



# June Newsletter

Sequim Seventh-day Adventist Church Newsletter

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## Georgia Bullard Graduation Info

by Rebecca Bullard

Please join us in these special events as Georgia Bullard is graduating High School. She will be attending Bowdoin College in Maine next year.

Scholarship Award Ceremony- Wed., June 5 @ 6pm. SHS Auditorium

Baccalaureate- Sun., June 9 @6pm. Dungeness Community Church

Olympic Peninsula Academy Grad- Wed., June 12 @ 6pm. Sequim High School Auditorium.

Sequim High School Grad- Fri. June 14 @ 6pm- Sequim High School Field

Georgia's Grad Party- Sat. June 15@ 5-8pm - Old Dungeness Schoolhouse (Bring snacks to share and a picture of you or Georgia to add to her memory book.)



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## Plant-Powered Picnic

Make-Ahead Foods for Al Fresco Eating

### What We'll be Making

- Possibility Burgers
- Tofu Sandwich Spread
- Black Bean Salad with Avocado
- Grain Salad with Cucumbers and Chickpeas
- Chocolate Chia Energy Bites



## Cooking Class with Heather Reseck

Next class will be Monday, June 24 at 4:30 pm. To register, go to

<https://heatherreseck.com/classes/sequim>

Topic: Plant-powered Picnic

## *Fellowship Meal Schedule*

*by Donna Bottgenbach*

Just a note about the Fellowship Meal Schedule for the summer.

June 1 Regular Fellowship Meal - Team 4

June 15, July 6, July 29 - \***Guest Meals** provided on a voluntary basis. (See below for details)

July 27 VBS Fellowship Meal @ 6pm

August 3 is our annual church picnic at Camp Kruse at Diamond Point (maps will be available)

August 17 will be a special fellowship meal. (More info later)

September 7 will begin our scheduled fellowship meals on the first and third Sabbaths of the month.

\***Guest Meals** will be provided by volunteers and are primarily for guests. Sign-up Sheets will be available. However, if anyone would like to come who has not signed up, please contact Donna Botch at (360-461-2548) and be prepared to bring a dish and help with set up, and/or clean-up.

Our Current Fellowship Meal Teams will be posted on the Bulletin Board. We will assume that you are still willing to serve on your team as listed. If your plans have changed, please contact Donna Botch (360-461-2548) as soon as possible.



## *June Birthdays*

1 Kurt Howe

3 Dave Needham

4 Marilyn McNamara

8 Esther Littlejohn

9 Marilyn Triplett

11 Michael Smith

12 Miley Musick

12 Rachel Powless

14 Karen Rushby

23 Jan Hayward

24 Tim Gauthun

24 Jon-Michael Rushby

30 Elora Wilson

## *Library Corner*

*by Mary Thayne*

The following books have been added to our church library during the last month:

10 Christian Values Every Kid Should Know. A How-to Guide for Families. by Donna J.

Habenicht. Building children is better than repairing adults!

Jet; The True Story of a Talking Supercrow. by Rhoda Bacmeister. Story of a bird with a 30-word vocabulary. Early Readers 6-9.

Hymns at Heaven's Gate. The Story of George Greer, Choirmaster. by Hazel McElhany Greer and Norma R. Youngberg.

Benny, the Beaver. by Harry J. Baerg. A classic children's nature story.

Christmas in My Heart. A treasury of Old-fashioned Christmas stories. Book 11. Compiled and edited by Joel L. Wheeler.

## Pathfinders

by Twyla Luke

The Pathfinder year is drawing to a close! It's been a very active year with many happenings. The end of April saw us traveling to Auburn Academy for the Washington Conference Pathfinder Fair. The conference has increased its Pathfinder enrollment and it was a very large group in attendance! We have been working hard on our marching skills and the kids did a nice job! The weather made for a challenge and I was thankful for our new large 10x20 pop-up! We up graded awhile back with the camporee in mind and it was nice to test it out. It requires a few more hands to set up but provided the much needed shelter from the rain and allowed people a place to stand in line for corn dogs! We sold out in about 45 minutes of 192 dogs! It's always a popular item and I kept the price reasonable compared to the other food items available. We still managed to make about \$500 in profit but just had to sell more to get it!



