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Roseburg, Oregon Seventh-day Adventist Church Newsletter



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Events.

Dental Van February 3, 830am

Monthly Birthday Brunch February 9, 11am at China Palace

Valentine Banquet February 9 BLC

Church Office Closed—President's Day, February 17

Window's Potluck February 20, 1:00pm BLC

Stop Smoking Clinic March 3-7

> James Rafferty March 8

Safe Church/Safe Kids Training, Lincoln City SDA Church March 17

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

Romans 8:31

Meeting Jesus in God's House! By Pastor Tom Bentley

Sabbath for us is a special celebration. It represents true worship of God in Spirit, and in Truth. The house of God, (our Church), is really like the synagogue experience of the first century Christians, and early Adventists. Each week we meet in small group Bible studies, where we can fellowship, share, and pray with one another. Following this we all come together into the sanctuary for corporate praise, prayer, and worship of our awe-some creator God, in all humility and reverence.

I have noticed that there is a process that takes place as we do this. First, there is what I call the "see me" phase. We arrive at church, uncertain of who we will meet, and for guests, wondering if I will be accepted. This is an important time for us to greet someone and encourage them. Second, as we filter into the sanctuary we have the "see us" phase. Entering into a worship space is different for different people. Some quiet greeting is appropriate, but the goal of entering into worship is to begin to narrow our focus on the object of our coming together. The time before the service actually begins sets our attitude for worship. Imagine how we would be perceived by a guest who has never worshiped with us before if they could hear us talking shop, or about where to get a good deal on some product.

Finally, the last phase is "see Jesus." "To the humble, believing soul, the house of God on earth is the gate of heaven." Songs of praise, prayers, and words spoken from the Bible are to lead our hearts in worship to God, who is very present with us. Imagine if every person who sings, talks, or serves during that time, consecrated their lives to Jesus beforehand, knowing that they will be in the presence of our awesome Redeemer. Some have asked me how we can develop a habit of narrowing our focus more quickly from seeing me, to seeing us, to seeing Jesus. I don't know if there is a formula that would do that, but I am interested in your thoughts. I would like to invite you to share with me your most awesome worship experience, and be sure to highlight some of the elements of that worship experience that led you to see Jesus.

God Bless, until next time - Pastor Tom

Mission: Possible

The Mission: *Possible* youth recently hosted a Widows/ Widowers/Single Seniors birthday party at the BLC on Monday Jan. 20, 2014. It was well attended and guests that were there were treated to a great meal and entertainment that was enjoyed by all. If you see an-



nouncements for future activities by the Mission: *Possible* youth, seriously consider attending. Not only will you have a wonderful time, your attendance will be a positive influence to our youth!

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Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man's all. For God will bring every work into judgment, including every secret thing, Whether good or evil.

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14

James Rafferty will be at Roseburg SDA Church the weekend of March 8, 2014

Chef Mark Anthony

will be our guest for Church on Sabbath followed by a "Dinner and a Message" on Sunday afternoon. April 12 & 13, 2014

The yearly Valentine Banquet will be held Sunday, Feb. 9 at the BLC at 5PM as a benefit for the 7th & 8th grades' trip to Washington, D.C. this spring. All adults, married or single, are welcome. Cost is \$10 per person. RSVP to the church secretary by Tuesday, Feb. 4 to register. Fee should be paid at the BLC the evening of the event. After a short program, the film "The Inheritance" will be shown. Come for an enjoyable evening of good food and fellowship. Contact person is Sandra Haynes (541) 679-9373. See you there

Repair the House of the Lord!

Behind closed doors and with eagerness to accomplish the proposed goal of needed repairs and improvement to God's house in Roseburg, the building committee has been hard at work. Here are four projects that are under consideration.

The engineer's report on the security walls for the church were submitted to us in late December. Since then, the plans have been turned into the county. We were excited to find that the county has now approved them, allowing us to march ahead with the project. We are now working to locate the needed doors, along with an additional door which the engineer has added to the plan. We are hoping to move on this project soon, so look for progress in the near future.

Our second project is progressing nicely in that most of the pledged funds for the repainting of the church have come in. As soon as the weather permits, we will be contacting church members for volunteers and would like for you prayerfully to consider what you may be able to contribute of your time to help, since without volunteers,

the project will not be able to move forward.

As you are aware, the parking lot has recently undergone needed repairs and is looking more presentable. It has been noted, however, that the lovely pink trees that bloom so attractively in the front parking lot in the spring are currently wreaking havoc to the newly repaired blacktop. The roots are causing the blacktop to buckle. These trees need to be replaced in order to eliminate this problem.

Last, but hardly least, is the exciting prospect of adding the new, proposed bathrooms! We have \$116,790.00 funds in hand and need to complete the rest of our fundraising in order to move ahead. We are pleased with the progress but need to press on. Please continue to remember this special project with your funds, so that we may accomplish this exciting goal!

Church Building Committee Sandra Haynes, Reporter

"Surprised by Love" Bible Studies

The "Surprised by Love" Bible Studies are going very well. We consistently have 16-18 at our day group & 5 or so in the evening group. We also have 3-4 studying at home.

Please continue to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon each person in-

volved. We are learning new things each week! If you have time & would like to attend a session, please feel free to come.

Monday evening at 7pm. (mixed group) Tuesday afternoon,1 pm (Ladies Group) meeting in Chapel.

