



August Newsletter

Sequim Seventh-day Adventist Church Newsletter

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PAE School News

by Michelle Noonan

It's almost that time again, when the kids go back to school! PAES has been busy all summer long, preparing for the upcoming school year. We had to get creative with the increased enrollment numbers. With that being said, the school board came up with a plan to introduce two more part-time teachers.



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Lynn Berg will be teaching grades 3-8 in the morning, and I will teach them in the afternoon. Elizabeth Smith will be teaching grades K-2 in the afternoon, and I will teach them in the morning.

The first day of school is August 21! We will be sending an email out to all the parents about the supply list. If you don't receive an email this week, please contact us! My phone number is 704-699-9202. Also, please see the article below about the upcoming school work bee, followed by lunch and games. We hope to see you all there! We are all looking forward to another great school year! We appreciate all your support!

School Work Bee

by Merwin Stewart

Come at 9:00 am on Sunday, August 13 and help us get our school ready for a new year of study. Activities needed include indoor cleaning, outdoor yard care, and storage organization. Lunch will follow at 12:00 noon with burgers including all the fixings, potato salad, baked beans, and beverages, then enjoy some outdoor games after the meal. Bring your yard tools, lawn chairs, and a canopy if you have one. See you at the Peninsula Adventist Elementary School at 255 Medsker Road in Sequim.

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Goodbye from Byers and Schneider Families

We want to thank our church family for their love, support, and friendship through the last 12 years. Also thank you for showing love to Heidi's parents, David & Judy Schneider, over the last 7 years. We will miss our family, friends, church family, and home here so much. Moving to North Carolina wasn't initially on our radar as far as academy locations, but we feel God is leading us there. So many of you have loved us and prayed for us through the years and with our recent decision to move. We have definitely seen God answer prayers in unexpected ways. What is overwhelming to us is possible with God. Thank you to each one who has helped us and prayed for us. We will always remember our Sequim church family and the love you have shown us. You have also pushed us to grow and use talents we didn't know we had. Thank you for that opportunity. We hope to see each of you again in our Forever Home!

With love & hugs,

Branton, Heidi, Nathan, Caden and Kylee Byers

Student Sponsorship

by Mary Thayne

Summer is half over and we need to be thinking about our upcoming school year. Last year ended pretty well as far as the Student Sponsorship Fund is concerned. Of course, you remember that this fund aids families who want their children to have a Christian education, but need help in paying the tuition at Peninsula Adventist Elementary School.

Last year we helped five families. This year it looks as if we will have at least seven families asking for help. (Praise the Lord that this means more students for the school!)

Please be thinking about how you can help support our church school in this situation. Donating on a regular basis or a larger amount on a one time only basis is appreciated. Using a Tithe and Offering Envelope, enter the amount of your donation on the line stamped Student Sponsorship, put your check into the envelope, and place it in the offering container in the lobby, or get it to the treasurer or secretary.

We really are thankful for your support!

"Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Cor. 9:7

Library Corner

by Mary Thayne

Some new-to-us books have been placed on the Book Cart in the hallway at the church.

No Peace for a Soldier; A Historical Epic of Faith and Courage in the Face of Persecution. by Walter C. Utt and Helen Pyke. A historically accurate portrayal of the plight of the Huguenots and Vaudois (Waldenses).

Daniel; Wisdom to the Wise. by Zdravko Stefanovic. Commentary on the book of Daniel.

The Prodigal Daughter; A True Story. by Kay D. Rizzo. A young woman leaves home amid the protests and tears of her father.

The Battle is the Lord's; Spiritual Strategies for Victory in your Daily Struggles. By James W. Gilley. Five steps to overcoming unhealthy fear, four ways to deal with anxiety, three remedies to help you find relief from stress.

Jesus Only! by Geoffrey E. Garne. Word pictures of Jesus.

A Row of Corn and the Hand of the Lord

by Bill Tucker

When I was a teenager, I lived in the Philippines, where my father was the ministerial director for the North Philippine Union. Once in the early 1960s, I went with my parents to the beautiful campus of Mountain View College in the South Philippines. My father was the speaker for the school's Week of Prayer.

