Hundreds of Visitors Celebrate School Graduations in RMC  

Autumn Kaim and Ashley Wenberg were all smiles on May 24. They graduated from Campion Adventist Academy in Loveland, Colorado. End of the school year and graduation ceremonies in the week which ended May 24, provided a rich experience for hundreds of students from most of the schools in the Rocky Mountain Conference. Three levels of ceremonies for the students and their families were held by kindergarten, elementary or 8th grade, and senior academies. Twenty-three schools are operated by the church in the region.

Hundreds of visitors joined two graduations at Mile High Academy in Denver and Campion Academy in Loveland celebrating graduates as they prepare to go on to college or into the job world.

"Equally important to all school levels, the goal of the academy graduates is that they would be solid in their choice to serve God and man and that their commitment to the values and teachings of the Seventh-day Adventist Church would be firm, and that their experiential knowledge and personal walk with God is secure and very evident," commented Lonnie Hetterle, education director for RMC. "The faith in these graduates was very evident and was demonstrated by the expressed commitment of our own Union College to our RMC graduates," he added.

According to Hetterle, the 14 graduates at Mile High received scholarships totalling $436,000. The 42 Campion graduates...
received scholarships totalling $1,112,000. "We wish God's richest blessings on all our graduates from the Rocky Mountain Conference," Hetterle said.

**Huenergardt to Transfer to Parker Adventist Hospital »**

Sam Huenergardt, president and chief executive officer of Central Texas Medical Center (CTMC), an Adventist Health System facility, will transfer to serve as president/CEO for Parker Adventist Hospital in Parker, Colorado effective July 27. This hospital is also a member of Adventist Health System through the Centura Health organization.

"Sam has had much success at CTMC for the past five years leading out in initiatives to advance robotic services and interventional cardiology, while also significantly improving quality and patient experience," said Ken Finch, president and CEO of the Adventist Health System Southwest Region and Board Chairman at CTMC.

"While change is always difficult, I know that the team at CTMC is strong and will continue to serve the community of San Marcos by living our mission to extend the healing ministry of Christ."

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**Barbara Parrott Takes the Reins of Property and Trust**

With an official beginning of May 19, Barbara Parrott has taken over the reins of the Property and Trust Department in full stride. She has been acting director since February after the passing of Gerald Chapman.

Barbara Parrott, nee Nash, grew up on a small farm in Cedaredge, Colorado attending Campion Academy and graduating from Union College in 1972.

After marrying Dennis Parrott, they continued to live in Lincoln where she worked as secretary for the vice-president of administration at Lincoln General Hospital.

Barbara and Dennis soon moved to Colorado, settling in Brighton, attracted by the K-10 Adventist school and Barbara returned to school at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley. She graduated in 1990 with an education degree, emphasis in math and science.

At that point, she visited Rocky Mountain Conference’s education department in search of a teaching job and ran into Duane Rollins, then director of Trust Services, who hired her, almost on the spot, to work for him.

"I'm standing on the shoulders of great leaders of the past," says Barbara, "and I want to continue to grow the department as we support and care for our people." She sees the need to "show Jesus' love in every conversation, every interaction."

Barbara and her husband Dennis have two children and a grandson. They continue to live in Brighton. [Carol Bolden]
New Outreach Methods Add to Success of Korean Prophecy Seminar

An average of 120 visitors came to a week-long outreach seminar at Denver Korean Church April 12-18. Entitled "Preview of Earth's Future History", the event featured Pastor Kim Dae-Sung and the daily meeting included morning and evening seminars. Visitors expressed much interest in hearing and understanding prophecies of the Bible and gaining knowledge," said Kim Seon Ho, pastor of the church.

"The event was translated into English providing a better understanding for the youth as part of the English language ministry of the church," he added.

"Preparations for the public outreach started early last year," Kim explained. "Many of the church members prepared for this seminar by small group, computer and cell phone classes, passing out CDs and seminar flyers, [engaging in] intercessory prayer, fasting, and visitations," he said. Through these preparations, the congregations met 150 new visitors and got acquainted with some 90 new guests through cell phone and computer classes.

