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of paint brushes, and a 30-minute concert. Put those together with a dedicated group of people and you discover that "Love *Really* Does Matter Most!"

The planning for Denver's first "Love Matters Most" community service day on Wednesday, Sept. 2, started more than six months

prior with a team that involved Porter and Littleton Adventist Hospitals, three area Adventist churches (Denver South, LifeSource and Littleton), Brother's Redevelopment, a non-profit housing restoration company who serves the elderly and disabled populations, and the South Metro Health Alliance.

All that planning and teamwork resulted in five houses painted, people fed through Adventist Community Service and Meals on Wheels, and a 30-minute concert put on by Mile High Academy's middle school orchestra for the homeowners whose houses were painted. During the concert, the homeowners were presented with gift baskets assembled by Mile High Academy elementary students containing goodies, household supplies and hundreds of dollars of gift certificates.

While a new coating of paint certainly changed things; more importantly, this day touched lives with God's love. Brian and Alys,



Upcoming Events

CHIP Training Workshop October 17, 18

Campion Church Contact Kathy at 970-308-2716 or chip@skybeam.com

GVR Board

October 20, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30

homeowners said, "...Brian and I were overwhelmed with gratitude for all the wonderful things the Centura team did for us on Wednesday, September 2: the painting of the exterior of our home – it looks so clean and colorful; the extra chores -- like weeding and washing windows; and the thoughtful conversations many of you had with us...making us feel very special; listening to our stories was an extraordinary gift. Please pass on our thanks to each and every volunteer who made it such a memorable day."

The plan is to expand the project next year to include more hospitals, churches and community organizations to impact even more people in our community with God's love. [Jim Feldbush; photo by Ann Collum]

ACS LIFT Volunteer Honored by Colorado Coalition for the Medically Underserved »



With nearly 300 in attendance at the annual fundraising Health is Patients luncheon September 24, Karen Hays, PA, was honored by the Colorado Coalition for the Medically Underserved for her dedication to the health of Denver's medically underserved population. Working with Adventist Community LIFT, "she has rebuilt our medical clinic from scratch using her own money and time," says Debbie Jackson, Director of the ACS LIFT program. "She has recruited physicians, nurses, and pharmacists to staff the program and sees patients herself," Debbie continues.

Each year, CCMU honors four community members who have made outstanding contributions to improve health care systems and provide care for the medically underserved. Karen was nominated and chosen p.m.

RMC Property & Trust Committee October 21, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

NAD Year-End Meetings October 29 - November 4

RMC Staff Meeting November 17, 8:00 a.m. -10:30 a.m.

Finance Committee

December 8, 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Executive Committee December 8, 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

GVR Board December 15, 9:30 a.m. -12:30 pm.

RMC Property & Trust Committee December 16, 9:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

Find out more... Click here for info on any of these events.



Story Guidelines: We want to share your

NEWS! » News Nuggets is

your publication. We strive to

as a non-physician provider to receive this award.

Currently the Director of Medical Services for the only completely free medical clinic in the Metro Denver area (excluding the clinic recently begun at UC Denver), Karen helped establish a completely free pharmacy, free labs, and free psychological counseling by partnering with hospitals and networking to bring these providers to the clinic.

Awardees receive a \$250 donation to their organization and recognition at the luncheon.

Congratulations to Karen Hays for her dedication toward providing access to quality health care for many in Denver who, otherwise, would go without. [Carol Bolden] provide news and information
that expresses 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.

RMC Prison Ministry Volunteers Organize for Better Service » Each week, a

small band of



volunteers scattered across three states in the Rocky Mountain Conference spend time behind prison walls praying with and helping the incarcerated men and women apply God's Word to their daily lives.

These volunteers are able to reach more than 76 detainees weekly. But with a prison population of more than 22,000, they felt that more could be done.

On September 20, the "scattered band of volunteers" met to organize into one body and create a vision for the future. The hope is that shared ideas and resources will increase the effectiveness as well as the breadth of their ministry.

