

# news@nuggets

#### Sheridan's Small Congregation Reaches Out to

**Community** » In the historic town of Sheridan, Wyoming where the Old West still casts its charm and cowboys meet over coffee, the small country Seventh-day Adventist Church with some 30 attending members is holding an evangelistic series for its community, a community of more than 18, 000.

Meeting six days each week for three to four weeks, RMC president Ed Barnett, lay members, Diane Larkin, Linda Kelly, and Bob Pooley, along with Pastor Chuck Gadway present the gospel to the nearly 20 visitors, a number that almost doubles their current attendance.

The members are "very loving and caring," comments Barnett, who didn't want to spend time doing evangelism if the members weren't going to welcome new people into the family. Two have already asked to be

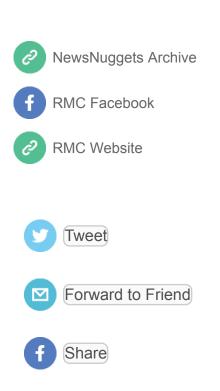


baptized and Barnett believes that number will climb to five by the end of the series.

The Sheridan pastor "is a real evangelist, a great preacher," said Barnett of Chuck Gadway who pastors not only the Sheridan Church, but also Gillette, Buffalo, Newcastle, and Upton.

During the Sheridan gatherings, the first six meetings presented the primacy of Jesus Christ, explained Barnett, and went on to cover prophecies and a number of Adventist beliefs. "It's not enough just to love Jesus," he continued, quoting the verse from John 14:15 which says, "If you love me, keep my commands." Accepting Jesus means that our Friday, April 20, 2018

"At the end of your life, you will never regret not having passed one more test, not winning one more verdict and not closing one more deal. You will regret time not spent with a husband, a friend, a child, or a parent."



- Barbara Bush

life will change and our love will manifest itself in the way we live.



With the goal of presenting two evangelistic series each year, Barnett is already booked through 2019.

An 11-year-old visitor, attending with her grandmother who became an Adventist a couple years ago, said, "I want to be baptized like my grandma."

--Carol Bolden; top photo by Ed Barnett

#### Newly-Trained Volunteer Team Successfully Wraps up Effort for Colorado Springs

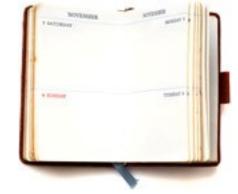
> Volunteers are crucial to making Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief successful. A recent fire in Colorado Springs has proven that.

Named advisor for the Colorado Springs Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief (ACS DR) team of volunteers, Kathy Hayden, a member of the Pueblo Church, worked with a team who had never before opened a Community Collection Center nor a Distribution Center. Thankfully, they had been trained in donations operations just the weekend before the fire.



Set up in the gymnasium at Springs Adventist Academy, the Collection and Distribution Center was used each weekend by other groups which posed a potential conflict. Both the Sabbath group and the Sunday group, however, believed that ACS was doing good work and shouldn't have to move their set-up each weekend. The groups were happy to use one side of the gymnasium to make room for ACS, even though that included Easter weekend.

One councilwoman from Colorado Springs held them in



## **Upcoming Events**

Pathfinder Bible Experience April 21, 21

Hispanic Children's Ministries Certification April 28, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Hispanic Youth Rally March 28, Arvada

**SW Town Hall Meeting** *April 28, Pinon Hills Church* 

Hispanic INTEL Class May 4, 5

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Memorial Day -- Office Closed May 4, 5

Adventurer Fun Day May 6, 7 a.m.

Campion Board May 7, 9 a.m.

**NE Town Hall, Campion** *May 19* 

Pathfinder Fair --Torrington, WY May 20

Hispanic Public Evangelism May 25, 26

MHA Graduation May 26, 8:30 p.m.

Campion Graduation *May 27, 10 a.m.* 

extreme reserve, not sure they would know how to take care of her people, but the staff she sent to check them out were amazed at how organized and nice it was, according to Kissner. "The City of Colorado Springs now realizes what we can do during a disaster," she commented.

