

# Alberta Conference Adventist News

A window of information for Seventh-day Adventists in Alberta

## Official Opening

# Mamawi Atosketan Native School

**T**he Lord provided a beautiful, sunny Alberta day for the Official Opening of the Mamawi Atosketan Native School on Sabbath, May 10. The new school gymnasium was full to overflowing with well-wishers, financial supporters, students and their families and

Chair of the Wolf Creek School Board, and Wilson Okeymow, an Elder from the Sampson Cree Nation. The Master of Ceremonies for the day was Ian Hartley, Red Deer Church Pastor and Chair of the Mamawi School Board.

During the Opening Ceremony, special appreciation was expressed to the Volunteer Project Manager, Alfred Breitreuz; to Volunteer Coordinators Caesar Nawalkowski and Nick Sidorko; and to Ernie Nolan and Ruby Sidorko for outstanding service. Several recognitions were given to the Principal, Linda Calderbank, also Chair of the Fund Raising Committee, and to her staff of teachers, all of whom have worked on the project far beyond their normal duties. Ken Taylor, Chair, accepted appreciation for his work and that of the Building Committee.

Other individuals accepted plaques to represent various financial donors to the project: Monte Church represented the North American Division; Nilton Amorim represented the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada; Isaac Zayachowski represented the Alberta Conference Constituency; Alex and Elizabeth Tym represented all donors and particularly Mrs. Tym's aunt, Mary Kryzowaty, the project's

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*Alfred Breitreuz, Volunteer Project Manager, takes his turn cutting the ribbon to open the new school building*

volunteers who had worked on the project. Attendance was estimated at over 350.

The guest speaker for the early afternoon Praise Service was Monte Church, Director of Native Ministries for the North American Division. Nilton Amorim, Secretary of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, gave the Opening Address during the Official Opening program. Other guests included Karin Engen,



*Wilson Okeymow, Sampson Cree Elder, brought greetings and offered prayer prior to the ribbon cutting*



*Monte Church brings greetings from the North American Division*



*Ed Desjarlais' family is honored for his vision for Alberta Native Ministries*



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first individual major donor, who was unable to be present; Cliff Buelow's contribution of drilling the school's well was representative of the work of all volunteers, whose free labour greatly contained the cost of the project.

Kora Desjarlais accepted a plaque in honour of her father, Ed Desjarlais, whose vision and encouragement inspired the ministry of the Alberta Conference for his First Nation's people.

"Mamawi Atosketan" means "Working Together." Nothing could be more fitting to describe the building of the school, or to describe how the day's events came together. The organizing committee was Linda Calderbank, Frances Chant, Ian Hartley and Carolyn Osmond. Implementation was by Linda Calderbank and her husband, Graham, and the school's teachers and their spouses, together with Frances Chant, Conference Trust Services Director, and Conference Education Department personnel. Other volunteers included Bob Holdal, photography; Derek Calderbank, video; David Grovet, sound; the Men of Faith Chorus; the Mamawi Cree Class, and many more.

The record attendance of church members and friends made this a very high day in the history of the Mamawi Atosketan Native School and in the history of the Alberta Conference Constituency.

Appreciation to each one who attended, helped or contributed. The day closed with a Benefit Banquet and Concert, featuring Forrie Werner and Joe Pearles, and resulted in an offering of \$7,812. "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow!"

## CUC Graduates Join Pastoral Staff

The Alberta Conference welcomes five new graduates of Canadian University College: Robert (and Ruth) Burke to the Sedgewick and Camrose Churches; Adam (and Angela) Deibert to the Edmonton South Church (Associate); Chanda Nunes to the Colledge Heights Church (Youth Associate); Tyler (and Catherine Rieder) Rosengren to the Edmonton Central Church (Youth Associate) and Smoky Lake; Toby (and Rachel) Wong to the Ponoka and Rimbey Churches.



*Robert & Ruth Burke*



*Tyler & Catherine Rosengren*



*Chanda Nunes*



*Toby & Rachel Wong*



## Community Musical Benefit Program Successful

*Pastor John Blake*

On Tuesday, March 25, the Bentley SDA church sponsored a community musical program with the "Men of Faith" singers from College Heights under the direction of James Anderson. The program was held at the Bentley Community Church and was to raise funds for the "Respite Room" at the Bentley Care Centre. Though the audience was not large, the project offering came to \$672.