Mission: Possible

The Mission: Possible boys and their families would like to express their sincere appreciation to the following people for their help with or contribution to the Widows/ Widowers/Single Seniors birthday party: Beverly Fletcher, Sandra Haynes, Jennie Simpson, Marylan McCraw, Jim & Eileen Swegles, Lymy Beth Tennis, Curtis & Va-

lerie Perkins, Margie Kruse, Monte Montgomery, Cindy Schurch (Myrtle Creek church), Linda Haas, Joan Thornburn, Jeri Lynn Litvin, Linda Dean, Sue Williams, Valerie Owens, Jim Haynes and Hannah McGuire. We couldn't have done it without your support. Thank you!

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Recipe "Almond Maple Granola"...by Chef Mark Anthony

Mix #1

3 cups rolled oats
1 cup blanched slivered almonds
1/4 cup wheat germ
2 cups flaked coconut
1/3 cup unsalted sunflower seeds (optional)

Mix #2
1/3 cup pure maple syrup
1/3 cup packed dark brown sugar
1/4 cup vegetable oil
2 Tbsp warm water
1/2 tsp salt

Mix #3
1 cup raisins

General Granola Recipe Guidelines

The basic process is to take a combination of dry products, mix #1, and mix them with a wet combination, mix #2. Then we need to spread thin the combined ingredients on sheet pans and place in a 250 degree oven for about 1 to 1 1/2 hours, stirring about every 15 minutes until golden brown. Then place in a bowl and mix with the #3 mix ingredients. And that easy, you have granola

Note: A secret to making chunky granolas is to press it together in your hands, making clumps. Then try not to stir the clumps until they have baked together.

Find more Vegetarian and Vegan Recipes at www.chefmarkanthony.com.

Also, mark your calendars now, Chef Mark will be at the Roseburg SDA Church April 12 & 13.

Sabbath Afternoon Fellowship

Calling all parents, kids, and those who are young at heart! We are wanting to have a Sabbath afternoon program after fellowship in the near future that would be a Youth Centered activity. Singing, Bible games or Charades, special numbers, etc. If you would like to be a part

of this please let us know! Also, if you would be interested in helping to plan this, help would be appreciated! Thank you! Contact Margie Kruse, <u>541-673-4864</u> (home) <u>541-643-1650</u> (cell)

or margiekruse1@gmail.com. Let's get involved with

Classified Ads and Announcements...

Room to rent for gentleman, call Lois Rigutto, 541-673-8792.

Myrtle Creek Women's Ministry Winter Tea, Sunday February 16, 2:00 p.m. in the Myrtle Creek Better Living Center, 325 Spruce St. Myrtle Creek, OR 97457. Sponsored by Myrtle Creek and Canyonville Women's Ministries. Please RSVP either: Ruth Fenton (541-784-5794), or Marjorie Kruse (541-673 4864) before Feb. 12. Bring your own tea cup and saucer if you have one, and if you have an extra set, bring it

for those who may not have one.

For Sale at the Church Office: BOOKS:

"Have you Swallowed the Hook?" by Pastor Tom Bentley—\$5.00

"Shipwreck—How to Hold On to Your Faith" by Cindy Lou Bailey—\$10.00

"Johnny the Little Apple Picker and His Big God" by Pastor John Silvestri (former Roseburg Pastor)

"From Paralysis to Praise" by Shirley Thrush—\$12.00

CDs:

"Sincerely Yours" by Bonnie Eichman—\$10

"Give Me Jesus"
By Bonnie Eichman—\$10

A tapestry with light tan background, beautiful autumn leaves and green braided cord trim with fringe on one end was left in the church office about two months ago. It is about 2' square. With the tapestry there was a square plastic container. It was thought that it may have been used for one of the memorial services we had. If not claimed by the end of Feb-

ruary it will be given to Community Services. Please call the church office at 541-672-1542 to claim it. Thank you!

March 16 is the Safety Meeting at Lincoln City SDA Church "Safe Church/Safe Kids" Training This is a full day training. All leaders and volunteers working with children are required to go to this training every 3 years.

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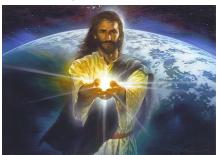
I then saw the third angel [Revelation 14:9-11]. Said my accompanying angel, "Fearful is his work. Awful is his mission. He is the angel that is to select the wheat from the tares and seal, or bind, the wheat for the heavenly garner. These things should engross the whole mind, the whole attention."—Early Writings, 118 (1854). {LDE 14.2}

We shall have to stand before magistrates to answer for our allegiance to the law of God, to make known the reasons of our faith. And the youth should understand these things.{LDE 14.3}

They should know the things that will come to pass before the closing up of the world's history.

These things concern our eternal welfare, and teachers and students should give more attention to them.
—Testimonies for the Church 6:128, 129 (1900). {LDE 14.4}

We should study the great waymarks that point out the times in



Jesus, the light of the world!

which we are living.—Manuscript Releases 4:163 (1895). {LDE 14.5}

Those who place themselves under God's control, to be led and guided by Him, will catch the steady tread of the events ordained by Him to take place.—
Testimonies for the Church 7:14
(1902). {LDE 15.1}

We are to see in history the fulfillment of prophecy, to study the workings of Providence in the great reformatory movements, and to understand the progress of events in the marshaling of the nations for the final conflict of the great controversy.—Testimonies for the Church 8:307 (1904). {LDE 15.2}

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