Randy was doing time for murder. Reached by one of the letter writers, he accepted Jesus and became a Seventh-day Adventist. While still in prison, he influenced three prison officials to accept God's Word and they, too, became Seventh-day Adventists. Through an online school, Randy earned a degree in ministry. Now that he is out, he assists his local congregation as a lay pastor and was given a scholarship for a theology degree.

The volunteers in Wyoming baptized 18 men in one facility. "It was," according to Pastor Ted Williams, long-time volunteer, "the fastest-growing church in the state of Wyoming."

Corey, in prison for rape and murder, arrived at a Bible study group arrogant, angry and belligerent. As time passed and the Spirit worked in his heart, Corey became a submitted, surrendered disciple for Christ. He regularly brings other inmates to the study group and holds prayer circles in his prison pod. He often writes songs about his faith and sings them for the group.

As representatives of Jesus on earth, prison is where we should be, calling the sick to the healing touch of Jesus, still recognizing in them the dignity of God's creation no matter how far they have fallen, trusting that no one is beyond Christ's love and power to redeem.

A second conference-wide meeting of all prison ministry volunteers will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 25 at the conference office. "If you are interested in learning more about this ministry," invites Enid Almeida, newlyinstalled president, "please join us as we unify this glorious ministry. Your input is greatly needed." For questions, contact

Please email your story to nuggets@rmcsda.org so we can share how God is working through His people in your territory. When submitting your story, please include the following: the Ws (who, what, where, when, why..also how), a personal quote, a photo and the name of the photographer. Please consider time constraints and always send in fresh new stories instead of outdated ones. Submission deadlines are Wednesdays by noon.

Enid Almeida at 719-231-2360. [Carol Bolden]



Next Kaleo Mission Trip Planned for 2016 » The Kaleo Project has rolled out plans for the next mission trip – this time to Costa Rica! With 15 preaching sites already waiting for preachers and translators and construction projects being chosen, it's time for high school students from academies, home and public schools

to begin thinking about a commitment to this trip.

When Jamey Houghton was hired by Rocky Mountain Conference in 2012 to run the Kaleo Project, there was enough money donated to keep it running for three years. In order to extend the money, Jamey began pastoring the Franktown Church part-time in 2014 and worked part-time on the Kaleo Project.

Jamey is now pastoring full-time at Franktown and the youth department has brought in Shannon Werner from Camp Wawona in California to work part-time on the Kaleo Project and part-time in the department.

"Go on a mission trip and your life won't ever be the same," says Shannon. "The people you meet and the experiences you take away will leave a lasting impression – one that will change the way you view the world."

The mission trip is planned for March 3-15, 2016. The cost of \$1600 includes everything – airfare, lodging, food, and fun days in the sun. There is a deadline – October 26 -- for making a deposit of \$100, which will reserve your spot.

"I'm looking forward to seeing how God will bless this coming trip," shares Jamey Houghton, who still advises and helps with trip planning and will be traveling to Costa Rica with the group. "We've done 54 evangelistic series so far and this trip will add 15 more. It's so neat to see God using our young people to finish the work," Jamey says.

For a sample itinerary and to learn more about the trip, go to their website at <u>www.rmcyouth.org/kaleoproject</u>. [Carol Bolden]



Daystar Christian School, newly re-opened this school year after a two-year hiatus, is taking advantage of an opportunity offered for their students to write, edit and host a new radio spot, "Nature News" on Hope Radio, 105.9 in Pueblo. The station is owned by Pueblo First Seventh-day Adventist Church whose members felt strongly about re-opening their school and offering this opportunity to the students.

Did you know that a pelican can fit three buckets of fish in their bill or that a bald eagle can fly up to 40 mph? Tune in to "Nature News" and you'll learn these and other interesting nature facts.

