and visit the prisons. In the following pages, you will see how the love of Christ is made visible in our communities by our wonderful volunteers giving of their time, talents and means because *they love*. Whether you are a homemaker or a professional, a student or a retiree, a laborer or a manager, VOLUNTEER, WE SALUTE YOU FOR A WORK WELL DONE!

**ROGER E. WEISS**

Vice President for Administration

### Potomac welcomes

**Gary and Elaine Temple, our new educational superintendent and secretary!**

**More about them in the next issue.**

### "Pennsylvania Avenue" continued from PP-1

church members get a good meal while they socialize with our visiting friends.

#### PASDAC Free Food Bank

Four times a year, we have the privilege to participate in receiving a truckload of food, household goods and personal care items from one of our area's large grocery store distribution centers. Due to this wonderful blessing, our pantry is never bare; so we are able to provide food to anyone in need at any time. We get two or three calls a week from people requesting food. We have several ways of distributing the food to families in our community.

Luther King Library. We feed, give religious literature, fellowship and pray for the homeless in these areas.

Four times a year, one Feed the Hungry Sabbath is set aside to not only feed the homeless but also take shoes, seasonal clothing, blankets and personal care items to the homeless in downtown D.C.

#### Feed the Hungry II

We got so many requests from people we feed in our monthly Feed the Hungry campaign to assist in feeding them during the week that a four-person Community Services team (the Wednesday Afternoon Nu-



**Emma Atchinson, left, and Tijuana Thomas-Jackson serve food to the homeless in Washington, D.C.**

#### Feed the Hungry

One Sabbath every month, Community Services, AYS, Pathfinders, the pastor, church elders, volunteers and visitors prepare and transport a portable soup kitchen to the downtown area of the District of Columbia in Lafayette Park, across the street from the White House, and the park in front of the Martin

tritional Team [WANT]) took a portable soup kitchen out every Wednesday. Other church members were encouraged to take small bag lunches to work with them to give to those in need.

#### Feed the Hungry in Maryland

The Prince George's County Department of Social Services wanted our assistance in feeding the many



## Community Services gains new director in Silver Spring

homeless men, women and children located in our area's shelter. We take boxes of food, baby formula, personal care items, household items, magazines and religious literature to the shelter to help in the care of the individuals there.

The Prince George's County Department of Social Services also allowed us to participate in providing assistance to families who are in need in a five- to seven-mile radius of our church. We usually try to assist the seven to 10 families that they provide us during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday program and continue to assist with them throughout the year.

### Church Neighbor Help Community Neighbor

This program has made church members more sensitive to their neighbors' needs. By being more observant, church members have referred neighbors to the free food bank, clothing bank or to the Community Services leader for other services. This has opened the door for many neighbors and friends to visit PASDAC . . . the church that hears and helps.

Yes, we at PASDAC take the feeding of souls physically and spiritually very seriously. It has become an important ministry in these hard economic times. So important that food from the PASDAC Free Food Bank has been sent as far north as New York, as far south as South Carolina and even over to Ghana.

**TIJUANA J. THOMAS-JACKSON**  
Community Services Leader

Meet Lisa Hollinger, the new executive director for the Adventist Community Services Center (ACS) in Silver Spring, Maryland. Hollinger was born in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania. She moved to California for job opportunities after graduating from Southern College in Collegedale, Tennessee, and "moved back east to be near my family" she said in speaking of her job with ACS.

As the executive director, Hollinger is responsible for day-to-day operations like managing employees, fundraising and overall coordination of numerous programs and projects. "The center operates Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and helps an average of 90 families per week," says Hollinger. "I like being an advocate for people who don't know how to get what they need."

Adventist Community Services provides assistance to low-income, under-employed and unemployed individuals. "It's amazing how many people have jobs and just don't make enough money to make ends meet," said Hollinger.