"The team worked so well together to meet the needs of those impacted by the fire and showed the love of the Father to those in need. This was their first event and they were amazing," said Cathy Kissner, RMC Director of ACS.

Set up March 29, the Collection and Distribution Center helped 54 families, giving out 6,597 items during their 14 days in operation. When they closed on April 11, the volunteer hours had reached 728.

-- Carol Bolden; photo by Kathy Hayden



Introducing Camp Season at Glacier View Ranch and Mills Spring Ranch » More than 600 campers spend a week at Rocky Mountain Conference's camps each summer where, according to youth director Steve Hamilton, "they have time to experience life in a way that seems as if the clock has slowed down". With time to experience nature and learn about the Creator's love, camp counselors and other staff want the sights and sounds of nature and worship to be imprinted on their minds and hearts. They want their experience to be so impactful that it continues to affect the way they live their lives.

This sounds idyllic, but new regulations by Colorado's Child Care Licensing is causing some frustration. With this new restriction, camp staff must have camper medical files in hand ten days prior to the camper arriving at camp. This means that campers can no longer register up to the time their camp begins and are not able to invite friends to register beyond the ten-day limitation.

Another frustration is the youth labor law. Typically, we hire 13 entry-level positions during summer camp at Glacier View Ranch, which include kitchen, housekeeping and maintenance. Camp leaders have valued the opportunity these positions provide as they are a great place to start in camp ministry, giving students the opportunity to experience camp leadership. Workers could begin while in high school or academy and work their way into positions that interest them during their college years. Hispanic INTEL Class June 1, 2

NE Colorado Camp Meeting 7 p.m., June 1, 2

Staff Meeting June 4

Executive Committee 9:30 a.m., June 5

**NW Town Hall -- Grand Junction** June 9

Hispanic Prayer Ministry Training June 12

Hispanic Town Hall --Denver South Hispanic June 16

**GVR Board** June 19

**RMC Property & Trust** *June 20* 

Pathfinder/Adventurer Basic Staff/Master Guide Training Brighton Academy June 23, 24

Cowboy Camp Meeting July 11, June 11 - 15

Wyoming Camp Meeting July 17 - 21



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news! » News Nuggets is

This year, they are no longer able to hire 16 and 17-year old students unless they have graduated from high school.

The stringent labor law makes it difficult to hire students while they are in academy, which has created a staffing crisis this year as certain positions, especially kitchen workers, are desperately needed.

In the future, they hope to implement a work-study program which will allow 16 and 17-year old high school students to work at summer camp.

Steve Hamilton is asking that campers register early. Ten days before their camp starts is too late, he says. To register, go to <u>https://www.ultracamp.com/clientlogin.aspx?idCamp=56</u> **Glacier View Ranch, Colorado** 

#### <u>Cub I</u>

June 10 – June 17 Ages 7 – 10 \$275.00 Cub II June 17 – June 24 Age 8 – 11 \$275.00 <u>Junior</u> June 24 – July 1 Ages 10 – 12 \$295.00 Family July 1 - 8All ages!  $140 + \log$ Teen Outpost July 8 – July 15 Age 13 – 17 \$335.00 **Teen** July 15 – July 22 Ages 13 – 17 \$295.00 Mills Spring Ranch, Wyoming Summer Camp

July 22 – 29 Ages 9 – 17 \$210.00 -- RMC*News* with Steve Hamilton

## COMMENTARY

When I was in college, the sporting world was a-buzz with the name "Roger Bannister." Bannister was a medical student your publication. We strive to provide news and information expressing our church life. Every church, every family, every individual has a story to tell. We are inviting pastors and secretaries of churches and institutions within the Rocky Mountain Conference to share with us relevant information -- about developments, issues, notable events, as well as experiences of church members.

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in the UK, but his passion was running. At 6'2" and 154 pounds, he seemed to have the physical equipment for running, but more than that, he had the resolve.

Bannister's obsession was to run a mile in less than four minutes. Though runners had chased that goal for decades, the then-current world record was just over four minutes, set nine years earlier.

