

Traveling pastor general exhorts 7,000 in California and Midwest

CINCINNATI, Ohio — More than 5,000 brethren from 26 churches gathered in the Cincinnati Convention Center June 20 to hear Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong speak, according to evangelist Leslie McCullough. Brethren came from West Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio.

"Ever since last Feast, when Mr. Armstrong mentioned he would be visiting outlying churches, the brethren here have been anticipating a visit," said Mr. McCullough.

The audience gave the pastor general standing ovations before

and after he spoke.

"His message about God's overall plan and what would have happened had Adam taken of the tree of life was warmly accepted and appreciated," noted the evangelist. "Several told me afterward how much they appreciated Mr. Armstrong taking time from his busy schedule to meet with them."

Addresses ministers

After his sermon, Mr. Armstrong spoke to approximately 60 ministers and their wives, telling them that Christ needs to be in all activities of

the ministry.

"He told us to be more spiritually minded and to let the spirit guide us when dealing with people," Mr. McCullough stated. "He also said trying times are ahead."

The pastor general explained to the ministers his plans to visit Israeli leaders, continuing to maintain relations with them.

Mr. Armstrong was accompanied on the Work's G-II jet by Pasadena ministers Bob Fahey and Ellis LaRavia and attorney Ralph Helge and their wives.

Pasadena message

On the previous Sabbath, June 13, the pastor general addressed more than 2,000 persons assembled here on the Ambassador College campus, according to Robin Webber, Auditorium P.M. assistant pastor.

Mr. Armstrong talked about the differences between humans and animals. "Humans are made in the image of God," he said; "animals aren't. There is a spirit in man (Job

32:8). You can't find a spirit in animals."

He went to explain how Christ's Second Coming will be to a spiritual temple — the Church. "You are that temple, brethren," the pastor general noted.

"We need to watch and pray as Christ warned," Mr. Armstrong stressed. "We need to take this seriously and get closer to God."

As the audience gave a standing ovation and applauded his sermon, Mr. Armstrong stepped back to the microphone. He reiterated the seriousness of his message, emphasizing that he was not speaking to entertain. He said: "I'm in dead earnest. This is very serious."

Mr. Armstrong honored for 50 years in ministry

Andre Zick is employed by the Work's Ministerial Services Department.

By Andre Zick

PASADENA — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong received a plaque June 13 commemorating 50 years of faithful and dedicated service as an ordained minister of Jesus Christ. Joseph Tkach, director of Ministerial Services, presented the plaque to Mr. Armstrong at Sabbath services in the Ambassador Auditorium.

"I might mention," said Mr. Armstrong upon receipt of the plaque, "that I was ordained just approximately 50 years ago . . . about the time of Pentecost in 1931." The date of the ordination is

not known, since no special significance was attached to the day, and subsequent records were lost.

Mr. Armstrong reminded brethren here that his ordination was "100 time cycles of 19 years each since the day of Pentecost on which the Church was founded [in 31 A.D.]."

Mr. Tkach said the presentation was made "on behalf of 75,000 members, and literally millions of people . . . who have benefited from the labor of love that Mr. Armstrong has performed over 50 years."

The June/July *Good News* features Mr. Armstrong's 50 years of service in an article entitled, "After 50 Years — Christ's Apostle Still Ahead of His Time."



FEEDING THE FLOCK — Herbert W. Armstrong addresses more than 5,000 brethren from four states in the Cincinnati, Ohio, Convention Center, June 20, above. Left, evangelist Leslie McCullough greets the pastor general upon his arrival at the hall.

AICF unveils 1981-82 season

PASADENA — Sopranos Renata Scotto and Montserrat Caballe, guitarist Julian Bream, musical comedian Victor Borge, the Dance Theater of Harlem and other world-class performers will appear this coming season in the Ambassador Auditorium under the auspices of the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation (AICF), announced evangelist Ellis LaRavia June 12.

The seventh AICF concert season will feature more than 100 performances, organized in 19 subscription series, he said.

Miss Caballe will open the 1981-82 season Sept. 27 with the first presentation of the Great Performer Series. According to Wayne Shilkret, AICF's director of performing arts, Miss Caballe's last Ambassador performance was to "an overflow audience . . . with literally

hundreds turned away."

In addition to the Great Performer Series, the new season also features a piano series, a guitar series, a Stars of Opera series, a new International Festival of Music and Dance



AWARD CEREMONY — On behalf of members worldwide, evangelist Joseph Tkach presents Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong with a plaque June 13 commemorating the 50th anniversary of his ordination. A pictorial history of Mr. Armstrong's involvement in God's Work is featured in the June/July *Good News*. (Photo by Nathan Faulkner)

SEP opens in Orr, Minn., with first of three sessions

James Capo, a 1981 Ambassador College graduate, is a counselor at the Church's Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Orr, Minn. Mr. Capo was also selected to serve as a ministerial trainee following the summer camp.

By James Capo
ORR, Minn. — More than 300 youths of God's Church arrived here June 9 for the 1981 Summer Educational Program (SEP). The three three-week sessions of the camp will run until Aug. 18.

This longest-running SEP in the camp's 16-year history will serve 915 Church youths this summer, reported the Youth Opportunities United (YOU) office in Pasadena. Campers will attend from all over the United States, from Mexico, Canada, South Africa, England and the Bahamas.

Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong plans to speak to the teens during each of the Church camp's three sessions.

The varied camp activities provide campers (about 95 percent will be attending SEP for the first time)

(See SEP, page 3)



MONTSERRAT CABALLE

series, two Ambassador "Pops" series and others.

A series featuring the Auditorium's resident ensemble, the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra, is also scheduled. Conductor Gerald Schwarz will again serve as its music director.

Operation Babylon draws criticism, praise

PASADENA — "In that day I will make the governors of Judah like a hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they shall devour all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left; and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, even in Jerusalem" (Zechariah 12:6).

This time it was the "opportunity" for Iraq — to Israel's right — to be set ablaze by the "governors" of modern-day Judah.

Operation Babylon — the Israeli code name for its blitz against the Iraqi Tammuz nuclear complex — turned the French-built reactor into a pile of smoldering rubble. *Newsweek* magazine referred to the attack — in which U.S.-made F-16s hurled at their target out of the setting sun — as being "like a bolt out of the Old Testament."

When Prime Minister Menachem Begin was informed that all 14 planes had returned safely to Israel, he replied, "Baruch hashem" — "blessed be God."

For its action, Israel was forced to endure a United Nations Security Council vote of condemnation. With the noisy rhetoric of the U.N. debate now history, additional facts have emerged concerning the raid. It is now known, for example, that Operation Babylon was planned as far back as October, 1980. Five different dates for the attack were set, the first four postponed for various reasons.

The Israeli air force was thoroughly groomed for the operation. A full-scale model of the concrete domed reactor was built in a restricted part of the Sinai desert. A carefully selected group of the most talented Israeli pilots practiced bombing runs incessantly.

(After the actual attack, some controversy arose as to whether the pilots used electronically guided "smart bombs" or conventional "dumb bombs." It was probably a case of "dumb bombs" — and smart pilots.)

The raid took the Pentagon, said one of its spokesmen, by "thunder-

ous surprise." Pentagon officials were nevertheless pleased that the new multimillion-dollar F-16s performed so well in their first combat situation.

Begin's passionate defense

Was Jerusalem's daring strike an act of aggression, or was it, to use legal terminology, anticipatory self-defense? Prime Minister Begin certainly views it from the latter perspective, calling the raid a "morally supreme act of national self-defense."

Mr. Begin passionately defended his action by stating that "the Iraqis were preparing atomic bombs to drop on the children of Israel. Haven't you heard of 1½ million little Jewish children who were thrown into the gas chambers?"

If the Iraqis had carried out their intentions, said Mr. Begin, "another Holocaust would have happened in the history of the Jewish people. Never again, never again. Tell your friends, tell anybody you meet, we shall defend our people with all the

means at our disposal."

Scientists knew

Iraq, of course, claims its reactor was intended for peaceful purposes. But few experts who understand the workings of the Tammuz complex doubt what Baghdad was up to.

In a closed-door Senate hearing, a Central Intelligence Agency witness testified that the reactor was of the wrong type for carrying out scientific research, meaning that Osirak was undoubtedly part of a

program for weapons. Faced with this evidence, the conclusion of world opinion has been — everything's OK, Iraq has signed the nuclear nonproliferation treaty . . .

"Of course Iraq was building a bomb. Of course its intended target was Israel. Of course, given the Iraqi reputation for political nuttiness reaffirmed again in its starting a war with Iran, its atom bomb would also have been a danger to all its neighbors. We all ought to get together and send the Israelis a vote of thanks."

'Islamic bomb'

Israel is not out of the woods yet. Arch-foe Libya has funneled bil-



program to produce bombs. And Iraq, which has ample oil for energy, had made no plans and built no infrastructure to utilize nuclear energy as a power source.

The French, for their part, became increasingly suspicious of Iraq's intentions. Former Foreign Minister Raymond Barre tried to persuade Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to switch to a different design for the reactor, one which would use a so-called caramel fuel, a low-grade French uranium that could not be employed to manufacture weapons. Mr. Hussein refused; he wanted the good stuff.