Aid offered by ACS includes: emergency food and clothing, a medical clinic that operates three times each month, family and life programs on topics like crime prevention and safety awareness and a family night with games and puppets for the children. ACS is also a meeting place for groups like Alcoholics Anonymous, Overeaters Anonymous and Debtors Anonymous.

The main goal at ACS comes from the mission statement, to empower

people through compassionate emergency care. We want to educate and help people be self-sufficient and find better-paying jobs, says Hollinger. To help in this area, ACS offers eight-week sessions on education with courses on building self-esteem, resume writing, job interviewing, nutrition, English language skills, relationship building and more.

ACS has only five employees: two case workers, a volunteer's coordinator, a secretary and the executive director. Much of the work, like sorting food and clothes, furniture pick-up and delivery and case work assistance, is performed by volunteers. According to Hollinger, they have 55 volunteers and always have room for more.

Hollinger enjoys cats, exercise, cooking, sewing and spending time with family and friends. When asked why she thought she was a good social worker, she said, "I think I am able to look at someone and not judge them from where I'm standing. I am able to get on their level."

"I work within the Adventist system because I believe in my church. I am a social worker because I feel that Jesus was the ultimate social worker. He helped all in need, starting with their physical needs. That's what we try to do at ACS."

**TAMARA WOLCOTT FISHER**

Director of Public Relations,  
Columbia Union College



Lisa Hollinger

## Staunton helps neighbors

In Staunton, we have been busy helping our neighbors. A family of seven moved into the community, and we helped by providing food, clothing, freezer, gas stove, glass jars and bedding.

One of our church members had a stroke. We cleaned their house weekly and did the laundry.

When a call is received, we get food for needy families; and we have helped persons when their houses were destroyed by fire.

At Christmas, we fix food boxes for the needy in our area. One year at Thanksgiving, we gave our shut-ins at home and in nursing homes, toiletries, fruits and cookies besides some literature.

We are preparing meals for various groups to raise money for a new fellowship hall.

**BETTY CARTER**  
Community Services Leader



The Rocky Mount church and its Community Services are small, but the love abounds. When we got word of the Georgia flood, the appeal went out to the members for donations; and the response was overwhelming. From the list of needed items, we received more than two packed carloads to be taken to the Roanoke church for distribution to Georgia.

A couple was burned out of their mobile home. Everything was gone. Fortunately, they had family who would take them in. We were able to supply clothing, bedding and some household things we had on hand.

Many families have come to us for assistance in getting food to sustain them until the job is open again or some other arrangement has been made. We give out literature and pray with them. We try not to hand out cash, but we will help them to get the most and best food available.

One special Sabbath evening, a lady and her son were traveling through Rocky Mount and heading home to Kansas when their car broke down on the highway, leaving them stranded. A Good Samaritan helped them get the car to a garage that was closing but who took them in, fixed the car and accepted what money they had for repairs, leaving them without any funds. The mother told us that she prayed God would direct them somewhere for help. Driving by our church, she noticed that there were lights on and knew that someone was inside. As she entered, she was met by one of the members, who listened to her story. He called me to see if I could help.

A motel for one night was paid for, food from the

## Rocky Mount—small church, big love



*Gerri Doshier and Tina Markham of the Rocky Mount church.*

sundown vespers meal was fixed up and wrapped for traveling, money was supplied for gas and breakfast for the next day. This was the first sundown vespers to be held in the church for many months. Usually, they are held in private homes. God directed these folk to us so that we could share His love and aid. After we had prayer with these people, they were on their way home. The mother left with tears of joy in her eyes. She said she had heard about Seventh-day Adventists being ready to help others in need; now she knew it.

During the winter, we had got word that the Salvation Army was in desperate need of warm clothing for homeless people. My assistant and I went to work to gather a lot of good warm clothes for men, women and children. It was rewarding to know we were helping those who were cold through this good organization. A beautiful letter came to us stating that they knew the Seventh-day Adventist Church always provided when there was a need.

We have joined with the American Red Cross in taking disaster courses to be ready in case of a disaster in the area. Community Services has been collecting and storing everything that

would be needed in case of an emergency.

