Lamp Letter

News for our Wisconsin church family

June/July 1996

Anchor Your Faith at Campmeeting '96



President's Message

Don Corkum

One month from the time I write this article, campmeeting will be taking place. It is the largest gathering of the year among Adventists in this state. It is a time of spiritual renewal and fellowship.

This will be my first campmeeting in Wisconsin, and I am looking forward to the great experience so many of you have talked about. At this point most of the preparations have taken place: speakers have been invited, bookings have been made for lodging, the campground is being readied; tents have been ordered. Are these items all that is needed to make campmeeting a success?

How can we make campmeeting this year a significant milestone toward completing God's work in this conference?

1. Spiritual Preparation.

Pentecost was a tremendous experience in the early Christian church because it followed ten days of earnest prayer, offered in unity of desire. If we come to campmeeting with this spiritual preparation individually, it will result in a powerful experience corporately.

2. Have a sense of the imminence of Christ's return. (continued on page 2)



The Wedgwood Trio performs the first weekend.

Adult Meeting Schedule

Fri June 21	Sab June 22	Sun June 23	Mon June 24	Tues June 25	Wed June 26	Thurs June 27	Fri June 28	Sab June 29			
	6:00 A/	6:00 AM Early Glow (Sharing/Prayer Time) John Johansen									
	6:30 AM C. Raymond Holmes: "Press On"										
	9:15-	9:00	8:30 AM Ministers' Meeting					9:15- 10:30			
	10:30 Sab. School	AM ABC Sale	9:30 AA David S A Ch	"Growi Smith: "Po	Larry Yeagley: "Growing Through Loss" mith: "Positive Parenting: stian Perspective" (Young Adult Tent)						
	10:40 AM Don Corkum	11:45 Church Retirees' Dinner	11:00	M Jame "A Heri	es Nix: tage Worl	h Talking	About"	10:40 Dan Matthews			
	2:30 Wedg- wood	2-3:45 Dept. Seminars	Friend	Moon: "Endship & Bil	powering ole Witnes	sing ["]	ough	2:00 Song & Praise			
	Trio in concert	Wedg- wood Trio Family Seminar	Lee Venden: "Overcoming Made Simple" Lee Gugliotto: "Timeless Truth & Ageless Application in Bible Study"					2:45 Ordina- tion			
	3:30 Global Mission	4:00 James Nix	"Gos	00 Lee (pels for the	ė '90s Me	essages	4:00 Free Time	4:30 Baptism			
7:15 PA	:15 PM Cyril Miller			Lewis Walton Dan Mat				hews			

Campmeeting speakers







Toprow, I-r:
Lee Gugliotto,
Pastor, Alberta
Conference;
C. Raymond
Holmes, AU
Seminary
(retired); Dan
Matthews,
Christian
Lifestyle
Magazine.







Second row, I-r: Cyril Miller, NAD Vice Pres.; Robert Moon, AU; James Nix, E. G. White Publications.







Third row, I-r:
Frank Ricks,
pastor, GeorgiaCumberland
Conf; David
Smith, Voice of
Prophecy;
Lee Venden,
pastor, Washington Conf.





Fourth row, I-r: Lewis Walton, author/attorney; Larry Yeagley, pastor, Michigan Confer-

Special evangelism offering June 29

Praise God! for the 45 evangelistic campaigns taking place this year in Wisconsin. This response has exceeded both expectations and budget. The Sabbath morning offering June 29 (second Sabbath) will be for evangelism in Wisconsin. God meets the needs for His work through us. Let's honor Him June 29.

President, cont'd

Many campmeetings have preceded this one in Wisconsin. Is this just another campmeeting? Let's possess the spirit of Ellen White: "The time of tarrying is almost ended. The pilgrims and strangers who have so long been seeking a better country are almost home. I feel as if I must cry aloud, Homeward Bound!" (Our High Calling, 367).

- 3. Recognize God's call to ministry. God has a ministry for every church member. He calls everyone personally to service for Him. If you are not clear on your place in the body of Christ, why not ask God to make it clear to you at campmeeting time. Spiritual leaders will be there to help you. Training seminars will be provided to equip you for ministry.
- 4. Anchor Your Faith. The theme of this year's campmeeting illustrates the importance of having stability in our Christian experience. Satan's frantic tactics today could pull many away from their focus on Christ if they don't keep anchored to the Rock of Ages. This is a time of renewing our commitment and conviction to Christ and the message He is asking us to share with the world.
- 5. Prepare for Net '96. This fall we will be launching the most extensive evangelistic outreach ever in the history of the church in North America. Wisconsin is participating in a significant way in this outreach. Campmeeting will be a time to dedicate ourselves as a church family to the great Mission beginning in October. God has great plans for Net '96.

I look forward to seeing you at campmeeting. May this spiritual convocation be a time when God's name and His cause is honored and glorified.

