

ACS-DR Pierre Warehouse

by Jacquie Biloff



After receiving a call from FEMA, ACS-DR (Adventist Community Services-Disaster Response) Director Phyllis Alexander, responded by setting up a warehouse in Pierre, South Dakota for those displaced by the Missouri's flooding. Alexander has been helping with disaster relief in the Dakotas for fourteen years. She was assisted by several volunteers from various Adventist churches: Jim and Ellen Kreiter from Manfred; Pastor Bob Forbes from the Lehr, Edgeley, and Kulm District; Marilee Furman from Aberdeen; Marion Schweigert and Durnetta Werth from Lehr and Scott Anderson from Wattertown.



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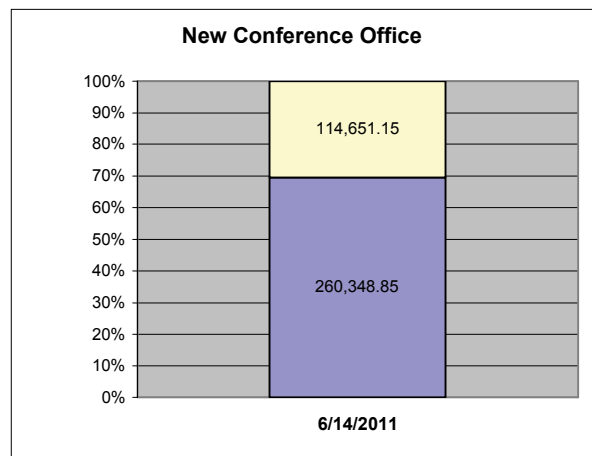


The National Guard came, and using a forklift, delivered pallets of water from Runnings Farm and Fleet of Pierre. Alexander commented that the "total water count came to 18 pallets of cases of water which equals 1152 cases or 73,728 single bottles. Then there are 8 pallets of the large gallons of water and 16 pallets with 12 cases per pallet or 192 cases with six gallon bottles per case or 1152 gallon bottles. (I just love to figure out this stuff.) But I have to do this for FEMA and the state anyway. I have to

let them know our volunteer hours per day, plus how much and what we took in and how much we delivered, money wise, to the people. Glad I brought my calculator with me."

Alexander believes things will slow for her and the volunteers until the water recedes and the cleanup begins. The warehouse is stocked with many buckets and cleaning supplies.

Two Campmeeting offerings and many generous gifts from Dakota constituents and donors outside of the conference has put the conference closer to the ground-breaking goal of \$375,000.



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Special Guests at Hot Springs

by Jimmie Story with Jacquie Biloff

A few years ago the Hot Springs Adventist Church began a Hot Springs Medical and Wellness Clinic. One lady explained that in Hot Springs they will look at something; then walk around it and observe and watch it; then finally they will touch it! How true this has been with the free clinic located at Hot Springs Adventist Church. The clinic, however, is slowly growing and growing.

They praise the Lord for the two very dedicated physicians: Dr. Michael Olivier and Dr. Lyon Foster who man the clinic two days a month. The clients aren't shy about expressing how much they appreciate these physicians. The Hot Springs Church declares their appreciation to Dr. Olivier and Dr. Foster for their dedication to the work of God in Hot Springs. "Prayer is a big part of our clinic," says Jimmie Story.

"My telephone was ringing and I knew by the ring that it was a clinic call. Answering the telephone, I discovered the voice at the other end of the line was a pharmacy student with an exciting request. She was wondering if two students and one of their professors could come and visit at our clinic. They wished to visit with clients and walk-in's regarding the side effects of their medications. I consulted with the doctors and found them very amendable to the idea of them coming. They would do some



advertising. I don't know about you but some free advertising for our free clinic didn't sound bad," declares Story.



On May 27, the two students and their professor showed up ready to work. They were most pleasant and the church really applauds them for a job well done. The professor let Story know that she would pass our clinic information on to someone else so they could take advantage of coming and visiting at the clinic.

Hot Springs Adventist Church continues to keep the free clinic in prayer. "It is filling a need in our community," states Story.

Flooding Along the Missouri

by Jacquie Biloff

Several Adventist members have been affected by the flooding along the Souris and Missouri Rivers, from the Montana and Canadian borders of North Dakota to the southern borders of South Dakota. Many members have spent countless volunteer hours sandbagging and manning warehouses. Public officials have called the response from the public and private sector as "nothing short of phenomenal."



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We have 71% of the \$375,000 goal to break ground.