Mr. Hussein, in fact, helped seal the fate of the reactor by his own words. In September, 1975, a Lebanese newspaper quoted Mr. Hussein as saying that the nuclear program was "the first Arab attempt toward nuclear armament, although the official declared purpose of construction of the reactor is not nuclear weapons."

And after Iranian jets had struck, but not damaged, the reactor last Sept. 30, President Hussein declared that Iran had nothing to fear from Iraq's nuclear capability, that any weapons would be used against "the Zionist enemy."

The Wall Street Journal was blunt in condemning the hypocritical world reaction to the Israeli raid. In a June 10 editorial, entitled "Mourning the Bomb," it said:

"Various governments, including our own, and a lot of pundits have been busily condemning Israel's raid on Iraq's nuclear reactor. Our own reaction is that it's nice to know that in Israel we have at least one nation left that still lives in the world of reality."

"Iraq, awash in cheap crude oil, wants a big nuclear reactor. It rebuffs French suggestions to give up the original design and substitute one that does not need weapons-grade uranium. It has been buying raw uranium, which is not suitable for use in reactors, but dandy if you want to use the reactor to breed plu-

onium for weapons. Faced with this evidence, the conclusion of world opinion has been — everything's OK, Iraq has signed the nuclear nonproliferation treaty . . .

To the question of how Israel would react if Libya got the bomb, Mr. Begin bluntly replied to newsmen at an after-raid press conference: "Let us deal first with that *meshuggener* [Yiddish for lunatic], Saddam Hussein. With the other *meshuggener* [Kadafi], another time."

Still, more threats and troubles will come Israel's — and the entire world's — way. The nuclear genie is out of the bottle for good, as nation after nation lines up to join the nuclear club. And it's an indictment against the nations of the Western world that it is the sale of some profits — of their technology that's making it all possible.

While the Soviet Union is cautious about to whom it delivers nuclear technology, the nuclear reactor merchants of the United States, Britain, Canada, France (Paris is especially aggressive), West Germany, Switzerland and Italy are tumbling head over heels after each other in a mad competitive race to push their products.

They find ready customers among anxious smaller powers willing to pay the price for their own defense (yet invite attack from equally anxiety-ridden neighbors). "The result," said *Newsweek*, "will be a world in which all nations live a bit closer to Armageddon."

The Worldwide News

CIRCULATION 51,000 ISSN 0164-3517

The *Worldwide News* is published biweekly, except during the Church's annual Fall Festival, by the Worldwide Church of God. Copyright © 1981 Worldwide Church of God. All rights reserved.

Editor in chief: Herbert W. Armstrong
Managing editor: Dexter H. Faulkner

Senior editor: Sheila Graham; associate editor: Tom Hanson; features editor: Norman Shoaf; layout editor: Ronald Grove; news editor: Michael Snyder; staff writers: Russ Guerrero, Jeff Thorne; "Local Church News" editor: Dilores Schroeder; composition: Don Patrick, Betty Foglesong; Janice Roemer; photography: Nathan Faulkner, Roland Rees, Scott Smith; circulation: Ellen Dennis; production coordinator: Syd Allenborough

NOTICE: The *Worldwide News* cannot be responsible for the return of unsolicited articles and photographs.

SUBSCRIPTIONS: Subscriptions are sent automatically to the members of the Worldwide Church of God. Address all communications to *The Worldwide News*, Box 111, Pasadena, Calif., 91123. Additional mailing offices: Box 44, Station A, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 2M2, Canada; Box 111, St. Albans, Herts., U.K. SG8 5JG, England; Box 202, Burleigh Heads, Queensland, 4220, Australia; Box 2803, Manila 2801, Philippines; Box 2709, Auckland 1, New Zealand.

ADDRESS CHANGES: U.S. changes of address are handled automatically with *Plain Truth* changes of address. Second-class postage paid at Pasadena, Calif. Postmaster: Please send Form 3579 to *The Worldwide News*, Box 111, Pasadena, Calif. 91123.



"We've grown apart. We have nothing in common anymore." "We can't seem to find anything to talk about." "We live in the same house, but actually, we're like strangers."

Sad statements of a dying marriage. Such complaints, heard far too often by God's ministers, express a hidden heartache in many homes today. Mates either grow apart or together as years pass. Every happy marriage is the result of maximum effort — such marriages are not accidental.

How can we avoid division or breakdown in our marriages and keep them in good repair?

One way to avoid marital breakdown is to recognize the danger signals. Be alert to symptoms that may indicate a barrier is forming between you and your mate. Then, with an extra measure of understanding, talk it out. Get your values straight. Let each other know how truly important his or her love is to you.

What are the danger signals? First. When you realize that you are retreating from your problems instead of resolving them.

You will always face difficulties in living together. Any marriage will have problems, because we humans are problems. That old sickness, self-centeredness, infects us all to one extent or the other. So, of course, conflicts arise. Misunderstanding is inevitable. Disagreements are unavoidable. Anger is always possible.

A marriage — like every living thing — is in constant danger of deterioration. It must be kept in repair daily. And that's a task for both partners. A mutual involvement in resolving tensions and inevitable conflicts must be evident.

Second danger signal. When you both freeze into uncomfortable and unyielding silences, broken only by a few hostile words or cynical innuendos!

How can you open up communications?

Learn to listen. Listening is not just "the other half of talking; it's 90 percent of good communication." It's a skill. A skill that must be learned and practiced. Daily. All the time.

Actually, to listen is the queen of compliments; to ignore the chief of insults.

Do you know how to listen? Or do

your eyes stray, and betray your wandering interests? A good listener listens (with his eyes too).

Do you let your mate's words and ideas fly by while you plan your next comment, cooking up some sage word with which to stun at the first opportunity? Do you interrupt, or even worse, second guess, trying to finish the line for your spouse when he or she stumbles for a word?

Do you probe, question, interrogate, cross-examine, suggesting impatience or superiority? Or can you go beyond merely hearing words and phrases to catch the idea expressed and beyond the idea to the feeling behind it? Beyond the expressions to the true intent?

That's listening. With love for your mate.

Love is a warm listener! Loving is listening. Caring is hearing.

Communication begins with listening and grows with genuine understanding.

For husband or wife, understanding is a decisive step toward being a good mate.

The crucial key is your willingness to take that step — to try to be a good mate to your partner.

Third. When you let the attitudes or actions of the other irritate, alienate and fester within you. You begin letting them accumulate from day to day. You take them to bed at night, refusing to make up, and you let the sun go down upon your wrath, which God's Word forbids (Ephesians 4:26).

This calls for a real change of tactics. Begin dissolving frustrations with love.

Start with open honesty with each other. Talk over problems and successes. Don't rely on the other to read your feelings. Don't say, "He knows I'm angry, why doesn't he (or she) apologize?"

After a few years of marriage, nonverbal communication may become common, but it's powerless in problem solving. You've got to discuss problems; talk them out. Talk it over with God. Both of you. Together! Before it's too late.

If all this fails?

Then get help. Mutually agree to see your pastor. Let him help. Most of us quickly see a dentist when a tooth aches, a mechanic when the car breaks down, or a doctor when

we break a bone. Why not get help when a marriage gets stormy?

Openness is the channel of love. Love is the opening of your life to another. The trust that lays life bare to another.

The Bible describes the love of man and wife like this:

"So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the lord the church . . . Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it . . . Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband" (Ephesians 5:28, 29, 25, 33).

Such love is based on a deep unity. A unity sealed and cemented.

I believe that in hundreds of homes, the seeds of marital discord exist in the form of small irritations, little maladjustments, insignificant areas of disagreement that can — unless something is done about them as soon as they are recognized — grow into a tangle of weeds that can choke the marriage.

I realize that many of the points I've been trying to make are simple and have been made before, but I think they're worth repeating to anyone who wants a marriage to work.

- Remember to show appreciation; it's the best way to light a glow in your mate's heart.
- Watch for small areas of friction and try to eliminate them before they erupt into major destructive conflagrations.
- Don't expect perfection from the person you married, because you can't offer it yourself.
- Try to control your own ego — at least to the point of seeing both sides of any controversy or disagreement.

• Study your mate and try to supply his or her basic emotional needs.

• Confirm your intimacy. A good-bye kiss, a back rub or a hug — no matter how rushed you are — brings you close to each other and makes you both feel good. Frequent contact may be the best barometer of a good marriage. (My wife insists I hug her daily or she becomes mean and irritable, and she has me convinced, so I do it.)

• Give more than you get! Forget and forget! Forsake all others and cleave to your wife or husband alone. Are you working at your marriage? Keeping it in repair? Keeping it open to each other? And open to God?

If so, your marriage can add up to only one word — happiness.

Letters TO THE EDITOR

HWA trips

Reading of Mr. Armstrong's travels in the latest *W/N* and then seeing him at our combined services in Stockton [Calif.] for Pentecost made me realize how much more I need to be praying for him.

If we as a Church get behind Mr. Armstrong in fervent, daily prayer — for renewed strength, eyesight, hearing, better sleep and the restraining of Satan — we might all be amazed at what God would do.

I have been slack and pray sincerely that we might all be more diligent in prayer and fasting for God's apostle and for the Work that he is so faithfully shepherding.

Sandra Olson
Turlock, Calif.