This past Christmas, the church and Community Services adopted five needy families. The members brought gifts for the adults or the children, one item of clothing and one gift for each. Community Services finished buying what was left on the list, and five food boxes were filled to overflowing. The community service yard sale netted enough money to take care of this project.

The young ladies of the Rocky Mount church wanted a class to learn how to embroider. I was more than happy to set this up. The class began with seven of us. It was rewarding for me to see how happy and excited the group was to have a new experience such as this. Getting together was a special time away from normal duties and family chores to pray and fellowship with each other.

The day came when the ladies were ready to do their own design on a 10x10 cloth to display their work. A child's lap robe had been selected for each to make up their squares and embroider them with an idea that would brighten a child's life at the Ronald McDonald House for terminally ill children.

A beautiful robe was taken to Roanoke's Ronald

McDonald House about the 21st of May. The ladies are happy and excited and looking forward to making more of these lap robes for other children.

Several months ago, I received a call during church services from a gentleman in a motel who had been placed there by someone giving him a ride to North Carolina because he had become very ill. He asked if there would be any way for us to help him stay there for one more night as he was too ill to go on the road looking for a ride.

After church was over, I went to the store and bought some medicine that the deacon felt would help this man, took it to the motel, paid his rent for one more night and gave him the box. He told me he'd really wanted that medicine but had no money. He also told me he knew the Seventh-day Adventists would help people when they needed help. He said he was a Christian and was looking for work in North Carolina. I prayed, he thanked me, and I gave him some food money.

Everything we do and have done is to the glory of the Lord and not to ourselves. It is a delight to do for others because we are doing it for the Lord Jesus.

**GERI DOSHIER**

Community Services Leader



## Three generations serve God

Ninety-six-year-old Violet Hartless, the matriarch of the Hartless family, began serving at Roanoke, Virginia's first welfare and health center (Community Services) some 40 years ago. The service center was located in an old store front near the farmer's market in downtown Roanoke. Like Dorcas, Violet was a seamstress for the Lord. Over the years, she has devoted her talents to sewing and repairing garments for the center.

Through Violet's faithful influence, a daughter-in-law, Auleen Hartless, joined the team of community service workers in 1974. Auleen began at the center, which was located behind the Memorial Avenue church. Her first job was the stocking of incoming garments. Over the years, she has served as co-leader and leader of the center for the Memorial Avenue church. Now, as a member of the newly organized North Valley church, Auleen is North Valley's director of Adventist Community Team Service. This community service for the Roanoke Valley is a team endeavor of the Memorial Avenue and North Valley Adventist churches.

Cindy Hartless, daughter-in-law of Auleen and granddaughter-in-law of Violet, was baptized into membership of the North Valley church on December 17, 1994. She got her initiation



**Cindy, Violet and Auleen Hartless**

into service a few weeks later.

One January 2, a blaze in an apartment complex left the residents from 17 units homeless. Adventist Community Team Service, working with the Red Cross and a local Baptist church, provided a place of collection and distribution of clothing for the victims. The response from the community was so abundant that the distribution point had to be moved from the center into the gym of the Roanoke Adventist Preparatory School next door. Auleen asked Cindy for help with the sorting and distribution of the garments. Cindy loved meeting and talking with the people. She received satisfaction from the giving of one's self in service. Her enthusiasm at the center has been a blessing to the clients as well as to the team.

**SHERIAN ATKINS  
WILLS**

North Valley Church

## Caring Hands ministry

The Staunton, Virginia, church launched a new ministry on Sabbath, April 22, called Caring Hands.

This ministry was conceived by the church's outreach committee. A panel of committee members answered questions and gave examples of assistance that would be provided.

"It was started because some people cannot do things for themselves," explained Nancy Crickenberger. Joan Clarke further explained that it "is not just for members but also for our neighbors, friends or people in the community who may need a helping hand."

