

A photograph of a choir singing in a church. The choir members are young women, some wearing glasses, and are dressed in formal attire. They are standing in a line, singing with their mouths open. The background features large, colorful stained glass windows with blue, red, and yellow patterns. The church interior has wooden pews and a high ceiling.

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"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord." Members of the group Divinity praise the Lord in song during Sabbath morning worship at Pioneer Memorial Church. University Relations photo by Jeremy Russell.

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EDITORIAL

Immediate Openings in the People Construction Business

BY DON SCHNEIDER, LAKE UNION
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You can only sing three notes; but worse than that, you don't sing them at the right time," said the church school music teacher when I asked to sing in the school choir. So later when I entered Wisconsin Academy, I could only dream about being in the choir. Other students stood in the maroon robes with white collars ... and sang ... and smiled. Every year I wished that I too could sing with the group, but I didn't try out because I didn't want to have more embarrassment. One day, however, a surprise came. Miss Louise Larmon, Wisconsin Academy's choir teacher, invited me to join the choir. I was just thrilled, but I was afraid that if she found out about my lack of ability she would kick me out. I couldn't really do anything to enhance the choir, but the choir enhanced my life. Miss Larmon was a musician, but beyond that, she was a teacher. Her business was building people, and she was helping to build me.

One day when some of the main singers in my section were sick, Miss Larmon asked me to sing a little louder. I was afraid. I wasn't sure I could hit the notes. Later she made the simple remark, "You did a good job." It's been forty years since she said those words, but I still distinctly remember her comment. In the ministry, I've often been called upon to lead music. The training that I received in her choir has been so valuable to me.

She made a difference in my life. She enhanced my ministry in the Adventist Church. But not mine alone. Forty-one years of teaching kids at Wisconsin Academy! Can you believe it? Forty-one years of dealing with rebellious teenagers and building them into better people.

Anyone who knows about education in the Wisconsin Conference or about Wisconsin Academy knows the name of Mildred Summerton. And they also know that it is almost impossible to say the name Summerton without also saying Larmon. They lived together for more than fifty years. Miss Summerton was successively teacher, registrar, and principal at Wisconsin Academy during a career of 41 years in one institution. But no matter what her job description, her real job, like that of Miss Larmon, was building people.

Soon after I had given my life to Jesus, I was asked to speak at the Student Week of Prayer. After my talk, Miss Summerton spoke to me about it. When I reflected on the fact that she seemed to be touched by what I had said, I was amazed. That's the day that I decided to give my life to the Adventist ministry.

These two women made a difference in my life and in the lives of hundreds of others who attended Wisconsin Academy.

I wonder, Can I help some kids around me today? People construction business! That's the business I want to be in. How about you?

Note: Louise Larmon died January 21 in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Mildred Summerton lives at 100 Chipley Court, Bowling Green, KY 42101.

Some of the comments above were given at the funeral for Louise Larmon.

OUR GLOBAL MISSION



Valery Ivanovich Garbanov

BY JEFF SCOGGINS

Valery Ivanovich Garbanov bought two bottles of vodka and walked to a friend's house to play chess. During the game, Valery twice experienced a strange vision. During the second vision, he felt that power had been given to him. About 10 years before, members of a cult mixing eastern religions and Christianity came to Valery's city, Krasnokomensk. Valery joined them.

Krasnokomensk is a half-built city that lies only miles from the border that Russia shares with both Mongolia and China. It was here that I met Valery. He wore a fading military uniform, thick glasses, and, except for the front two, smiled through an entire set of gold teeth.

After his vision, Valery heard of a man not too distant who possessed extra-sensory powers. Valery began to suspect that now he too possessed the same power. He told me later that metal would cling to him as if he were a magnet, and he began to heal people. However, Valery found that when he invoked the names of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit his healing wouldn't work. He began to test himself by

bringing two people together. He would heal the first without using the name of God; then he would try to heal the next using God's name. The first would work, the next would not.

Valery knew many people involved in spiritualism, but from studying his Bible and talking with the few Christians in town, Valery decided that his power was not from God. He repented, and the power left him immediately. But at night Valery says he was tormented. Someone would touch him, make noise, and even beat him. At times, some of his powers would return, and he was afraid. He soon found, however, that he could call on the name of Jesus, and he would be left alone.

"Spiritualism is strong in this region," Valery says. "Witchcraft, evil spirits, and black magic is common." In the name of Jesus he began to help others who were haunted by spiritualism, and soon he was receiving threats of curses that would fall on him. He wasn't afraid. Valery told me, "I told them that because I had Jesus, they could do nothing to me."

In August of last year, the East Russia Union Conference sent two Global Mission pioneers to Krasnokomensk. Valery says that he is

very thankful for them, because not only have they strengthened him in keeping God's laws, but they have taught him the truth about his former beliefs on the immortality of the soul.

Valery and some 20 others are now studying with the pioneers. In December of 1999, eight of them were baptized. The GC 2000 offering will go to the area of the world known to Christians as the 10/40 Window. (See sidebar for more details). The story told by Valery, who lives on the very doorstep of the 10/40 Window, is a perfect example of the kind of stories



Global Mission pioneers in Krasnokomensk, Siberia, are meeting with this friendly group of people, many of whom already wish to be baptized.

that will be told by the thousands coming from deep inside an area of the world that the devil holds tightly.

It's easy to feel far away from people like Valery Ivanovich Garbanov simply because of the distance. But distance is probably the easiest hurdle to clear in the 10/40 Window. The Adventist Church is committed to establishing more than 1,000 new congregations in this area with the GC 2000 offering. The offering is being called "For the Heart of the Need," for indeed that is exactly what it is.

On April 8, mark your tithe envelope "GC 2000 Offering." If you would prefer to mail your gift or give by credit card, you can call (800) 648-5824 or visit the Global Mission web site at www.global-mission.org

Where Is the 10/40 Window?

The 10/40 Window is a relatively small area of the world between 10 and 40 degrees latitude north of the equator that stretches from West Africa through Asia. The 10/40 Window isn't a perfect rectangle. For instance, Mongolia and half of China fall outside of its boundaries, but are still considered part of the window. But most of the people in both of those countries still haven't heard the good news. In the 10/40 Window live about 60 percent of the world's people (3.4 billion). The reason this area is of interest to Christians is that it includes the places most difficult to penetrate with the light of Jesus. Which means that, for all practical purposes, we haven't. Only one percent of the people in the 10/40 Window are Christian, and only .001 percent are Adventist.

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NEW MEMBERS

MICHIGAN

White sailboats set the backdrop, along with sparkling, bright blue waves. It was a glorious fall day on



Mark and Cindy Grabowsky were baptized in Lake Michigan on September 25, 1999.

the shores of Lake Michigan, and on September 25, friends and family of **Mark and Cindy Grabowsky** met on Fat Lady's Beach to witness Robert Quillin, pastor of the Menominee and Wilson churches, baptize the young couple.

In their youth, both Cindy and Mark had been interested in religion, but they searched for answers they couldn't seem to find. Mark had previously been baptized as a Seventh-day Adventist, and Cindy belonged to another church. Soon after they met, they began discussing religion. They began to feel the need to return to the family of God and to make a new commitment.

After they were married Mark had taught Cindy much about Adventist beliefs, and Cindy recognized the truth of the seventh-day Sabbath right away. She had felt that the state of the dead didn't matter, but later she understood the importance of this Bible truth as well.

Pastor Quillin started studying the Bible with them. They attended church at Menominee, sometimes providing the special music—Mark playing the guitar and Cindy singing.

Soon the young couple asked for baptism for Cindy and re-baptism for Mark. Mark and Cindy's baptism, was followed by many handshakes and hugs on the beach.

Carolyn Fiedorowicz, from the Menominee Church newsletter

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In 1993 I answered a help-wanted add for a carpenter. Russ and Sherry Boothby, members of the Battle Creek Tabernacle, were the owners of the company. When I interviewed, Russ told me that I had the necessary qualifications for the job, except that I smoked. He told me that I would not be able to smoke on his jobs. I agreed to this, and Russ hired me on faith. We worked well together, and even though it was hard at first, I didn't smoke on the job. Because of that, it was much easier later on when I quit smoking altogether.

Russ and his family quietly made an impression on Elaine and me over the years. It was no secret that they were Adventists. We were not churchgoers ourselves, but we both believed in God and were curious about Christianity. So, when I received a flyer in my pay envelope advertizing "Amazing Discoveries," I decided to check it out.

Russ and Sherry accompanied us to the meetings. Steve Vail, the speaker for the meetings, was excellent, and I went away from those meetings wanting to know more and more. The ideas were so new to us. The truth about the Sabbath really opened our eyes. To realize it had always been there was an amazing discovery to us!

Dale Leamon, Battle Creek Tabernacle pastor, worked with us through our baptism. We were anxious; he was patient. The Holy Spirit filled our hearts to overflowing. We have a lot to learn yet, but now, studying the Bible is vital to us.



Bill and Elaine Hess were introduced to the Adventist Church by Bill's boss and an evangelistic series conducted by Steve Vail in Battle Creek.

David Hess, Battle Creek Tabernacle member

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"I hadn't opened a Bible in 20 years," said **Dave Hoogerhyde** of Grand Rapids. Carol Quillan, a recently re-baptized member of the Grand Rapids Central Church, soon changed that. Dave's desire to spend time with Carol soon made him a regular at church.

When NET New York '99 began, Dave and Carol rarely missed a meeting. One night Dave asked, "Isn't any other church teaching this stuff? This is wonderful!" The night Doug Batchelor made a call for decisions for baptism, Dave stood up. Not long after his decision for Christ, Dave made one more decision. This time, however, he was on his knees asking Carol to marry him. She said "yes!"



Carol Quillan with Dave Hoogerhyde who was baptized on Christmas day.

The Festival of Faith, an annual weekend retreat designed to help non-Adventists make a decision for Christ, at Camp Au Sable, confirmed Dave's convictions, and he was baptized on Christmas day. "I want to start the new year fresh," Dave said smiling. Dave and Carol are planning a wedding for 2001.

Bernard Anderson, Wright Church member

Centering on College Faith

Making Christian higher education more than just job preparation

BY ETHAN JONES

Dorm worships every evening. Tuesday morning chapel. Friday evening vespers. Church. B.C.S.F. Religion classes. Community outreach programs. Independent prayer groups. Personal devotions. Discussions with friends. Everywhere, from the classrooms to the dorm rooms and on the sidewalks in between, the Andrews University undergraduate encounters daily a variety of faith-based events. These encounters constitute a vital part of the Andrews University college experience, and the connection between faith and learning is one of the most important reasons why students choose Andrews. It is to better understand this connection between faith and learning that has led to the development of the Center for College Faith, an interdisciplinary academic enterprise on the campus of Andrews University.

"One of the primary goals is to get a better understanding, to acquire information on how the college experience impacts the faith of students," says Tom Goodwin, professor of biology and co-director of the Center for College Faith.

Co-director and one of the original founders of the program, Oystein "Sten" Labianca explains that the center was born in 1998 originally out of an attempt to better understand what the stakeholders—the students, parents, church, and faculty—wanted from the college experience. The impression received was that the commitment that people have to Andrews University is not the same as

to other state or private colleges. Education here becomes more than just job preparation: it is enhanced by



The Center for College Faith will research the spiritual lives of students at Andrews University. Shown here is Myra Nicks, a senior from Canada.

encouraging students to develop a personal relationship with God. "Young people take ahold of the past vision and carry it home," says LaBianca who is also a professor of anthropology at Andrews. "This puts a different focus on what should be done in the classroom."

