

Press in Print



News and Information from the President's Office assembled by Judy Williams

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150th Years Ago . . .

Our Early Adventist Pioneers' original vision was to create a publishing house that would serve as a ministry, spreading Christian teachings and messages through printed materials. The purpose of the first *Signs of the Times*, was to share the gospel and the good news of Christ's second coming.

Over the years, we have expanded our offerings to include a wide range of books, magazines, and other material, all with the goal of uplifting Jesus and communicating biblical teachings, health principles and family values.

Even when Pacific Press has faced challenges over the years, God's providence along with sound business principals, dedicated employees and an unwavering spirit to succeed, has enabled Pacific Press to pass through these dark events in world history and has actually provided opportunities to reach out to many people in dire need.

One thing is certain, people will continue to need to hear that there is a better way. They need to hear of Jesus and His salvation.

Sharing the message of love, grace and salvation is the mission God has for each of us. It is why we do what we do. It is this spirit of concern and the commitment to excellence which birthed the first *Signs of the Times* magazine. It is the people who make Pacific Press what it is. Your dedication to quality and content is one of the reasons that the Pacific Press has flourished for 150 years and we are humbled by the impact that each of the publications have and will continue to have on the eternity of souls.

As we celebrate this anniversary on August 17th, let's remember all those who began and have continued this work over the past 150 years. They, like you, have been committed to being a vital part of spreading this message to the world so others can see there is hope and can experience a loving, personal relationship with Jesus.

Just 10 days until our Anniversary celebration. Thank you to each for your help with this event, both over the past few months and going forward.

The gospel of God's love continues to be spread in word, because of each of you!

Invite your friends and family, as we come together to worship and give God the glory.

This celebration will be held at the Brandt Center on the NW Nazarene University Campus, 707 Fern Street from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thank You . . .

Dear PPPA Family,

Thank you for the beautiful flowers for my dad's memorial service. And, thank you for all the notes, emails, encouraging words that you have shared with me over the past few weeks. It's at times like these that we claim God's promises, and appreciate more than ever friendships.

Thanks,

Dale

New Face at the Press . .

Welcome Jennifer Buyco

Advertising

Jennifer holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design from Pacific Union College and an Associate of Science in Product design from Walla Walla University.



In her most recent role, she served as the social media and website manager at Walla Walla University. Prior to this position, she worked as a designer for both Deloitte and Disney.

She is open to various forms of communication.

As source of joy for her, is her passion for photography.

One of her most captivating experiences was working as a theme park photographer during her college years.

If financial constraints were nonexistent, her ideal vacation would be a trip to Disneyland.

An interesting aspect of her academic journey is that she obtained her associate's degree after completing her bachelor's degree, despite having taken all the necessary courses beforehand.

Welcome to the PPPA family Jennifer, we're so glad you are here!

Making a Difference . . .

Student Workers, We Appreciate You!

With summer winding down and the transition to school routines underway, we want to

take a moment to celebrate our incredible student workers!

Your hard work has been nothing short of amazing, and we truly appreciate all that you do. From helping to get orders shipped, cleaning, painting and filling in for staff on sick leave or vacation, your contributions have made a significant impact on our team. Thank you each for your dedication!



How Guide Guided Me Back

By Krishna McKay

"Do you remember the first time you ever read *Guide* magazine? I figure for many, it is quite a unique and spiritual experience. I was in eighth grade the first time I ever read an issue. This was partially because at that time, I did not attend church that often. But I was blessed enough that my English teacher brought an issue to class, and as soon as I read the stories I was hooked. I could not wait for her to bring more. But the following week she did not do so. I then figured that it was a one time event, which disappointed me, but I knew that if I started attending church again, I would be able to receive them for myself. So then I actually considered regularly attending church again. Coincidentally I attended the same church as my English teacher and near the beginning of the year, she expressed concern at how I don't really go to church anymore.

A few months passed and we received another issue in class. I was wondering if now we would start receiving them more often. I knew I was definitely glad to read more of their content. But the same issue occurred. I did not receive any more the following week. I found it strange that this was occurring. Truth be told that school year I was thinking that maybe I should try attending church each Sabbath again, for multiple reasons. The Bible classes I had been having in middle school were both enlightening and entertaining. They were inspiring me to study Scripture more, so I was thinking it would be helpful to go to church. In addition, my classmates would have all these fun



stories about what took place at church. I felt like I was missing out and wanted to participate so that I could have some adventures of my own.

But one last, and perhaps the most important, reason why is with how I was a teenager now, I felt it was crucial that I maintain a strong connection with Yahweh. At the end of the school year I would be graduating and getting ready to start high school. That is a tough time for many, navigating issues relating to career, dating, social life, substance abuse, and of course, even further matriculation, or whether to do so. For instance, I had one classmate's brother who upon graduating high school was not sure if he should go to college. Instead he went to technical school and has since gone on to be a successful mechanic. But the point is during the teen years you are often faced with times of critical decisions. I wanted Yahweh to help guide me through making those very decisions.

I was also thinking that I would have to get them for myself, that I could not rely on any others. A key reason why was that one classmate brought one of her own issues for a project we were doing. She seemed to not be willing to share it though, presumably because she was worried about it getting damaged in some fashion. There is a good chance she would have done so with me, as she knew how responsible I was. But even if she had lent it to me, as again she needed it for what she was doing in class, it likely would have only been for a brief moment, not enough time to soak in all the stories.

A few more months had passed and we were nearing spring now. My teacher had handed out another issue and I had been wondering why she was dispersing them so infrequently. Something I really enjoyed about them was how they were like modern day Bible stories. Many say they find it hard to trust the credibility of Scripture because of how the events took place millennia ago. Some argue that they are totally irrelevant now. But these amazing anecdotes the magazine had to offer demonstrated how several principles in the "Good Book" still applied to us today. It was so refreshing to have what was in a sense a contemporary Bible. And this was why I found it odd that my teacher was not handing them out more often.

I believe she only did so one more time, in the middle of spring. Getting to read another issue, combined with the wonderful spring week of prayer we had, where I was even one of the speakers, I firmly decided that I would start attending church

again so that I could receive these each week. Sometime in the next few days I discussed this with my mom and why we were not attending church as much now. She said she would have to move around some shifts at the hospital, as she was a nurse, but she agreed to take me. Fortunately, the process went very smoothly and she began taking me each week and I was finally able to obtain issues of *Guide* for myself. Eventually the rest of my family was able to join me as well, and a key factor was modern word on the written Word. It goes to show how the pen is mightier than the sword."

Dateline . . .

August Calendar

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| 7 | PAYDAY |
| 12 | NO CHAPEL – Board Week |
| 15 | Board Chapel – Elder Ken Denslow |
| 17 | Proclaiming God's Love – 150 th Year |
| 19 | Chapel – Doug Church – Product Dedication |
| 21 | PAYDAY |
| 26 | Safety Chapel – Mike Fifer |

August Birthdays

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| 10 | Ashley Hamilton |
| 14 | Mary Fifer |
| 14 | Anna Machain |
| 17 | Brady Lee |
| 18 | Victor Gouge |
| 19 | Dennis Legg |
| 21 | Thomas Walter |
| 30 | Dave Gatton |