German court reverses ruling, exempts member from military

Elaine Patapoff is an Ambassador College junior working in the Work's office in Bonn, West Germany, this summer.

By Elaine Patapoff
ARNSBERG, West Germany — The *Verwaltungsgericht* (administrative court) here culminated a 2½-year struggle for member Johannes Eisermann May 20 when it granted him conscientious objector status.

Mr. Eisermann, 24, brought his petition before the state *Pruefungsausschuss*, a board of examiners, Nov. 6, 1978.

At that time the board questioned the validity of his religion, practiced in the Worldwide Church of God. The examiners asked whether Mr. Eisermann would use weapons to defend his family from attack and wanted to know why the ancient Israelites fought in wars. Following intense questioning the examiners ruled Mr. Eisermann's belief unrealistic and denied him conscientious objector status.

Mr. Eisermann appealed the decision and was heard March 3, 1980, by the *Pruefungskammer*, a

higher board. This group also rejected his request.

Improper procedure

Mr. Eisermann felt, rather than determining the question of conscience, their stated task, the examiners had ruled against his beliefs. Therefore, he filed a lawsuit against the examiner boards.

May 20, Mr. Eisermann appeared before the *Verwaltungsgericht* at 2 p.m., accompanied by his attorney Norbert Link (also a Church member), and five other Church members. None of the examiners appeared.

The panel of five judges began by reading Mr. Eisermann's life story, written by himself. One judge then read statements from people who know Mr. Eisermann. His history with the Church's youth group and involvement in Church activities were made apparent in the ensuing 25 minutes.

After reading the examiners' previous decisions, the judges questioned Mr. Eisermann for 40 minutes. They asked how he came into contact with the Church, his personal life and about Church involvement. Then the questions centered on why Mr. Eisermann wanted to be

a conscientious objector.

Bible beliefs

For more than 20 minutes Mr. Eisermann expounded his beliefs, often reading from the Bible, without interruptions from the judges. Asked if he would use a weapon in defense of his family, Mr. Eisermann answered, "No, I would trust in God." Mr. Link then read a short statement declaring that Mr. Eisermann sought conscientious objector status of his own free will. Following a short recess the panel repealed the previous decisions and declared Mr. Eisermann exempt from military service.



ALL SMILES — Members Johannes Eisermann (left) and Norbert Link pause May 20 after a West German *Verwaltungsgericht* (administrative court) granted Mr. Eisermann conscientious objector status. Mr. Link served as Mr. Eisermann's attorney. (Photo by Elaine Patapoff)

South Pacific offers special Feast

Rex Morgan is a local elder serving God's Work in New Zealand.

By Rex Morgan

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — Do swaying palm trees, fresh tropical fruit and coconut milk sound like a typical Feast of Tabernacles? Or how about crystal springs, spouting geysers, hot mineral water and towering mountains?

Such will be the fare for Feast-goers attending God's annual Fall Festival in Fiji or New Zealand. Transfers are being accepted for Rotorua and Queenstown, New Zealand, and Pacific Harbor, Fiji.

Everything you've heard about the beauty of Fiji is true. Warm surf calmed by multicolored coral reefs provides a millennium setting at Pacific Harbor. Services will be at the Tretoops Convention Center in Fiji's Cultural Center and Market-place. Fresh tropical fruit, including

mangoes, pineapples, coconut milk, bananas and pawpaws are plentiful.

An afternoon during the Festival provides shopping opportunities in nearby Suva's duty-free shops. A bevy of luxury goods can be found here, but be forewarned — it's customary to bargain.

Private beachside villas at Pacific Harbor are available at special rates through Travel Arrangements, Ltd., Box 297, Auckland 1, New Zealand. In addition, a package tour is available for those desiring to stay a few days longer. A deposit of \$50 paid to Travel Arrangements, Ltd., will reserve a space for you. Final payment is due Aug. 1.

Passports must be valid for six months after intended departure date. Dress for services is suit and tie. Apply for transfers through the Work's Auckland Office.

Rotorua will again serve brethren on the Northern Island of New Zealand, where services took place in 1975 and 1976. In a dormant vol-

canic area, Rotorua boasts of some of the world's finest scenery. Geysers of all sizes, crystal springs, bathing pools of hot mineral water, glittering silica terraces, craters and hissing fumaroles draw tourists from all parts of the earth.

Other kinds of unusual geography are also featured. Serene lakes encircled by rich forests provide a backdrop for some of the world's best rainbow trout fishing. Fine hotels are nearby, many nearly adjacent to the Town Hall, where services take place.

Accommodations can be arranged through your travel agent. Additional information is available from the Rotorua Public Relations Office, Haupapa St., Rotorua, New Zealand. Please also notify the Auckland Office of your intentions.

Serving brethren on the South Island of New Zealand is Queenstown, a popular resort area. Queenstown is akin to the Squaw Valley, (See PACIFIC, page 7)

SEP

(Continued from page 1)

the opportunity to water-ski, rock climb, canoe or participate in other activities including archery, water polo, riflery, wilderness skills and cheerleading.

Education classes in the seven laws of success, the Ten Commandments and the world tomorrow are regularly scheduled activities.

"It is after all a summer educational program," said Ambassador College Dean of Students Greg Albrecht, education instructor at SEP for the first session. Richard Ames, Ambassador College director of admissions, and Curtis May, a Pasadena Imperial minister and Imperial Schools Bible instructor, are scheduled to conduct education classes during the second and third sessions.

Ambassador College graduates, students, faculty and administrators comprise the majority of the faculty and staff at the camp, which was described as the "West Point for

God's youths."

Field ministers are also called upon to serve as department heads and activity directors.

A number of activities and facilities are being improved this year. Water-polo docks, destroyed by an ice floe this past winter, are being repaired and will be replaced by floating docks.

The dormitories are being refinished, and the three-day and two-night canoe wilderness trips, which leave twice a week on Sunday and Tuesday, were expanded to give more of the campers an opportunity to participate.

Before the opening of camp June 8, an open house took place for the townspeople of Orr and neighboring townships. The Orr organizers of the annual Fourth of July celebration invited the SEP staff and campers to perform the water show for the event. Because of the example set by the camp for the city, the townspeople decided to postpone the celebration to the 5th, this year so as not to conflict with God's Sabbath on the 4th.



CAMP PREPARATION — Campers rebuild a fire pit used for barbecues at the Church's Summer Educational Program (SEP) at Orr, Minn., before the camp opened June 10. [Photo by James Capol]

festival update

PASADENA — The Festival Office announced that Festival transfer approvals were sent to pastors of all U.S. and Canadian churches. All most all transfer requests were approved, with the exception of some requests for Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii, Jekyll Island, Ga., St. Petersburg, Fla., and Penticton, B.C. Rapid City, S.D., Squaw Valley, Calif., and Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., are also filled.

Because of the large number of requests, both Jerusalem, and Brno, Czechoslovakia, are full. Most other international sites have room, but members must write specific overseas offices for permission to attend any site outside their own country (except between the United States and Canada).

The new computer-generated Festival registration system used in the United States and Canada is operating successfully, according to the Festival Office. The majority of members signed up between May 2 and 16, enabling site coordinators to make close estimates of site attendances by the end of June. The new system eliminates a great deal of paperwork involved in processing individual and transfer information.

The Festival Office requests that members in the United States who have not registered or requested a transfer should contact their pastor or Feast adviser.

The Festival Office released the

following list of U.S. Festival choir directors (DIR), special music coordinators (SMC) and children's choir directors (CCD).

Those interested in performing special music or being in the choir should write the appropriate director or coordinator for more information. Please include what instruments you play or whether you are a soprano, alto, tenor or bass.

Big Sandy, Tex.: Roger Bryant (SMC), Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755.

Cape Cod, Mass.: David Fishburn (SMC), 67 Blossom Heath, Williamsville, N.Y., 14221.

Dayton, Ohio: Jim Lichtenstein (SMC), 3051 Winding Trails Drive, Edgewood, Ky., 41017; Dave Porter (DIR), 4902 N. Hillside Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., 46205; Mark Graham (CCD), 18915 Detroit Ave., Apt. 718, Lakewood, Ohio, 44017.

Jekyll Island, Ga.: Craig Bacheller (SMC), Box 658, Palm Bay, Fla., 32905; Theodore D. Japhet (DIR), 4167 Westgate Rd., Orlando, Fla., 32808.

Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.: Russell Duke (SMC), 1013 S. 19th St. Terrace, Bluesprings, Mo., 64015.

Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii: Dave Fraser (SMC), 1416 Kupau Place, Kailua, Hawaii, 96734.

Mount Pocono, Pa.: Bob Vitale (SMC), c/o Imperial Schools, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif. 91123.

Norfolk, Va.: Robert Persky (SMC), 2118 Beavers Lane, Vinton, Va., 24179; Hal Salmon (DIR), 512 Meadowcrest Dr., Bristol, Va., 24201; Judith Lanum (youth choir director), General Delivery, Ironto, Va., 24087; Mary Lou Wells (CCD), 328 Cedar Valley Rd., Bristol, Ind., 37620.

Pasadena: Music Services Department (SMC), 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91123.

Rapid City, S.D.: Bill Beebe (SMC), 515 Dennis Dr., Round Rock, Tex., 78664.