We have been alternating years for Pinewood Derby Cars and this year most of the kids made them. We had a very good showing and brought home lots of ribbons! The kids all placed in various races and categories and Jeston brought home the overall 1st place! There were close to 100 cars that raced so that was a big accomplishment! We had our own club race on our track the



prior Thursday and Jeston placed 1st at home so we knew he had a fast car! Big thank you to Mark Pekar for sharing his garage shop and all the guidance he gave the kids. Larry Luke shares his painting skills with the kids and at the fair I overheard someone comment on our cars and wondered how they had such nice paint jobs! I can't think about the cars without thinking of John Ewert and all he did for the club in regards to mentoring. The years he gave in perfecting the building and racing of the cars was priceless. He would have been thrilled that we brought home the "Gold" this year!

May saw us finishing up with First Aid classed and Fire Building. These are important skills that we cover every



year and while sometimes frustrating, (have you tried to build a fire in wet weather recently?) they are good to know. It's also fun to just cook and eat over a campfire!



We will move into summer mode rapidly. We have 20 heading to Wyoming on July 31st and we will have a few meet-ups prior to iron out final details! We will of course, have a full report upon our return! Pray for our safety and that will be a Blessed Experience that will impact their lives for Eternity!

## PAES Newsletter

by *Isabella Salazar and Elora Wilson*

### Interviewing Our New Teacher Josh Bonifont

**Have you ever taught at a school before?** Yes, Northwest Christian school, for 4th grade.

### What do you enjoy doing?

Spending time with my kids, and playing guitar and bass.

### Are you excited to teach at PAES?

I am very excited!!!

### How old are you and when is your birthday?

I am 32 years old, and my birthday is June 12.

### When did you decide to be a teacher?

I was 27 when I decided to be a teacher.

### Did you feel called to this?

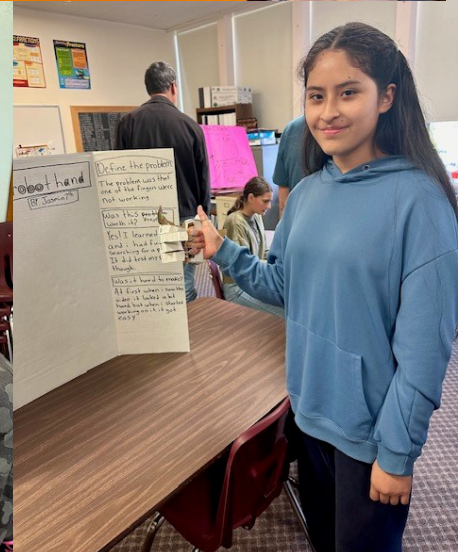
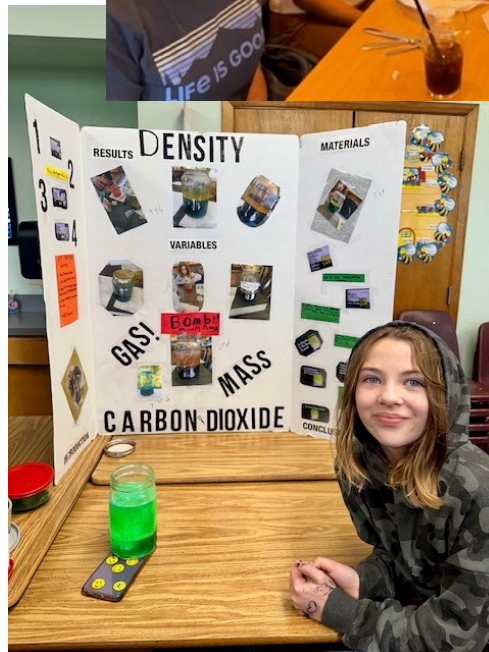
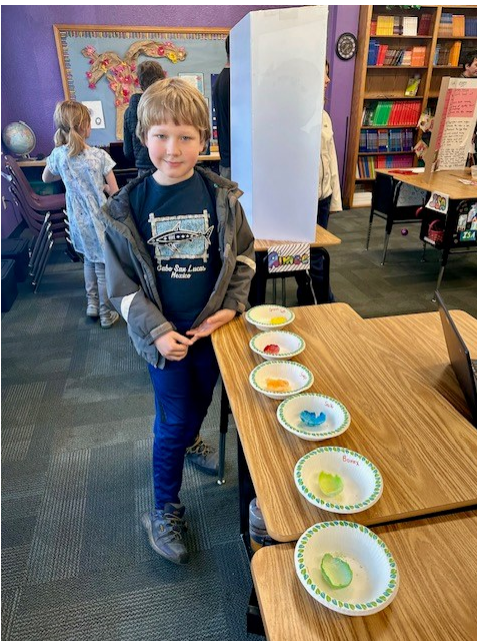
Absolutely! I did feel called to do this.