Bentley church members, Alberta Blake, Dorothy Pearson and Jacque Sharman, have been working to furnish the Respite Room at the care centre. The first stage of the project was an official ADRA project providing a lift chair, antique clothes closet & dresser, and other decorative items.

The second phase of the project involved the community and was to raise \$2,500 for a special electric hospital-style bed. This time the Bentley church worked with the Care Centre, community organizations and the newspaper to raise the funds. By the time the musical program came on Mar. 25, there was only \$375 left to raise. The extra funds that came in from the offering will help with some extras.

A representative from the Care Centre gave the offering appeal and highly praised the project and told how much it was being appreciated by those using the room. Alberta Blake says: "I believe this has been an excellent opportunity for our church to show a real interest in the needs of the local community. We are just delighted in how everyone worked together and how the Lord blessed this project!"

## Bonnyville Church Grows

Seventy-five members, friends and visitors overflowed the fifty-seat Bonnyville Church on Sabbath, May 10, to witness the addition of twelve new members as a result of a Prophecy Seminar conducted by Pastor Justis St. Hilaire. Pastor Darrell Beaudoin



explains that God worked in marvelous ways through 1) prayer, 2) door-to-door invitations, 3) clear, compelling presentations, and 4) enthusiastic involvement and support by the local church members. Several other attendees are interested in church membership and are making plans to become a part of the Bonnyville Church family.

## Red Willow Church Baptism

On March 29, Red Willow Community Church celebrated the decisions of three young men for Christ. Justin D'Netto of Edmonton has been attending Red Willow for more than three years and has participated in the KIDS Church program and in the youth program. Ben Buchholtz and Cody Sparshu from Westlock chose to follow Christ based on their experience of Christianity put into action by some close church friends, particularly Josh Elgert who stood in the baptistry with them. Youth leader Zaak Robichaud baptized them.



## Harvest Alberta Institute of Evangelism

The campus of Canadian University College and the College Heights Church hosted an exciting evangelism-training weekend May 2-4, 2003. The crowd was smaller than SEEDS 2002, the registration numbers were fewer than SEEDS 2002, but the excitement level was no less high nor was the satisfaction level any less; in fact, some people even claimed they learned more and will retain more than during SEEDS 2002, in spite of the fact that there were changes in the workshop format.

Lay people and pastors received helpful instruction regarding church planting, communication, and much more. Hopefully, the training given will result in more churches being planted, more souls being won to God's Kingdom, more individuals and churches actively participating in outreach, and, most of all, that the character of Christ will be revealed in His last day church in more tangible ways.



## Family Health Workshop



On May 2-4, 2003 over 40 people attended a special weekend out in the beautiful mountains of the Banff and Canmore area. The theme was “Spending Time with God” – teaching us how this improves the physical, spiritual, and mental aspect of our lives. Through nature, exercise, nutrition, fresh air, sunlight, rest, we are able to communicate with God clearer and have an understanding of our purpose here on earth.

The resort in Banff provided facilities such as racquet sports, swimming, and relaxing in the hot tub under the “starry” (and snowy) sky. The weather was mild, with a beautiful coat of white snow on the trees and mountains. The snow did not stop everyone from enjoying some fresh air and nature walks to places like Bow Falls, and other breath-taking scenery.

The group was warmly welcomed by the members of the Canmore church Sabbath morning. Darlene Blaney was the speaker for the day and a delicious potluck followed.

## Calgary CHIP A Success

The fourth Calgary CHIP program took place in March 2003, with 21 participants. Two weeks before the scheduled program, a total of five participants registered and it appeared that the program would have to be postponed. Now, anyone who has helped organize a CHIP program, knows the amount of time, work, money, and planning that goes into such a program, and will understand that the directors were not too thrilled to have to cancel. Twenty people would be needed. After much prayer and in faith, the directors continued to plan and organize. A week before the program people began signing up, and a day before the heart screen 21 registered!

The program went ahead as planned with GREAT success! People’s lives were changed once again with awesome results! Though faith was tested, everyone was blessed. If you haven’t had the opportunity to get involved, do so! Whether it is as a participant or a team player, it will change your life! For those who have not signed up yet, please call Ron or Darlene Blaney, Directors for Calgary 403-288-9293 for the next program.



## Lethbridge Micro-CHIP

The Lethbridge SDA Church held a 5-day Micro-CHIP program March 16-20 for the purpose of introducing the CHIP program to church members in preparation for holding a 30-day CHIP program in Lethbridge in the fall of this year (2003). Thirty-three people attended.