Spokane, Wash.: Dwain Sanders (SMC), S. 6505 Waneta Rd., Spokane, Wash., 99203; Colleen Burzenski (CCD), 5016 Kingsway, Anacortes, Wash., 98221.

St. Petersburg, Fla.: Carl L. Dayhoff (SMC), 1471 Whiskey Creek Dr., Fort Myers, Fla., 33907; Kathy Terry (CCD), 224½ 17th Ave. S., St. Petersburg, Fla., 33701.

Squaw Valley, Calif.: Music Services Department (SMC), 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91123.

Tucson: John Schroeder (SMC), c/o Ambassador College, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91123.

Wisconsin Dells, Wis.: Peter H. Ochs (SMC), 4473-B N. 76th St., Milwaukee, Wis., 53218; Charles W. Halliar (DIR), 1704 Brown Ave., Whiting, Ind., 46394; Dennis Pelley (CCD and youth choir director), 560 SW Goodwin, Ankeny, Iowa, 50021.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Fifty ADELAIDE, Australia, members and their families drove 160 miles to Monash in the Riverland area May 24 to enjoy a playground constructed on an adult scale. Another 12 country members and their families joined the group for the day's activities, which began with a barbecue lunch. Afterward the members enjoyed the equipment, which ranged from flying foxes to various kinds of seesaws. *J.G. Flack.*

"Do-si-do" and "allemande left" were heard as ALBANY, N.Y., brethren had a square dance May 23 at the Green Island American Legion Club. Before the dancing began, everyone enjoyed a potluck meal featuring fried chicken and chili. The children watched the movie *Sound of Music*. *William H. Langlois.*

The children's choir of ALBANY, Ore., performed a Jewish folk song entitled "Saleyna" for special music Pentecost, June 6. Gloria Andresen wrote and sang a second verse about the spiritual

church welcomed Steve and Kathleen Walden with a potluck and games social May 24. Both are Ambassador College graduates who were living in Austin, Tex., before Mr. Walden was taken into the full-time ministry to assist Dennis Van Deventer in the Corpus Christi, Harlingen and Victoria, Tex., churches. *C.B. Short.*

On the Sabbath of May 16, 60 brethren from CUMBERLAND and VICTORIA, B.C., who assembled at Muchluta Lake, heard a tape of Herbert W. Armstrong. In the afternoon they had a regular service conducted by Bill Rabey, and played a Bible baseball game in the evening. On Sunday the adults enjoyed catching trout, and the children participated in a bullhead fish derby. *R. Neuls.*

Some 130 DULUTH, Minn., brethren spent Memorial Day weekend, May 23 to 25, camping near the shores of Crooked Lake in Meadowlands, Minn. Pastor Bill Gordon conducted outdoor services Saturday afternoon and a Bible study Sunday. Jim Williams sounded a boat horn for the Sunday barbecue of beef, roasted over an open fire. *Carol Morken.*

A potluck supper for the GADSDEN

sing-along. Some families had camped the weekend at a nearby campground and heard pastor Paul Kurts conduct a Bible study Sabbath morning and a Bible quiz that afternoon. *Don Moss.*

The MONTREAL, Que., EAST church had a combined potluck lunch and organizational meeting May 24. Pastor Cecil Maranville explained the different jobs necessary for the functioning of the church and gave the brethren the opportunity to volunteer their services. After the meeting games such as charades, newlyweds and Bible 20 questions were played. *E.A. Gore.*

John and Audrey Reynolds of the MONTVALE, N.J., church received an engraved plaque as a going-away present from the brethren May 30. The Reynolds are moving back to Kentucky. *Mike Bedford.*

The second annual talent show-family night of the PHILADELPHIA, Pa., church took place May 25. A potluck lunch preceded the entertainment. Among the more than 30 acts were comedy, pantomime, music, dance numbers and a production finale, which added an extra touch of audience participation. Meyer Stahl and Ed DiFalco were masters of ceremonies. *Tom Wagner.*

The PHOENIX, Ariz., WEST church had an Identification Night family social May 30. Local elder Jim Nork and his wife Maxine organized the evening. A potluck dinner was followed by a sing-along led by Ken Lilley. Songs and musical acts were highlighted by a drum solo by pastor Jim Turner. Swimming and games were also enjoyed. *Joann Cugley.*

Brethren from ROCKHAMPTON, Australia, played host to the Mackay, Australia, members for the evening meal May 9. That night 50 members traveled 400 miles by bus to see Herbert W. Armstrong on his visit to Brisbane, Australia. The members were taken into homes of Brisbane brethren for the day, and on the return bus trip everyone joined in a sing-along. *Dawn Bennett.*

ROME, Ga., brethren enjoyed a Hawaiian luau social May 17. They danced and feasted on barbecue goat, and a variety of desserts provided by the women. On May 30 the YES classes presented a promotion day program for the congregation. The 3- to 6-year-olds portrayed the Israelites coming through the Red Sea, and they recited the Ten Commandments. The 7- to 9-year-olds showed the taking of Jericho, and the 10- to 12-year-olds presented skits showing the meaning of God's Holy Days and participated in a Bible baseball game. *Darl E. Arbogast.*

The ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., church had a potluck picnic at Philippe Park May 24. Activities included games for the children conducted by Marvin Rust, horseshoes, volleyball, sailing and cards. *Lavene L. Vorel.*

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, brethren and friends enjoyed a beach party and potluck May 31. Games included an egg-spoon race, tossing water-filled balloons and a tug-of-war. Winners of the events



CONTEST WINNER — Stewart Bragg (right) congratulates YOU talent show winner Brian Mickens (left), while Roger Brandon looks on, at the district talent contest in Montvale, N.J., May 30. (See "Youth Activities," page 6.) [Photo by Mike Bedford]

were awarded prizes. Others enjoyed swimming, volleyball, badminton and dominoes, a favorite of Puerto Ricans. Lunch included many Puerto Rican delicacies. *Manuel Ramos.*

Women of the SPRINGFIELD, Mo., church "Stepped Into Spring" May 17 with a style show and formal tea. Handmade clothing was modeled by preteens, teenagers and women. The activity was coordinated by Karen Meeker. Jewell Kellum and Carolyn Raney served as chairpersons, Connie Rambo as models' assistant and Mary Mason as commentator. Decorations were by Delpha Bryan. A door prize was won by Sue King. *Polly Rose.*

Some 40 brethren from TRURO and elsewhere in southwest England took part in a cliff walk between Gurnards Head and Bosigrin Point May 3. Base camp was the Ogden farm at Zennor. After the walk the group enjoyed a meal prepared by Mrs. J. Ogden and her daughter Janet. *Joe Ogden.*

The UNION, N.J., church had a dinner-dance May 23 that doubled as a fund raiser for the church band, the Worldwide Band. Music was provided by the band. *Dennis R. Pisapia.*

A group of 22 VANCOUVER, B.C., brethren drove to Bridal Falls May 24. After viewing the falls, the group climbed 2,200 feet up Cheam Peak. Most of the group then drove to Harrison for a dip in the hot springs. A restaurant meal completed the day's activities,

which were organized by Louis Gloux. *Fred Whitehead.*

WATERTOWN, S.D., brethren enjoyed a potluck and film May 16. The film, *Stones Cry Out*, showed the wall and temple in Jerusalem and the remains of several ancient Middle Eastern cities. On May 24 some of the brethren played softball and then had a picnic lunch at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zemlicka. *Liane Cunningham.*

The WICHITA, Kan., church met at the Eberley Farm Recreation Area for a picnic and day of fun and games May 24. Events included swimming, softball, baseball, volleyball, croquet, a sing-along and children's races. *John Williams.*

CLUB MEETINGS

The ASHEVILLE, N.C., Executive Speakers Club had a ladies' night May 17, combined with a graduation ceremony for Steve Ferencik. The Most Improved Speaker of the Year award went to Glen Vincent and Rick Stillwell. Woodrow Pryor gave table topics, which were followed by a buffet meal. Wade Nanney, Richmond Crisp, Mr. Ferencik, Raymond Jacques and Richard Stillwell Sr. gave speeches. Pastor Charles Groce spoke on how to avoid family conflicts. *Steve Terhansy.*

The combined Spokesman and Graduate clubs of ANDERSON and MUNCIE, Ind., had their graduation and ladies' night May 30. Speakers for the evening included Charles Grinnell, Jerry Rowe, Fritz Dolak, Roger Widmer and Gordon Brauchla. Bill Martin was chairman, and Mr. Brauchla was topics-master. Robert Benbow served as toastmaster. *Fritz Dolak.*

"Being of Service" was the subject of the May 17 meeting of the Lady Ambassadors Club of BELLE VERNON, Pa. Hazel Worch spoke on service in the home. Helen Miller on service in the church and Virginia Smith on service in the community. Connie Erler gave her icebreaker. Pastor Dave Johnson and his wife Becky announced officers for the current year: Linda Benzio, president; Betty Estle, vice president; Edna Harvey, secretary; Wilma Hardesty, treasurer; and Hazel Worch, club reporter. In May the club participated in a charity bazaar to raise funds for club activities. *Hazel Worch.*

The BELLEVILLE, Ill., Women's Club combined with the MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Women's Club May 17 for a meeting and an informal tea. Donna Black, Helen Clare and Mary Anne Burns gave speeches. Tea sandwiches and pastries were served. *Linda Kolling.*