Today, the Center for College Faith is comprised of a board of executive directors, a board of community advisors, and about 60 faculty members. Run on "soft money" from board members and volunteers, the center has helped members attend conferences and professional meetings which address relevant issues facing

Christian education. Goodwin wishes to make clear that the purpose of the Center for College Faith is not to compete with the religion department or campus ministries; instead, it is designed to study the process of mature faith development during college, and to facilitate conversation among the faculty about how best to contribute to the transmission of the Seventh-day Adventist Christian worldview.

Special emphasis is placed on the interdisciplinary nature of the organization. "The single most important concept that we as an interdisciplinary faculty need to examine is the post-Enlightenment world view, which is the presiding view in academia. This is a secular view which posits positivism and secularism as a foundation for learning. We need to see how this has shaped our various disciplines," explains LaBianca. "Our vision is for us as a faculty to become aware of how this post-Enlightenment view has permeated the world we live in, and how we as Seventh-day Adventist teachers can demonstrate to our students why we are Christians."

Goodwin adds, "Knowledge does not come value-neutral. Any time you transmit knowledge it comes within a paradigm, a framework." The Center for College Faith will help faculty encourage their students to explore the framework in which they are currently acquiring knowledge, and to bring their Seventh-day Adventist Christian mission commitment into all aspects of the curriculum.

Ethan Jones graduated from Andrews University in 1999 with majors in English and Spanish.

The Ministry of Music and the Power of Praise at Andrews University

BY A. MONISE HAMILTON

"Singing, as a part of a religious service, is as much an act of worship as is prayer."

—Ellen White,

Patriarchs and Prophets

Music. Powerful, expressive, inspirational, emotional, uplifting, soothing. From the first lullaby sung to a newborn baby to the final hymn of sorrowful hope sung at the tearful goodbye of a loved one, music has made an indelible impression on each of our lives.

Researchers have studied the effects of music and its ability to influence our decisions, prick our memories, and evoke strong emotions. Yet, your own memory is all that is needed to prove music's impact upon your life: the melody that always reminds you of your first love, that catchy commercial jingle that you just can't seem to stop humming, the excited remembrance of a long-forgotten melodious rhyme of childhood, the surge of emotions upon hearing that old-time hymn your mother used to sing.

Despite millions of dollars spent

exploring its influence (and in recent years its negative

affect), most researchers fail to recognize music's original intent.

"Music was made to serve a holy purpose," says Ellen White in *Patriarchs and Prophets*, "to lift the thoughts to that which is pure, noble, and elevating, and to awaken in the soul devotion and gratitude to God" (p. 594).

Past generations of Christians esteemed preaching as the primary vehicle to spread the message of hope through salvation to lost souls. And their efforts were richly rewarded as scores of individuals were welcomed into the family of God.

But today's generation, well, ... like the older generation they are not. Characterized by owning more music CDs than books, more and more young Christians are turning to inspirational music to draw them closer to their Creator and to uniquely express to others their life-changing relationship with God. Young Christians at Andrews are no different.

I spoke with three of the university's up-and-coming contemporary Christian music groups about the ministry of music and the power of praise and how it changes lives, especially their own.

DIVINITY

"Ministry is our focus. If you're not here for ministry, you're in the wrong group."

—Cryston Josiah, *Divinity*

At the end of a long week of classes and studies, Cryston Josiah is glad it's almost the Sabbath. While most of us are preparing for the rest and relaxation of the seventh day, Cryston is preparing to *do* what he studies about all week in the seminary: ministry. But for this master of divinity student, his message won't be preached from behind a podium; it will be sung from behind a keyboard.

"Music has always been an important part of my life," says Cryston, director, co-founder, and keyboardist for the 20-member vocal group *Divinity*. "Music is one of the things that led me to study in the seminary. It's one of the most powerful media we can use to tell others about Christ."

Known for more than just polished melodies and tightly-knit harmonies, *Divinity* combines musical praise and personal testimonies from group members as they share their message of hope, forgiveness, and healing



Cryston Josiah (at the piano) and his 20-member vocal group Divinity minister through their music at a recent Andrews vespers.

through Jesus Christ. Their repertoire of a capella, gospel, traditional hymns, and Negro spirituals has garnered frequent requests to sing out of state as well as at area homeless shelters and children's homes. Their genuine praise has made them a favorite on the Andrews campus.

"People always come to us and say that we sound so good. But when I hear 'I was blessed,' that's when I know we've reached the people," Cryston says.

Cryston, who graduates from the seminary in June, attributes the success of the group's music ministry and the power behind their praise to the time they spend in group worship. "No matter how pressed we are for rehearsal time, we never short change our devotional time. Prayer and devotional study make a difference in our effectiveness."

Monise: *How did the group Divinity begin?*

Cryston: There seemed to be a

need on campus for a vocal group which offered a variety of musical styles. At the time (1997), most Andrews groups were either gospel or classical. We wanted to reach those who have an interest in other musical styles. In the fall of '97, two other seminarians and I formed *Divinity*.

Monise: *The name of a group says a lot about its mission and ministry. How was the name "Divinity" chosen?*

Cryston: Ellen White says that ministry is one of life's highest callings, and so we wanted a name that represents the character and integrity of our music. Both our music and our ministry is about the divinity of God. Our name also helps us stay focused on our purpose, rather than ourselves.

Monise: *Many successful secular musical artists began their careers by singing in church. How have you been able to avoid the temptation to use your gift to glorify yourself?*

Cryston: I never felt I would do

anything musical outside of music ministry. I really believe God put a hedge around me to protect me. Music kept me involved in church and in ministry even when I wasn't always spiritually strong.

Monise: *Psalm 150 tells us that we should praise God in every way, including music. As a pastor, why do you feel music is an important aspect of worship and praise?*

Cryston: Knowledge is good, but there is a part of us that can only relate to God through our emotions. Music creates emotion, and emotion is not a bad thing when it comes to God. Just as Satan uses music to produce negative results, we can

also use music to affect people and their behavior for God.

QUINTESSENCE

"We're not afraid to say and sing what we believe."

—Brad Coloma, *Quintessence*

The dictionary defines *quintessence* as "the essence of something in its purest form." For the group *Quintessence*, that "something" is music, and its essence is the Word of God. But it wasn't always.

First formed as an instrumental band in 1995, the five-member group performed its first gigs primarily playing non-Christian music. Before long, however, the religious training of their youth proved too strong to



Quintessence is an Andrews-based contemporary Christian band that uses its music to reach the heart of its audience for Jesus.

ignore, and the trio returned to their Christian roots.

"I always felt more comfortable doing Christian music. The others in the group felt the same," says drummer Brad Coloma, who also writes most of the group's music.

The addition of a vocalist and a new name to signify their purpose opened the door for *Quintessence* to minister to others through their music.

"It's our goal to spread the Christian message and especially the Adventist message. God has given us talents to use for Him. It's our duty to our God to spread His word wherever we can," he says.

Future plans include recording a CD on a Christian music label. "Getting our music on the radio waves will help us reach more people," says Coloma.

Monise: *Why do you think music is an important way to reach non-Christians?*

Brad: I realize, and we as a group realize, that music is a very powerful tool to influence anyone, from buying a burger to choosing God. There are a lot of people who will only be open to God through music.

Monise: *What is the primary message you try to convey through your music?*

Brad: The Christian life can be good if you let God work in your life. The world won't be here long. We need Jesus Christ in our lives to focus us on where He wants us to go and what He wants us to do so we can show the world Christ's love.

Monise: *How does Quintessence remain focused on praising God when "fans" praise you for your talent?*

Brad: This is the most challenging part of being a Christian band. It can be a struggle, so we always pray for humility. The Bible says that if you exalt yourself, you will be humbled;

and if you humble yourself, you will be exalted. Before each practice we pray for strength and humility. We know that without Him, we wouldn't be able to do what we're doing.

Monise:

You describe Quintessence as a contemporary Christian band. Some feel that the term "contemporary Christian music" is an oxymoron. How have you

reconciled this for yourself?

Brad: I, personally, wrestled with the question, 'What is Christian music?' and 'Is there a genre of music that cannot be used for God?' I believe that as long as the Spirit of God is in it, we can minister. Music is a personal preference ... everybody has different tastes. God uses different types of music to reach different people.

Monise: *How has music changed your life spiritually?*

Brad: I think of myself as a minister because I preach through my music. Thus, to live the life, and to follow what God has in store for us as a group, continues to bring us closer to God and has changed the way I look at life. I'm not here to work, sleep and eat. I'm here as part of God's plan, and with the talents He's given each of us, He is using us to bring others to Him.

"We just sing. The Holy Spirit does everything else."

—Veruschka Valenzuela, Nicholas & Veruschka

She sings about "no ordinary man." "... there must be more to him, that I do not understand, ... for he seemed more than just an ordinary man. I wondered who this man could be, ... that he would care so much for me."** But this 20-year-old doesn't sing about just any man. Veruschka Valenzuela sings about Jesus Christ.

As one half of the singing duo Nicholas & Veruschka, Veruschka Valenzuela and partner, Nicholas Zork, began singing together during their



Nicholas & Veruschka are carrying the love of Jesus Christ to audiences on three continents.

senior year of high school at a 1998 Week of Prayer at Andrews Academy. High school sweethearts, the sopho-

more music majors say that the focus of their dating relationship is Christ.

"We have a wonderful relationship because the core of it is our music ministry," Veruschka says. It's a good thing because their busy schedules leave little time for anything else.

A summer of '99 CD release entitled *Nicholas & Veruschka* led to a month-long tour of Portugal and Spain, where the pair served as music coordinators for a church funding group and helped with praise music at the Adventist International Youth Congress. Singing engagements at other Adventist colleges, the Northwestern and Northeastern United States, Puerto Rico, and non-Adventist churches makes you wonder when they have time to be just students ... or to be interviewed. The interview for this segment was conducted in between their packing for a 10-week, study-abroad trip to Mexico the next day.

Nicholas explains, "We minister to a lot of Spanish congregations. Veruschka speaks Spanish, and I want to learn to speak it fluently so I can write music in the language."

Their musical mix of folk, Latin, neo-classic, gospel, jazz, and inspirational has allowed them to sing God's praises to a variety of cultures and age groups. Within the next year, Nicholas and Veruschka plan to release two more CD's, in English and in Spanish.

Monise: What led you to record a CD as part of your music ministry?

Veruschka: Our music is a tool for the Holy Spirit. He can use our recorded music, which He inspired, to reach realms that we could never reach or go to. We couldn't reach as many people unless we recorded a CD. We get e-mail from people all over the world—Yugoslavia,

Italy, Spain—telling us about how they've been changed by our music.

Monise: Nicholas, you wrote all of the music and most of the lyrics on your CD. When you write a song, what do you try to express to others?

Nicholas: When I write my songs, I write with someone in mind who may not be a believer or who may not be interested in being a Christian. I also write with myself in mind, what I want other people to learn from my experience. I want non-believers to see why I believe what I believe. I want the Holy Spirit to use my music to create a desire in others to learn more about Him.

Monise: Your music ministry allows you to travel frequently. How do you prepare spiritually before a performance?

Veruschka: We do a group prayer, but the rest of the time I spend alone, walking, pacing and praying. I pray that if anything is in the way of the Holy Spirit using me, God will remove it.

Monise: What does praising God through song do for you?

Nicholas: Music is the most powerful form of worship. When I'm singing about, or to, God, it's the ultimate form of worship, and it helps me understand Him more.

