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Heroes of Faith

Neil Biloff, President

It hardly seems possible that 37 years have past since the British film appeared on the screens of America called *Chariots of Fire*. A true documentary of two outstanding athletes in the 1924 Olympics, Eric Liddell and Harold Abrahams. The name for the film came right out of 2 Kings 2:11 in which Elijah is caught up in a chariot of fire to meet God in the heavens. After years of training, Abrahams and Liddell are accepted to represent Great Britain in the 1924 Olympics in Paris, France. While boarding the boat to Paris for the Olympics, Liddell learns the news that the heat for his 100-meter race will be on a Sunday. He is saddened but refuses to run the race – despite strong pressure from the Prince of Wales and the British Olympic committee – because his Christian convictions prevent him from running on “the Sabbath.”

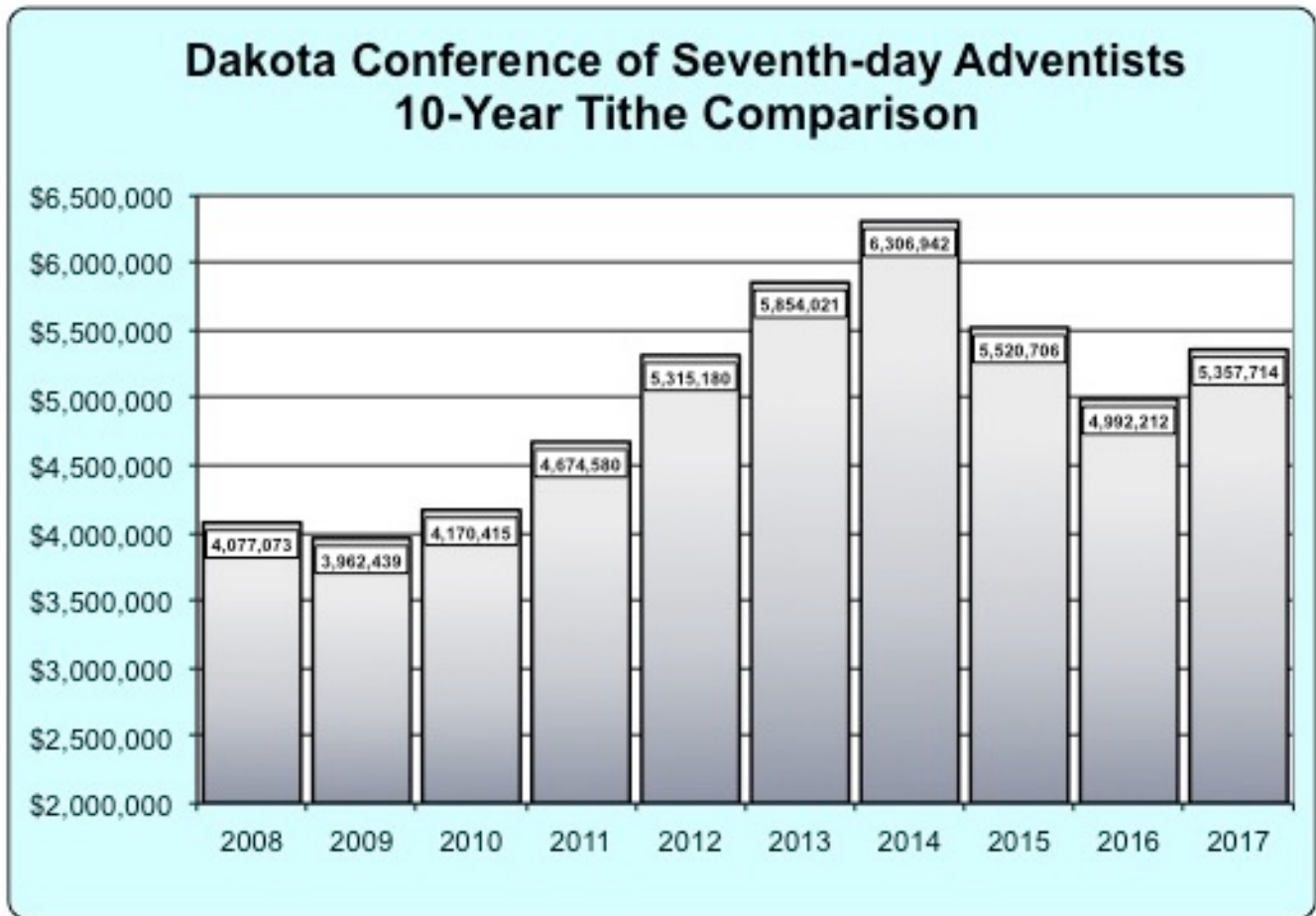


Gold medal chances appears to dwindle for Great Britain until teammate Lindsay, having already won a silver medal in the 400 metres hurdles, proposes to yield his place in the 400-metre race to Liddell, who gratefully agrees. The rest is history. Liddell wins gold in the 400 meters and Abrahams runs in Liddell’s place and wins gold as well in the 100 meter.