The BINGHAMTON and CORNING, N.Y., Spokesman clubs met May 24 for their final meeting of the year. (See CHURCH NEWS, page 5)



BASKETBALL TEAM — The Fort Wayne, Ind., team poses after receiving awards May 14. Front row, from left: Greg Brady, Dave Wolfe, Mark Benbow and Tim Blackwell. Back row: Eric Dickey, Martin Brandenberger, Rob Benbow, Matt Ward, Mike Terry, Morgan Boyle and coach Steve Trump. (See "Youth Activities," page 6.) [Photo by E. Brandenberger]

meaning of firstfruits. The children played percussion instruments to complement the melody. Kimberly Hannaway was choir director and Mrs. Ike Kuipers the pianist. *Kimberly Hannaway.*

Brethren of the BARRIE, Ont., church had a formal dance May 31. Master of ceremonies George Lee conducted a program of versatile music and dance styles. Dance contest winners were Mark Chivers and Cindy Acheson, Ray Donaghey and Sandra Poole, Joe and Margaret Demers, Steve Parker and Laura Lee, Burt and Bessie Russell, Winston Goose and Marlene Lee, John and Marge Black and Joe Scott and Yvonne Lucas. *Ella Neale.*

Several women of the BOONE, N.C., church had a tie-making party May 24 to make ties for the men of the Lenoir, N.C., and Boone choirs. *Starr L. Reynolds.*

After services May 23 the CLEVELAND, Ohio, EAST church honored John Dobritch, who recently entered the full-time ministry and will be serving in Clarksburg, W.Va. The fête began with an indoor picnic, followed by a medley of songs performed by the Cleveland chorale and other members. Mr. Dobritch and his wife Mary received a gift of matching luggage, and their daughter Cathy was given a doll. *Jeff Smith.*

Floyd and Gertrude Renner were honored by the COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho, brethren on their 55th wedding anniversary. A surprise luncheon for the couple took place at the Iron Horse Restaurant after services May 17. *Don Enehis-er.*

Members of the CORNING, N.Y., church attended an open house bridal shower for pastor Britton Taylor and Donna Cloud May 24 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lambert, who were assisted by John and Allie Grimaldi and Walter and Linda Carl. Entertainment included a poem read by Mrs. Carl and the singing of two songs by Coleen Close. Piano selections were played throughout the afternoon by Sylvia Fuller. The couple received gifts and a money tree. *Nancy Saylor.*

The CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex.,

and ANNISTON, Ala., churches took place May 16. After the meal the brethren enjoyed three slapstick comedy films. Popcorn, cookies, candy and drinks were available for purchase. *Verna Tiny Johnson.*

Activities at the GREENSBORO, N.C., church picnic May 17 were softball, volleyball, horseshoes and fishing. Everyone gathered around a shelter for lunch. *Vicki Hart.*

The HARRISBURG, Pa., church had a formal dinner-dance May 24. The band and vocalist provided a variety of music. *Pam Brubaker.*

Some 150 KNOXVILLE, Tenn., brethren met at Pickett State Park for a camp-out May 22 through 24. Before Sabbath services the YES members presented two plays. In the evening there were games and other activities. Sunday many went canoeing and hiking. *Lori Pritchard.*

LANSING, Mich., brethren enjoyed a breakfast prepared by the Spokesman Club May 17. The meal was served by club members outfitted in chefs' hats and aprons. The family breakfast was followed by a club meeting with the women as guests. *M. Chalmers.*

The LAS CRUCES and ROSWELL, N.M., and EL PASO, Tex., churches had a picnic in the mountains of Cloudfcroft, N.M., May 24. A morning volleyball game was followed by a cookout at noon. Afternoon activities included a softball game, volleyball, horseshoes, Frisbee throwing and a hike. *Wayne Abraham.*

Members of the MANHATTAN, N.Y., church went to Mount Pocono, Pa., to help restore the Feast site there May 24 and 25. Some stayed for only one day, while others camped on the grounds. *Yves Martin.*

MELBOURNE and ORLANDO, Fla., members enjoyed a barbecue picnic May 17 at Wickham Park in Melbourne. Ball and table games and horseshoes were among the activities. *Bob Lehman.*

The MONTGOMERY, Ala., church had a lake party May 24 at Bama Park. The noon meal featured barbecued goat and beef. Afternoon activities included children's games, water sports and a



YOUR CHECK — Philadelphia, Pa., members perform at the second annual talent show-family night May 25. (See "Church Activities," this page.)

CHURCH NEWS

(Continued from page 4)
Members' wives and members of the Women's Clubs were guests. Leonard Ladage conducted the first session, which included table topics led by Mark and Georgianna Borgna, followed by a buffet supper. The second half of the program was conducted by Russ Vidler. Dick Close was toastmaster, and Colcen Close presented "A New Look in an Old World." Overall evaluations were given by pastor Britton Taylor. Awards were presented to Al Fuller, Most Effective Speaker; Bob Hudick, Most Improved Speaker; and Dan Gehman and Gene Padwa, Best Evaluation. The clubs presented gifts to Mr. Taylor and ministers John Lambert and Lawson Price. The Women's clubs presented a gift to their coordinator, Hazel Lambert. Nancy Saylor and Eleanor Lukoski.

The CLARKSBURG, W.Va., Lady Ambassadors had their first meeting May 24. Speeches by Patty Richards, Edna Haan and Linda Spahr dealt with the theme of "Coping with Inflation." Kawanna Cain gave her icebreaker. Director David Johnson gave an overview of the meeting and noted the purpose and goals of the club. Kawanna Cain.

The COPPERHILL, Tenn., Spokesman Club met for ladies' night May 30, the conclusion of the first full year of the club. Emil Watson led the topics session. Toastmaster Steve Ledford presented Hoyt LeFevers, Harold Baker, Daniel Bonner, Charles Dailey and Tony Smith. President Jim Skinner presented gifts of appreciation to director William Cowan and Charles Dickey. George Rogers.

The first ladies' night and graduation of the CUMBERLAND, Md., Spokesman Club took place May 31. Randy Beatty toasted each speaker. Many widows were guests. Graduating were James Athey, Stuart Cuppet and Charles Hoppert. Pastor William Pack concluded his overall evaluation with a lecture on diligence. Ian G. Spang.

DAYTON, Ohio, Spokesman Club members and their guests wound up the year May 30 with a ladies' night. A prime rib dinner was preceded by a cocktail hour. Five members graduated: David Berkemeier, Max Carey, Larry Colwell, George Ross and Glen Thomas. President Steve Kramer presented director Richard Thompson with a check for a dinner in appreciation for his work with the club. Mar Weiss was selected Most Effective Speaker. John Grostella was recognized as Most Improved Speaker and George Bauser as Most Effective Evaluator. Mr. Carey conducted topics. Gene Fox.

For the DETROIT WEST and ANN ARBOR, Mich., Spokesman Club, the May 23 meeting was not only a ladies' night but also the last function of the season. Carl Jones was given the Most Effective Speech award, and Terry Robison received the Most Improved Speaker cup. Lawrence Hoyle received the Most Helpful Evaluation award. Steve Holsey.

The Ladies' Club of ERIE, Pa., had its final meeting May 17 with a champagne brunch at the Hilton. The 1982 officers received red carnations from this year's officers. The officers are Evelyn Lemmon, president; Barbara Hadzeka, vice president; Donna Hadzeka, secretary; Shirley Lagere, treasurer; Sharon Seekings, parliamentarian; Sandy Little, reporter; and Elaine Jacobs, adviser. Anita Lemmon led a program on "What Every Woman Should Know About Her Car, but Probably Doesn't." Grace Smith.

The Concerned About People Club of FLINT, Mich., sponsored a fellowship hour for the congregation May 16, followed by a film about Ambassador Auditorium and the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation. On the following day club members, mates and guests attended a dinner and show at Abbey Theater. Kathy Rennert handled the arrangements. Joann Whitehead.

The FLORENCE, S.C., Spokesman Club had a grab-bag session May 16. At the beginning of the meeting each member was assigned a number. Director Paul Kieffer made assignments by drawing numbers out of a hat. The annual ladies' night took place May 23. During the buffet meal President Gordon Davis provided table topics. After dessert, speeches were given by Ronnie Mooney, Winston Davis and John King, who also graduated. Mr. Kieffer and his wife Monica were given a cypress table. Charles B. Edwards.

The FORT WAYNE, Ind., Spokesman Club concluded the season with a

dinner meeting May 17 where wives and guests were honored. Chuck Swihart led the topics session. The second half of the meeting was guided by Jerry Hettinger Sr. Speakers were Bob Johnson, Wade Meadows, Steve Meyers, Steve Trump, Mr. Swihart and Ari Rudek. Trophies were given to Mr. Meadows as Most Improved Speaker, Bob Monroe as Most Helpful Evaluator and Mr. Meadows and Mr. Meyers as Most Effective Speakers. Director Steve Smith concluded the meeting with helpful tips on leadership. Bob Barker.