### When will you start teaching?

August 9th is when I will start teaching.

Hello there. Lots is happening at PAES. The science fair was held at the PAES school on May 8, 2024. Our top three winners were: 1st place was Keaton Byers, 2nd was Skyler Adair, And 3rd place was Jasmin Cortez. Our teacher, Ms. Berg also quoted, "Everyone's projects were amazing!"

Next, I want to tell you about the Graduation trip! All four girls left at 8am and headed to Silverdale. We went for a nice four hour shopping trip. Along with that we got a great lunch at IHOP. One of the graduates, Aimee Powless stated, "It was better than math!" Last, our school has been serving food at the food bank. We went from serving once a month to twice a month. It's been very rewarding, and fun to pack 250 bags for all the public schools. Isabella Salazar states, "It's so fun tying the bags and seeing all those totes fill up with food."



*Isn't God Good!**submitted by Doug Woods***Arabic, Allah, and a Can of Beer**

by Janet S. Borisevich

As I walked into the vast cafeteria for the first time, I suddenly realized more than ever that I was a stranger in a strange territory. This was my first day at the University of Washington as a linguistics graduate student. It was also the first time in my life to be a student on a non-Adventist campus.

After choosing some items from the meal line, I looked for a seat. My heart thumping, I spotted an empty chair at a table with five other people, who graciously allowed me to sit with them. I heard them speaking Arabic as I approached, but they stopped as I sat down.

*"Please continue your conversation," I said. "I enjoy listening to other languages."*

They smiled, thanking me, *"You are very kind. Would you like a beer?" One can remained of their six-pack.*

*"No, but thank you very much," I replied.*

*"Please, take the last one," they encouraged me.*

*"Thank you very much for your generosity. I don't drink," I responded.*

*"You don't drink? Really?" They were surprised.*

*"Yes, really," I replied, smiling. "I honestly do not drink."*

*"But we thought that all Americans drank." They were still amazed. "Are you a Muslim?"*

*"No, I'm not. I'm a Christian."*

*"Then why don't you drink? Other Christians we have met drink alcohol. It's OK for them. What kind of Christian are you?" They seemed determined.*

*"Well," I started, "I'm a Seventh-day Adventist Christian. My religion discourages drinking alcohol because Adventists believe that our bodies are the temples of God and that we should take the best care of them that we can. Drinking destroys brain cells and makes it difficult to make wise decisions."*

*"Actually we are ashamed," one of them confessed. "We are not supposed to be drinking, either. We are Muslims."*

*"Yes, I know," I said. "Don't you think that Allah has eyes outside of the Middle East?"*

*"How did you know that we were Muslims?" they asked in surprise.*

*"You were speaking the same Nadji dialect of Arabic that my other Arab friends speak," I continued. "I figured that you were probably followers of Islam."*

One of them got up from the table, gathered all the half-filled cans of beer, and placed them in the garbage can. He then sat down again. *"From our hearts, we thank you for sitting with us. We know that Allah has sent you, a Christian, to our table to guide us back to the straight path. What did you say the name of your religion is? Seven days...?"*

*"Seventh-day Adventist."*

*"What does this name mean?" they asked. "Tell us more about your religion. We want to know more about it."*

Several hours later my new friends and I had discussed the beauty of the Sabbath invented by our Creator, why most Christians worship on Sunday, the difference between the Old and New Testaments, health issues, the earth's last days, and Jesus' second coming.