**"No Ordinary Man" written by Nicholas Zork.

**Nicholas and Veruschka's CD can be ordered by e-mail and is available at the Andrews University Bookstore and Adventist Book Centers.

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Leadership Initiative

Preparing students to be leaders

BY MICHELE KRPALEK AND
A. MONISE HAMILTON

the student's permanent record."
Each month, LI interns meet with

for student services) and Dwight
Nelson (senior pastor of Pioneer

If the old adage is true, "Leaders are born and not raised," then someone forgot to tell Don Murray. As program director for Andrews University's Leadership Initiative, Murray supervises a comprehensive leadership training program for 35 young men.

In its second year of existence, the Leadership Initiative (LI) is a residence hall-based mentoring program designed to train young men for prominent campus positions and for leadership opportunities beyond graduation.

"The Leadership Initiative is one of our newest programs," says Murray. "It provides a structure of leadership theory training, hands-on leadership opportunities, developmental advising and mentoring, and a developmental transcript that details training and experiences which will become part of



"All for one and one for all." Leadership Initiative staff and interns end their meeting on a high note.

experienced campus leaders for in-service activities and seminars that teach the skills and traits of being a successful spiritual leader. Teaching faculty include Niels-Erik Andreasen, Andrews University president, and Don C. Schneider, Lake Union Conference president.

Freshman theology major, Jose Bourget, was accepted as an intern during his senior year at Great Lakes Academy in Cedar Lake, Michigan. "My favorite meetings were the ones that Newton Hoilette (vice president

for student services) and Dwight Nelson (senior pastor of Pioneer Memorial Church, Andrews University) spoke at because they really emphasized good guidelines on how to be a spiritual leader. After attending these meetings with the Leadership Initiative, I realized I need to allow God to lead me so I can lead others with spiritual authority," Bourget explained.

LI interns accepted into the program are recommended by academy deans and administrators as strong spiritual leaders. Murray

and associate directors Jack Mentges and Spencer Carter carefully select students who have a desire to improve leadership areas on campus and who have maintained at least a 3.0 GPA in high school.

For more information about the Leadership Initiative, contact Jack Mentges, Meier Hall, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104-0900; (800) 253-2874, ext. 3393.

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Organ Composition Honors Martin Luther King Jr.

Premier performance of work by young Andrews Academy alumnus

BY A. MONISE HAMILTON

He wasn't even born when Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated in 1968, but on February 11, former Andrews student James Lee III returned to the campus to premiere his solo organ composition titled, "Ascend the Mountain: A Walk with Dr. King" in honor of the slain civil rights leader. The tribute was performed by Kenneth Logan, associate professor of music at Andrews and minister of music at Pioneer Memorial Church.

Commissioned by the university to compose a musical piece that would underscore a significant event or person in African-American history, Lee's musical salute was part of the Andrews University Black History weekend celebration held February 11 and 12, which featured Eurydice Osterman, professor of music at Oakwood College.

"The primary source of inspiration for this work is Martin Luther King's 'I've Been to the Mountaintop' sermon which he preached the night before his assassination," says Lee, a former Andrews University student who is currently pursuing a master's degree in music composition at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. "When I was researching a topic for the piece, I read the sermon and was captivated by it."

The famous speech was not the young composer's only inspiration, however. His childhood memories include many first-hand accounts of King by his father, James Lee Jr. As a teenager living in Selma, Alabama,

during the 1960's, Lee Jr. not only visited churches where King was preaching, but also participated in non-violent marches led by the civil rights leader.

Specifically composed for the organ, Lee describes the style of the composition as contemporary classical. The use of gospel and Negro



PMC organist, Kenneth Logan (right) presented the premier performance of "Ascend the Mountain: A Walk with Dr. King" by former Andrews student, James Lee III, on Feb. 11.

spirituals throughout the piece masterfully epitomizes the racial polarity King fought against during the 1960's. Through a plethora of changing keys, rhythms, and musical styles, "Ascend the Mountain: A Walk with Dr. King" presents an emotional experience of the African-American struggle for equality in the 1960's, the fear and anguish wrought by racism, and the joy and hope of impending freedom. Lee adeptly conveys these strong emotions by weaving original work with such well-known Negro spirituals as "Over My Head" and "We Shall Overcome."

"When a gifted young composer

tackles the difficult task of capturing the substance and the emotion of civil rights issues in a piece of serious music, it is a great moment," says Logan, who initiated the idea of the tribute. "The result, in this case, is vivid music of profound spirit and depth. I would be delighted to see it published by a major publisher in the near future."

Lee's musical artistry began developing at an early age as a member of Highland Avenue Church in Benton Harbor, Michigan. Recalling that his favorite toddler toy was a piano, his father registered him for piano lessons at the age of 12. Lee resisted because he believed that piano playing was for girls, but his parents' insistence prevailed. A graduate of Andrews Academy, the young composer won numerous talent shows with his own compositions, and in the fall of 1994 he enrolled as a music major at Andrews University. Two years later Lee transferred to the University of Michigan where he earned a bachelor's degree in music performance in April 1999. During NET '98 he arranged and performed the Negro spiritual "Give Me Jesus."

"Prayer is an important part of my compositional process," Lee says. Before I start composing I pray for guidance and inspiration, not only for the music, but for the whole process. I want my music to be a blessing to others."

A. Monise Hamilton is Andrews University Relations assistant director.

The Old Rugged Cross

An Adventist connection



The Original Old Rugged Cross Church—located in Pokagon, Michigan, and named for the famous hymn first sung within its sanctuary—is being restored to its 1913 appearance, so people of all Christian faiths can come and reflect on their own appreciation of the hymn and the impact it has had on their lives.

BY MARTA K. DODD

A unique group of dedicated volunteers led by Melchizedek M. Ponniah, vice-president of development at Adventist World Aviation, in Berrien Springs, Michigan, plans to restore the building where the hymn “The Old Rugged Cross” was first sung publicly in its entirety.

George Bennard, an ordained evangelist, was in the southwestern Michigan village of Pokagon in 1913 when he completed the hymn. A few local residents sang and played a violin and an organ during the hymn’s public debut in the Pokagon Methodist Episcopal Church. The building soon passed into private ownership and was used as a storage barn.

Eighty-five years later Bob and Molly Shaffer of Dowagiac, Michigan, purchased The Original Old Rugged Cross Church, as it is now known. They donated the landmark to the current Pokagon United Methodist Church so the historic building could be saved.

The Shaffers formed The Old Rugged Cross Foundation (ORCF), a multi-denominational, 501(c)(3) tax-exempt volunteer organization, in 1998. The ORCF has a 99-year lease on the old church and leads efforts to fund its restoration.

More than 80 years of neglect, weather, and vandalism have taken a toll. Fortunately, the building is structurally sound. The building will be braced and moved off its original, unstable foundation and a new foundation and basement constructed. Then the building will be moved back to its original location, but on the new foundation.

Restoration will return the building to its 1913 appearance. The restored church will feature a museum of church and local history and two “luxuries” not originally present—electric service and rest rooms. The barrier-free facility will be available for weddings and other special scheduled church services.

The Old Rugged Cross Historic Site also includes a half-acre Old Rugged Cross Memorial Garden. Andrews University students provided preliminary design ideas for the garden. Andrews University urban landscape design professor Stan Beikmann developed the final design.

Melchizedek Ponniah,* who chairs the ORCF, is a Christian because his grandfather converted from Hinduism to Christianity after hearing the hymn as a young man in Tamil Nadu, India. The Shaffers serve as the ORCF’s president and treasurer. Other members

of the board include a couple whose respective ancestors were among the old church’s founding families, a local pastor who was a friend of the hymn’s composer, and a granddaughter of the 1913 debut’s violinist.

“Our board members’ personal ties to the church and the hymn give us a unique passion for completing this restoration for the glory of the Lord,” Ponniah said. “People of all faiths are welcome to participate and reflect their appreciation of the hymn’s message of faith and hope.”

The Original Old Rugged Cross Church is an official project of Save America’s Treasures, a public-private partnership between the White House Millennium Council and the National Trust for Historic Preservation, dedicated to the preservation of our nation’s irreplaceable historic and cultural treasures for future generations.

Information is available from the Old Rugged Cross Foundation, P.O. Box 41, Niles, MI 49120, or by calling (800)966-3316.

Marta K. Dodd is The Old Rugged Cross Foundation media chair and a member of the board of directors.

*Melchizedek Ponniah is a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church.

Those Record-holding Whales

For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. Matthew 12:40

They're larger than any other living mammal. They're even larger than the largest prehistoric dinosaur. They're the largest animals that ever lived on the planet. They're whales. The largest of them—the Blue Whale—holds the record for the longest, the heaviest, and the loudest. The Blue Whale grows to be about 100 feet long and to weigh about 150 tons, although the record-holder, a 90-foot female, weighed in at 209 tons! (How much does your family car weigh? How many cars would it take to equal the weight of one Blue Whale?) It communicates with others of its kind by emitting extremely loud, very low-pitched sounds. With its sleek, hairless body, this giant marine mammal is capable of reaching the speed of 30 miles per hour. But that speed doesn't make it the fastest whale; that distinction belongs to the Killer Whale.

The Killer Whale grows to a length of up to 31 feet and a weight of up to nine tons. The Killer Whale is the largest dolphin (a dolphin is basically a small whale) and the largest predator of all warm-blooded animals. It hunts in packs, preying on other marine mammals, such as seals and other whales and dolphins, as well as fish. The Killer Whale is also the fastest marine mammal, clocking in at a record speed of 34.5 miles per hour. (How does this record compare to the top speed of the Blue Whale?) For all their ferocity in the wild, Killer Whales are peaceful in captivity. Killer Whales that perform at aquariums learn quickly, interact with smaller dolphins, and have never been known to attack a human being.

Exploring God's World



With James and Priscilla Tucker

The Sperm

Whale is the largest toothed mammal on Earth. (Whales are divided into two main groups: (1) toothed whales, or whales that have peglike teeth, and (2) baleen whales, toothless whales that strain their food through bristles.) About 60 feet long and weighing up to 65 tons, this whale of Moby Dick fame certainly earns its record. However, a "normal" Sperm Whale is much smaller than the record-holder, an 84-foot male. You can see this specimen yourself if you visit the Natural History Museum in London, England.

A male Sperm Whale also holds the current record—6,500 feet—for the deepest dive by a marine mammal. However, Sperm Whales typically forage for food at 1,300 to 2,000 feet, and Elephant Seals usually feed at 1,100 to 2,300 feet. Recent evidence shows that North Atlantic Bottle-nose Whales regularly dive to more than 2,600 feet. Which is the true champ?

Whales are amazing creatures. We know very little about their lives because they live in the ocean's depths, surfacing just often enough to give us a glimpse of their habits. In a world where knowledge is so abundant, it is humbling and perhaps comforting to be reminded that we don't know everything.

Note: For more information and more activities on this subject, see the November 1999 issue of *Natural Learning*.

Friction Power

When two rough or uneven surfaces rub together, a force called friction makes moving difficult. Discover this force for yourself.

What you need:

- ✓ tennis ball
- ✓ smooth rubber ball of the same size
- ✓ two shallow bowls
- ✓ water

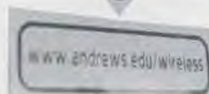
What to do:

- 1 Put about an inch of water in each bowl.
- 2 Place a ball in each bowl.
- 3 Spin each ball. What happens?
- 4 Explain what you have discovered in terms of friction.
- 5 Discuss friction as it relates to whales and their environment.