[Michelle Velbis; photo by Michelle Velbis]

NOTICE

Notice of Constituent Church Meeting for the Denver Adventist Community Services Center (The Lift) DATE: Sunday, November 1 TIME: 9 a.m. to noon LOCATION: Porter Adventist Hospital, Twin Peaks Conference Room REQUEST: Each church to send delegates to participate in this important business meeting and to vote on the updated Constitution and Bylaws The Denver Adventist Community Services Center (now known as The Lift) is holding a Constituent Church business meeting. This meeting will focus on:

Providing important updates about operations and finances

- Voting on a revised Constitution and Bylaws
- Establishing stronger relationships with Constituent Churches
- Helping the Board of Trustees and staff make decisions about the future of the organization

The Lift has been undergoing an important transformation over the past few years to better meet the needs of the community and clients we are here to serve and to make Christ the visible reason and purpose for all we do. However, over this same time period, we also have experienced a "perfect storm" of events and circumstances that have resulted in a very serious financial situation. Additionally, our base of both institutional (church) and individual (church members and others) donors has declined substantially in numbers and in dollars contributed. Simultaneously with the drop in our income, we have continued to experience increases in client needs across all of our programs. If we are to remain a viable organization in our community, we must ensure more stable, steady and diversified sources of income. This includes rebuilding relationships with our Constituent Churches and their members, as well as partnerships with area hospitals, other community service organizations and foundations.

We need each church in the Denver-Metro area to participate in our Constituent meeting onSunday, November 1, from 9 a.m. to noon, in the Twin Peaks conference room at Porter Adventist Hospital. We are asking pastors and church boards to identify delegates to participate in a discussion and vote on important organizational business. Our current Constitution and Bylaws allow for churches to appoint one delegate for every 200 members or portion of 200. (For example, if a church has 250 members, it would appoint 2 delegates.)

For questions related to the Constituent meeting or The Lift, or to get copies of the revised Constitution and Bylaws, please contact Executive Director Debbie Jackson (<u>djackson@acslift.org</u>) or Board Chair Stephanie Denning (<u>stephaniedenning@comcast.net</u>) or see linked documents below.

We prayerfully request your engagement and look forward to meeting with you!

Stephanie Denning

<u>Amended and Restated Constitution and Bylaws</u> of Seventh-day Adventist Services of Denver Doing business as "The Lift" <u>Application for The Lift Constituent Church Membership</u>

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RMC EVENTS

ACS Community LIFT » In honor of World Food Day and all families having equal access to food, ACS LIFT is holding a Family Fun Fall Festival from 2 - 6 p.m. Sunday, October 25. FREE cooking demo, family feast (everyone eats today!), live music, face painting, fancy cake raffle, Kid's Zone, and more. All proceeds benefit Jovial Concepts and ACS Community LIFT. Held at 5045 W. 1st Avenue, Denver 80219.



RMC Young Adult Day » Under the theme, *Own It*, the Boulder Adventist Church will be hosting Rocky Mountain Conference's Young Adult Day on October 24. **Paddy McCoy**, chaplain at

Walla Walla University, is the presenter for what is anticipated to be great fellowship and worship! For more information, go to <u>rmcya.org</u>

Coronary Health Improvement Project Training is Coming to Campion » The next

facilitator training for CHIP in the Denver-Loveland area will take place October 17, 18 at the Campion Seventhday Adventist Church. For more information, contact Kathy at 970-308-2716 or chip@skybeam.com.



Training to run a CHIP program is required through an approved CHIP facilitator workshop.For more information about the CHIP program or how to run one in your church or community, contact Rick Mautz at rickm@rmcsda.org or call 530-521-7429. Watch CHIP video at:<u>https://vimeo.com/78279692</u> or at <u>www.chiphealth.com</u>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brighton Church » "Church of Refuge" Summit at Brighton Church -- Ron Whitehead from CYE (Center for Youth Evangelism) will lead a two-day, October 16 and 17, event helping churches to become intentional about empowering young adults in ministry.

