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# March Newsletter

Sequim Seventh-day Adventist Church Newsletter  
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## Welcome Taylor Family      by Stelle Knauff

The Sequim church would like to welcome Brian and Megan Taylor, as well as their sons, Austin, Andrew and Adin. Adin is presently attending Union College. The Taylor family recently moved to Sequim from Paradise, California. Brian has accepted the position in radiation oncology at the OMC Cancer Center. Megan is fortunate enough to be a “stay-at-home” mom and she homeschools their youngest son. The Taylors love hiking and camping, so they will have lots of exploring opportunities in the mountains and on beaches. We are blessed that the Taylors have chosen Sequim to be their new home. Welcome!



## Ladies Get-Together by Joanie Schmoll & Susan Stewart

Please mark your calendar for Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12pm, to meet at the Fellowship Hall for a casual get-together. This will be a time to visit and share ideas. Bring a brown-bag lunch and your thoughts about fun activities that we might like to do throughout the year. All are welcome!!!!



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## Pathfinders

by Twyla Luke

Pathfinders have been very busy. Usually I'm so busy I forget to take photos, write reports and updates or sometimes both! We finally finished our Baking Honor bonanza. We made so many yummy items! I think the kids really enjoyed this honor. It is a lot of fun, albeit messy and time consuming. But hey, life skills! And memories, all the memories! All the classes are busy on classwork. My group just studied The Laws of Nature and did some experiments. If you ever wanted to see the pull the tablecloth out from under the dishes trick, my kids have got you covered! ;) This month saw the teens head to Sunset Lake for Teen Retreat. "All In, Do My Honest Part" was the theme. We had a great speaker that gave his powerful testament. We earned the Bogs and Fens Honor (look it up and see if you know the difference, or ask one of the teens to test their knowledge) Attended a Hawaiian Banquet, placed 1st in Stalk and Concealment (way to go Brani and Mike for crawling around in the dark with the kids) and had a "log" race that Skylar was sure would kill her! It was a fun time with mostly decent weather. It is February in the PNW so you can't expect much. On February 12th, three of the kids had a Homeschool Band Concert. Jeston plays percussion, Flynn the saxophone and Keaton the Tuba. I encouraged the Pathfinders to come support each other! (they could also earn some extra credit points) Several attended and we had the opportunity to enjoy a fun evening and some good music. It's important to support each other in all aspects of life! We are continuing to work on Marching and look forward to some lighter evenings so outdoor practices can happen. We are also starting Pinewood Derby cars soon and Mark Pekar will help us out with his shop. We will have a local "race" to tune up for the fair. If I can remember I'll try and announce the date if anyone is interested in attending. We set up the track that John Ewert built for our club and get the cars all tuned up to race at the Fair end of April. We almost always have one or two winners from our club! I only know of one other clubs that own a track. It does make a difference. Thank you for your continued support of our club with both your finances and your prayers!



## Women's Ministries

by Susan Stewart

We wanted our Woman's Ministry mission project for this year to be something that would be a blessing to our Peninsula Adventist Elementary School (PAES), to lift up Jesus, and asked our school principal, Josh Bonifant, for suggestions. We are excited to announce that it is a fence for a school project garden. There are many educational lessons that can be a part of this choice including practical skills, botany, soil science, responsibility, insects both beneficial and harmful, food, as well as pest control.

There are the spiritual lessons that God is our creator and everything follows certain rules and laws, and there are many illustrations of the parables of Jesus that have to do with gardening. Also there is weather, science, and natural healing that can come from plants. In the end, students and their families will have something to enjoy for their efforts that will bless them and the school.

So far, Lynn Berg and Jeff Dawson have helped with getting the garden preparation started. The area chosen is in the front of the school in the center of the circular driveway. Cardboard was laid on the grassy soil to prevent weeds, seven cubic yards of compost has been placed in a 56' x 20' area, and seeds have been ordered. Josh estimates the cost for a deer-preventive fence will be about \$1200. We are hoping to get more than that and plan to enhance the basic needs that can be whatever is needed and could include an irrigation system or garden shed, or whatever is needed for the garden and fence project.

Our late Women's Ministry leader, Sandra Whitney, brought the vision of helping PAES with funding for this project. Giving a memorial gift in remembrance for her would be much appreciated.

If you would like to contribute, please make sure to label your monetary gift as "School Garden," on your tithe envelope and place in the church offering. If it is not labeled correctly, it will not go for this project. Thank you for all your support for our school.

## Good Stuff Sale

March 25 from 9:00am-5:00pm and

March 26 from 9:00am – 2:00pm

In the Fellowship Hall

If you have items to donate, please bring them Tuesday, March 24

Questions? Contact Phyllis,

564-203-8337



## Isn't God Good!

submitted by Doug Woods

### Never on Sabbath, Better on Sunday

by Donn Leiske

The company my wife, Kathie, and I founded, SHOPWARE, Inc., produced training software for vocational education. Fortunately, almost all trade shows had little or no Sabbath scheduling conflicts. The main exception was the largest international show in our industry. Not only did this two-and-a-half-day show include Saturday, but Saturday was opening day.