Examples of projects that would be handled by the Caring Hands ministry were given by Roger Crickenberger and included cutting off doors that won't close, changing a foyer light bulb and making necessary minor repairs such as fixing dripping faucets.

In a devotional talk during the service, Roscoe Carpenter spoke about the Good Samaritan parable found in Luke 10:30-37. He asked, "What is a Good Samaritan?" Using other Bible texts, the answer was provided: One who shows mercy. The Caring Hands ministry is intended to show the love and mercy demonstrated by Jesus while on this earth.

The parable was dramatized by a skit entitled "Lost in Staunton." It was performed by members of the junior and youth Sabbath school classes.

**LURA DEMERS**  
Communication Leader



**A re-enactment of the Good Samaritan parable, titled "Lost in Staunton," was performed by Staunton youth.**



## Tappahannock's active community service

A happy crowd of people greets you as you arrive at our center. These days, it is not at all unusual that the crowd extends beyond the waiting room to the parking lot. This center teams with activity even though Tappahannock and Essex County are rural. During 1994, it worked with 2,000 individuals. Since the government directed that certain commodities should be

distributed by private agencies and not Social Services, we decided to take the course offered to be able to give this service to our community. This enables us to reach many more people!

We never knew there were so many hungry and deserving people in our county or that we would be in the center of an unending food distribution. We never knew that affluent people from other churches would come to bring their poor parishioners to our center for food or that they would help with necessary paperwork or give a hand for a couple of hours.

We have not turned the center into a government agency, but we are reaching out to humanity with a very practical tool—food. And by the grace of God and with the help of kind Christian neighbors, we have been able to maintain a Christian, concerned, helping atmosphere in the middle of often crowds of waiting people.

We do have a very community-minded, helpful minister. Without his help, we would have a hard time carrying through our program for he drives the 50 miles to the food bank to pick up food several times a month—although the food bank itself brings us food once a month.

Although we often help several hundred individuals a week with food, education is still our priority. Nothing is more satisfying than watching an individual change lifestyle! Our clients are 75 percent female. Their problems are: poverty, abuse in an increasing degree, lack of basic skills and education and lack of ability to find jobs. Food and cloth-



**Beatrice Jones, right, educational coordinator for the Tappahannock center, works with one of her GED students.**

## Courthouse Road church helps Oklahoma City

Wanting to do something tangible to meet the needs of families in Oklahoma City that were dealing with the tragic consequences of the bombing of the federal building and believing that "community" includes all people—even several states away—the Community Services ministry at the Courthouse Road church decided to raise some money to help.

On May 6, they held a bake sale auction (even some household items were included!). Joe Wayner from the Petersburg church did a terrific job as an auctioneer. Jerry Harvey arranged a live telephone hook-up via the P.A. system with Pastor Bob Turner, who lives in Oklahoma. Thanks to Turner, the church members were able to hear about several of the real-life situations there.

The auction was a great success; a total of \$585.50 was raised. Thanks to ALL the Richmond area churches for their generous support of this event!

**JUANITA BOWLES**  
Community Services Leader

ing are important tools on the steps of a ladder that eventually leads to a well-balanced human being; but GED classes, literacy, parenting, management and job preparation classes are of equal importance. We get a lot of support from our county educational board in our efforts, and we use

she faithfully comes back to the center to give us a hand. She is a devoted member of her church somewhere out in the county.

We have many Lucys and also some Bills and Joes who have come back to help us. The Lord has given us wonderful opportunities through organized commu-



**Some who have received help from Community Services have returned to help provide services for others.**

many agencies to accomplish our goals.

Lucy came to us from a shelter for abused women. She was a beautiful woman with three lovely children. She quickly made a decision to make something out of her life and train her children. Lucy almost has her GED diploma now; she has a job; she loves to work and

nity service work. I look forward to living in heaven someday next door to all the Lucys, Bills and Joes. I just know I will!