The Spokesman Club of GARDEN GROVE, Calif., had its annual ladies' night May 17. Cocktails and dinner were followed by a revised club session. Director Terry Mattson presided over the meeting. President Jerry Andrews reflected on the success of the club, and secretary Dick Leadford reviewed the topics and lessons learned by the club members. The table-topics session was conducted by James Terry. Toastmaster Richard Fix presented speakers Robert Schmid, Kevin Kirschnher and Don Hurlburt. Mr. Andrews, on behalf of the club, presented Mr. Mattson with an award for his leadership and efforts. Russell Hendee.

The 5H Club of GREENSBORO, N.C., met May 23 for dinner at Nighto Japanese House of Steaks, where the members watched their meals prepared Japanese style. Vicki Hart.

The Women's Club of HARRISBURG, Pa., met May 19. Organic gardener David Kammerer spoke on the use of herbs in cooking and beverages and on some of the historical uses of herbs. The evening's program also included an icebreaker by Frances Drayton. Pam Brubaker.

The Women's Club of the HOUSTON, Tex., EAST church had its last meeting of the year May 12 at the home of Marilyn Braley. There was a potluck luncheon and a guest speaker, Cathy Emrick, who demonstrated stretch and sew. Pastor Hal Baird discussed women's role in marriage. Officers for next year's club are Doris Rogers, president; Shirley Scott, vice president; and Barbara Morris, secretary. Barbara Morris.

Eight members of the JONESBORO, Ark., Ladies' Club performed a Hawaiian show for the residents of the Lawrence County Nursing Home in Walnut Ridge, Ark., May 12. The dancers were Alla Mae Lantz, Shirley Cornwell, Marta Harrell, Nancy Puckett, Linda Thomasson, Deana Barker and Bernice Tackett. Kathy Holmes was mistress of ceremonies. The show included a humorous skit performed by Clyde Kilough and his wife Dee. The group received a certificate of appreciation from the nursing home. Kathy Holmes.

The Ladies' Club and Spokesman Club of KITCHENER, Ont., had a combined gala meeting May 24. In keeping with the theme of "Days of Wine and Roses" long-stemmed roses decorated the tables, and bottles of Rose wine complemented the meal. Table topics were conducted by Sue Mantle and George Carter. The women speakers, Cora Stryker and Audrey Miller, both received awards. Toastmaster Mark Hayward also introduced Peter Grainger, Ron Leach and Harry Lingwood. Directors Terry and Elizabeth Johnson gave Henry Stryker the Most Helpful



BREAKFAST CHEFS — Spokesman Club officers take a break from kitchen duties at a family breakfast they prepared for the Lansing, Mich., brethren May 17. From left are Jerry Chalmers, Rick Sherrard, Mike Joseph, Bion Baker, pastor Nelson Haas and Darrell West. (See "Church Activities," page 4.)



ROCK CLIMBING — Denver, Colo., YOU members learn rock climbing at Boulder Mountain Park May 24. (See "Youth Activities," this page.)

Evaluator award. George and Chris Carter.

The Ladies' Club of MONROE, La., prepared a dinner for its final meeting of the season May 17, employing a Hawaiian theme. During the year the club made two quilts and compiled a cookbook. Shirley Fulford and Joyce Brown.

A ladies' night for the OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Spokesman Club took place May 23. President Eugene Petarson welcomed guests Kevin Dean and his wife Carol of Pasadena who were en route to Orr, Minn. Bill Popp led table topics, and Mike Cain introduced John Abrell, George Thomas, Larry Nienstiel, Mike Crist and Randy Steele, who was chosen Most Effective Speaker. Warren Hamblit.

Graduation ceremonies for the RAPID CITY, S.D., Spokesman Club took place after the ladies' night May 30. Minister Steve Buchanan presented Vernon Rockey with his graduation certificate. He is the first person to graduate from the club. Dr. Rockey conducted the table-topics session. Waldo Armstrong was given the Most Helpful Evaluator award, Marshall Stiver the Most Improved Speaker award and Rex Norman the Most Effective Speaker award. Douglas A. Johansen.

The SARNIA, Ont., Spokesman Club met May 24. Topics were presented by President Jim Meade. Mr. Kennedy acted as toastmaster. Speeches were given by Locklin Riley, Jim Jay, Gary Vanderries and Don Bourdeau. Mr. Riley and Mr. Bourdeau tied for the Most Improved Speaker trophy. Mr. Vanderries was the Most Effective Speaker and Mr. Harris the Most Helpful Evaluator. Iva Mae Grimes.

The Spokesman and Women's clubs of TUCSON combined for the final meeting of the season May 30. Pastor Larry Neff presented graduation certificates to Bill Fasser and local elder Harold Lee. The retiring officers are Joseph Rivers, president; Jim Mullady, vice president; Ray Messer, secretary-treasurer; Joyce Steagall, president; Anne Ellmore, secretary; and Teresa Brinkman, treasurer. Dance music was provided by Sam, a three-piece band. Ruth Van Blair.

The UNION, N.J., Ladies' Club met May 18. June Jenkins was welcomed as director of the club, along with Hazel Harry. The theme was "Spiritual Life of a Christian Woman," presented by minister James Jenkins. It was agreed to change the club's name to God's Women Today. Lucille Alfieri.

Idaho, had a masked costume party at the home of Edith Burden May 24. Each single wore an unusual mask. A riddle game was played, with all winners receiving a pie made by Mrs. Burden. The group also played dominoes. Tina Iruata planned the event. Joel Iruata.

The United Singles' Club of CLEVELAND, Ohio, took its second annual hike through Holden Arboretum May 24 in honor of the late Cleveland member Chuck Stevan. The group enjoyed a picnic afterward. Joel Smith.

Thirteen PASCAGO and YAKIMA, Wash., singles attended the Northwest Singles Conference in Seattle, Wash., May 15 to 17. Carolyn Gemmill.

The Young Adults of the RICHMOND, Va., church went bowling May 16. Most of the participants bowled two games. Chip Brockmeier.

SEATTLE, Wash., was the location for the Northwest Singles Conference May 15 to 17. More than 200 single adults from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and western Canada enjoyed activities such as a singles-oriented Bible study, a musical production, a cast party for all the singles and a barbecue picnic. The highlight of the conference was the Seattle singles' rendition of the Broadway musical *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*. Glen White.

The WASHINGTON, D.C., Singles' Club sponsored its first dinner-dance May 31. One hundred thirty singles from 17 churches attended. Pastor Richard Frankel asked the blessing for the activity and joined in for the four-course meal. Live music was provided by White Gold, a local combo. Mike Maravas received thanks for helping make the event a success. Scott E. Higgins.

SPORTS

The FLORENCE, S.C., softball team played three games against COLUMBIA, S.C., May 17. The action took place at Dillon Park in Sumter, S.C., and



SENIOR GIRLS' CLUB — Members of the Pasadena Senior Girls' Club entertain guests at their annual honor reception June 8. (See "Youth Activities," page 7.) (Photo by Sylvia Owen)

Columbia was the winner. Charles B. Edwards.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

The SPOKANE, Wash., YAH met May 31 for brunch in Riverfront Park, the World's Fair Expo-'74 that is now a scenic place of rolling hills, trees and grass. After the meal, the group visited the Museum of Native American Cultures. Margaret Lay.

Twenty-one members of the SPRINGFIELD, Mo., 60 Plus Club, along with pastor George Meeker and his wife Karen, traveled to the Mount Vernon, Mo., city park May 31 to meet with Vince Szymkowiak, pastor of the Joplin, Mo., church, and his wife Carol, Clem and Rozetta Hilgenberg and several other Joplin members who are interested in forming a seniors' club at Joplin. After a potluck at noon, Jess McClain conducted a short business meeting, followed by a Bible study by Mr. Szymkowiak. The group enjoyed cake and homemade ice cream before leaving for home. Polly Rose.

SINGLES SCENE

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The ATLANTA, Ga., YOU had its first formal dinner-dance May 30. The dance was like a prom since many of the youths were not able to attend their school proms because of the Sabbath. Dena Nelson.

The CLARKSBURG, W.Va., YOU had a family woodcutting party in the countryside of Aurora, W.Va., May 17. The project raised money for the YOU. Men cut wood, and everyone helped in carrying it, loading it on trucks and stacking it at John Harsh's residence. Families brought their own lunches and enjoyed a picnic. Lucretia Farley.

Ten DENVER, Colo., YOU members and three adults developed some basic rock-climbing skills May 24 at Boulder

Pole vaulter sets school record, aims for national YOU height

By Jeff Zhorne
ELIZABETH CITY, N.C. — It started in sixth grade with a cane fishing pole. Now Charles "Dee" Mercer is out to break the YOU national record of 12 feet in the pole vault. The 18 year old may well



GETTING SET — Preparing to sprint down the runway, "Dee" Mercer concentrates on planting his pole before vaulting over the bar.



CHARLES MERCER

erase that mark, having already soared 13 feet this year to set a record at Northeastern High School here.

Since graduating from high school in May, Mercer has about given up hope of finding a college to attend where he won't have to vault competitively on the Sabbath.

"High school track meets were usually on Thursdays and didn't conflict with the Sabbath," he said. "But college meets are different."

So instead of college, Mercer may attend a technical school to learn about electricity.

During his junior year at NHS, a dedicated coach put in hundreds of hours to help Mercer add three feet to his vault. "I'd often get discouraged," he recalled, "but coach [Sandy] Davis kept pushing me."