Grand Junction Pre-K Learning Center Graduates 15

When 15 pre-K kids graduated from the Little Lambs Learning Center in Grand Junction on May 21, the staff were pleased to see new enrollment guaranteed for the new year. Camille Chancellor, director, said that all 15 places are being filled from a waiting list. "We are at capacity," she said.

The center is operated as a privately-owned and independent institution and was established six years ago by members of a local Seventh-day Adventist congregation. The facility was designed and built for child care and early education. "We have a totally dedicated staff to child care and parents recognize the quality care we provide," said Bob Nicolay, chairman of the Board of Trustees. Chancellor resonates the same sentiment and said that the center's success is based on quality staff and a dedicated facility to guarantee quality service.

The Little Lambs Learning Center is known in the community for "providing quality, developmentally-appropriate care and education in a safe, faith-filled environment." Licensed by the State of Colorado, the center's success is built on understanding the child's unique experiences, interests and learning styles. A caring Christian environment is an important element and reason why the center is popular in the community. The children are taught to pray and learn Bible stories, Chancellor explains.
Next Zambia Mission Trip Planned: Pardon Mwansa to Speak in Longmont and Louisville

In preparation for a mission trip in June 2016, to continue building the Mansa Christian Education Center in Mansa, Zambia, Dr. Pardon Mwansa, General Conference vice-president, has accepted an invitation to visit two Front Range churches on June 13, 2015. Mwansa is the founder of the Mansa Christian Education center and will bring the story of the mission and development of the new school in Zambia.

The initial trip by a mission team from the Rocky Mountain Conference to start the project made an impact on the province of Luapula, when they came June 2020, 2014, to being the building of the educational campus’ church. [Lynne Eagan]

Parade Top of 2015 Pathfinder Fair

Even with the changing weather conditions, the Rocky Mountain Conference (RMC) Pathfinder Fair went off without a hitch. From Casper to Cortez, over 350 Pathfinders representing 20 clubs arrived safely at the Delta County Fair Grounds in Hotchkiss, Colorado to participate in the 2015 Fair event. At 8:30 Saturday night, young people and adults scurried about in Heritage Hall setting up their booths and displaying their honors and activities for the year.

Sunday came bright and early with plenty of sunshine for everyone to enjoy the day filled with judging the amazing booths, a parade itself, march and drill routines, food booths and a fun afternoon of challenging games and an obstacle course.

Commenting on the fair, Chris Hill, who coordinated the event, said that a "highlight this year was the first in many years if ever -- that was the drum corps provided by the Denver South Lion of Judah Pathfinders. What a difference a drum corps makes in a parade."

“We also enjoyed five amazing floats and three decorated bicycles in the parade implementing our theme for 2014-15, Forever Faithful, which was the theme from Oshkosh International Camporee. Our theme for the remainder of this year is Thrive, which puts us in step with the RMC Youth Department. Our 2015-16 Fair will be held at Campion Academy next May. We hope to see all the RMC Pathfinder clubs there," she added. [Chris Hill]

Running with a Difference at Bolder Boulder 2015

Twenty volunteers representing the Boulder Seventh-day Adventist Church arrived early Monday morning near BolderBoulder start line. Instead of racing, though, they came to
run an aid station for the participants of one of America's most popular races. Greg Hodgson, who coordinated the church volunteers on May 25, reported that "in less than three hours time, more than 52,000 streamed past the tables where our church's volunteers offered free water and instructions to those in need."

[Greg Hodgson]

**Attend Church in Yellowstone This Summer**

A church service is held at Yellowstone National Park every Sabbath from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Look for the signs and join them at 10 a.m. in Old Faithful Lodge to worship our Creator in the beautiful surroundings of Yellowstone National Park.

**Upcoming Concerts:**

*June 4 -- Thursday*
David Phelps, 7 p.m., Union Colony Civic Center, Greeley

*June 5 -- Friday*
The Kings Heralds, 7 p.m. Friday, Fort Lupton Church

*June 6 -- Sabbath*
The Kings Heralds, 11:15 a.m. Sabbath, Franktown Church

*June 8 -- Monday*
The Kings Heralds, 7 p.m. Monday, Pueblo First Church

*June 30 -- Tuesday*
JJ Heller, 6 p.m. June 30, Glacier View Ranch -- FREE

*August 1 -- Sabbath*
Heritage, 7 p.m. LifeSource Fellowship -- FREE

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