**TOVE OSTER**  
Director

**BEATRICE JONES**  
Educational Coordinator



## ACTS lends a helping hand

ACTS (Adventist Community Team Service) of the Roanoke Valley reached out to the communities of Bedford and Roanoke, Virginia, as recent fires left many destitute and homeless.

On December 13, 1994, a fire in a Bedford County home left a family of three homeless. The old frame structure burned, destroying all the family's belongings. Faulty electrical wiring caused the early morning blaze while the father was at work. The mother and 2-month-old infant escaped unharmed but with nothing more than the clothing they wore. ACTS responded with bedding and clothing for the family.

On Monday, January 2, 1995, a fire in a 102-unit apartment complex left 22 people injured. The blaze that started in a second-floor apartment spread rapidly. Thirty units of the complex had to be evacuated due to loss of electricity. Seventeen of the units were reopened on Tuesday. Of the 13 units remaining, eight were totally destroyed; the other five required extensive repairs.

ACTS joined hands with the Red Cross and the Colonial Avenue Baptist Church to set up disaster relief. The Red Cross provided vouchers to replace food and items lost in the fire and to provide immediate shelter for the victims. The Colonial Avenue Baptist Church collected donations of funds, and ACTS provided a place for collection and distribution of clothing for the victims.

The response from the community was so great that the ACTS distribution point had to be moved from

the community service building to the gym of the Roanoke Adventist Preparatory School next door. ACTS directors Auleen Hartless and Peggy Stem, along with Judy Kelly, another volunteer, worked long hours in a effort to bring some semblance of order to the operation.

"There's so much we can't count it," Peggy said. "And it's really nice stuff. It says to me that we've got a lot of loving, caring people in the area."

## Marion helps near and far

We packed and sent to ADRA approximately 300 boxes this past year.

We also helped people in our community. Three weeks before Christmas, we heard of a family whose house had burned and who lost everything. They were a family with three children. Some of the members donated furniture, and we took clothes from the center. At Christmas, we took them a box of food. They were very appreciative of what we had done for them.

Another case was a young man dying of cancer. He didn't have money to pay his overdue electric and phone bills. We paid these two bills for him from our community service fund. It came as a surprise that we would help someone who

was not a member of our church. His mother told one of our members that she had passed that church lots of times and thought nothing about it, but now she

would feel differently about it.

We enjoy our work of helping people.

**ETHEL HAYES**  
Community Services Leader

## Radford Ingathering

The Radford church continues its Ingathering program all year long in order to help in Community Services.

Some of the local stores are kind enough to let us place cans for collecting money for the program, while some have allowed us to set up during working hours and collect money. Door-to-door work has been done, many of the members make personal donations, and special offerings are

taken when the need arises.

The church responds to any and all needs in the community. We have paid for car repairs; taken care of funeral expenses; paid medical bills; provided food and clothing; paid rent; and supported the clothing bank, the free medical program, Daily Bread, the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Hospice and many other non-profit organizations.

**MARGARET AND CALVIN BARNETT**



KEITH GRAHAM/Staff

## Spirit of giving goes on

The gym of the Seventh-day Adventist Church on Memorial Avenue in Southwest Roanoke was jammed Wednesday with clothing donations for those whose belongings were damaged by Monday's fire at the Valley View Village Apartments in Northwest Roanoke. Auleen Hartless sorts through donated coats in one corner. North Valley Community Services Center Director Peggy Stem said donated clothes were coming in so fast that she had to open up the gym to hold the overflow. "There's so much, we can't count it," she said. "And it's really nice stuff. It says to me that we've got a lot of loving, caring people in the area."

**SHERIAN ATKINS WILLS**  
North Valley Church

*This clipping from the Roanoke Times featured the Roanoke church's donations for fire victims.*



## Weiss becomes vice president

It is most appropriate that this issue of *Potomac People* features community service. The stories of compassionate service of local church lay people are an eloquent send-off for Roger Weiss as he steps up to a new position in the conference and downstairs to a new office in the administrative wing.