The Tuckers have written four daily devotional books (most recently *In His Hands*) and publish *Natural Learning*, an exciting new magazine to help home-schooling parents, classroom teachers, and youth leaders use the motivating forces of nature to integrate faith and learning. For further information, write to the Institute of Outdoor Ministry, P. O. Box 670, Niles, MI 49120.

Andrews Goes Wireless

There are waves in the air on the Andrews campus—waves that can only be detected with a wireless PCMCIA card. The card allows users of appropriately-equipped laptops to surf the web without the use of a network cable. This new ability is made possible by wireless connectivity.



Andrews installs wireless Internet connections on campus

"We are one of the first schools in the Midwest to implement this wireless system," says Dan Cress, head of the Networks and Servers Group. "We have been asked to set up a consulting program with other schools who are thinking of also going wireless. They want to observe us and see if we have any major problems or hang-ups before they use the system. So far, everything has been flawless."

Cress expects the entire campus to have wireless capability by summer.

Katie Widner, student news writer

Ethics Weekend

"The End of Life: Assisted Suicide and the Hospice Movement" is the topic of the annual McElmurry Ethics and Society Lectureship to be held at Andrews University, Apr. 6-8 in University Towers Auditorium.

Speakers will include Richard Rice, professor of religion at Loma Linda University; James Standish, a Seventh-day Adventist lawyer from Washington, D.C.; Herbert Hendin, medical director of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and professor of psychiatry at New York Medical College; Tom Preston, professor of medicine at the University of Washington; and Howard Brody, professor of family practice and philosophy and director of the Center for Ethics and Humanities in the Life Sciences at Michigan State University. Karen Stockton-Chilson, assistant professor of social work at Andrews, will offer an introduction to the topic of assisted suicide and the hospice movement the Wednesday evening before the weekend program.

The lectureship sponsors a research paper competition for Andrews students, with prizes ranging from \$100 to \$1000. Winning research papers will be presented over the course of the weekend.

The McElmurry Ethics and Society weekend is funded by the McElmurry Endowed Lectureship established at Andrews University by Dr. Leland McElmurry of Eaton Rapids, Mich. It is coordinated by a faculty committee headed by Timothy

Standish, associate professor of biology, and Gary Ross, administrative assistant to the president. For more information, call (616) 471-3444.

Douglas Jones, University Relations director

Andrews Faculty Member Honored

Karen Allen, Ph.D., chairperson of the Department of Nursing, was recently inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, the most prestigious nursing organization in the United States. Inductees into the AAN are considered distinguished leaders in the field of nursing. Selection as a Fellow is based upon outstanding contributions to the profession of nursing and health care. Allen joined the Andrews faculty in 1998.

A. Monise Hamilton, University Relations assistant director



Karen Allen has been inducted into the American Academy of Nursing.

Knott to Direct University Press

Ronald Knott has been appointed director of Andrews University Press, located on the Andrews campus. His duties include marketing and strategic planning for the small publishing house which specializes in scholarly publications. Previously, Knott worked as an author, editor, and publisher in the Washington, D.C. area. His books include *College Faith: 150 Adventist Leaders Share Faith Stories from Their College Days and Over and Over Again!*; *150 Adventists Share Personal Faith Stories about Stewardship*. Knott was previously employed in a number of different positions at Andrews including assistant, associate director and director of public relations. He rejoined the faculty in 1999.



Ron Knott has been appointed director of Andrews University Press.

Northwest Airlines and Andrews University

If you're flying on Northwest Airlines in April, be sure to listen to the in-flight audio program that features Andrews University president Niels-Erik Andreasen. He'll be interviewed about the distance education program available at Andrews. The in-flight magazine will also note Andrews, and the Northwest Airlines' web site will provide a line to the Andrews distance education web site.

EDUCATION NEWS

It Was Spiritual, Educational, Fun

Michigan — During the 1998-1999 school year, Camp Au Sable played host to the first year of organized outdoor education in the Michigan Conference. Fifth- and sixth-grade students from twenty schools throughout Michigan were able to experience the joy of learning about our loving Creator in the beautiful outdoor setting at Camp Au Sable. Their arrival on Sunday afternoons signaled the beginning of three days of studies in the outdoors.

The curriculum centered on a theme of God, community, and nature. The solitude of lake and forest provided opportunities for the children to practice spiritual disciplines while communing with Jesus. Daily activities emphasized the inter-



Daily activities in the outdoor education program at Camp Au Sable emphasize the interdependence of life on this earth and our dependence on the Lord.

dependence of life on this earth and our dependence on the Lord. Each week the children were actively challenged to support one another and work together in the outdoor school com-

munity. The evening activities included a hay ride, a living history program at Fort Shellenbarger, and a night hike.

Through it all, God's living book served as the laboratory for experiences and life lessons that were both fun and memorable.

One student commented,



In the outdoor education program, students get the opportunity to interact with many of God's creatures. Some students, though, are not quite sure about whether a seven-foot boa constrictor is something they can trust.

"Going to Outdoor Education Camp really taught me a lot about true friends, my Creator, and my environment. But it didn't just teach me about these things, it taught me things I never knew about myself and how I view people and things."

The night hike was a favorite activity for the students. "I really liked the night hike. It helped me better understand God's beautiful power and creation at night." For another student, the night hike provided a way to confront fears of the dark. "Thank you for helping me overcome my fear."

Throughout this year the Lord truly blessed the children participating in the program. Schools have already begun scheduling outdoor education dates for the 1999-2000 school year. With the additional weeks of operation that are scheduled, we hope to include more schools, plus one week for home-school students, ages 10-12.

Gary Longfellow, outdoor education instructor

Local Student Competes in National Award Program

Michigan — John Gagnon, a Battle Creek Academy (BCA) senior, has been nominated to compete in the national Principal's Leadership Award (PLA) scholarship program, sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NAASP). Herf Jones, Inc. funds this award program.

Don Perkins, BCA principal, announced Gagnon's nomination, which will place him in the national competition. One hundred fifty national PLA winners will be chosen this spring to receive a \$1,000 college scholarship.

Principals in high schools throughout the country had the opportunity to nominate one of their student leaders. Nominee selections were based on the students' leadership skills, participation in service organizations and clubs, achievements in the arts and sciences, employment experiences, and academic record. Students were also required to write an essay.

"Gagnon has demonstrated exemplary achievement in his academic work and service to his school and community," said Gerald N. Tirozzi, NAASP executive director. "He's a fine example of the outstanding caliber of young people in America's high schools."

While at Battle Creek Academy, John Gagnon has been actively involved as a class and student association officer. He has also served as Campus Ministries Outreach director for the past two years.

NAASP is the nation's largest school leadership organization, with a membership of approximately 43,000 middle-level and high school principals and assistant principals. It administers the National Honor Society, the National Junior Honor Society, and the National Association of Student Councils. NAASP is also the sponsor of National Student Leadership Week. The national alliance of high schools is also administered by NAASP.

Tom Barrett, Battle Creek Academy senior

United Youth Congress Planned for 2001

Dallas, Texas — On Apr. 4–8, 2001, in Indianapolis, Ind., the 7th North American Division (NAD) United Youth Congress will convene at the Indianapolis RCA Dome and Convention Center. This will be a historic youth event with more than 50,000 expected to attend from across the North American Division and around the world.

The United Youth Congress is coordinated by the Black Adventists Youth Directors Association (BAYDA) and the North American Division Youth Department. This event offers workshops and seminars dealing with lifestyle choices, career paths, and community awareness. Participating will be dynamic speakers such as Walter Pearson, Ron Halverson Jr., Emile Peeler, Wanda Davis, Israel Jean' Leon, Paul Graham, and Hugo Gambetta who are known for calling young people to follow Jesus. Other planned events are musical concerts, prayer and Bible reading marathons, Bible Bowl, oratorical opportunities, Pathfinder activities, temperance rallies, drum corp and precision drill exhibitions, recreation and much, much more.

The United Youth Congress theme "The New Millennium—It's All Jesus!" will draw youth from New York to San Diego, from Detroit to Miami, and from Canada to Bermuda. A worldwide invitation is expected to bring youth from around the globe. In the past delegates have come from Jamaica, Trinidad, Europe, Australia, and Africa. BAYDA's vision is to provide a cross-cultural platform that will bring youth of all races together to worship, educate, empower, fellowship, and display to the world the talents and special gifts God has given to our youth.

For more information, contact your conference youth director.

Ready or Not: Interactive Baby Doll Teaches Teens Responsibility

Talk show host Sally Jesse Raphael recently called on the Health Connection, our North American Division Health and Temperance Resource Center, for a special feature on teen pregnancy. The episode featured the Health Connection's innovative teaching tool for teens, the Ready-or-Not Tot. This baby doll does more than just coo—it demands the attention and caretaking of a real infant.

According to Raphael, a teenage girl gets pregnant in America every 26 seconds. The Ready-or-Not Tot demonstrates how much time and responsibility caring for a baby requires. The doll cries for attention, and students must figure out why the baby is crying and insert the correct key.

The tot gives both negative and positive feedback, cooing and burping when properly cared for. A teenage girl quoted on Raphael said, "Thanks for helping me see I'm not ready. I'm going to work on straightening my own life out so that when I'm older and ready I can have a baby and take care of it."

Features include three different programs, plus demonstration; easy monitoring of performance; temper-



Sally Jesse Raphael hands a troublesome Ready-or-Not Tot to a teenage girl who had mentioned to her mother that she might like to have a baby.

panic indicator; and abuse indicator. Also included are student worksheets, parental permission forms, teacher correction template, battery, and instructions.

The Ready-or-Not Tot makes a strong impression in classes on pregnancy prevention and child-care. It is available in both genders and in white, brown, black, and Asian versions.

For more information, visit www.healthconnection.org, or call (800) 548-8700, or (301) 790-9735.

Kim Peckham, Health Connection

SJA Participates in Community Outreach

Lake Region — Sharon Junior Academy (SJA) sponsored "Jump Rope for Heart," a fund-raising event coordinated by Geraldine Wilson, which raised a total of \$1,250.65 for the American Heart Association. "This amount far exceeds what schools with larger enrollments would have raised," said Bridget Clementi of the American Heart Association.

This community outreach endeavor by SJA made an impact on the African-American community by giving us an opportunity to raise the consciousness about health issues that plague African-Americans. It also provided a fun night out with family and friends.

Upon invitation, Clementi, Milwaukee's youth market director for the American Heart Association, attended our Sabbath services on April 3 to receive the money raised from the event. She also presented a special award plaque to Rolonda Lockett, a SJA parent, for raising the highest amount of money for this fund raiser.

This event was successful in bringing our school, our church, and our community together.

Theresa Taylor, Sharon Junior Academy principal

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

Iron Mountain Church Holds Dedication Ceremony

Michigan — For the past 62 years, the Iron Mountain Church has been a cornerstone of its community. Four years ago, however, church members sold their church, even though it had been in that location for many years, in order to build a school. Church services were then held at the school. The church family still clung to the hope, however, that someday



The Iron Mountain Church members sold their cobblestone church building four years ago in order to build a church school.

they would again have a sanctuary in which to hold their Sabbath services. Finally, in Apr. of 1999, ground was broken on a new church, and on Nov. 6, 1999, the church members held a public dedication.