Since then Mercer went on to win

his high school's district and regional meets, finally ending up at the state competition where he placed eighth.

"I had a bad day at state," notes Mercer. "I should have gotten third because I've beaten that guy before. I just couldn't clear any height."

But he's looking forward to the national YOU track meet in Big Sandy, Tex., July 14 and 15. "I'm sorry this is my last year, because I really enjoy YOU track," he stated. "I hope there will be some good

Pacific

(Continued from page 3)
Calif., site in the United States. Situated on the coast of Lake Wakatipu, the city affords an inspiring view of the Remarkable mountain range, part of the Southern Alps in New Zealand.

Gold was discovered in the 19th century near Queenstown, and the rustic atmosphere created by the many prospectors remains to this day. Jet-boat rides up a nearby river provide an afternoon's thrill, with boating, plane rides and a gondola trip also available.

Transfers into any of the above sites are welcomed. Please write the Auckland Office, Box 2709, Auckland, New Zealand, for additional information and/or transfer approval. Auckland itself will not serve as a Feast site this year [W/N, "Feast Services," April 6].

competition in Big Sandy." Mercer won the shot put at the YOU district meet in Frederick, Md., last month, long jumped more than 20 feet for second place and soared 13 feet 1 1/2 inches for first in the pole vault.

But because of an injured hand at the regional meet in Millersville, Pa., he only participated in, and won, the pole vault.

"Vaulting is complicated and technical," says Mercer. "My coach thinks I concentrate too hard and

that I should just jump naturally. But I don't think so."

"I like to think hard about planting the pole as nearly perfectly as I can," he continued, "then laying back and just inverting my body. It's not like anything you've felt before, when the pole shoots you up."

The oldest of five children, Dee, as he likes to be called, attends the Norfolk, Va., church with his parents, Charles and Sue Ellen Mercer; brothers, Barry and Chad; and sisters, Jennifer and Kimberly.

CHURCH NEWS

(Continued from page 6)
in the senior division with his rendition of "What I Did For Love." The winner of the junior division was Jeff Anderson. Before the show began, the church played host to a YOU Bible bowl and potluck dinner. On Sunday the district YOU track meet took place. Mike Bedford.

The NASHVILLE, Tenn., YOU awards banquet took place May 23. Pastor James Friddle gave a history of YOU and reviewed its goals. All basketball players and cheerleaders received trophies, with special awards going to Mark Wright and Phillip Friddle, Most Valuable Players; Ken Gentry and David Covington, sportsmanship; and Virginia Milner, leadership. Awards of appreciation were presented to Gary Davis, coach and assistant YOU director; Bill Ver-nich, assistant coach; Mildred Dodson, Mimi Taylor and Lori Breedlove, cheer-leading coordinators; and Frances Robinson, concessions coordinator. Mary Hutcheson.

The PASADENA Senior Girls' Club had an honor reception in the club rooms of Ambassador College June 8. The occasion marked the end of the club year, during which the girls experienced a program of social and physical activities designed to promote individual growth

and development and to provide opportunities to serve the Pasadena churches. The Award of Honor was presented by Auditorium A.M. minister Ron Howe to those girls who fulfilled the club requirements for the year. The girls delivered speeches and musical entertainment to 50 guests and concluded the evening by serving a variety of refreshments. Barry Sidley.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., played host to the YOU district 56 weekend May 30 and 31. The event started with a Bible bowl Sabbath afternoon. San Antonio took top honors, with Corpus Christi, Tex., second and Houston, Tex., East third. After the Sabbath the youths enjoyed dancing to music played by associate pastor and disc jockey Robert Flores.

The next day at the track meet, participating young people from six church areas set 15 new district track records. Most valuable participant awards went to April Isom, junior girls; Kim Moore, senior girls; Keith Gray, junior boys; and Warren Mays, senior boys. The final team standings were: San Antonio, first; Houston North, second; Houston East, third; Lufkin, Tex., fourth; Houston West, fifth; and Corpus Christi-Victoria-Harlingen, Tex., sixth. Peewee events were included in the meet. Tama Joyce and Shaun McChesney.

FOCUS ON YOUTH

YOUTHS HONORED

HENNESSEY, Okla. — Stephen Campbell, a ninth grader at Hennessey High School, won first place in Algebra I at a scholastic meet at El Reno, Okla., April 28. He was chosen by Hennessey High School as a representative to three other meets but they were on the Sabbath, so he declined the offers. Stephen, who has maintained a 4.0 grade point average this year, attends the Enid, Okla., church with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Lee Campbell.

CHADRON, Neb. — Rhonda West, 16, sang her way to first place in the division VI talent contest here April 4 with a solo entitled "He's Everything to Me." She qualified by winning



RHONDA WEST HOLDS HER FIRST PLACE TROPHY

the 25th annual Kiwanis "Stars of Tomorrow" talent contest March 8. Rhonda attends the Rapid City, S.D., church with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Floyd West.

CHEHALIS, Wash. — Katie McMenamy, 7, was named citizen of the month for April. According to Adna Grade School principal Jim Hill, she received the honor because she demonstrated concern for school environment, obeyed playground and classroom rules, showed respect for peers and authority, and demonstrated concern and a caring attitude. In a letter to her parents, Dennis and Jeanette McMenamy, Mr. Hill said the award "is not only an honor for her, but speaks well of the character building that you do

as a parent as well."

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Neal Parker, 16, son of John and Jean Parker, was selected for membership in the National Junior Honor Society at West Central High School. Selection is based on scholarship, leadership, service, character and citizenship. Neal also plays on the Birmingham, Ala., YOU basketball team.

SPRING, Tex. — David Linder, 18, a senior at J.L. McCollough High School, was selected to appear in *Who's Who Among American High School Students 1980-81*. David is vice president of the marketing and distributive education class and a member of DECA club and the student council. He was named the most outstanding student of the year in his marketing class for both his junior and senior years. David attends the Houston, Tex., North church.

NORWOOD, Ohio — Duane Phelps, 13, a Cincinnati, Ohio, East YOU member, was inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at Norwood Junior High School. Selection is based on academics, leadership, character and service.

ROCHESTER, Minn. — Jan Malcolmson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Malcolmson, was chosen Junior Leader for the month of March by the West Rochester Kiwanis. Jan is a member of the Country Club Crusaders 4-H Club. She attends the Rochester church,

where she is a YOU member.

HORSEHEADS, N.Y. — Lori Lambert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lambert of Corning, N.Y., competed in the class IV north New York sectional gymnastics meet in Rochester, N.Y., April 12. In the four events for the 8 years old and under category, she placed first on the exercises and first on the vault. She placed second in the overall score.

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Annette B. Hilton, 13, was elected to the National Junior Honor Society, Alpine chapter, at Capitol Heights Junior High School. She is a YOU cheerleader, and she plays the clarinet in the junior high band. Annette is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David L. Hilton.

ACME, Pa. — Barry Stahl appeared in the 1979 and 1980 editions of *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. He was a photographer for the school paper and yearbook for two years, and at the same time he was on the track team. Barry, who has been accepted to attend Ambassador College in Pasadena this fall, is the Belle Vernon, Pa., YOU president.

NEWCASTLE, Australia — Peter Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Shaw of Gosford, Australia, received one of the first two Australia Day citizenship awards made on the Central Coast of New South Wales. He was also named Youth of the Year in Gosford in recognition of his involvement in



PETER SHAW

community affairs. Peter is a youth leader at the Gosford YMCA. Having played the trumpet for several years, he has been accepted to the College of Music in Canberra, Australia.

NEWCASTLE, Australia — Four Church youths here hold leadership positions in their schools. Jo-Anne Douglas, 17, is the vice captain of Booragui High School. Jenny Douglas, 16 (Jo-Anne's sister), now in her 11th year, is captain of Macquarie House at the same school. Tenna Chalmers, 11, is captain of Pallamallawa Public School near Moree, Australia. Jonathan Shone, 10, is captain of his class at the Bolwarra public school.

NEWS OF PEOPLE, PLACES & EVENTS IN THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

UPDATE

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — Peter Nathan, regional director for God's Work in New Zealand and the South Pacific, returned here June 19 from a three-week visit to Western Samoa, Tonga, Fiji, New Caledonia and Vanuatu.

Mr. Nathan met with all but five of the 56 Church members living on the islands. He counseled in English and French with 26 prospective members, according to the New Zealand Office.

In Fiji, Mr. Nathan baptized seven new brethren, met with the general manager of the Fiji Broadcasting Commission and arranged for

Auditorium presents concerts

The following article was written by Linda Lulkoski, a 1978 Ambassador College graduate who works at the information desk in the Hall of Administration in Pasadena.

By Linda Lulkoski

PASADENA — For the fifth consecutive summer, area brethren and residents are being treated to a series of free concerts in the Ambassador Auditorium, according to Ellis LaRavia, managing director of the Auditorium. Summer Festival '81 is jointly sponsored by Ambassador College and the Musicians' Union Local 47, AFM.

The program provides concerts for people who could not otherwise afford tickets.

Senior citizens drive long distances to attend. A retired musician will sometimes pick up a block of tickets to distribute to various senior citizens' homes and convalescent centers, according to Mr. LaRavia.