Weiss joined the Potomac team in 1978 as pastor of the Capital Spanish church in Washington, D.C., and as conference Hispanic coordinator. In 1986, his pastorate transferred to the Washington Spanish church in Silver Spring, Maryland. He carried with him the responsi-



**Roger and Lira Weiss**

tional service began in central Argentina.

Weiss's family is made up of his wife, Lira, and three children. Kenneth and his wife, Brenda, live in California, where he is completing his doctorate in economics. Ingrid and her



**From left: Leon and Ingrid Slikkers, Lira, Roger and Jocelyn Weiss.**

bility of Hispanic coordinator. It also was one of the "hats" he wore when he moved to Staunton and became an associate in church ministries in 1991. The others were evangelism, personal ministries and Community Services coordinator.

Prior to service in Potomac, Weiss was a department director in Spain and pastor in New York and California. His denomina-

tion service began in central Argentina. Weiss's family is made up of his wife, Lira, and three children. Kenneth and his wife, Brenda, live in California, where he is completing his doctorate in economics. Ingrid and her

husband, Leon Slikkers, work at Camp Blue Ridge. Jocelyn just completed the 10th grade at C. F. Richards Junior Academy and will attend Shenandoah Valley Academy next school year. Roger Weiss is a man of integrity. He is calm, compassionate, positive, dedicated, thorough and effective, a good formula for vice president of a conference.

## Potomac says goodbye to three members of the office staff



**President Broeckel gives the retirement charge to Josef and Violet Weiss.**

On the evening of April 27, the Potomac Conference resource staff gathered in the office multi-purpose room to bid farewell to Larry and Carrie Evans and Violet Weiss.

Potomac Conference vice president for administration for the past two and a half years, Evans took up his duties as president of the New Jersey Conference on May 1. His wife, Carrie, has been secretary in the education department since May of 1994.

Violet Weiss, who came to Potomac as associate educational superintendent in 1987 and became superintendent in 1988, is retiring as of June 30. She and her husband, Joe, have purchased a schoolhouse in North Carolina that they plan to remodel for a home.

Deaconesses of the Staunton church catered the meal, which was served on tables decorated with place mats/road maps of New Jersey and North Carolina. A highway with cars and other vehicles ran down

the middle of each table, and road signs of all kinds hung from the ceiling.

The education staff robed Weiss in a doctoral gown, and each staff member and Treasurer Marvin Griffin presented her with a colored cord and a verbal

explanation of the reasons she was worthy to wear each color. President Herb



**Associate Treasurer Kurt Allen, far left, looks on while Carrie and Larry Evans enjoy their gift.**

Broeckel gave the Weisses a "retirement charge" regarding their future as retired educators.

The social committee planned a program for Larry and Carrie Evans that revolved around stories Evans has told. He was given packages to open containing items meant to trigger each story, which he was to briefly recap upon unwrapping the package. Many of the decorations and most of the packaged items related to Evans' ability to get lost when traveling. Carrie Evans received an emergency kit for her use on these occasions.



# TAKOMA TODAY

Takoma Academy News

## Learning specialist chair to be established

The "Dr. J. P. Laurence Memorial Learning Specialist Chair" will be established beginning with the 1995-96 school year. The learning specialist position is being funded by an anonymous donor in honor of Dr. J.P. "Prof" Laurence, principal at TA 1947-1980 and a member of the board of trustees until his death on January 6, 1995. In addition, a learning center will be opened.

"Helping students with special learning challenges has been my goal for a long time," states Larry D. Blackmer, principal. "This is a living memorial because of the number of students who will experience a more fulfilling education because of the learning center."

The learning specialist will screen and evaluate academic levels and learning styles of at-risk students, provide interpretation and counseling of evaluation results to students, parents and faculty, provide inservice teacher training in learning strategies and classroom accommodations for at-risk students, assist in classrooms by modeling strategies and accommodations and teach classes in study skills and reading and math remediation.



Dr. J. P. Laurence, principal, 1947-80

Additional funds are being sought to equip the learning center with 10 computers and a comprehensive tutoring software program called "Plato."