Special Sabbath services were planned for the day, but the afternoon dedication service was the highlight of the day. Many former pastors and members were in attendance. Ralph Trecartin, whose father, Homer, was one of the builders of the original church, gave the dedicatory sermon. Jay Gallimore, Michigan Conference president, was also a special guest. Children in all the Sabbath school divisions as well as the Iron Mountain vocal ensemble presented special music. Joan Flood traced the local church history from the church's inception in 1924, and Lois Ring read letters of greeting from former pastors who were unable to attend. Joe Straub, current church pastor, lead in the litany of dedication to conclude the day's services.

Joan Flood, Iron Mountain Church member



The new Iron Mountain Church was dedicated on Nov. 6, 1999.

Columbus Church Holds Old-time Tent Revival Meetings

Indiana — On Sabbath, Aug. 14, 1999, an old-time tent revival began in a large tent set up on the grounds of the 115-member Columbus Church. The canvas tent, with a sawdust trail and above-ground baptismal pool, gave the feeling of stepping back 100 years in time. A banner reading "I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb" set the theme for the week-long revival presented by Pastor Daryl Crane. Recording artist Michael Harris and his wife Amber were flown in from California so he could give the special music each night.

During one meeting a huge thunderstorm headed directly toward the tent. The prayer team assembled and prayed for protection. As the storm approached, it split and went around the tent with only a drizzle to cool off the air at the revival.

A few miles to the south, a woman who had been invited to the meetings decided she would rather stay home and work on her computer. A power surge caused by the storm crashed her computer. She called her friend to see if she was still invited to attend the tent meetings, and that very night she responded to an altar call and gave her life to Jesus Christ. She went to every meeting after that and was later baptized, along with her two children.

A couple who had been attending Adventist churches off and on for several years decided they wanted to be baptized. A frame, lined with a swimming pool liner, was too weak to



The Columbus Church built a "temporary" baptismal tank for their tent meetings. A total of 19 people were baptized.

support the weight of the water the fire department delivered for the baptism. The frame was strengthened, the pool filled, but the frame gave way—twice. On the fourth fill, the frame held and the couple was baptized.

Afterwards an evangelistic series was held in the church by Evangelist Mike Troxell. By the end of the two events, ten people had quit smoking through the "Five Minute Plan" presented to them by Pastor Mike, and 19 people were baptized.

Robert Eastwood, Columbus Church member

Fort Wayne Church Sponsors Burmese Family

Indiana — The Fort Wayne Church was privileged to help sponsor a family from Burma—Kyawzwa Myint (Joe), the 33 year old father; Than Than Aye (Aye), the mother; Khin Aye Myint (Pre), daughter; Chit Oo Myint (Paul), son; and Aye Thandaar Myint (Sweetie), daughter. As refugees that were escaping the fear of death and torment from their government, they escaped, living in the jungle until they found refuge among safe people. They applied for refugee status in 1997, and were waiting to leave Burma. Through all of this, Aye has remained a faithful Seventh-day Adventist, and Joe has been



The Fort Wayne Church has sponsored a Burmese family to immigrate to the United States. Their American names are, from left: Joe, Sweetie, Pre, Aye, and Paul Myint.

baptized into the Lord's remnant church.

When they arrived at Fort Wayne International Airport, they did not know who or if anyone would be there to meet them. A friend they had known in Burma was at the airport to greet them. Her name is Hti Mu, and she has been a great asset to the church as a translator.

The church obtained a two-bedroom apartment for the family and furnished it with donations from the members. This will be the family's home.

We are proud to have played a part in bringing this lovely family to America, where they can enjoy freedom of religion and worship. There are approximately 500 Burmese people living in Fort Wayne.

Paul Merrills, Fort Wayne Church communication leader

Adventist Risk Management Gift Benefits Homeless

Wisconsin — At the 1999 Adventist Risk Management (ARM) conference held in Milwaukee last September, a check for \$30,850.00 was presented to *Bridges for Eternity*, a homeless outreach program sponsored by the Milwaukee area Seventh-



Receiving the donation on behalf of Bridges for Eternity are, from left front: Helen Gibson, Milwaukee Northwest Church coordinator; Nelda Rouleau-Womack, Milwaukee Central Church coordinator. Backing them up are Don Corkum, Wisconsin Conference president; Steve Aust, Milwaukee Northwest Church pastor; Mike Martinez, Milwaukee Central Church pastor; Robert Sweezey, Adventist Risk Management president; and Brian Hamilton, Wisconsin Conference secretary/treasurer.

day Adventists. The urban ministry, began in 1992, is continually expanding.

"We feed and clothe more than 500 individuals and families every month," says Stephen Aust, Milwaukee Northwest Church pastor. "Every city has its share of needy people, and Milwaukee is no exception."

Bridges for Eternity members contribute time and energy on a weekly basis to make this outreach possible. This street ministry outreach provides nutritious meals and clothing as well as toiletries for those living on the ragged edges of our community. This generous contribution from ARM will permit this faith endeavor to expand its scope of ministry.

The Adventist Risk Management conference annually conducts a fund-raising golf tournament, and last year's proceeds were awarded to *Bridges for Eternity*.

James Fox, Wisconsin Conference communication director

Terre Haute Volunteers Make a Difference in Their Community

Indiana — Want to have an exciting, productive day? Are you interested in helping others? Then you should find a project to do in your town on "Make a Difference Day" in October.

Last October 29 students and volunteers from the Terre Haute School drove to the country home of Raymond and Emeline Tyler. When we arrived at 9:00 a.m., we knew that we had quite a job before us. But we knew we could do it.

Behind their house they had a huge pile of ashes and waste products from a burn pile. One of the volunteers had brought a tractor with a front-end loader which we used to scoop up all the trash and debris and deposit it in two rented dumpsters. When the massive job was completed, both dumpsters and

several black plastic bags were full.

While this was happening, other volunteers were mowing the Tyler's lawn, weed-eating, and raking up the remains of the grass and leaves left from the mower. We ended up with about 29 bags of leaves and grass. In addition, we trimmed trees, shrubs, and cut down overgrown brush.

Still other volunteers painted the house. A whole army of ladybugs were flying around us, making the painting very difficult. Luckily the paint dried quickly so they didn't mess up our work. Volunteers washed windows and swept porches and sidewalks. The carpenters repaired siding, hung awnings, and did other repair jobs.

We accomplished a lot of work and even finished by 3:30 in



The Terre Haute volunteers worked hard to transform the Tyler's home and yard on "Make a Difference Day."

the afternoon. It was enjoyable. With perseverance to finish the job, the house and yard shined, like the smiling faces of the volunteers. To make a difference in other people's lives was all the reward we could ever ask for.

Sean Amlaner, Terre Haute tenth-grade student



The volunteers made a difference for Raymond and Emeline Tyler, pictured here with their four great-grandchildren who helped with the project.

the Terre Haute School received a \$250 contribution from the local Wal-Mart.

WORLD CHURCH NEWS

Those Who Hear Will Live!

You know what happens. You've told the story of Jesus to friends, relatives, or strangers. You've seen the Holy Spirit work on their hearts and watched them accept the saving grace of Jesus. It's a life-changing, life-giving experience.

Well, that's what happens to people who hear the good news over Adventist World Radio, perhaps in the privacy of their homes, or in a crowded market place, or in some secret place: they hear the message, and they live! Here are just a few of their stories:

Dencho heard the good news first from some friends. Then one day he prayed, asking the Lord if there was a radio station he could listen to and understand the Word. The answer was immediate: a voice seemed to say, "Listen to your radio at 7 p.m. today." And he did. That was Feb. 1999, when he first heard the Voice of Hope. On May 22, 1999, Dencho entered the baptismal waters with his Savior.

Brother Ho is a new believer in China. The nearest Adventist church is 60 miles away. Once when he attended there, they told him about the Voice of Hope broadcasts on AWR. He promptly bought a radio. He says, "Since then my life has taken on more order. I spend more time listening to your sermons and less time watching TV; more time in reading and less time in chatter. My wife is happy about this change! Your programs have made us a Christian family. We are thankful for this caring God who has brought us such peace and joy."

A long-time listener to AWR, Youssif rejoiced when he found that there was an Adventist Church in one of the cities of the Middle Eastern country where he lives. He said that the Voice of Hope programs filled him with "love for the Lord" and increased his faith. "I would like to inform you that your efforts bore fruit in front of all those who saw me bury my old life in the pool of baptism and start my new life in Jesus on May 22, 1999,"—the same day Dencho was baptized in Bulgaria!

Radio broadcasting, when combined with personal visits and Bible study, becomes a powerful, life-changing medium. Do you want to help people hear the gospel and to live a new life in Christ? AWR is a donor-supported ministry, needing your prayers for the power of the Holy Spirit and your gifts of love. You can start by giving on Mar. 11 in your church for the AWR annual offering. But why not become a regular partner with AWR in sowing the salvation seeds around the world? "Those who hear will live!" John 5:25.

Andrea Steele, Adventist World Radio

ACTS 2000 Revelation of Hope

Approximately 90 churches have registered for the ACTS 2000 series in the Los Angeles area, which began Mar. 3, with a dozen of them planning to support the host-site meetings. At press time, more than 550 churches were registered as downlink sites in North America.

Many have joined in a variety of approaches to prepare the metro area for the series. A Pacific Union-wide prayer support team led off with 10 days of prayer at a local church, 300 lay Bible workers have been trained and have been giving Bible studies and making people aware of the Revelation of Hope meetings, and at least 1,000 persons in the Greater Los Angeles and Orange County areas have been praying for God's blessings on the meetings.

Eight churches in the L. A. Metro area hosted Mark and Teenie Finley's Natural Lifestyle Cooking School, with the first session uplinked live from the Norwalk Church, and the remainder continuing the classes with the use of videos. An archaeological seminar, "In Search of Meaning from the Sands of the Past," was conducted by Tony Moore, Norwalk Church pastor, at the Sequoia Conference Center just before the Revelation of Hope series opened at that location.

The children's meetings are using the "Come Meet Jesus" series with print and video materials that were produced by the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

The ACTS 2000 web site: <www.ACTS2000.org> is providing all sorts of services: information about the satellite coordinates, sermons that may be downloaded from the coordinators' area (user name=angels; password=michael), and the meetings themselves.

Repeatedly, pastors and members are expressing their belief that God is doing great things in the L.A. area at this time. Please pray for the ACTS 2000 meetings in L.A.!

If any churches in the Lake Union territory are downlinking this series, we'd love to hear your conversion stories, as would *It Is Written*. Remember to take close-up pictures of individual baptismal candidates somewhere besides the baptismal tank! Send your story and picture to *It Is Written*, Attn: ACTS 2000 Stories, 101 West Cochran Street, Simi Valley, CA 93065; e-mail message and minimum 150 d.p.i. JPG file to <75122.210@compuserve.com> Photos for publication in the *Lake Union Herald* must be 240 d.p.i. jpg or tif files. Or you can send a regular photo print along with your story to your local conference communication director.

Religious Violence Threatens Adventists in Indonesia

Mataram, Indonesia [*Adventist News Network*] — At least five Seventh-day Adventist church buildings, and up to 20 other Christian churches, have been destroyed in clashes between Muslims and Christians in Indonesia. The sectarian violence had claimed more than 30 lives in ten days, with many of the riots taking place on the predominantly Muslim island of Lombok and on islands within the Maluku region.

John Duroe, Adventist Church spokesperson for the Southern Asia Pacific region, reports that Adventist and other Christian churches have opened their doors to those fleeing the ongoing violence.

"Our main church in Ambon was saved during the Japanese bombing during the Second World War, so the people of Ambon have always thought of it as special," he says. "During the recent rioting it was saved and is now being used as a sanctuary for Christians and Muslims."