While Abrahams is running in Liddell’s place that Sunday, Liddell delivers a sermon at the Paris Church of Scotland and quotes from Isaiah 40, ending with, “But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.”

As the film ends, onscreen text explains that Abrahams became the elder statesman of British athletics while Liddell, on the other hand, went on to missionary work in China. All of Scotland mourned this man-of-God’s death in 1945 during the Japanese occupation of China.

I am sure we all realize that Sunday is not the true Sabbath but I am overwhelmed by stories of faith and commitment by those who have gone before us. How things have changed in this world nearly 100 years later.



A Family Legacy

Sue Nelson, Education Superintendent

It was never a question or thought as to where I would go to school. My parents were staunch believers in Seventh-day Adventist education. My grandpa was going to sell the family dairy farm to move my mom and uncle close to an academy. Fortunately, the local church decided to add a 9th and 10th grade to the church school. That desire for Seventh-day Adventist education was passed down to my mother.

As I got older I started to realize what a sacrifice it was for my parents to send me to church school, academy, and mission trips. My mom planted a large garden and put up lots of food for the winter. I remember hearing my parents discuss finances and my dad was always amazed that somehow each month he had the money to cover our tuition. Their dedication led me to Andrews University where I met and married a wonderful Seventh-day Adventist man.

Now that I have my own children I truly understand the importance of Seventh-day Adventist education and what my parents did for me. My husband and I agree that we want our children in a school where the teacher can talk about God anytime and the unique biblical beliefs we teach at home are reinforced at school. As I pick up my children from school and hear them sing about Jesus and pray for each other, I realize how privileged we are to have a Seventh-day Adventist School near us. The Dakota Conference has eight Seventh-day Adventist schools with excellent teachers. Take advantage of your child making *friends for eternity* and connecting to the greatest friend of all, Jesus.

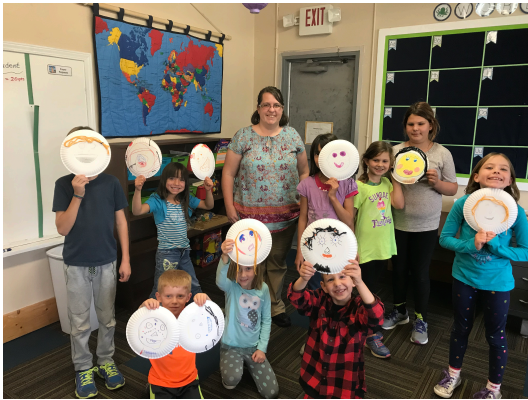
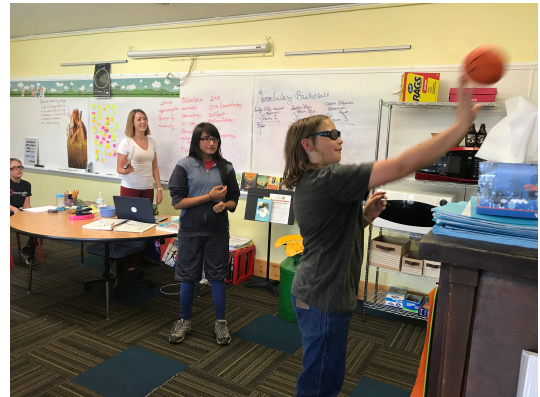


Elementary Schools Highlights

Sue Nelson, Education Superintendent

Rapid City Adventist Elementary School

Let's play Vocabulary Basketball! Students in grades 5-8 are having fun learning Social Studies vocabulary. Teacher, Miss Vigil, divided the students into three teams. Each team was given a Social Studies definition. The team had to work together to figure out the vocabulary word. If they got the word correct, the team received one point. Then the team got to shoot a basketball for either two or three extra points. Students



had fun learning in a creative way.

Students in Miss Howell's lower grade classroom have a classroom economy. Money is earned for things such as getting homework done, keeping their desk clean, doing well on spelling tests, and learning their memory verse. Money can be lost for not doing the above mentioned things. Each week the students earn a paycheck and must pay title and rent for their desk. The students have enjoyed earning money and are learning good stewardship.