The inaugural concert June 21, Murray Korda and his Monseigneur Strings, featured a 16-piece ensemble that played Viennese waltz music. Later that afternoon a 10-year-old boy played the drums and his 16-year-old sister sang in French and English.

The next concert was given by pianists Johnny Guarnieri, Joanne Grauer, Duke Burrell, Bert Shefter, Hank Simon and Felix de Cola.

The rest of the series is scheduled as follows:

July 12, Dixieland Jamboree, featuring the bands of Mike Silverman and the Hot Frogs Jumping Jazz Band and Peggy Gilbert and her Dixie Belles.

July 26, Country Western Music Festival featuring country-and-western artists, with Cliffe Stone, master of ceremonies.

Aug. 2, Big Band Day with Petty Prince and his Duke Ellington style band and Bill Tole with his Tommy Dorsey style band.

Aug. 16, The Los Camperos, under the direction of Natividad Cano, plus the Benny Goodman-Artie Shaw Style Band of Abe Most.

Aug. 30, Local 47 Life Members Orchestra, featuring 75 musicians with a guest soloist.

Sept. 20, The Hollywood Motion Picture Orchestra performing compositions of Hollywood film composers.

The price of the tickets is a self-addressed stamped envelope. Additional tickets can be picked up at the Information Center in the Hall of Administration.

Plain Truth newsstands to be set up in the duty-free store at Nandi International Airport.

PASADENA — Ministerial Services here released the following cities and dates for evangelist Gerald Waterhouse's ongoing tour.

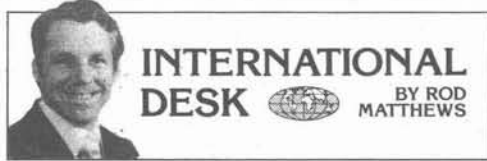
Aug. 1, Fredericton and St. John, N.B., combined Sabbath services; Aug. 2, Moncton, N.B.; Aug. 4, St. John's, Nfld.; Aug. 6, Yarmouth,

N.S.; Aug. 8, Halifax, N.S.; Aug. 10, City (French), Que.; Aug. 11, Trois Rivières (French), Que.; Aug. 12, Sherbrooke (French), Que.

Aug. 15, Buffalo, N.Y.; Aug. 16, Syracuse, N.Y.; Aug. 17, Rochester, N.Y.; Aug. 18, Corning, N.Y.; Aug. 19, Binghamton, N.Y.; Aug. 20, Mount Pocono, Pa.; Aug. 21, Bethlehem, Pa.; Aug. 22, Harrisburg, Pa.; Aug. 24, Johnstown, Pa.; Aug. 25, Erie, Pa.

Aug. 26, Cleveland (East and West), Ohio, combined Bible study; Aug. 28, Kenosha, Wis.; Aug. 29, Milwaukee, Wis.; Aug. 30, West-bend, Wis.; and Aug. 31, Appleton, Wis.

PASADENA — Ministerial



INTERNATIONAL DESK BY ROD MATTHEWS

PASADENA — Plans were made in May for the daily broadcasting of *The World Tomorrow* over Radio Ceylon in Sri Lanka. This station broadcasts with a power of 50,000 watts and its signal is picked up by all countries of the Middle East and East Africa, along with the Malagasy Republic, Mauritius and most of Southeast Asia.

Soon Radio Ceylon plans to increase its power signal to 100,000 watts, making it one of the most powerful radio stations in the world.

Plans are to negotiate a contract to put the program on the same time, seven nights a week. The cost will be paid partially from local funds, with the balance contributed by the Work in Canada.

The church in Sri Lanka numbers 30 baptized members, averaging a monthly attendance of more than 50. Weekly services are conducted in Colombo and services every two weeks in Anuradhapura and Nuwara Eliya.

The church is served by Mohan Jayasekera, an Ambassador College graduate and local elder. Mr. Jayasekera reports new visit requests piling up faster than he can handle them.

The Work there is greatly blessed with an income for the first five months of 1981 up 407 percent over the same period last year.

Southeast Asia

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Kelly made

their first trip to Singapore and Malaysia last month as the new pastor of the churches in Singapore and Kuala Lumpur. Attendances there are 53 and 79 respectively, with additional members scattered over a wide area.

Once their residence and work permits are approved, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly will move to Singapore.

Other than 1973 to 1975 when Guy Ames pastored the churches there, Mr. Kelly will be the first full-time pastor of a congregation of God's Church in this era in an officially Islamic nation. This presents its own problems, since it is illegal to baptize a Moslem into the Christian faith in Malaysia.

The Netherlands

A new Dutch-speaking church opened in the city of Zwolle in the eastern part of the Netherlands. As a result of fine growth following public lectures in October, 1979, and April, 1980, a regular monthly Sabbath study began after a year of difficulties in finding a suitable hall.

God opened a door unexpectedly in one of the most beautiful halls in Zwolle, complete with grand piano and excellent sound system. The hall was offered with the understanding that it would be used every Sabbath. This solved space problems as well as shortening the distance members had to travel to meet.

The other church in the Netherlands is in Tilburg, serving the

Services released the following ordinations:

Ordained a preaching elder on Pentecost was Stanley McNeil. He was ordained by Larry Salyer, pastor of the Pasadena Auditorium A.M. church. Mr. McNeil serves the Brainerd and Grand Rapids, Mich., churches.

Ordained local elders April 11 were Fred Diehl and Thomas Melear of the Rochester, N.Y., church. They were ordained by David Pack, pastor of the Rochester church.

On April 12, George Isken was made a local elder in the West Bend, Wis., church, and John Pittman was ordained a local elder of the Milwaukee, Wis., church.

Alan House of Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., was ordained a local church elder April 18. The same

Dutch-speaking Belgian brethren and those from the southern provinces in the Netherlands. The Bilt-hoven church serves the Utrecht area, where the office is.

Attendance at each of the three churches averages near 90.

Those visiting the Netherlands who are interested in attending a Dutch-language service with simultaneous English translation should contact the Utrecht Office by phoning 030-317117 for the time and location.

The Utrecht Office reports that incoming mail for May was more than double that of May last year. Income shows an increase of about 32 percent year-to-date, and church attendance is up 35 percent over last year.

Australia

The World Tomorrow is aired weekly over 29 television stations and 32 radio stations. But, while in Australia some weeks ago, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong gave instructions that as soon as feasible, we should go on daily radio throughout the country.

The newsstand program continues to progress exceptionally well. Of those picking up a newsstand copy, 2.1 percent have become subscribers to *The Plain Truth*. In May, 50,000 copies were distributed, but in June distribution doubled to 100,000 and in July, 125,000 copies will be placed at outlets throughout the country.

SEP site for Australia

During Mr. Armstrong's visit, he also approved the purchase of land near beautiful Lake Moogerah (about a one-hour drive west of Brisbane) for a Summer Educational Program for the young people in the churches in Australia.

A master plan of building facilities and landscaping is being prepared, and it is anticipated that the site will be sufficiently developed by

day, Ronald Weinland of the Houston (North), Tex., church was ordained a local elder by evangelist Leroy Neff.

Ordained local elders on the first day of Unleavened Bread were Wilton Adams of the Oklahoma City, Okla., church; Charles Knowlton of the Gadsden and Anniston, Ala., churches; Harold Lee of the Tucson church; Roger Shigehara of the Raleigh, N.C., church; and Carl Tryggvason of the Minneapolis (North), Minn., church.

Ken Woodriddle was ordained a local elder April 20 by Bernard Schnipfert, pastor of the Las Vegas, Nev., church.

On the last day of Unleavened Bread, Alfred Vanschuyver was made a local elder in the Ada, Okla., church.

the Australian summer (December) to see young people enjoying the first national SEP camp in Australia.

Caribbean

More than 31 percent of the people receiving Mr. Armstrong's semiannual letter advertising *The Missing Dimension in Sex* have requested copies. That is 5,260 responses from the English-speaking islands throughout the Caribbean.

We are working on alternative mailing methods to speed up delivery of mail. In some areas literature from Pasadena takes up to four months to arrive.

The Caribbean is an area in which independent and separate island nations are packed into a relatively small geographic area. Guyana, on the northern coast of South America, is included in the administrative area of the Caribbean.

For all practical purposes Guyana is a landlocked island and the most difficult in the region to receive mail.

Although stocks of key booklets are retained in each Caribbean area to meet urgent needs, most literature is mailed from Pasadena. It is hoped that using a postal bag system, where all mail for an island is put into a mailbag and sent by the post office to the sub-office for distribution, will much improve service to our subscribers. The post office does not have to sort the mail in the bag, and charges less. This should reduce delivery time three to four weeks in most areas.

Ordinations

Two local church elders were ordained in Newcastle, England, May 30. They are Kenneth Leadbetter and George Hindes. Both men will serve the Newcastle church under pastor David Magowan.



REFRESHING PROGRAM — Participants in the June 15 to July 2 Ministerial Refreshing Program pause in front of Ambassador Hall in the Loma D. Armstrong Academic Center on the Pasadena campus. [Photo by Roland Rees]

750115-0587-8 31 W316
MAJAY ZIEBKA
7332 ARGONIA ST
MORTON GROVE IL 60053 SCF