We decided to participate and sent in the application with a short note stating that we would not exhibit on Saturday. Soon we received word that policy required all exhibitors to have their booths staffed at all times, and this rule had never been broken. In all the years of administering the show the officials had never had a request of this kind, even though, we learned, a Jewish company from Israel was represented, as well as many Christian businesses that might have been expected to want Sunday off.

After some discussion the show administration agreed to allow us not to staff our booth on Saturday. In exchange we had to give up our prime booth location and accept a less visible place, with low traffic flow.

We agreed to all this, even though it appeared we would be losing in the process. We set up the booth on Friday and placed two signs in front for Saturday visitors. One read: "Free demonstrations tomorrow." The other read, "'The Lord...rested the seventh day' (see Exodus 20:8-11), ...and we've done the same."

That Sabbath we enjoyed a peaceful day with the local Adventist congregation. Of course we were eager to see what would be the result of our not attending the big show on opening day.

That Sunday morning I will never forget. Many show participants came by our booth and said, "We missed you on Saturday and made sure to come back to see you today." This was remarkable, since this show was so large that many people never even got to see all of the exhibits! One of the exhibitors, who was also one of our dealers, came by our booth to tell us how impressed he was that we were willing to go to such expense to stand up for our beliefs and what a good influence our commitment had on the people. He said that the general Saturday traffic was very low and that we didn't miss anything!

It was exciting to see God work! Our ability to witness at that show resulted in other dealers being influenced. One dealer became a vegetarian, and his wife read numerous Adventist books with great interest. God made sure at those shows that we succeeded in business equal to, or better than, a booth opened on Sabbath. But more important, we have seen that the best rewards are not measured with a calculator. They are measured in the joy we have in our hearts for living as God would want us to.

***"The Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." Psalm 84:11.***

[taken from ***Over & Over Again! 150 Adventists Share Personal Faith Stories About Stewardship.*** 1998. NAD. Edited by Ronald Allan Knott]

## Bell Ringing Ceremony

by Bonnie Sanford

A Bell Ringing Ceremony was held for Veterans who had recently passed. It was outside and in front of the Port Angeles Courthouse. The large, enclosed bell to the left front of the Port Angeles Courthouse was opened during the ceremony for relatives and the public.

CDR Michael R. Judd, U.S. Navy, was announced followed by the ringing of the bell as it was for each individual veteran. Anne Judd, a U.S. Navy LT, Retired, saluted during two flag ceremonies as a flag was handed to a family member. LT Anne Judd will be receiving her flag at CDR Michael R. Judd's Memorial Service on March 20.

Amazing Grace played by bagpipers could be heard in the background. The U.S. Airforce flyby and bugled Taps signified the close of the service.

Supporters with Anne Judd were; Bonnie Sanford, Stelle Knauff, Linda Yip, Sandi Christensen, Jeff and Diane Dawson, Michael Schmoll and Pastor Cristian Boboceca.



Saying Goodbye /  
Until We Meet Again

It is with sad hearts that we say goodbye to two special people this month. Thankful that our hope rests in our risen Savior Jesus and His promises.

Sandi Whitney's memorial service will be Saturday, March 14 at 2:30 at the church. Mike Judd's memorial service will be Friday, March 20 at 10:00 am at the church.

## PAES Open House

### PAES Open House

Thurs., March 5 from 5:00-6:30 pm  
at 255 Medsker Road in Sequim

Invite families with kids going into  
K-8 to come check out what  
Peninsula Adventist Elementary  
School has to offer.

Classroom tours available.

Enjoy food and activities for kids.

Special appearance by ventriloquist  
Daryl Trowbridge and friend.

## Nominating Committee

Nominating Committee process  
begins in March. Prayerfully  
consider where God can use you.  
A Ministry Preference sheet will be  
available for you to select those  
areas you would be willing to serve.  
This is a useful tool for the  
Nominating Committee as they  
create our potential Church Officers  
and Ministry Leaders for the next  
two years.

## March Birthdays

1 Erika McClure  
2 Doug Woods  
4 Marion Wagner  
4 Debbie Zervos  
5 Jadie Henton  
5 Olivia Peder  
5 Elizabeth Smith  
6 Henry Bonifant  
6 Heather Reseck  
7 Craig Hamilton  
7 Elsie McClure  
7 Haley Rasco  
10 Paula Fagg

12 Florence Carrmack  
14 Andrea Howe  
16 Lucas Stout  
19 Wayne Wentland  
21 Bob Bagwell  
23 Cameron Needham  
26 Karen Iverson  
27 Miriam Rasco  
28 Greg Reseck

28 Joanie Schmoll  
28 Darlene Thomas  
31 Chris Needham  
31 Harvey Hochstetter



# Adventurers

by Jay Richmond

Does Adventurer Club have some budding artists? For our first February meeting we worked on Artist Award exploring three ways of being an artist.