John Graz, religious liberty public affairs director for the Adventist Church, has expressed concern about the religious extremism spreading through Indonesia. "As Seventh-day Adventists, we have always encouraged our members not to be involved in violence and to be confident in the justice of their country and in God's protection," he says. "Adventists are nonviolent and try to live in peace with everyone. In such a difficult time we feel close to all victims."

Graz notes, however, that "religious violence" is often used to cover criminal activities. "No religion, neither Islam nor Christianity, encourages violence and assassination," Graz points out. "We hope that the government will make peace between Indonesians of various faiths. We believe that the State has to be independent of religion and work for the good of all citizens without any discrimination."

The Adventist church in Mataram, the capital of Lombok, was destroyed and, according to some reports, anti-Christian slogans painted on its remaining walls. Rioters also destroyed the pastor's house adjacent to the church and burned the home of a church elder.

Bettina Krause

ACS Opens Warehouse in Camilla

Camilla, Ga — Adventist Community Services (ACS) opened a collection and distribution warehouse on Feb. 16 in Camilla, Ga., to aid survivors of the Feb. 14 tornados which devastated the town. ACS disaster response workers arrived in Camilla Monday morning, hours after the mile-wide tornado stormed through the community and have been working closely with the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) and county officials to help those in need.

County officials have confirmed 19 people were killed and more than 100 people were injured by the tornados. Damage has been estimated at more than 200 homes destroyed and up to 800 damaged.

To donate any of the following items call the Adventist Community Services hotline toll free at (800) 381-7171. To donate online visit www.nadadventist.org/comserv/donatenow.htm.

ACS needs the following items: 1) cash donations; 2) cleaning supplies including mops, brooms, buckets, rakes, and shovels; 3) baby items; 4) personal hygiene items for men and women; 5) other items including toilet tissue, paper plates, cups, plastic ware, and can openers. At this time there is no need for used clothing and bottled water.

MILEPOSTS

Within the Lake Union contact your church communication leader or pastor to obtain an official form for submission of information to this column. To obtain forms, persons who now live outside the Lake Union may contact the conference communication director where their membership was held when they lived in the Lake Union. See the conference addresses and phone numbers on page 31.

BIRTHDAYS



Bessie Wartenbe Kuhl celebrated her 100th birthday on Sunday, Dec. 12, by an open house at Rock Haven Nursing Home in Janesville, Wis. She was a member of the Milton (Wis.) Church for 17 years.

Bessie was married to the late Henry Kuhl Jr. and has been a homemaker. Bessie has been an Adventist for 74 years.

Bessie has 2 children: Marvin R. and Marilyn Kuhl of Milton, Wis.; Betty I. and Earl Peters of De Pere, Wis.; 4 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; and 9 great-great-grandchildren.

ANNIVERSARIES



Myrle and Anna Dean celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Nov. 21, 1999, by a reception given by their daughter, Peggy, at Adelphian Jr. Academy Gym, Holly, Mich. They have been members of the Holly Church for 60 years.

Myrle Dean and Anna Greau were married Nov. 23, 1939, in Brightmoor, Mich. by H.B. Taylor. Myrle has been a farmer until 1971, part time for Dept. of Agriculture since 1973. Anna has been a homemaker and part-time worker at the newspaper in Holly.

The Dean family includes Peggy Hoffmeyer of Holly, Mich.



Russell and Faith Thomas celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 26, 1999, by a reception at Swanton Memorial Center, Edenville, Mich. They have been members at Wyandotte, Hastings, Cedar Lake, Oakwood Blvd., Eaton Rapids, and Edenville (Mich.) Churches for 24 years.

Russell Thomas and Faith Cox were married May 29, 1949, in Lansing, Mich., by Pastor Russell Krick. Russell has been a publishing leader in 3 local conferences, 3 unions, and 3 world divisions. Faith has been a homemaker.

The Thomas family includes L. Russell and Beatrice Thomas of Lincoln, Neb.; Kendall and Rebecca Thomas of Caldwell, Idaho; Jay and Helene Thomas of Montmorenci, S.C.; and Shaloy and Leif Penrose of Calhoun, Ga.; 11 grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild.

WEDDINGS

Julie E. Henski and Curt M. Terry were married Dec. 4, 1999, in Holly, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Alvaro Sauza.

Julie is the daughter of Nellie and the late Gerald Henski of Holly, Mich., and Curt is the son of the late Rance Terry, and Mable and Bill Hagler of Gaines, Mich.

The Terrys are making their home in Holly, Mich.

Jessica A. Nelson and Reiker J. Schultz were married Aug. 22, 1999, in Niles, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Elder Gary Thurber.

Jessica is the daughter of Robert and Mary Nelson of Cassopolis, Mich., and Reiker is the son of Richard and Donna

Schultz of St. Charles, Mich.

The Schultzes are making their home in Richland, Mich.

Amy J. Plummer and Chad I. Mishleau were married Dec. 19, 1999, in Neenah, Wis. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Raymond J. Plummer.

Amy is the daughter of Raymond and Sharon Plummer of Madison, Wis., and Chad is the son of Neil and Darlene Mishleau of De Pere, Wis.

The Mishleaus are making their home in Freedom, Wis.

Paula Quick and James Prosser were married Nov. 11, 1999, in Holly, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Dan Towar.

Paula is the daughter of Joseph and Jean Lorenz of Harrison, Mich., and James is the son of Hugh and Virginia Prosser of Brighton, Mich.

The Prossers are making their home in Fenton, Mich.

Kristi M. Schaetzka and Daniel R. Guido were married Sept. 26, 1999, in Oxford, Wis. The ceremony was performed by Pastor William J. Ochs.

Kristi is the daughter of Einar and Rosemarie Olson of Mt. Horeb, Wis., and Daniel is the son of Raymond and Joan Guido of Livermore, Calif.

The Guidos are making their home in Wisconsin Dells, Wis.

OBITUARIES

ANDERSON, Margaret (Kirk), age 74; born Feb. 16, 1925, in South Normanton, Derbyshire, England; died Sept. 10, 1999, in Corunna, Mich. She was a member of the Owosso (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include her husband Martin; sons, Mark and Roger; daughters, Anita Smith and Denise Nguyen; brothers, Harold, George, Frank, Roger, and Alfred Kirk; sister, Ann Pedley; 4 grandchildren; and 1 step-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Larry Pumford, and interment was in Byron (Mich.) Cemetery.

ANDERSON, Marjorie (Lewis), age 84; born July 13, 1915, in Northumberland, England; died Mar. 20, 1999, in Marshfield, Wis. She was a member of the Marshfield Church.

Survivors include her sons, Malcolm and John; daughter, Krys Sinn; and 1 grandchild.

Memorial services were conducted by David Burke, and in-

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terment was in Hillside Cemetery, Marshfield.

BERNARD, Orlaine Z. (DeVries Sutton), age 84; born Aug. 20, 1915, in Orlando, Fla.; died Nov. 1, 1999, in Hermiston, Ore. She was a member of the Mt. Pleasant (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include her sons, John and Glenn Sutton; stepson, James Bernard Jr.; daughters, Dorothy Knecht, Ardith Truby, Barbara Munson, Linette Kelley, and Christina Peterson; stepdaughters Joan and Mary Lou DeWitt; brother, Walter DeVries; sisters, Irene Merrill, Henrietta Ivey, Mary Thorez, and Iva May Gard; 19 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors James Danforth, Larry Pumford, and Danny Velez, and interment was in Oakhill Cemetery, Holly, Mich.

BLACKMER, Norma Jean (Britton), age 70; born Aug. 10, 1929, in Burton, Mich.; died Dec. 30, 1999, in Burton. She was a member of the First Flint Church, Flint, Mich.

Survivors include her husband, Dale L.; sons, Larry, Keith, and Ron; daughter, Bonnie Brown; mother, Eloise Bullock (Rice); brother, Clifford Britton; and 10 grandchildren.

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Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Joel Nephew, and interment was in Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, Mt. Morris, Mich.

BONJOUR, Ella R. (Wickham), age 90; born June 21, 1909, in Hawkeye, Iowa; died Nov. 12, 1999, in Rhineland, Wis. She was a member of the Rhineland Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Waunita Dennis; and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Kevin Ferreira and Jim Herman, and interment was in Collegeview Cemetery, Collegedale, Tenn.

BRUNER, Mary G. (Fletcher), age 89; born Apr. 30, 1910, in Clarksburg, Ind.; died Jan. 5, 2000, in Madison, Ind. She was a member of the Madison Church.

Survivors include her sons, Donald and Tom; brother, Howard Fletcher; 4 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Mike Edge, and interment was in Springdale Cemetery, Madison.



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DUBOIS, Ruby E. (Brown), age 78; born Sept. 14, 1921, in Battle Creek, Mich.; died Nov. 26, 1999, in Battle Creek. She was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Survivors include her husband, Leland C.; son, Conrad L.; daughters, Juana D. Mercer, Gayla S. Metzger, and Susan DuBois; brothers, Clifford and R. Benjamin Brown; stepbrother, Larry Holcomb; sister, Alma M. Ort; stepsisters, Florence Burkhead, Dorothy Hallax, and Rosemary Walmer; and 5 grandchildren.

Cremation services were conducted by Pastor Dale Leamon and Charles Hanlon, and interment was in Dowling (Mich.) Cemetery.

EDWARDS, Gwendolyn I. (Seymour), age 80; born Aug. 28, 1919, in Carmangay, Alberta, Canada; died Nov. 6, 1999, in Burton, Mich. She was a member of the First Flint (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Mary Gorton, Charlette Clark, and Geraldine Statler; brother, Donald Seymour; sisters, Ethel Woods, Virginia Hunter, Barb Carpenter, and Alice Robbins; 11 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Joel Nephew, and interment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Grand Blanc, Mich.

ELLERMAN, Amel, age 69; born June 14, 1930, in Vincennes, Ind.; died July 29, 1999, in Vincennes. He was a member of the Vincennes Church.

Survivors include his wife, Carol D. Landreth; sons, Amel L., William J., and Christopher T.; daughters, Pam Gossage, Elizabeth Sauceman and April Smith; brothers, Edward and August; sisters, Louise Ellerman, Mary Pierce, and Stella Lauder milk; 15 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Donald Inglish and David Fish, and interment was in Memorial Park, Vincennes.

FIVASH, Lois E. (Pierce), age 93; born Mar. 2, 1906, in Leal, N.D.; died Dec. 4, 1999, in Okemos, Mich. She was a member of the University Church, East Lansing, Mich.

Survivors include her daughter, Shirley Ellison; brother, Dale Covert; stepbrother, Willard Lanaville; stepsister, Lucille Pierce; 3 grandchildren; and 6 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Paul Pellandini, and interment was in Wilson (Mich.) Cemetery.

GRETTON, Audrey J., age 75; born Jan. 10, 1924, in Bellevue, Mich.; died Dec. 16, 1999, in Berrien Center, Mich. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include her son, Dennis; daughters, Janice Cronin and Delores Mitchell; brother, Leo Ekins; 4 grandchildren; and 1 great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Victor Hilbert, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs, Mich.

HALEY, Mae W. (Bakeman), age 95; born Nov. 17, 1904, in Silvercreek Twp., Mich.; died Nov. 28, 1999, in Silvercreek Twp. She was a member of the Glenwood Church, Dowagiac, Mich.