### Upcoming Events

- August 1**  
Senior registration
- August 2**  
Junior registration
- August 3**  
Sophomore registration
- August 7**  
Freshman registration
- August 8-10**  
Registration open to all
- August 21**  
First day of school
- August 22**  
New parent orientation
- August 23**  
Principal's chapel
- August 26**  
Handshake



**Eighty-one seniors graduated on June 11. Class sponsors were Virginia Mathis, business skills, and Ken Wilson, biology.**

This special report on Takoma Academy was prepared by Norma J. Sahlin, director of advancement. For more information, contact: Takoma Academy, 8120 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912; (301) 434-4700. Dunbar Henri, principal, DeWayne Boyer, vice principal, Karen Baldwin, vice principal for finance.



## Staff changes for new school year

**L**arry D. Blackmer, principal, has accepted the invitation of the Michigan Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to become the associate superintendent of education. He had been principal since 1992.

"While I had planned to stay at TA for a number of years, I couldn't turn down the opportunity to be near our parents who are experiencing health crises," he commented.

Mr. Blackmer's goal was to increase the safety of students—spiritually, physically and academically. To encourage spiritual development, Friday night vespers became a regular event, daily worship was scheduled during second period, and chapels began with music while announcements were made after the conclusion of the program.

To increase physical

safety, after-school supervision was done by faculty, gates were installed in the parking lot, the campus was closed, and uniforms became a part of student life.

Academic excellence was increased by designing a program to train students in computer applications, 30 new computers were purchased for

the keyboarding classroom, the learning center was established, and the "Plato" tutoring program was installed at several work stations in the library.

The physical plant was significantly improved under Mr. Blackmer's leadership. The air conditioning system and all light fixtures in the school were upgraded to be more energy efficient. Lockers were repainted, and new carpet in the hallways brightened the school's appearance. The front office functions were up-

dated with the installation of a computer network system, including an automated telephone system called "Infolink."

**Dunbar Henri**, vice principal at TA, was elected principal. DeWayne Boyer, Bible teacher, will take on the duties of vice principal and continue to teach a few classes.

**Robert**, music director, and **Karen Schimp**, English III and yearbook, are moving to Mount Vernon Academy in Ohio, where he will be music director. Under Mr. Schimp's direction, the band and choir in May successfully presented "Fiddler on the Roof" and last year ably assisted the drama class in the production of "The Sound of Music." The musical organizations had a memorable tour in Puerto Rico during spring break this year. Mr. Schimp also organized the "Washington Area Young Adventist Musicians Association" (WAYAMA), a musical festival for elementary schools.

In addition to teaching

Junior English and Junior English Honors, Mrs. Schimp guided the yearbook staff in the production of books that preserved memories and documented student life.

**Norma J. Sahlin**, TA class of '70 graduate, leaves the development department to go to graduate school. In the three years she has been at TA, the development program has met its annual fund goals, and funding was obtained for the establishment of the "Dr. J. P. Laurence Memorial Learning Specialist Chair." She also served as liaison between the alumni association and the academy. She provided leadership for the marketing and recruitment program, which resulted in a steady increase in enrollments. In addition, she edited newsletters and carried out other public relations tasks.

**Darren Morgan** has been hired as development director. A 1977 TA graduate, he served one year as president of the alumni association.



Larry D. Blackmer



Band and choir trip to Puerto Rico.





## Mission trip to Romania

During spring break, 39 students and sponsors went to Ro-

mania to help build a church in Brasov. In addition to rigorous physical labor, the participants learned about another culture and experienced spirituality in action. One participant, Stephanie Sahlin, shared the following in the Sligo church newsletter.

"On Sabbath afternoon, we hiked through the city and to the mountaintop. As we walked, a friend and I spent the hour deep in discussion about God, the church and how we as youth deal with the pressures of life.