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Keeping in Touch

Net '96 update. Coordinators are actively preparing at the 42 sites now scheduled for Net '96. Many churches are taking time now to spruce up their grounds and buildings. The first training session was held May 4 at Wausau; the next one is June 8 at the Milwaukee Central Church. These are designed to help those leading in Net '96 as well as anyone wanting to know how to reach out for Christ more effectively. Two additional training sessions will be held Sept. 7 in Madison and Sept. 21 in Green Bay.

Discover Bible schools. Responses are pouring in! Over 1, 000 enrollment cards for Discover Bible Schools have already been returned. Over 200, 000 cards have been mailed by Wisconsin churches to meir communities; another 200, 000 are on order.

Pathfinders to invade Wisconsin. It's official—the 1999 North American Division Pathfinder

North American Division Pathfinder Camporee will be held in Oshkosh.

Camp donation. A generous donor recently gave \$10,000 for campground development at Camp Go Seek. The Executive Committee voted that half be used to pave a portion of the campgrounds from the main entrance past the cafeteria toward the new lodges, and to both sides of the restrooms nearest the main tent. The remaining \$5,000 will be used for upgrading the RV hookups.

Wisconsin Budget. This year preat things are happening in vangelism and at Wisconsin Academy. Your support of both through the Wisconsin Budget

Offering is essential. Special thanks to the 20 churches who have over 90 percent of their "to date" goal.

Please review your church's status (see the complete WI Budget Report). Each church must raise its goal for our program to succeed. The goals are based on tithe, not membership, so all of us who give can know that the goals represent our fair share.

Personnel notes

Mission Appointment. Secretary—treasurer Ken Wright and his wife Ruth have accepted a call to Pakistan, subject to medical clearance and obtaining visas. If the move is confirmed, the Executive Committee will meet at campmeeting to discuss a replacement.

Pastoral interns. Milwaukee intern Jeff Coleman and his wife Melony will return to Andrews this fall. The Executive Committee voted to hire Mike Hansen, a graduate of Southwestern Adventist College, as his replacement. Mike and his wife Kim will arrive this summer.

Green Bay intern Loren Nelson will marry Suzanne Kempher July 28 in Kingsbury, NY.

Ordination. Pastors Rafael Fernandez, Lancaster/Richland Center district, and Bill Ochs, Rhinelander district, will be ordained June 29 at campmeeting. Milwaukee
Navigator
Mike Cassen
practices
navigating on
stilts at the
Pathfinder Fair,
held April 28 at
WA. Nine clubs
participated,
including the
newlyformed
Milwaukee
Conquistadores.



Academy News

New Logo. Wisconsin
Academy has a new
look with a new logo.
Designed by WA
alumnus Clayton
Kinney of Berrien Springs, MI, the
logo incorporates the school's motto,
"Head, Heart, Hands." The dove
represents the presence of the Holy
Spirit on campus.

Youth Rally. Over 100 visitors attended the third annual Youth Rally, held May 3—4 at WA. Pastor LeClair Litchfield, academy chaplain at Collegedale, TN, emphasized the weekend's urgent theme, "Time's a-Tickin'."

I'm looking forward to heaven when we can have youth rallies like these all the time, prayed one teen during group prayer time.

Thanks—to the anonymous donors who give to Y.E.S. scholarships.

Financial Report Jan-April

Tithe	1996 \$1,302,743	1995 \$1,275,254	Increase 2.16%
Missions	\$72,347	\$77,688	-6.87%
WI Budget	\$63,273	\$63,130	0.23%

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June 2	July	August 4-11	
WA Grad	7-13 Blind Camp	Teen Camp	
9-12 Camp Pitch	14-20 Adventure Camp	14-17 LUC Literature Evangelist Inst Go Seek	
16-17	21-27		
LUC Constit.	Junior Camp	18-20 Minister- Teacher Retreat Go Seek	
17-20 LUC Min. Council	28-Aug 3 Tween Camp		
21-29 Campmeeting Go Seek		22-24 Hispanic Campmeeting Go Seek	
25 Exec. Comm. Go Seek		26 Schools open 27 Exec.	
		Committee	

Announcements

- Your Lamp Letter comes in a new shape this month in order to bring you the special **NAD Curriculum** booklet inside. Ever wonder exactly what children learn in church school? This booklet will tell you!
- Children's division teachers needed at campmeeting. Call Kitty Crary, 608/241-5235.
- Pastor Dan Adels is looking for **Gordon Ives** and **Melissa Molner**. If you know either of their whereabouts please contact Pastor Adels at P. O. Box 434, Iron River, WI 54847, or call 715/372-5328.
- Dedication services for the Beaver Dam Church will be held Aug. 17 at 2 pm. Friends and former members are invited to morning worship and potluck.
- Go '97, a mission conference for young adults, will be held Dec. 31, 1996- Jan-4, 1997, in Berrien Springs, MI. Call 1-800-937-4236 for details.

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