From that day on I realized the magnitude of every word that we say. I simply could have declined their offer of the beer. But I had also said, "I don't drink." That simple statement gave my Muslim friends an opportunity to hear aspects of the gospel they had never heard before.

***"Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone." Colossians 4:5, 6, NIV.***

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

## Announcements

Camp Meeting June 17-22 at Auburn Adventist Academy

<https://www.washingtonconference.org/camp-meeting-2024>

Speakers include mornings with Dick Duerksen and evenings with Lee Venden

There will be some wonderful workshops covering a wide variety of topics. Check them out- [workshops](#)

Ready to reserve your spot? Go to [reservations](#)

Health Fair happens Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-5:30 pm at camp meeting.



Join Us For  
**VBS 2024**  
Lifeway  
**BREAKER ROCK BEACH**  
Ages  
4-12  
\*Crafts \*Games \*More  
**July 22-27**  
**6 - 8 pm**  
**Sequim Adventist Church**  
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**Pre-Register:**  
**360-683-7373**  
[www.myvbs.org/sequimadventist](http://www.myvbs.org/sequimadventist)

Save the Date: **Vacation Bible School** July 22-27  
Planning meetings will be Tuesdays at 7:00 pm  
(except June 18 & July 2) at the church. Your help  
is needed to make this event a wonderful time for  
the kids.

**Annual Business Meeting and School  
Constituency Meeting** will be June 26 at 7:00 pm.  
The fiscal year ends June 30. We will be voting our  
church budget and 5-year plan and we need your  
input and discussion for making these important  
decisions.

**Pathfinders** invite you Wednesday June 26th  
6:30-6:45 prior to the Church Business Meeting to  
enjoy an ice cream sundae as a thank you for your  
support of our Camporee Trip! Vegan options will  
be available!



**ABC Bookmobile** will be in Sequim  
Sunday, June 9 from 3:30-4:30 pm at  
the church. Call ABC Auburn for the  
camp meeting specials. Orders need to  
be placed by June 6, 253-833-6707.

# *Adventurers*



It's been a wonderful year! See you in September!

# June 2024 Church Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <i>Fellowship Meal</i>
2	3 <i>Elder's Meeting 6:30pm</i>	4 <i>ACS 10am-12pm VBS Planning Meeting 7:00pm</i>	5	6	7 <i>Memorial Gathering for Gwen Denning 12:00pm</i>	8 <i>Shape Note Singing 3:00pm</i>
9 <i>ABC Bookmobile 3:30-4:30pm</i>	10 <i>School Board Meeting 6:30pm</i>	11 <i>VBS Planning Meeting 7:00pm</i>	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 <i>ACS 10am-12pm</i>	19	20 <i>Health Fair at Camp Meeting 2:00-5:50pm</i>	21	22 <i>Services will be held at the Sequim Church</i>
23	24 <i>Cooking Class with Heather Reseck 4:30pm</i>	25 <i>VBS Planning Meeting 7:00pm</i>	26 <i>Ice Cream 6:30pm Church Business and School Constituency Meeting 7:00pm</i>	27	28	29
30				<b>Upcoming Events</b> <b>July 22-27</b> <b>July 27</b> <b>July 31-Aug. 13</b> <b>Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:00pm</b> <b>VBS Dinner and Program 6:00pm</b> <b>Pathfinder International Camporee</b>		

← **Camp Meeting June 17-22** →

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