## Calgary Veggie Dinner Club

Calgary Veggie Dinner Club started in Calgary in February 2003, attended by some church family and community people. It has been a positive outreach ministry event, and a growing one! This club is centred on a happy environment with a vegan vegetarian potluck. Each month there is a special speaker and theme to encourage and enlighten everyone who attends. Family church members are welcome to bring a friend and enjoy!

For information please contact Darlene Blaney (403) 288-9293 or Laurene Stanley-Turner (403) 202-1674.





### 2003 Summer Camp Program

Staff Orientation .....	June 29-July 6
Water ski / Horsemanship .....	July 6-10
Blind .....	July 20-27
Adventurer / Sherwood Forest I .....	July 27-Aug 3
Junior I / Sherwood Forest II .....	Aug 3-10
Junior II / Sherwood Forest III .....	Aug 10-17
Teen .....	Aug 17-24

Find out more at [www.foothillscamp.org](http://www.foothillscamp.org) or e-mail [irma@albertasda.org](mailto:irma@albertasda.org) or phone (403) 342-5044, ext. 210

### DATELINE

June 13-15	Calgary Region Prayer Leadership Convention, Garden Road Church
15	<i>Father's Day</i>
22	Executive Committee & Mamawi School Constituency, Red Deer
27 - 29	PAA Graduation
27 - 29	Innisfree Camp Meeting
July 1	<i>Canada Day</i> (office closed)
9	Camp Pitch begins at 5:00 p.m. (for pastors)
11-19	CAMP MEETING

## The Innisfree Camp Meeting is On

After considerable discussion with the Conference, the 2003 Innisfree Camp Meeting is on! The location is the same as last year — the Paul Hryhirchuk Farm (a stone's throw from the Innisfree Church). Evangelist John Bradshaw of Amazing Facts will be guest speaker. Meetings for children. Attendees are invited to bring their food prepared to share at a fellowship lunch and supper.



*John Bradshaw*

Friday, June 27	7:00 p.m.	Opening Meeting, John Bradshaw
Sabbath, June 28	9:45 a.m.	Sabbath School
	11:00 a.m.	Church service, John Bradshaw
	2:00 p.m.	Freedom Singers
	4:00 p.m.	Conference Secretary, Romy Daquila
	7:00 p.m.	John Bradshaw
Sunday, June 29	8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
	11:00 a.m.	John Bradshaw
	1:30 p.m.	John Bradshaw

*Directions: From Hwy 16, take #870 through Innisfree. Follow signs.*

## Alberta Pastor Presents Theological Paper

Pastor Alan Delotavo of Fort McMurray was one of the two Canadians who presented a theological paper at the April 2003 Annual Conference of the Society for the Study of Theology held in the University of Newcastle, England. The Society, formerly called the British Society for the Study of Theology, has approximately 400 members; many are world-renowned scholars from Cambridge, Oxford, and other British and some Western European Universities, as well as representatives from the US. Pastor Delotavo has successfully presented a seminar paper entitled "Ethical Considerations on Ecclesio-Political Involvement: A Philippine People Power Case." The paper was commended.

### Summer Camps for Kids

**Adventurer Camp** – A camp designed for younger campers that introduce them to new activities, friends, and experiences. Campers get to try a variety of activities structured so that they can have fun, yet learn to develop some new skills and abilities. Ages 7-9.

**Blind Camp** – Sponsored by Christian Record Services, this camp is open to visually impaired campers of all ages. For more information, contact Christian Record Services at (905) 436-6938.

**Junior Camp** – A week of life-changing summer camp fun, new friends, and activities. Campers are offered a variety of one- and two-hour activities. Ages 10-12.

**Teen Camp** – This is the place to be to find new friends, face new challenges and have a great week. Prepare for a lot of intensity and fun! Ages 13-16.

### Specialty Camps

**Horsemanship Camp** (Limit of 12) – Trail ride in the beautiful Alberta Foothills! A camp offered in conjunction with Helmer Creek Ranch. Spend the first day at Foothills Camp getting prepared for the adventure of three days camping and riding to Helmer Creek Ranch and the following three days camping and riding back from the Ranch. It's an exciting horseback riding experience! Note: Horsemanship experience is required to attend this camp. Ages 13-16.