Pundits assured the world that no one would ever run a subfour minute mile because the human body was not capable of sustaining that level of physical exertion for that period of time. Bannister believed they were wrong and set out to prove it.

Late on a cloudy afternoon, May 6, 1954, 25-year-old Bannister and five other athletes readied at the starting blocks on the track at Oxford University. Three minutes and 59.4 seconds later, Roger Bannister collapsed, fully spent, into the arms of his handlers, the first person ever to run a mile in less than four minutes. The sports world went crazy. Later that summer, he would race again and shave three seconds off his record.

Roger Bannister died March 8, 2018 at the age of 88. He had become a famed neurologist, but also the victim of advanced Parkinson's disease complicated by disabling injuries received in an automobile accident. However, that is not the end of the Bannister story.

When the athletic world discovered that the human body could run a mile in less than four minutes, others began to attack that summit. Since then, more than 17 seconds have been shaved off the record which now stands at 3:43:14. But here is the astonishing face: a total of 4,518 runners have broken the four-minute mile since Bannister's record, including more than a dozen high school students.

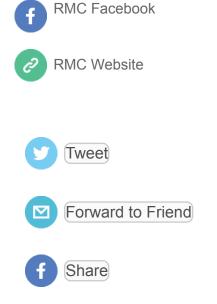
Here is my take-away: Many victories are never claimed if we can't bring ourselves to believe they're achievable. What might happen if we trusted the Coach and His promise that "nothing is impossible?" Might His goal be that your church make a significant impact on your city? Might His goal be standing-room only when your congregation gathers? Might His goal be that your church become a force for the changing of lives . . . scores, hundreds?

What do you believe is possible for your church? Are you satisfied it matches His goal?

-- Don Jacobsen, author of Okay, All Together Now

## DATES TO REMEMBER

CAMP MEETINGS 2018La Vida MissionMay 11-13--newLa Vida Mission





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NE Colorado	June 1-2
Speaker: Clifford Goldstein	
Cowboy	July 11015
Wyoming	July 17-21
Western Slope	August 1-4
Speaker: Michael Ryan	
Hispanic	Aug 31- Sept

Campion Academy

Silver Jack Reservoir Mills Spring Ranch Mountaintop Retreat

**Glacier View Ranch** 

## **RMC** Town Hall Meetings March 17—SE Colorado—Colorado Springs Central Church March 24—Metro—Denver South Church

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April 14—Wyoming—Casper Church April 28-SW-Piñon Hills Church

May 19-NE-Campion Church

June 9-NW-Grand Junction Church

June 16-Metro Hispanic-Denver South Hispanic (6:00pm presentation only)

Format of each meeting:

Seminars: 4:00-5:00pm

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Supper: 6:00-6:30pm

Presentation: 6:30-8:30pm



Seminar Topics May Include:

Giving a Bible Study	A Church's First Impression
Deacon/Deaconess Workshop	<b>Diabetes Prevention</b>
Estate Planning	Communication
Stewardship	Youth Ministry in the Local Church
	Elders' Workshop

## SABBATH SERVICES AT YELLOWSTONE

**Rocky Mountain Pastors** will be at Yellowstone National Park beginning every Sabbath from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Traveling through Yellowstone this summer? Join them for worship beginning at 10 a.m. each Sabbath in Old Faithful Lodge.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Love Reality Tour Comes to Grand Junction » Join the Love Reality Tour at 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., April 18-21, at the Grand Junction Church. The Love Reality Tour seeks to communicate a lifestyle of IDENTITY, PURPOSE, and WORTH rooted int he Love of the Father. Our IDENTITY is secure in our standing as sons and daughters of God through our adoption as children. Our PURPOSE is to manifest God in experiences of church members.

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love through the Spirit. Our WORTH is equal to the value that the Father placed on us when He gave His only Son. To live and move from the confidence that we are sons and daughters with immense value is to live a life of meaning and freedom; a life in His LOVE REALITY.