Hillcrest Adventist Elementary School

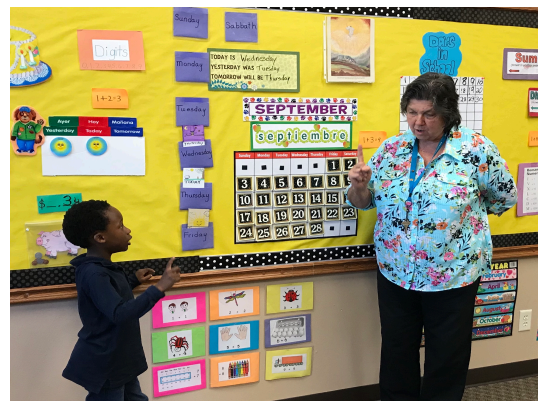
The students and staff at HAES participate in something called **Help-Out Day** two times a year. Students are divided into groups and spend half a day doing various service projects around the community. This year the teachers have incorporated monthly service projects as well. Some of the projects have been; Penny Wars for ADRA hurricane relief, Operation Christmas Child boxes, Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army and cookies and cards for police officers and firefighters. Thank you, Mrs. Frishman, Mrs. Bartlett, and students for letting your lights shine for Jesus.



Invitation Hill Seventh-day Adventist School

The students in Mrs. Hay's classroom are having a great time learning about math. Mrs. Hay has a Math Wall. Students in Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grades are learning a variety of math skills through hands-on counting of money, singing of the multiplication tables and days of the week, and many more skills.

Invitation Hill students have been busy making a difference in the community and the world. The students, and their teachers Betty Hay and Janna Wright, visited an elderly church member in the nursing home. While there the students had a program for all the residents.



DAKOTA ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Sharon Heinrich, DAA Development

Estate Gift Funds Music Department Renovation

Over the past few years Dakota Adventist Academy has seen an increase in the number of individuals or families who plan or make a gift through their estate. These gifts are important as they allow funding of important projects earlier than might otherwise be the case if we had to rely on regular donations.



Such is the case of a recent estate gift of \$5,000 that allowed for the renovation in DAA's music department. A few months ago family members sought specific



*Old flooring to the left
New flooring to the right*



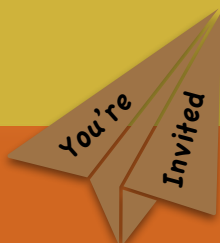
projects to fund through a relative's estate gift. The music department needed new flooring, painting and general refreshing. With the estate gift, the band room and five practice rooms received new flooring. Thanks to the donation of a scissor-lift several months

ago, painting of the high walls was significantly easier prior to the new flooring installation.

Your gifts impact the lives of DAA's students whether it is through the annual fund, worthy student fund, dorm renovation project or other projects. We invite you to talk to Principal Anthony Oucharek, Vice Principal of Finance David Chapman or Development Director Sharon Heinrich as you consider a gift through your estate. Also talk with your attorney or CPA about including DAA in your estate plans. A candle loses nothing of its light by lighting another candle.

Thank you for sharing what God has given you.

Photos by Sharon Heinrich



Northwest Regional - March 24, 2018
Dickinson, ND

Northeast Regional - April 28, 2018
Jamestown, ND

2018 Summer

CAMPS



Don't Miss Them

| Flag Mountain Camp | | Northern Lights Camp | |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Junior Camp, 8 - 12 yr | June 24 - July 1 | | |
| Teen Camp, 13 - 17 yr | July 2 - 8 | | |
| | | Family Camp | July 10 - 15 |
| | | Junior Camp, 8 - 12 yr | July 15 - 22 |
| | | Teen Camp, 13 - 17 yr | July 22 - 29 |



Camp Theme: Stand Firm

 1 Corinthians 16:13

Watch,
Stand fast in the faith,
Be brave,
Be strong.

2018 CAMPMEETING RESERVATION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____

ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF MATTRESSES NEEDED:

SEND FULL AMOUNT WITH RESERVATION

DORM ROOM: Full time \$100.00 _____
Daily \$30.00/day _____

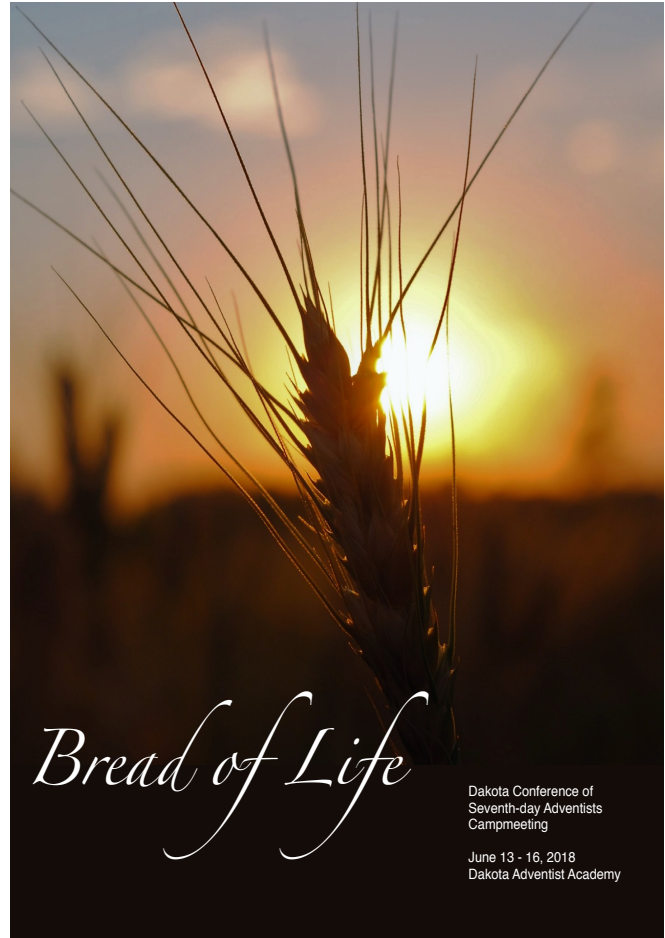
REFRIGERATOR: If available \$25.00 _____