Survivors include her stepson, George S. Haley; stepdaughters, Marcia Smith and Myrna Sanders; 13 step-grandchildren; and 14 step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Albert R. Parker, and interment was in Dewey Lake Cemetery, Silvercreek Twp.

HAMP, Marjorie, age 90; born July 17, 1909, in Lansing, Mich.; died Dec. 3, 1999, in Bridgman, Mich. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include her brothers, Willard "Woody" and Robert.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David G. Rand, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

HENDERSON, Glenn S. Jr., age 76; born Aug. 13, 1923, in Lansing, Mich.; died Nov. 1, 1999, in Lansing, Mich. He was a member of the Grand Ledge (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Freda E. (Pierce Hill); sons, Roger Belen, Ron and Thomas Henderson; stepson, Kendall Hill; stepdaughter, Judy Zimmerman; brother, Douglas Henderson; sister, Dawn Beachnau; 13 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Terry Coursey, and interment was in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Lansing, Mich.

HIRSCH, Birdie (Menzies), age 95; born Apr. 3, 1904, in Tomahawk, Wis.; died July 14, 1999, in Tomahawk. She was a member of the Tomahawk Church.

Survivors include her sons, Jim and Russell; daughter, Phyllis L. Alexander; foster children, Rosemary and Ricky Lawrence; 13 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Phyllis Alexander, and interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Tomahawk.

HOLTZ, Anna R. (Douglass Anderson Sicard), age 83; born Mar. 22, 1916, in Grovesprings, Mo.; died Nov. 13, 1999, in Sturgis, Mich. She was a member of the Three Rivers (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include her sons, Roy and Bert Anderson and Sam Sicard; daughter, Nanna Krause; brother, Richard Douglass; sister, Ellen Williams; 16 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Harry C. Hartmann, and interment was in Hagar Township Lake Shore Cemetery, Benton Harbor, Mich.

HOUGHTALING, Betty E. (Gibson), age 75; born May 19, 1924, in Battle Creek, Mich.; died Dec. 13, 1999, in Battle Creek. She was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle.

Survivors include her husband, Robert L. Sr.; son, Robert L. "Buddy" Jr.; daughters, Diana Roush, Linda Jerzyk, Robin Barrett and Betty Lou Eberhard; brothers, William, Robert, and Richard Gibson; sisters, Janice Hughes, Meredith Kolvoord, and Marion Rohrig; and 21 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor F. Dale Leamon, Pastor Bill Cowin and Elder Stan Hickerson, and interment was in Memorial Park Cemetery, Battle Creek.

KAUFMANN, Violet M. (Weatherwax), age 86; born Apr. 3, 1913, in Emmet County, Mich.; died Dec. 8, 1999, in Goetzville, Mich. She was a member of the Petosky (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include her son, Charles; daughter, Edna Mendel; 6 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were con-



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LARMON, Louise, age 84; born Aug. 26, 1915, in Daysville, Ky.; died Jan. 21, 2000, in Bowling Green, Ky. She was a member of the Oxford (Wis.) Church.

A memorial service was conducted by Elders Kenneth Mittleider, Don Schneider, and Ed Couser, with Clayton Breakie, and interment was in Fairview Cemetery, Bowling Green, Ky.

LEWISON, Dorothy E. (McChesney), age 96; born May 21, 1903, in Bethel, Wis.; died Dec. 16, 1999, in St. Helena, Calif. She was a member of the Streeter (Ill.) Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Sonja Gund; and 2 grandchildren.

There was a private interment.

MITCHELL, Cornelia (DeFouw), age 90; born July 8, 1909, in Kalamazoo, Mich.; died Dec. 17, 1999, in Kalamazoo. She was a member of the Kalamazoo Church.

Survivors include her daughters, Shirley Schroen and Blanche

Turner; brother, Thomas DeFouw; sisters, Katherine Sexton and Betty DeFouw; 5 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Michael Nickless, and interment was in Mount Ever-Rest Memorial Park Cemetery, Kalamazoo.

NEFF, Esther H. (Schneider), age 80; born Oct. 12, 1918, in Hebron, N.D.; died Sept. 8, 1999, in Lancaster, Wis. She was a member of the Lancaster Church.

Survivors include her son, Neal; and 2 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Rafael Fernandez, and interment was in Hillside Cemetery, Lancaster.

REGALADO, Carlos R., age 32; born Nov. 14, 1967, in Havana, Cuba; died Nov. 19, 1999, in Lansing, Mich. He was a member of the Lansing Spanish Church.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara (Aguirre); daughter, Grettel; father, Rafael Regalado; mother, Carmen Benitez; and half sister, Dolores Del Nodal.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Paul J. Sanchez, and interment was in St. Joseph Mausoleum, Lansing, Mich.

REHIL, Russell E., age 83; born Oct. 19, 1916, in Hale, Mich.; died Nov. 23, 1999, in Hale. He was a member of the Long Lake (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his son, Dayna L.; sister, Lottie Lambert; and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Jamie Constant, and interment was in Oak Grove Cemetery, South Branch, Mich.

REINHARDT, Louise, age 92; born May 30, 1907, in Sheboygan, Wis.; died Nov. 3, 1999, in Sheboygan. She was a member of the Sheboygan Church.

A grave side service was conducted by Elder Steven Gallimore, and interment was in Lutheran Cemetery, Sheboygan, Wis.

SANCHEZ, Lucila (Mantilla), age 84; born Sept. 17, 1915, in Bogota, Colombia; died Nov. 28, 1999, in Niles, Mich. She was a member of the Niles West-side Church.

Survivors include her sons, Samuel and Daniel; daughters, Sara Herzberg, Esther Sanchez, Elizabeth Converse, and Patricia Sanchez; sister, Sara Penagos; 13 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors John Abbott and Louis Leonor, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs, Mich.

SCHULTZ, Arthur, age 74; born Sept. 15, 1925, in Saginaw, Mich.; died Dec. 19, 1999, in Saginaw. He was a member of the Saginaw Church.

Survivors include his wife, Margueret (Eppeson); sons, Donald and Arthur G.; stepdaughters, Peggy Frazer and Judith Neuenfeldt; and 16 grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Bob Stewart, and interment was in Roselawn Cemetery, Saginaw.

SHAVER, Maren J. (Petersen), age 78; born June 15, 1921, in Benson County, N.D.; died Dec. 28, 1999, in Marshall, Wis. She was a member of the Watertown (Wis.) Church.

Survivors include her husband, Kenneth; sons, Kenneth, J.C., Bruce, and Calvin; stepson, Maren Jean Dowty; brother,

Calvin Peterson; sister, Avis Todorovich; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Stephen Aust, and interment was in Veterans Cemetery, Mandan, N.D.

SHERWIN, Joyce L. (Draper), age 68; born June 4, 1931, in Niles, Mich.; died Nov. 23, 1999, in Battle Creek, Mich. She was a member of the Urban-dale Church, Battle Creek.

Survivors include her husband, Neal; son, David B.; daughter, Linda Thompson; stepdaughter, Audrey Claussen; brothers, Milton and Malcolm Draper; sisters, Maralyn Smith, Ardyce Earhart, Charlene Miller, and Connie May; and 4 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Charles Hanlon, and interment was in Bedford (Mich.) Cemetery.

SOPER, Clayton H. Sr., age 80; born July 30, 1919, in Marinette, Wis.; died Nov. 1, 1999, in Powers, Mich. He was a member of the Wilson (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Beatrice (DePas); sons, Ronald, Clayton Jr., and Joseph; daughters, Joy Palmgren, Marge Wald, Valerie Ristau, Adele Nephew, Lola Grillo, Jeanne Nephew, and Vickie Monday; 17 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Robert C. Quillin and Dan Towar, and interment was in Wilson (Mich.) Church Cemetery.

SPONABLE, William, age 86; born Dec. 20, 1912, in Hastings, Mich.; died Nov. 19, 1999, in Grand Rapids, Mich. He was a member of the Riverside Fellowship, Lowell, Mich.

A memorial service was conducted by Greg Timmins. The body was donated for research.

TAYLOR, Emma (Schaffer), age 84; born Feb. 23, 1915, in Unionville, Mich.; died Nov. 4, 1999, in Berrien Springs, Mich. She was a member of the Jackson (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include her son, Gerald; daughters, Beverly Delaporte and Joyce Metzger; 11 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor David Rand, and interment was in Spring Arbor (Mich.) Cemetery.

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ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

General Information Number: (616) 471-7771

Calendar of Events: Mar. 3—Friday Festival of Faith featuring Ken Weiss, Maranatha; 7:30 p.m., Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC); **4**—Student Concert Series featuring *Divinity*, 8:00 p.m., University Towers/Burman Hall auditorium. Tickets available at AU Bookstore, (616) 471-3287; **5**—Senior Organ Recital featuring Janel Klinger; 7:30 p.m., PMC; **11**—Festive Evensong, *Second Saturday Series*, featuring the PMC Jubilate Ringers; 5:00 p.m., PMC; **11**—Wind

Symphony Pizza & Pops Concert, 8:00 p.m., Campus Center, Wolverine Room; **12**—Beit B'net Zion worship service, 11:30 a.m., University Towers/Burman Hall auditorium; **14–16**—Final exams week; **17–26**—Spring break week; **27**—Spring quarter registration, all schools, 8:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

Last Days—Last Events: A Better Understanding of What Lies Ahead, Mar. 4 and 11. The Adventist Theological Society, Midwest Chapter, will sponsor a panel of speakers who will lead a study of, and answer questions about, end-time events from a Biblical perspective. The clearer

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Brown Bags & Books Series at Andrews University: Apr. 19, 12:30-1:20 p.m., Architecture Resource Center; *Angela's Ashes* by Frank McCourt with discussion leader Beverly Matiko, associate professor of communication and English at Andrews. Brown Bags is a quarterly book discussion group sponsored by the James White Library. Open to the public, the aim of the group is to provide an opportunity for AU students, faculty, staff, and community members to discuss books and ideas of current interest. For more information contact Lauren Matacio at (616) 471-6062.

Andrews University alumni homecoming will be Apr. 27-30. The theme for the first alumni weekend of the new millennium will be a call to the mission God has entrusted to each one of us. In the spirit of J. N. Andrews, our university would like to reaffirm its commitment of service to our church, our communities, and our world. Special reunions are planned for the classes of 1930, '40, '50, '60, '70,

'75, '80, '90. Another feature is a reunion of former student missionaries and task force workers, emphasizing our "Educated for Service" theme. Dust off your yearbooks and plan to attend! For more information, please write or call the Alumni House, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104-0950; (616) 471-3591; or e-mail alumni@andrews.edu. Check out our web site at: http://www.andrews.edu/alumni/upcoming_events.

EMC Class of 1950 Reunions ... Reunion Apr. 27-30. Plan to join classmates on Andrews campus for our 50-year celebration. Response has been great. Alumni office has great things planned, too. Conn Arnold is planning on you coming. If you like, plan to see Dead Sea Scrolls at Field Museum in Chicago. Contact Marty Anderson for details at (847) 498-0572; or e-mail martyanderson@ameritech.net.

A James White Library reunion for all former staff and student assistants is planned for alumni weekend, Apr. 28-30. For more information, contact Rebecca Twomley at (616) 471-3549 or twomley@andrews.edu or visit the library web site at <http://www.andrews.edu/library>.

