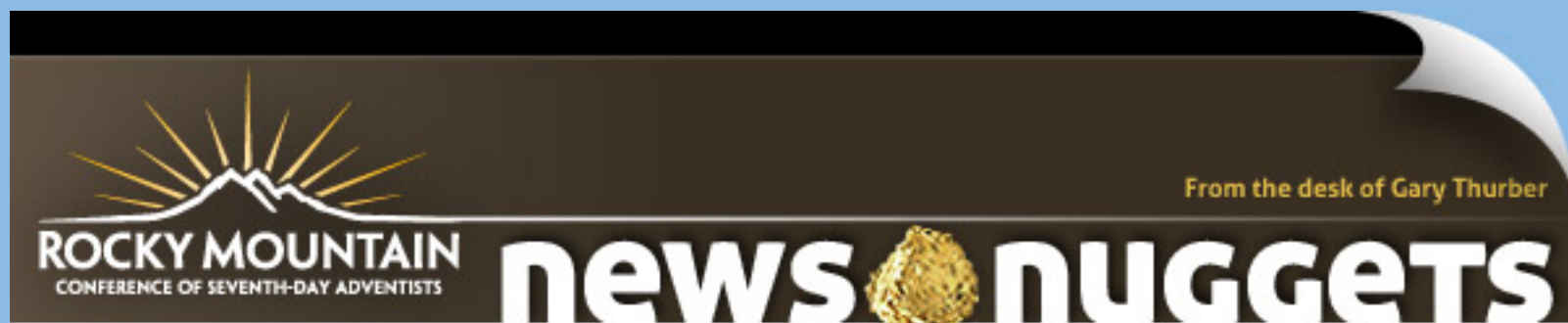


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News and updates from the president of the Rocky Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

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Happy New Year to all! » It is hard to believe 2012 has come and gone! I praise the Lord for all He accomplished last year, through His people, in this territory. I hope and pray this 2013 will be a banner year for each of you and for the Rocky Mountain Conference as a church family, as we continue our journey to the Kingdom!






Larry Pitcher, president of **Christian Record Services**, in Lincoln, Neb., sent me a New Year's greeting, which included a letter Ellen White wrote to J.H. Kellogg in 1886. It is a wonderful letter, and I thought you each would enjoy and be blessed by reading it. [Click here.](#)

Christmas programs bless many throughout the Rocky Mountain Conference » During the month of December, most of our schools and many of our churches offered special Christmas programs, some of which were open to the community. What a blessing to remember our Savior's journey to Bethlehem in His desire to bring hope to all.



Jodie Aakko sent [this story](#) about the Christmas program the young people at the **H.M.S. Richards School**, in Campion, Colo., shared with their church and community families.

Friday, January 4, 2013

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Upcoming Events

RMC Youth Prayer Conference (Grades 9-12)
Jan. 11-13
Glacier View Ranch
Ward, Colo.
Contact: [Jessica Beans](#)
303.282.3664

RMC Family Ministries Leadership Training
Feb. 1, 2
LifeSource Adventist Fellowship
Denver, Colo.
Contact: [Mark Bond](#)
720.432.1844

RMC WinterFest
March 1, 2
Copper Mtn. Ski Resort



RMC Teen Prayer Summit registration closes soon »

Monday, Jan. 7, is the final day to register for the **RMC Teen Prayer Summit** scheduled for next weekend. Information about the conference can be found on rmyouth.org or you may call 303.282.3664. Our new youth director, **Steve Hamilton**, will be the speaker. It is going to be a powerful experience filled with praise and worship, spiritual programming and opportunities to make new friends.



WinterFest is back! » The annual **RMC WinterFest** is scheduled for **March 1, 2**. More information about the venue will be coming soon. Visit rmyouth.org for updates. One day passes to **Copper Mountain** are already available from the conference office. Call 303.282.3664 for more information.

The Littleton Adventist Hospital welcomes new CEO »

In case you missed the article in the Mid-America Union *Outlook* magazine, **Brett Spenst** accepted the invitation to become the new chief executive officer at **Littleton Adventist Hospital** in Colorado. Brett not only has a passion to extend the healing hand of Christ, but also to touch the community with preventative medicine, going back to the roots of our church. **Steven King**, who oversees the spiritual care for Centura Health, in Englewood, Colo., wrote the article for the *Outlook*. I encourage to you use the link below to read more about Brett and his dreams for Littleton Adventist Hospital. [Click here](#).



Reformation tour planned for RMC pastors and office staff »

Because of generous gifts from a private donor and from our Adventist hospitals, RMC pastors and office staff will travel to Germany, in February, for a Reformation tour at a reduced rate to them. In the week that we will be gone, we will see the Ishtar Gate from the time Daniel was in Babylon and the Seminary where Martin Luther had his watchtower experience.

We will worship in Luther's home church, walk the path he took to the church where his document, The 95 Theses, was nailed to the door, see the church where he preached his last sermon and then died, climb the hill to Wartburg Castle where Luther was held prisoner and translated the Bible into German, and visit many other sites as well.

Visiting the very roots where the Reformation began — which we as a church continue today — will bless each of us! Please pray for the Holy Spirit to touch our hearts in a special way and bless the trip, and for safety for all who will be traveling on this trip in February.

Looking forward » I am very excited about all that lies before us for 2013. More churches than ever, since I have been a part of the Rocky Mountain Conference team, are gearing up for evangelism in their communities.



Campion Academy, Glacier View Ranch and Mills Spring Ranch each are doing well and continue to bless our young people and our families.

My prayer for each of us as we continue to serve our Savior comes from Paul as he closed his letter to the Ephesians:

"Peace be with you, dear brothers and sisters, and may God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you love with faithfulness. May God's grace be eternally upon all who love our Lord Jesus Christ."

—Ephesians 6:23, 24 NLT

Blessings,

Gary Thurber,
president

Share good news » If you have a ministry / evangelism story to tell, please email it to nuggets@rmcsda.org so we can share how God is working through His people in your territory.

Share the News Nuggets with your congregation »

Add a note to your church bulletin or newsletter with the following URL: www.bit.ly/RMCnews

Members can follow the link to sign up for weekly news and keep up-to-date on what's happening around the Rocky Mountain Conference.