At 7 p.m. on October 16, Ron will meet with all young adults to listen to their desires and needs. The event will continue next day, meeting with both young adults and all church members casting a vision for the future. For more information, visit CYE website at <u>http://www.cye.org/</u> or call 320-296-9788. or <u>rmcya.org</u>

Brighton Academy » Come to a Christ-centered, familyfriendly "Fall on the Farm" Fall Festival at 6:30 p.m. Saturday night, October 31 to enjoy food, games and other activities. A 5:30 p.m. vespers will take place at the Brighton Church with K-6 grades presenting the musical drama, "What's Up, Zak? -- A Musical Encounter with Jesus."

Fall Education Expo » Adventist University of Health

Sciences of Denver will hold its Fall Education Expo from 5 - 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 28 at their Denver campus, 950 E. Harvard Avenue, Suite B80. Key programs will be featured, including Nursing (BSN), Radiography and Sonography.

This is a great opportunity for future students to speak with faculty and staff from the university. Representatives will also be visiting from the Orlando campus to answer questions regarding financial aid and admissions. See <u>poster</u>.

Franktown Church » David Asscherick will present an evangelistic series beginning at 7 pm. Thursday, November 5 and continuing through Sunday, November 15. Registration is recommended. To register or for questions, call 303-688-8687 or email wendy@franktownsda.org.

Friday Night Live » Join this (FnL) grass-roots movement at 7 p.m. Friday night, November 13 for food, conversation and connecting with God through worship and small-group

discussion. Bring friends and join their facebook page for more details -- Northern CO SDA Young Adults.

Littleton Church » Hear Jaime Jorge, violin virtuoso, in concert October 31 at Littleton Church during the worship service. He will captivate you with his story and music.

Vista Ridge Academy » The doors will be open from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 pm. for the annual Fall Festival at Vista Ridge Academy on November 7. Enjoy festival games, activities and prizes in the gymnasium, along with festival food and other treats in the atrium. The academy is located at 3100 Ridgeview Drive, Erie 80516. For more information, call 303-828-4944.

Mile High Academy » The annual auction to support MHA's students will take place October 25 in the Curtis Ballroom, 5345 Landmark Place, Greenwood Village, 80111: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Silent Auction and Dinner 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Live Auction An informative Open House will be held for current and/or interested parents from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Mile High Academy » The first **Fall Festival** at their new home will be held from 6-9 p.m. November 14 with games, food, fun, prizes, and more. Join them at 1733 Dad Clark Drive, Highlands Ranch 80126. For more information, call 303-744-1069 or go to www.milehighacademy.org.

Twin Peaks Fellowship (Louisville) » A free concert with Jaime Jorge will take place at 5 p.m., November 1. Jaime has played in a high school setting as well as Carnegie Hall. He has played on six continents and in more than 40 countries. His music and personal of story of God's leading will captivate.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

ACS Community LIFT has an immediate opening for a part-time (28 hrs/wk) Medical Services Coordinator. This position coordinates the day-to-day operations for all Medical Services Program activities. Bilingual (English and Spanish) is a plus. To learn more about the position and how to apply, please visit http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-medical-servies-coordinator.

The **Rocky Mountain Conference** is currently accepting applications for a part-time (20 hours per week, M-Th) Assistant to help out in its Treasury Department. To learn more about this position and how to apply, please visit: http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-treasury-assistant. The **Rocky Mountain Conference** is currently accepting applications for a full-time (38 hours per week, M-Th) Administrative Assistant to support the conference's three officers: President, Vice President for Administration and Vice President for Finance.To learn more about this position and how to apply, go to <u>http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-</u>

administrative-assistant-opening

The **Voice of Prophecy** in Loveland, Colorado, is looking for a fulltime departmental assistant, as well as a DISCOVER Bible School trainer. View the full job descriptions and apply at <u>vop.com/jobs</u>.

FROM THE EDITOR

Submission deadline for stories, news, and announcements is at noon on every Wednesday. Please send all your submissions to nuggets@rmcsda.org. --Editor Share the News Nuggets with your congregation » Add a note

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

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