Adventist Lifestyle: Its Relevancy Today, an international health conference at Andrews University July 12-15, will fea-

ture health leaders from the General Conference, nutrition professors from Loma Linda and Andrews Universities, as well as presenters from the Adventist Theological Seminary. A wide range of lectures and workshops on current topics will be presented. For more information, call (616) 471-3370 or e-mail wraig@andrews.edu or click on "Health Conference" at the web site www.andrews.edu/NUFS/

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Special days: Mar. 25—Disabilities Awareness Sabbath; 25—13th Sabbath: South Pacific Division. Apr. 1—Missionary Magazines; 1—Stewardship Sabbath.

ILLINOIS

Broadview Academy 2000 homecoming weekend, May 4-6. Welcome to all grads, former students, teachers, and friends. We've planned a great weekend, including Chicago River trip, golf, walks, and view of Dead Sea Scrolls at Field Museum. Plan to come to start the 21st century renewing friendships. Honored classes: '40, '50, '60, '70, '75,

'80, '90. Contact Marty Anderson for details at (847) 498-0572 or martyanderson@ameritech.net or alumni office, (630) 232-7441. We're looking forward to seeing you.

INDIANA

Homecoming for the Elkhart Church, May 6. All former members are invited. For information call: (219) 522-0372 or (219) 264-5879.

MICHIGAN

A Stephen Wallace Revival Seminar will be presented at the St. Johns Church each Friday night and Sabbath Apr. 28-May 6. Both Sabbaths, a potluck dinner will follow the 11:00 a.m. church service. Please call Pastor Olan Thomas (517) 651-7107 or Stacia Rivas at (517) 682-4866 for the exact times of the services.

The 2000 Singles Retreat, sponsored by the Michigan Conference family ministries department, will be held at Camp Au Sable on Apr. 21-23. For more information, call Michelle at (517) 485-2226, ext. 270.

Adelphian Academy homecoming 2000 will be June 9-10. Friday evening vespers: Holly Church, 16180 Fish Rd., 7:30 p.m., June 9. Sabbath school, 9:30 a.m., and worship service, 11:00 a.m., June 10 in the old Holly High School auditorium. Go east on E. Maple about one mile from main corners downtown. At the large high school sign, turn right (south). Use north doors. Building open at 8:30 a.m. Potluck in cafeteria, same building, following worship service. Music and meditation: Holly Church, 3:30 p.m. Honor classes: 1975, '60, '50 and beyond.

WISCONSIN

Wisconsin Academy alumni homecoming will be Apr. 14-15. Vespers, 7:30 Friday evening, Alice Priser, speaker. Sabbath school, 9:30 a.m., class of 1990. Church, 11:00, Lenard Jaecks, speaker. Honored classes are 1990, '80, '75, '70, '60, '50, '40, '30. Come and enjoy renewing old friendships and making new acquaintances. Projections are that we will be breaking ground for the new cafeteria during the weekend. For more information, please call Marcia Sigler at (920) 623-3300 or e-mail walibr@wi.net.

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Average Membership Basis						Increase		% Per Capita	
30-Sep-99	1998	Conference	1999	1998	(Decrease)	Inc.	-Decr.	1999	1998
11,323	11,282	Illinois	8,431,835	8,184,383	247,452	3.02%		744.66	725.44
6,039	5,816	Indiana	5,801,016	5,169,619	631,398	12.21%		960.59	888.86
23,319	22,842	Lake Region	9,308,603	8,672,493	636,110	7.33%		399.19	379.67
23,466	23,294	Michigan	24,047,600	22,801,150	1,246,450	5.47%		1024.78	978.84
<u>6,281</u>	<u>6,219</u>	Wisconsin	<u>5,194,288</u>	<u>4,675,764</u>	<u>518,524</u>	<u>11.09%</u>		<u>826.98</u>	<u>751.85</u>
70,428	69,453	Totals	52,783,342	49,503,407	3,279,935	6.63%		749.47	712.76
Tithe per Week			1,015,064	951,989	63,076	6.63%			

2000 Sunset Calendar

	Mar. 10	Mar. 17	Mar. 24	Mar. 31	Apr. 7	Apr. 14
Berrien Springs, Mich.	6:46	6:54	7:02	7:09	8:17	8:25
Chicago	5:52	5:59	6:07	6:15	7:22	7:30
Detroit	6:33	6:41	6:49	6:57	8:04	8:12
Indianapolis	6:47	6:54	7:01	7:08	7:14	7:22
La Crosse, Wis.	6:05	6:14	6:22	6:31	7:38	7:47
Lansing, Mich.	6:39	6:47	6:55	7:04	8:11	8:19
Madison, Wis.	5:58	6:07	6:15	6:23	7:31	7:38
Springfield, Ill.	6:01	6:08	6:15	6:22	7:28	7:35

WORLD CHURCH

Valley Grande Academy announces its annual homecoming weekend Mar. 24-25. Honor classes are 1940, '50, '60, '70, '80, '90, and '95. The Sabbath service speaker will be Ron Childers, faculty member from 1975 to 1985. All former students are invited and encouraged to attend.

Union College homecoming weekend, Apr. 6-9. *Serving the World in the Next Millennium. Reunion of the Golden Cords* is the theme for this year's homecoming at Union College. All Union College alumni and Golden Cord recipients are invited to return. Honor classes are '30, '40, '50, '60, '70, '75, '80, and '90. For reservations or more information, contact the UC Alumni Office at 3800 S. 48th St., Lincoln, NE 68506; (402) 486-2503; or alumni@ucollege.edu.

Shenandoah Valley Academy alumni weekend Apr. 14-16. Speaker for Sabbath worship service will be Tom Decker, '80. Other events: Fri. golf tournament, Sabbath afternoon choir reunion of Robert Young's choir (1975-79), road rally Sun. Call Jan Strickland Osborne (540) 740-3161, ext. 213 for more information.

Jefferson Adventist Academy alumni weekend will be Apr. 21-23. For further information, contact Brenda Hiser Wilson, P.O. Box 187, Jefferson, TX 75657; or e-mail bobmwil@iamerica.net.

School of Allied Health Professions, Loma Linda University: The fourth alumni homecoming weekend will be held Apr. 27-30. The homecoming will feature continuing education credit for clinical laboratory scientists, dietitians, health information managers, occupational therapists, physical therapists, radiation technologists, respiratory therapists, and speech pathologists. An alumni banquet will be held on Sat. evening, Apr. 29. Contact (800) 422-4LLU (School of Allied Health Professions) for advance registration.

The Association of Seventh-day Adventist Librarians (ASDAL) is taking applications for the \$1,000 D. Glenn Hilts Scholarship until May 15. To qualify, applicants must be accepted into a library science program accredited by the American Library Association and must

expect to complete their degree within the next two years. For information and application forms, contact Paulette Johnson, chair, ASDAL Scholarship and Awards Committee, Pacific Union College Library, One Angwin Ave., Angwin, CA 94508-9705; (707) 965-6244; fax 965-6504; or e-mail pjohanson@puc.edu.

ADVENTIST COMMUNICATION NETWORK SCHEDULE

Mar. 1, 7:30-8:30 p.m.—First Wednesday

Mar. 3-Apr. 15, 7:00-8:45 p.m.—ACTS 2000, Mark Finley, speaker. Register to receive materials by calling toll free (888) 664-5573.

Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25, 11:00 a.m.—noon—Adventist Worship Hour

Mar. 11, 4:30-5:30 p.m.—Together Again Roundtable

Mar. 28, 1:00-4:30 p.m.—PREACH III. "Authentic Ministry in an Image-Conscious Age." These seminars are possible because of the partnership between ACN and the GC Ministerial Association. Each of the two previous seminars attracted more than 7,000 clergy and lay leaders of various denominations. Approximately 30 percent of those attending are Seventh-day Adventists, while 70 percent are from other denominations.

The 2000 theme is "Inside/Out: Authentic Ministry in an Image-Conscious Age." The four presenters are Dr. Haddon Robinson, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary; Dr. Andrea Luxton, Newbold College; Dr. Barry Black, U.S. Navy Chaplaincy Service; and Dr. Paul Scott Wilson, Toronto School of Theology. Each of these individuals will speak on issues of interest to clergy and lay leaders.

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Then Eddie called my name. More than just a jock, Eddie was an athlete who outplayed almost everyone and still got great grades in math. From his powerful position as captain, he

was one who determined our fate each day at recess, a ruler who dished

out acceptance or rejection by assigning spots on the line-up card.

One day Eddie came over to me after school and asked, Hey Dick, would you like to learn how to play first base?

We began practice that afternoon on the empty field.

Eddie hit me grounders, threw me hard line drives, and encouraged me into catching a few. Then he showed me how to hold a bat and stand at the plate like I knew what I was doing.

The next day I was the first person Eddie chose at recess. The other kids laughed at both of us, but fiercely proud of my new friend, I eagerly gave him my very best. No, I didn't win the player-of-the-game award, but I didn't blow every play either.

That afternoon Eddie gave me more pointers on how to handle high throws and grounders (I had missed several of those). Then he asked if I would be his first baseman for the rest of the season. I can still feel my smile of acceptance.

For months (and on through much of academy) Eddie guided my life as an athlete. I was on his team for baseball, football, volleyball, and even basketball. Many of my afternoon and after-work hours were spent with him learning the basics of throwing, catching, dribbling, and serving.

Although I haven't become expert or fully proficient in any sport, I have learned to enjoy playing the games. That enjoyment extends now to sailboarding on the lake, shouting for the Tigers, and wondering at the Broncos.



Even more importantly, I have learned that reaching out to feel the hurts and meet the needs of others is much more valuable than being best at a game.

All because of Eddie.

Dick Duerksen



This page is dedicated to youth of all ages. The N.A.D. Center for Youth Evangelism is based in the Lake Union Conference, Box C, Berrien Springs, MI 49103. Pastor Ron Whitehead, director. You may contact them with your ideas, concerns, and questions at (800) YOUTH -2-U.

PROFILES OF YOUTH



Jamie Lee

A graduate from Great Lakes Academy in 1996, **Jamie Lee** is currently a senior at Andrews University. He will graduate this year with a bachelor's degree in computer engineering and a minor in mathematics. A two-year member of the Andrews University Wind Symphony, his interests include playing the tuba, rock climbing, computers, and wood carving.

Jamie has spent five summers working at Camp Au Sable in Grayling, Mich., is an intern in the Andrews University Leadership Initiative, and is a Resident Advisor (R.A.) at Meier Men's Residence Hall. According to the 22-year-old, his work as an R.A. has taught him how to be a good servant, just as Christ was. "Jamie has the type of qualities that would make you proud to call him your son," says Jack Mentges, associate dean of men at Andrews University.

Jamie is a member of the Onaway Church in Onaway, Mich., where his parents, Dale and Wanda Lee, are teachers at the Onaway Adventist Elementary School.

Jacqlynn Curtis, a 1997 graduate of Great Lakes Academy, is currently a junior at Andrews University. Despite double majors in speech pathology and elementary education, Jacqlynn still finds time to serve as a Resident Advisor (R.A.) at Lamson Women's Residence Hall. Serving as a mentor and friend to 60 young women who live in Lamson, Jacqlynn says that her responsibilities teach her patience, how to deal effectively with different personalities, and how to creatively integrate witnessing into her life. "You don't always have to sit down and have Bible study with someone to witness to them," she says. "A smile and a 'hello' can be great witnessing tools."

The 21-year-old's personal witnessing has included working with magabooks for eight summers. In November of 1999, she received a special award from the organization for her long-term commitment.

Originally from Fenton, Mich., Jacqlynn is a member of the Holly Church. She is the daughter of Charlotte Curtis.



Jacqlynn Curtis

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