**"Behold, He Comes" Concert, April 21** » With trumpet lifted high, the Denver South Church choir, orchestra, and community friends will offer a spiritually-uplifting concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, **April 21** at Denver South Church.

"It's exciting to see church members and friends take initiative by creating an event that will welcome participants to use their gifts and impact attendees in a positive way," remarked Denver South pastor, Christian Martin.

Enjoy a small foretaste of the greatest event to come with beautiful spiritual music taken from diverse genres in a poignant and relatable message with heart-touching drama.

For more information, contact Missy Wherley at 720-985-8949.

**Next Step in Donations Management** » Adventist Community Services leadership will hold a seminar from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, **April 22** at HMS Richards Elementary School (on Campion Academy campus).

The next step in your community services training is a simulation of a Community Collection Center, a Distribution Center and a Multi-Agency Warehouse.

Bring one non-perishable food item or personal hygiene item to use in sorting practice. At the end of the day, these items will be given to the Loveland ACS Center.

If anyone you know is interested in ACS DR work, please invite them. RSVP to Cathy Kissner at 970-201-3799. She needs a head count for number of potatoes to bake.

**Lighthouse Christian School** » You Are Invited to attend the Fort Morgan Lighthouse Christian School registration, spring program, and open house at 6:30 p.m. on **April 25.** The spring program, "Grandpa, Tell Me About the Farm," is a patriotic musical featuring Colorado historical events, as well as a tribute to farmers. The evening will conclude with K-8 registration and open classrooms with displays of student portfolios which will include science reports, STEAM projects, brochure designs, and computer coding projects. Open to everyone--school families, veterans, farmers, or anyone who simply enjoys watching children's musicals. Come help us honor our country, our God, and Seventh-day Adventist Christian education.

Canon City Church » The Canon City SDA Church will be

offering a dynamic series of meetings entitled "<u>The Shadow of</u> <u>His Wings</u>" This series is presented by Pathway To Paradise, Dr. Tim Rumsey. You can find more information on the presentation at www.PathwayToParadise.org Scheduled from Friday, **April 27** through Sabbath, May 5, all meetings are at 7:00 p.m. except for the two Sabbath morning services. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, go to www.PathwayToParadise.org Use for April 20.

**Children's Ministry Certification** » From 9 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on Sabbath, **April 28**, those interested in children's ministry have the opportunity to become certified. NAD speakers will present Track 2 -- Teaching Children: Teaching Children, Teaching Sabbath School, Teaching Nature, Craft Lab, Interactive Storytelling, Disciplining with Grace and Love. Children's Praise and Worship, Active Learning. They will also introduce Vacation Bible Xperience 2018. The cost is \$25. Register online at http://rmcyouth.org/children or contact Kathy Swelstad at 608-852-6059 for more information.

jLa Pasión de Cristo eres Tu! » Una cordial invitación al Seminario Biblico ¡La Pasión de Cristo eres Tu! Viernes Abril 27, 7:00 p.m., Todos los Lunes, Martes, Jueves y Viernes hasa May 11. Såbado Mayo 5, 10:45 a.m. y 7:00 p.m.. Såbado Mayo 12, 10:45 a.m. Iglesia Vista Seventh-day Adventist Fellowship, 701 Kimbark Street, Longmont CO 80501. Descubriremos a través de la Biblia el verdadero significado del Amor Divino. Su palabra nos enseña que en Cristo hay felicidad, pas y esperanza.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**H.O.P.E. Prayer Summit** » Featuring James Black from NAD Prayer Ministries, this prayer summit will be held September 7-9 at Glacier View Ranch.

Annual RMC Women's Retreat » Heather-Dawn Small, GC Women's Ministry Director will speak at the annual retreat September 28-30 at Glacier View Ranch.