While we were there, campus officials gave us a tour of the college's extensive farm. We saw many fields of corn, soybeans, sugarcane, and pineapples. At this same time we witnessed the evidence of God's protection and of His kept promises.

School officials showed us where a terrible plague of locusts had just raged through the surrounding region a few days before and had destroyed all crops in one swift moment of time. According to our hosts, the locusts headed straight toward the fields of full-ripened corn at Mountain View College.

Students and faculty prayed earnestly that God would rebuke the devourer, as He had promised. After all, this was His college, these were His fields, this was His corn, and they were His people who had been faithful in returning to Him tithes and offerings, according to Malachi 3:10, 11.

The locusts completely destroyed the crops of a farm immediately adjacent to the college and ravaged the first row of ripened corn on the college property. And then, suddenly, incredibly, they died, right there at the first row of college corn. They stacked themselves up nearly two feet deep along that first row of the corn and expired.

I stood with others of the college, gazing with awe at the heaps of millions of dead locusts still stacked up where they had died, as it were, "in their tracks." Miraculously and dramatically God had destroyed the locusts. I saw the dead locusts, and I saw the living corn. God had turned impending disaster into a marvelous time of rejoicing and thanksgiving for His deliverance.

It isn't hard to guess the impact that experience and the evidence I saw with my own eyes have had on my personal covenant relationship with God in tithes and offerings.

"I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit," says the Lord Almighty." Malachi 3:11, NIV.

[taken from *Over & Over Again! 150 Adventists Share Personal Faith Stories About Stewardship.* 1998. NAD. Edited by Ronald Allan Knott]

August Birthdays

- 2 Joseph Barcellos
- 3 Agnieszka Niemeyer
- 6 Merwin Stewart
- 9 Jerry Ellquist
- 13 Abigail Berry
- 13 Daryl Trowbridge
- 14 Kezya Bell
- 14 Rebecca Bullard
- 15 Melvin Casey
- 16 Don Daniel
- 16 Willard Henkes
- 16 Michelle Noonan
- 17 Kenna Jo Bradley



Ladies Picnic by Leslie Bagwell

Tuesday, July 18th, 11 ladies met at Pioneer Park for the Summer Monthly Picnic Lunch. The weather was perfect as was the fellow(lady) ship. All ladies are welcome. It's a no fuss, BYOL&C (bring your own lunch & chair). Our just come and visit, food not required! Our next one will be **Tuesday, August 22nd, 11:30** at Pioneer Park. Just look for a group having lots of fun!

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| 19 Emily Stober | 28 Pam Henkes |
| 21 Sandy Holbrook | 28 Rachel Levitan Blake |
| 21 Kathy Mitchell | 29 Caden Byers |
| 23 Edith Blaich | 30 Jackie Jager |

August 2023 Church Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>ACS</i> <i>10am-12pm</i>	2 <i>Prayer Meeting</i> <i>6:30pm</i>	3	4	5 <i>Church Picnic at</i> <i>Camp Kruse</i> <i>1:00pm</i>
6	7 <i>Elder's Meeting</i> <i>6:30pm</i>	8	9 <i>Prayer Meeting</i> <i>6:30pm</i>	10	11	12 <i>Mission Spotlight</i> <i>10:45am</i>
13 <i>PAES Registration /</i> <i>Work Bee 9:00am</i> <i>Picnic & Games at</i> <i>PAES 12:00pm</i>	14 <i>School Board</i> <i>Meeting</i> <i>6:30pm</i>	15 <i>ACS</i> <i>10am-12pm</i>	16 <i>Prayer Meeting</i> <i>6:30pm</i>	17	18	19
20 <i>Church Newsletter</i> <i>Deadline</i>	21 <i>First Day of PAE</i> <i>School 8:00am</i> <i>Church Board</i> <i>Meeting 6:30pm</i>	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 <u>Upcoming Events</u> Registration for Pathfinder and Adventurer Clubs Sept. 13 Pizza & Game Night Sept. 24 Grow the School with Teresa Kelchner		

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