CAMPGROUND: Full time \$50.00 _____
Daily \$15.00/day _____
(RV/Campers/Tents with hook-ups)

NO HOOK-UP: Full time \$10.00 _____
Tent space or self-contained RV)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Dakota Conference
Send to: Campmeeting Reservations
Dakota Conference
7200 N Washington Street
Bismarck, ND 58503

Reservations may be made online, www.dakotaadventist.org
Full reservations take precedence over daily stays.



Dakota Campmeeting Speakers

June 13 - 16, 2018 - NOTE: Wednesday night through Saturday night.



Elder Mic Thurber
MAUC
Ministerial Director

Dr. Eduard Schmidt
NAD Evangelism
Director

Dr. Roger Walter
Oregon Conference
Outreach Director

Bonita Shields
NAD Stewardship
Assoc Director

Sherri Uhrig
NAD Children's Min
Director

Dakota Men's Retreat



23rd Annual Men's Retreat

Rough Rider Hotel, 301 3rd Ave
Medora, ND 58645 (800.633.6721)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Circle One: Before Mar 1 After Mar 1

- Weekend Price \$180 \$190
(2 nights/5 meals)
- Son over 16 years \$110 \$120
- Retreat Only \$150 \$170
(No overnights/5 meals)
- Sabbath Only \$90 \$110
(No overnights/3 meals)

Registration also available online at dakotaadventist.org

Dakota Conference Men's Retreat
7200 N Washington St, Bismarck, ND 58503

Every man in the Dakota Conference should have an opportunity to attend Men's Retreat. Sadly, some are not at these special weekends because they simply cannot afford to attend. We have a pilot-program to fund a scholarship for any man who is unable to pay the participation fee. After the Saturday evening program, there will be a live fund-raising auction. Pastor Mike Temple (our music leader) owned an auction company in his former life. He and Men's Ministry Leader, Randy Rubbert, will facilitate a live auction, which will be a fun and exciting activity for raising funds.

Attendees should bring an item to donate for auction. Following is a list of possible items:

- Home-baked cookies, pies, or cheesecakes
- Small new items like tools, books, CD's, or pictures
- Handmade items such as scarves, hats, socks, or gloves
- New Gift Cards for restaurants, sports stores, electronic outlets, or fuel, Amazon Gift Cards
- Gift baskets
- Plane rides, fishing excursions, or a night's hotel stay in your area
- Small, good quality used items that would be of interest to men
- Good quality, portable musical instruments

Items *not* to bring for the Men's Ministry fund-raising auction:

- Used or worn out furniture
- Appliances
- Pianos or organs
- Anything that *you* wouldn't want to take home
- Any instructional material, audio CD's or books from independent ministries

Please plan to bring an item, join the fun, and help raise awareness (and funds) for those who would like to attend these uplifting weekends but cannot afford to. Thanks!

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| <p>February</p> <p>11 Executive Committee - CO 10 am 17 Pathfinder Bible Experience, Lincoln, NE 19 Presidents' Day/Office Closed 21 - 25 DAA Music & Arts Festival 25 K-12 Board - CO 10 am 25 - 27 New in Ministry Training - DAA</p> <p>March</p> <p>01 - 11 DAA Spring Break 05 - 09 Elementary School Spring Break</p> | <p>C A L E N D A R</p> | <p>09 - 11 Men's Retreat - Medora, ND 24 Northwest Regional - Dickinson, ND 25 K-12 Board - CO 10 am</p> <p>April</p> <p>06 - 08 DAA Preview Days 08 Executive Committee - CO 10 am 14 Youth Rally - Fargo, ND 18 - 22 DAA Home Leave 28 Northeast Regional - Jamestown, ND 29 - 01 New in Ministry Training - DAA</p> |
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