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

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From the desk of Gary Thurber

## NEWS NUGGETS

### Welcome!

Dear \*|FNAME|\*,

This is the first installment of a new weekly update with short news notes from around the Rocky Mountain Conference. You're receiving this because you're either a church member, a conference worker, or a friend of the Rocky Mountain Conference. Please feel free to [forward](#) this to other members of your church who may not be receiving it. You can unsubscribe at any time, by [clicking here](#).

Thanks for taking a few moments to keep up with the exciting things that are happening across our territory, and please [email me](#) if you have any news items that you'd like for me to share.

Blessings,

Gary Thurber, *president*  
Rocky Mountain Conference  
of Seventh-day Adventists



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### Upcoming Events

#### Town Hall Meetings

**April 7 Wyoming Region**  
Casper Church

**April 14 Western Slope**  
Grand Junction Church

**April 28 NE Colorado**  
Campion Church

**May 12 SW Region**  
Pinon Hills Church

**May 19 SE Colorado**  
Colorado Springs Central

**June 9 Denver Metro**  
Denver South Church

*All meetings will begin at 6:30 pm.*

**March 3 Teacher Commissioning Service** for Patricia Perry in Alamosa



**George Crumley, our new V.P. for Finance**, moves to our conference next week. I anticipate he will begin his duties at the office beginning Mar. 12. George and his wife, Rhonda, come to us from Indiana where he served as conference executive secretary / treasurer.

**Troy Fitzgerald**, young adult pastor at the Walla Walla College Church, was extended an invitation to come and interview for the senior pastor position at **LifeSource Adventist Fellowship** in Denver. You can read a short biographical sketch of Troy [here](#).



**Vista Fellowship**, in Longmont, Colo., which just organized last

Sabbath into a company, is currently holding a series of meetings with guest speaker, **Victor Gill**. There have been 25-30 community guests attending on a regular basis.

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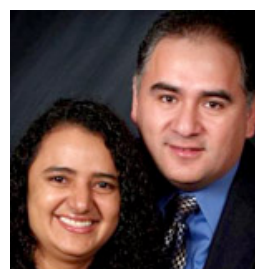
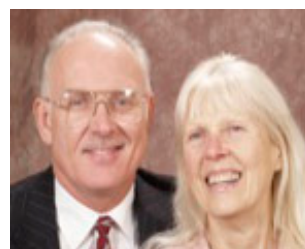


**John Winslow, Campion Academy principal, was ordained** this past Sabbath at the Campion Academy Church. We will greatly miss him and his family as he leaves us to become the principal of Upper Columbia Academy in Spangle, Wash., next year.

John has been a great blessing to us during the past seven years as he led at the academy. Lonnie Hetterle, V.P. for Education, is leading out in the search for John's replacement, and has started with 41 possible names on the list.

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**Don Barnt** has begun his ministry in the **Cheyenne, Wyo., district**. He and his wife, **April**, come to us from Alaska. April will remain in Alaska a while longer and try to sell their home, which is currently under 10 feet of snow!



**Rene Lopez** has accepted an invitation to serve as pastor of the **Golden, Denver West, and Denver S.W. Fellowship district**, and will begin very soon. He has been serving with his wife, **Jessika**, in the N.E. Plains district, overseeing five churches.

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Please remember **Gale Hendrick's family** in your prayers right now. Gale is one of our pastors at **LifeSource Adventist Fellowship** in Denver. His father, **Gerald**, and mother, **Geri**, live in Parker, Colo. They have recently been informed that Gerald is facing the end of his life very soon. This is a tender time for the whole family, as they treasure these moments together with Gerald. I know they would appreciate your thoughts and prayers during this time.

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This Sabbath I will attend the **Adventist Health System Conference on Mission** in Orlando, Fla. It is a blessing to be associated with AHS because it is clear the leadership and staff are serious about "Extending the Healing Ministry of Christ" to our communities!

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**March 22-23 RMC Music Festival** at Campion Academy

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**April 19-22 ASI Mid-America Convention** in Denver. Shawn Boonstra and Don Mackintosh will be the keynote speakers. [Info »](#)

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**April 20-21 RMC Adoration Teen Prayer Conference** Free for all youth at Campion Academy. [Info »](#)

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