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Glacier View Ranch** » GVR has several positions to fill for summer camp, June 3 - July 31 in housekeeping and laundry. These are temporary, full-time positions. Qualified applicants will have either completed high school or be at least 18 by the time camp begins. If you know of responsible, interested individuals, please have them contact our summer camp director, Kiefer Dooley, at 870-688-8508 or kieferd@rmcsda.org. Information is also available on our website at http://rmcyouth.org/

Women's Ministry Coordinator » The Rocky Mountain Conference has an immediate opening for a part-time Women's Ministry Coordinator position (approximately 10 hours/week). The Women's Ministry Coordinator is responsible for building a community of godly women within the Rocky Mountain Conference. For more information about the position, essential tasks, expectations and how to apply, please see the following posting on our website: <u>http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-womens-ministrycoordinator</u>

**Fort Collins School »** The Fort Collins Christian School will start a state-licensed Preschool (ages 3-5) and is seeking a part-time preschool teacher for the 2018-2019 school year. Candidates with a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Special Education, Family and Child Development, Child Psychology, or an Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education will be considered. If you are interested in this position, please contact Keiko Breese at <u>keikonagasawa821@gmail.com</u> or call her at 970-222-6347 for more information.

**Delta School** » The Delta SDA school is seeking a K - 8 teacher for the 2018-19 school year. To apply, go to the union website:

<u>http://adventisteducation.org/employment/opportunities?</u> <u>category=4</u> or contact the Rocky Mountain Conference education department.

**ESL Teacher Needed for Mile High Academy Sister School China Campus** » Mile High Academy still has a position available on their extended campus at the Guangdong Experimental Shunde - ESL Teacher Needed

This is a unique opportunity to serve as a teacher in Shunde China at Mile High Academy's extended campus at the Guangdong Experimental Shunde. Please see link below to explore the

school: http://www.gdsysd.com/Home/IndexEnglish

Contact Principal Toakase Vunileva

at <u>tvunileva@milehighacademy.org</u> for questions or to submit your resume.

#### Mile High Academy Needs Third Grade Teacher

» Mile High Academy will be hiring a third grade teacher for the 2018-19 school year. We are looking for an individual who

is passionate about teaching, a lifelong learner, and has a visible relationship with Jesus.

If interested, contact Diane Harris <u>dharris@rmcsda.org</u> and Toakase Vunileva <u>tvunileva@milehighacademy.org</u>

#### Student Literature Evangelist Coordinator » Joe

Martin has announced that he will be retiring this June. "We're sorry Joe is retiring," said RMC President Ed Barnett. "He has big shoes to fill and we are looking for someone to fill them. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact our office at 303-282-3635 and ask for Human Resources.

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### FROM THE EDITOR

**We want to share your news --** Change is a part of the communication age. With online media experiencing constant evolution, the *NewsNuggets* is also experiencing an increased access from our readers and contributors. We will continue to encourage news sharing from our churches, institutions, and individual church members.

In order to make our eNewsletter accommodate an increased volume of announcements, our editorial work proposes to present information in a more efficient approach, ensuring that all timely promotions and announcements be included in a weekly, Friday release of *NewsNuggets*. Submission deadline for stories, news, and announcements is at noon on every Wednesday. Please send all your submissions to nuggets@rmcsda.org.

Thank you for your contribution, but also comments, as *NewsNuggets* continues to serve the church in an efficient and effective way.

**NOTE:** Questions are being raised regarding guidelines for the Announcement section of the RMC *NewsNuggets* newsletter. After a review of the guidelines, the following few points should be considered when sending announcements or promotional materials:

- The newsletter has been established primarily for news sharing within the conference, though selected general church news stories are also considered for publication.

- The primary readership of the newsletter are church

members within the Rocky Mountain Conference.

- When submitting an announcement, consider that local Sabbath events may be drawing members from other local churches.

- Promoting evangelistic meetings in *NewsNuggets* is not attracting potential attendees for whom the meetings are primarily advertised.

- Due to space constraints, NewsNuggets will not publish posters and other large photos or images. However, information from the text will be used.

- Announcements will not be repeated more than twice, and they should be concise. Web page links or phone numbers should be provided for additional information.

We are inviting all correspondents and contributors to follow a general Adventist News Network *Style Guide*, including glossary. For guidelines,

see:<u>http://news.adventist.org/styleguide/</u> --Editor

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