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NEWS AROUND THE UNION



Andrews University Enrollment and Rankings Report

As Andrews University returned to in-person instruction on its Berrien Springs campus, its annual fall census report on Sept. 9 reported that <u>3,171 students</u> were enrolled on or through the Berrien Springs campus of Andrews University, a decrease from the 3,412 headcount enrollment during the 2019 fall semester.

Andrews University had planned for the impact of COVID-19 on University operations with its August reopening, and the University's operating budget was adjusted to allow for an anticipated 5 percent decrease in enrollment levels and tuition income this school year.



New Lake Union Pathfinder patch is here

Youth ministry directors formally voted last November to add a Lake Union patch to uniforms, and have it required when the Lake Union Courageous Pathfinder Camporee rolls around in September of 2021.

The patch goes 1/4 inch directly below and centered under the Conference patch.

"You will have to take off the existing patches and move them down a bit. It is a bit of a hassle, but will look very nice on the uniform!" says Harris. "I look forward to seeing each of the Indiana, Illinois, Lake Region, Michigan and Wisconsin Pathfinders with these new Lake Union patches on their uniforms for the Lake Union Camporee next September 16-19, 2021! We will look very sharp!"



Adventist Journey: October 2020

Adventist Journey has published a special addition completely online for their October issue! Read through the amazing stories and watch a new video highlighting all the Adventists featured on this month's cover.

Visit <u>vimeo.com/nadadventist/ajcompilation1</u> for glimpses into these Adventist journeys; and turn to page 10 for the interview "A Blind Musician Shares His Faith Journey."

ADDITIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE

Adventist Development and Relief Agency Aids in the Azerbaijan and Armenia Crises

The Seventh-day Adventist Church is <u>assisting victims of the conflict</u> <u>between Armenia and Azerbaijan</u> through its global humanitarian arm, the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA).

Church Leaders Address Issues of Racism and Prejudice

On the 15th of September, 2020, the Administrative Committee of the Seventh-day Adventist Church (AD COM) voted <u>One Humanity: A Human Relations Statement Addressing Racism, Casteism, Tribalism, and Ethnocentrism.</u> The statement demonstrates the Church's commitment to adhere to biblical principles and comes after recent events compelled Church leadership to clearly outline the Church's official stance on these important issues.

Adventist University in Lebanon Increases Enrollment Despite

the National Crises

In these economically challenging times, God is still blessing. This has been particularly evident at Middle East University (MEU), the only Seventh-day Adventist institution of higher learning in the entire Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region.

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

Adventist Community Services Provides Ongoing Disaster Response in Northern California and Northwest Oregon

Historic fires from the summer destroy hundreds of thousands of acres; ACS continues its food distribution and hurricane response.

Adventist Church and ADRA Gear Into Second Phase of Global Education Campaign

The <u>"Every Child. Everywhere. In School."</u> campaign promotes total member involvement through localized support and outreach.

"God's Enduring Song of Love" Film Released for Creation Sabbath 2020

The subject of 2020's Creation Sabbath film, "God's Enduring Song of Love" is the murmurating of grackles.

Adventist Health Launches Breakthrough Move to Promote Community Well-Being

Well-Being Division is designed to <u>tackle the chronic disease crisis</u> at its root causes

OneTeam Playbook 2020 to Conclude "Convention" Phase This Weekend

The <u>OneTeam Playbook 2020 Leaders Convention (#oneteamNAD) is a new way of doing leadership training.</u> Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Youth and Young Ministries department at the North American Division shifted gears from an onsite meeting that was planned in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to an all-digital platform conference.

Nothing Short of a Miracle - Giving Towards Missions

My mother and her six children knelt down that Sunday afternoon to pray when suddenly our prayer was interrupted by a knock! <u>An answer to prayer?</u>

EVENTS AND RESOURCES



Join us virtually from October 28 - December 16 every Wednesday at 2-3 pm for FREE TRAINING from professionals across the Lake Union Conference and North American Division. We will be discussing newsletters, photo and video, livestreaming, Adventist branding guidelines and best practices for websites. Join us on Facebook and Youtube!



Churches and schools have wrestled with plans to return to in-person services and classes. It's not as simple as choosing a date to open. Any strategy to resume live events and classes must include guidance and policies to keep people safe. Read through Adventist Risk Management's guide to Dealing with Possible Exposure to COVID-19.



You're invited to be a part of AdventHealth's annual Week of Spiritual Renewal, October 19-23. Join us by signing up to receive daily emails during the week with a link to a video on topics of loss, discouragement, anxiety, loneliness and anger. You will discover hope in God's promises and practical help for living in difficult times.



The Association of Adventist Women (AAW), in partnership with the Loma Linda University Church, has put together a series of six **Sabbath Vespers programs** addressing leadership called Finding Purpose in Uncertain Times. Join them **every Sabbath starting October 10 at**associationofadventistwomen.com

and <u>lluc.org/vespers</u>.



Project Safe Church exists to train leaders to take protective action in response to the systemic crisis of abuse in the Seventh-day Adventist church. These helpers will support victims and assist them in telling their stories to appropriate civil and/or church leaders. Check with the Project Safe Church website or your local conference office for more information about this program and getting involved.



Adelante Community Health Center in Berwyn, IL translates the principles of NEWSTART into Spanish using "ADELANTE." A street sign for the ministry was part of our 2019 offering, and this month they finally received authorization to put it up! They serve the community through health education, cooking classes, psychological support, a thrift store, and medical clinic. Three community members were baptized this past June, and they hope to continue to reach the surrounding area.



The Pathway to Health megaclinic, which will provide free medical care to thousands of people in the Indianapolis area, will take place April 28-30, 2021 at the Lucas Oil Stadium. The stadium has been donated by the city for this community outreach, which will show the love of Christ to people in need. For more information, please visit www.pathwaytohealth.org.



2021 Fearless Lake Union Camporee

Come join us on September 16-19, 2021 as we learn how to be Fearless for Jesus!

Learn more!

What's inside this month's *Herald*



How We

Move Forward

MISSION UNSTOPPABLE DISPATCHES FROM THE UNION

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Picture of the Week



"Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy." - Psalm 96:11-12

"Fall Colors at Andrews University"
(Picture Credit: Andrews University Alumni Facebook page)

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