"With my busy life, I find it hard to share my faith with others. This pleasant afternoon gave me the chance. I attend an Adventist school and was raised an Adventist, but my faith differs slightly from others, even fellow Adventists. This walk provided a time when I was able to share and compare my love and faith in Christ.

"The crowning moment was when we reached the top to see a spectacular view—the valley with the city and

surrounding homes, while on the other side a mountain range with snow-capped mountains glistened in the sunlight. As I beheld the gorgeous scene, I felt God very close. I could see what He wanted, how His mind worked when He first created the world. Christ had a vision of a beautiful earth where His human children could enjoy the beauties of creation. Someday, we will again be on a perfect earth, where we'll all enjoy time with Christ and our friends, sharing our individual faith and characters with each other.

"Of all the memories of my experiences on the mission trip to Romania, I'll always remember best the afternoon I realized exactly why Adventists have such a hope of the second coming—and why I should have that hope and wish for Christ's return."



## Henri elected principal

**T**he board of trustees has elected Dunbar Henri to be principal. A Bible teacher at TA since 1986, Mr. Henri will continue to teach one section of senior Bible.

"I have enjoyed working with the staff and students. I hope that being principal will be an extension of this positive relationship," comments Mr. Henri.

He is known as an optimist who finds the best in people and situations and is loyal to God, his values, family and friends. When he walks through the halls, he frequently talks and laughs with students. The combination of warm per-

sonality and straight talk has earned the respect of students and parents.

"My philosophy of discipline is that we must make it very clear what the expectations are and what the penalties are if the boundary is crossed."

His senior Bible classes blend spiritual values with practical life decisions. For instance, the seniors learn about weddings by planning one, beginning with "popping the question" and following through to a ceremony. Usually, the seniors have been surprised by how much work goes into such an event, and relief is the typical response when the mock

ceremony is finished.

Mr. Henri is active in the community. Since 1987, he has been one of the volunteer hosts of a contemporary Christian radio program on WGTS-FM. He also is a member of the executive committee of the Potomac Conference.

He attended Middle East College, Columbia Union College and Oakwood College, earning a BA in religion with minors in secondary education, theology and history. Prior to attending the Adventist theological seminary, he interned at the



Dunbar Henri

Pennsylvania Avenue church. After graduating from the seminary, he was pastor at Vienna and then youth pastor at the Takoma Park church. Because he had always wanted to be a teacher, he accepted the invitation in 1986 to teach at TA.

His great joys in life include golf, Snickers and exercise.



## Teachers honored



Nadine Hinds, math teacher for five years, was voted "Teacher of the Year" by the Parents Association of Takoma Academy (PATA).



Ken Wilson, biology teacher for 33 years, received the Zapara Award for Outstanding Teaching.

## Seventeen inducted into National Honor Society

The Takoma Academy chapter of the National Honor Society celebrated the addition of 17 new members on February 21. Dr. Elizabeth Wear, professor of education at Columbia Union College, gave the keynote address.

During a candlelight service, the following students received a pin from another NHS member: Amanda Ambrose, Ricky Braithwaite, Desmond Jones, Alana Kim, Amy Miller, Rod Morris, Jewelle Ottley, Stephen Pakkianathan, Prashanth

Parmar, Stephanie Sahlin, Ana Saltos, Angelo Sherman, Todd Sterling, Valerie Stitt, Reuben Thomas, Dara Wangsa and Jenny Wilson.

In order to become a NHS member, a student must have at least a 3.5 grade-point average, have taken or is currently enrolled in an honors class and submit an application. The students had to demonstrate more than scholarship. They were evaluated on character, leadership and community service as well.

NHS member Wendy Nogales pins new inductee Stephanie Sahlin.



Senior Sam Randolph at 6'11" attracted national attention because of his size and basketball skills. Because he wouldn't play on Sabbath, Sam decided to choose Columbia Union College instead of a nationally known university that might pressure him to disregard the Sabbath.

## Have a geat summer!

The TA track team finished the season by taking first place in boys and second place in girls at a regional track meet.