**Sherwood Forest** (Limit of 20) – Spend your week in the exciting Sherwood Forest Treehouses where new discoveries and endless challenges lay around every corner. The days will be spent in team challenge activity, wilderness skills, crafts, and recreation. In the evening, you will join the rest of the camp for the unforgettable camp fire program! Ages 9-11 (Sherwood Forest I); Ages 10-12 (Sherwood Forest II and III).

# Alberta Conference 2003 Camp Meeting

## Loving God ~ Loving Each Other

### Foothills Camp - July 11 to 19

Opening Meeting

Friday, July 11 – 7:15 p.m.

Don Schneider

TIME	SABBATH July 12	SUNDAY July 13	MONDAY July 14	TUESDAY July 15	WEDNESDAY July 16	THURSDAY July 17	FRIDAY July 18	SABBATH July 19
7:00 - 7:45	James Rooney	Matthew Smith	Toby Wong	Bob Burke	Tyler Rosengren	Arthur Kiziak	Adam Deibert	Carolyn Macomber
7:45 - 8:30	--- B R E A K F A S T ---							
9:00 - 10:00	9:00 - 10:30 Sabbath School	9:00 - 12:00 Devotional (Nilton Amorim)	--- Ruthie Jacobsen ---					9:00 - 10:30 Sabbath School
10:30 - 12:00	10:45 - 12:00 Don Schneider	Town Hall Meeting	10:30 - 12:00 --- S E M I N A R S ---					10:45 - 12:00 Donald G. King
12:00 - 1:00	--- L U N C H ---							
1:00 - 2:00			1:00-3:00	--- CHOIR PRACTICE ---				
2:00 - 3:30			ABC Book Sale	2:00 - 3:30 --- S E M I N A R S ---				
3:45 - 5:15	3:00 - 5:00 Music Concert Sharon Foreman	3:00 - 4:00	3:45 - 5:15 --- S E M I N A R S ---					2:30 - 4:00 Evangelism
								4:00 - 5:00 ADRA
5:15 - 6:15	S U P P E R	4:00-6:00 International Food Fair	--- S U P P E R ---					
7:15 - 9:00	Don Schneider	--- Lloyd Erickson ---					7:00 Ordination Donald G. King	Donald G. King
9:15 - 9:45	PRAYER & PRAISE At the Harmattan Heritage Church every night starting on Friday, July 11							

### Seminars

Acts: Outside the Comfort Zone ..... Ron Sydenham  
 ADRA/ACS/DRP ..... James Astleford / Sandy Brittain  
 All Power Seminar ..... Derek Heldzinger  
 Deaf Ministry ..... George Stothart  
 Estate Planning & You ..... Frances Chant  
 Family Relationships ..... Werner & Geri Seidel

Fund Raising for Schools & Churches ... Carolyn Osmond  
 Health ..... Gerard & Kathryn McLane  
 Life & Teachings of Jesus ..... Frank Tochterman  
 Natural Church Development (NCD) ..... Vera Hyde  
 Prayer ..... Ruthie Jacobsen  
 Public Affairs & Religious Liberty ..... Gerald Chipeur



# 2003 Camp Meeting Information

## Guests



Don Schneider, President  
North American Division  
*First Weekend*



Don King, President  
Atlantic Union Conference  
*Second Weekend*



Alfredo Garcia-Marenko  
Associate Youth Director  
General Conference  
*Spanish  
Second Weekend*



Frankie Lazarus  
Director  
Youth Department  
Ontario Conference  
*Youth*



Lloyd Erickson,  
Director, Counseling  
& Testing Center  
Andrews University  
*Sun-Thurs Evenings*



Ruthie Jacobsen, Director  
Prayer Ministries  
North American Division  
*9:00 Mon-Fri Devotional*



Sharon Janes Foreman,  
Cornerstone of Praise  
*Guest Musician*



Jennifer Jill,  
Founder/Speaker  
Michael Ministries,  
Oreland, PA  
*Young Adult*



Nilton Amorim,  
Executive Secretary  
SDA Church in  
Canada  
*9:00 Sunday  
Devotional*