Otters began with painting, taking three primary colors and then mixed them for new colors. With their new found colors, they were asked to paint a picture of anything they wanted. Their pictures are very cute and displayed on the wall at the church. Amazingly, the mess was very little.

Next, we moved to stencils and creating cards. The concept of drawing an outline was new to many; so, this was fun learning something new. They explored with colored pencils versus markers in doing their outlines. To earn the award Otters also needed to sharpen a pencil.

Our last segment was to create something with clay. Their imagination knew no bounds. From food, to monsters, to creatures, were created. Pipe cleaners and googly eyes were available if they wanted to add to their creation.

Each of our meetings are filled with so many wonderful things for these little ones to learn. And I am pretty sure they are having fun! But, I think I am the one who receives the biggest blessing as I watch their world come alive.

Coming up, we have our animal footprints on March 9. Did anyone find any creature prints to share with the Adventurer Club? If you have some pictures please send them to the church office, [sequimadventist@sequimsdachurch.org](mailto:sequimadventist@sequimsdachurch.org).



Thank you for  
your continued  
prayers for our  
Olympic Otters.

# March 2026 Church Calendar

| Sun                                                  | Mon                                                                                          | Tue                                        | Wed                                                                                                                                   | Thu                                                                                                                                                            | Fri                                                        | Sat                                                                                          |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1<br><i>School Work Bee</i><br><b>9:00am-12:00pm</b> | 2                                                                                            | 3<br><i>ACS</i><br><b>10:00am-12:00pm</b>  | 4<br><i>Prayer Meeting</i><br><b>6:30pm</b><br><i>Choir Practice</i><br><b>7:30pm</b>                                                 | 5 <i>Backpack Program</i><br><b>8:00am</b><br><i>PAES Open House</i><br><b>5:00-6:30pm</b><br><i>Elders Meeting &amp; Pathfinders</i> <b>6:30pm</b>            | 6                                                          | 7 <i>Fellowship Meal (Team Beth)</i><br><b>12:30pm</b><br><i>Choir Practice (after meal)</i> |
| 8                                                    | 9<br><i>Adventurers</i><br><b>3:30pm</b><br><i>School Board Meeting</i> <b>6:30pm</b>        | 10                                         | 11 <i>Prayer Meeting</i><br><b>6:30pm</b><br><i>Choir Practice</i><br><b>7:30pm</b><br><i>Church Office Closed (11th-12th)</i>        | 12 <i>Backpack Program</i><br><b>8:00am</b><br><i>Ladies Bible Study</i><br><b>2:00pm</b><br><i>Pathfinders</i> <b>6:30pm</b>                                  | 13                                                         | 14 <i>Memorial Service for Sandi Whitney</i><br><b>2:30pm</b>                                |
| 15                                                   | 16<br><i>Church Board Meeting</i><br><b>6:30pm</b>                                           | 17<br><i>ACS</i><br><b>10:00am-12:00pm</b> | 18 <i>Campus Use</i><br><b>7:30-10:00am</b><br><i>Prayer Meeting</i><br><b>6:30pm</b><br><i>Choir Practice</i><br><b>7:30pm</b>       | 19                                                                                                                                                             | 20 <i>Memorial Service for Mike Judd</i><br><b>10:00am</b> | 21 <i>Children's Church</i><br><b>11:00am</b><br><i>Speaker: Daryl Trowbridge</i>            |
| 22<br><i>ABC Bookmobile</i>                          | 23<br><i>Ladies Get-Together</i><br><b>12:00pm</b><br><b>PAES Spring Break (March 23-27)</b> | 24<br><i>Setup for Good Stuff Sale</i>     | 25 <i>Good Stuff Sale</i><br><b>9:00am-5:00pm</b><br><i>Prayer Meeting</i><br><b>6:30pm</b><br><i>Choir Practice</i><br><b>7:30pm</b> | 26 <i>Backpack Program</i><br><i>Good Stuff Sale</i><br><b>9:00am-2:00pm</b><br><i>Ladies Bible Study</i><br><b>2:00pm</b><br><i>Pathfinders</i> <b>6:30pm</b> | 27                                                         | 28<br><i>Adventurers</i><br><b>2:00pm</b>                                                    |
| 29                                                   | 30<br><i>Health Class</i>                                                                    | 31                                         | <b>Upcoming Events:</b><br><br><b>April 4      Resurrection Celebration</b><br><b>April 29      Jaime Jorge Concert</b>               |                                                                                                                                                                |                                                            |                                                                                              |

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