- ◆ REGISTRATION FOR 2004: Friday, July 11 to Tuesday, July 15, 2003 during office hours.
- ◆ PETS: Please do not plan to bring your pet(s) to camp meeting! There are kennels in nearby towns that can accommodate your pet(s) very nicely. You will be asked to remove your pet(s).
- ◆ PAYMENT: If you have made a reservation for a camp site or other accommodation for this year's camp meeting and you have not yet paid, please contact Irma Hartley (403) 342-5044, ext 210 to pay by credit card or send a cheque (payable to the Alberta Conference) to 37541 Highway 2, Red Deer County, AB T4E 1B1 immediately. This will speed up the check-in process when you arrive.
- ◆ OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS NEAR FOOTHILLS CAMP:
 

Red Deer	Holiday Inn Express	800-223-1993
	Rest E-Z Inn	800-424-9454
	Western Budget	403-358-5788
Innisfail	R and R Inn	866-227-2214
Olds	Best Western	888-908-5900
	Sportsman Inn	403-556-3315
- ◆ INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIR: Time is ticking away! June 30 is the deadline for all participants in the food fair on Sunday afternoon, July 13. Please sit down with your team or committee and start planning now. Since the first letter was sent out in January, only one church has responded so far. Please submit your request for a table space along with a menu immediately! Available on a first-come, first serve basis.
 

If you need further clarification or have any questions, please contact Pastor John Adams (403-342-5044 ext 211) or Joyce Wasylyshen (ext 208). Please e-mail your menu to [joyce@albertasda.org](mailto:joyce@albertasda.org) or fax to (403) 343-1523.
- ◆ CAMPMEETING MUSIC: If you are planning to be at camp meeting and would like to be involved by doing special music (vocal or instrumental), playing the piano or organ, or leading the singing, please contact Trudie Comm @ 780-532-6411. We would like all age groups to be involved. Please bring your instruments to camp meeting as we will use them for some of the evening meetings.
 

There will be a Camp Meeting Band playing the first Sabbath. Please contact Harald Zinner, e-mail: [hzinner@primus.ca](mailto:hzinner@primus.ca) or phone (780) 387-4163 for more information and music for practising.



## Academy Graduations

- June 5 Coralwood Adventist Academy, Edmonton
- June 7-8 Chinook Winds Adventist Academy, Calgary  
16 students Guest speaker: Keith Carter
- June 27-29 Parkview Adventist Academy, Lacombe  
50 students
- Friday evening - Class Night
- Sabbath morning - Leo Ganson,  
PAA Vice-Principal
- Sunday morning - Pastor Paul Donnett,  
PAA Chaplain

## Pathfinder Camporee

Pathfinder clubs from around the Conference spent the May long weekend together at their annual Spring Camporee. Approximately 120 Pathfinders and volunteers braved the cool temperatures, and, yes, even a little snow, to spend time together having fun and worshipping God.

Jerry Smith, a Seminary Student from Andrews and an Albertan, came to serve as the speaker for the weekend. Toby Wong, a recent graduate of CUC and a new pastor in the Alberta Conference, also came and shared with us for a couple of our services. Despite the cool temperature it was a wonderful success.



## ADRA Symposium at Hope

May 8-11



*Delegates from the Alberta Conference were:*  
(l-r) Allen Fowler (Edmonton), Millie Snow (Red Deer/Lacombe), Lovyl Marian (Beauvallon), David Griffin (Calgary), Irma Hartley (Red Deer), Mel Djkwich (Edmonton), Harry Stolarchuk (Leduc) - not shown.

The theme for this Inner City Ministries symposium was "Hands of Hope." The next ADRA Symposium will be held in Alberta in 2004

## Womens' Ministries Retreat

The women of the Alberta Conference unit together in prayer seeking God's blessing and guidance for the future of Women's Ministries.

*(picture taken at the AB Women's Retreat April 4-6, 2003)*



## Alberta Conference Outdoor School (ACOS) 2003

It was the morning of May 4th and snow was falling, covering the green landscape with its cloak of white. The Alberta Conference Outdoor School would be rescheduled this year again because of snow!

One week later, the morning dawned with a sunshiny face. Excitement was in the air, the Lord had blessed us with a beautiful day and hopefully a week, and approximately 144 students and adults would make their trek towards three days of adventure in God's Lesson Book, the Great Outdoors.

Grade five and six students from nine of the ten Adventist schools met at Foothills Camp to experience the pond, the river and the forest. Activities that focused on the curriculum were presented in an interactive and hands on format. Students had a variety of opportunities to interact and make new friends with each other and with God.



*A special grea-a-at BIG thank you to all the parents, volunteers and staff who made this program a reality.*