



Dakota Conference Celebrating 145 Years, 1874 - 2019

Denoff Adventist Church Highlighted

The Denoff Seventh-day Adventist Church of Denoff, North Dakota was organized in 1917 (1916) after Pastor Conrad Hein held a revival meeting in the upstairs of Samuel Vietz's barn. Eventually the members bought a school house from the White School District and moved it onto a piece of land donated by Samuel Vietz (where the Fred Vietz place is), which was located four miles south of Denhoff. The building was remodeled and served as their first church home.

Many members joined this group over time:

- Samuel Vietz
- John Vietz
- Jake Vietz
- Adam, August and Herbert Heitzmann
- Sam Heitzmann
- John Miller
- Ed Schlinder
- Fred Schlindler
- Philip Gillig
- August Schmidt
- Joseph Schmitke
- Otto Reinke
- Jacob Wacker
- Ludwig Beyer, who lived in Denhoff and walked the four miles to church services.

A church school was held in the summer months of 1918 and 1919. It was taught in German by Reinhold Bietz in 1918 and by his sister, Frieda Bietz, in 1919.

Early ministers included Fauldin Lehr, Carl Lehr, John Siebel, Elder Kurtz and Elder Wagner.

In 1936 (1940), the church was moved into Denhoff onto a lot bought from Attorney George Thom of Denhoff. The material for the church remodel came from the roof of the old Fessenden Adventist Church, which was the first church in Wells County. Only material from the roof was used as the rest of the church was made from mud bricks.

As the years went by, members moved away and the few remaining disband in 1960. These members joined the Goodrich and McClusky churches.

The church building was used by the Denhoff and McClusky ladies for Dorcas (Adventist Community Services) until, due to vandalism, the insurance company would no longer insure the building.

The church was torn down to build a church school building, that was never built, so one of the members bought the lumber for ten dollars.

Note: If you have other/correct details or a photo, please contact Jacquie Biloff at jbiloff@icloud.com.

Article is a conglomerate of two articles in the Denoff Church file by Dina Vietz and [Anonymous](#)



Photo by Cliff Freese

Dakota Adventist Academy 2019/2020 - "Fresh Start"

Have you ever wondered why students choose to come to a boarding school? Why are they willing to leave the comforts of home and family to start fresh somewhere else? I have.

Some of Dakota Adventist Academy's new students anonymously answered this question: "What brought you here?"

Following are a few of their answers:

- People here care about you.
- Teachers challenge you to expand your knowledge in class.
- Teachers follow up with us to be certain that homework is completed.
- The food is way better than in public school!
- I can express my Christianity freely.
- God led me here!

A quote from one student: "In my old school you can do what you want, wear what you like, and say what you want. God did not live there."

DAA staff and teachers seek to provide a safe place for youth to grown in their relationship with God. Today's youth are fighting battles we know nothing about. Remember them in your prayers.



Article and photos by Tracy Peterson

Lots of Activity at Flag Mountain Camp

Flag Mountain Camp has had a lot activity this summer and fall beginning with Camp Staff Training in June. Junior Camp and Teen Camp followed. This fall the camp will house the Mid-America Union Education Leadership Conference. Principals and leadership students from academies around the Union will enjoy the facility.

Outdoor School will also be held here in the middle of September. Outdoor School includes all elementary teachers and students from the Dakota Conference, plus auxiliary staff.

In preparation for these events, many have cleaned, mowed, hauled gravel, cut fallen trees from across roads and helped in many ways in preparation for these events. This camp, Northern Lights Camp and this conference would be nothing without the many dedicated people who volunteer and give their time to facilitate the many spiritual activities that take place.



Article by Jacquie Biloff; Photos by Elder Neil Biloff

Leadership Training Workshop

**Training breakouts available:
Master Guide Skills Development Seminars**



October 11-13, 2019

Northern Lights Camp

4:00 p.m. Friday to 12:00 noon Sunday

-Guest Speaker-

Roger Wade -Mid-America Youth Director & Team

Six seminars will be offered this year!

\$50.00 for the weekend

Includes: Friday Supper 6:00, Sabbath
Breakfast 9:30, Lunch 1:00 Supper 6:00,
Sunday Brunch 11:00 & Materials



This workshop is a requirement if you are working to be a Master Guide!!

Leadership Training Weekend

Registration

October 11-13, 2019

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Home Church: _____

There is a \$50.00 fee for food and materials

Please return form with payment to:

**Dakota Conference Pathfinder Department
7200 North Washington Street
Bismarck, ND 58503-6301**

Deadline: Please respond by September 18, 2019

Please bring your own bedding!

God Has Performed Miracles

God has preformed miracles in my family's and my life. I will tell you this story, but also want to let you know that I have in front of me my father's

Bible that fell in the water. It is rugged but did not get wet.

It was a Sabbath morning in the cold of winter as my family, my father, mother, grandmother, and I were all bundled up and in a small sled my father was pulling. It was not unusual during the winter for my family to walk across the river to reach the church. We had no car and the walk was about two miles. My father was the one to go to the church early on Sabbath to stoke the old pot-bellied stove so the church would be warm.

The river was frozen over and we had walked over it the prior Sabbath. As we were walking along my grandmother suddenly fell into an area of open water, which was covered with snow. She yelled, "Lord save me!" My father reached down and lifted her up out of the water and stood her beside them. She was not wet at all. You can imagine the heavy coat and clothes they wore when it was below freezing in northern Wisconsin.



Grandma looked down and said to Father, "August, your Bible is floating on top of the water." My father reached over and picked it up out of the water and there was not a place on that Bible that was wet. They all went on to church that morning to give the Lord all the blessings.

That Bible is right in front of me now. I remember them telling me this story over and over again as I grew up.

Article by Phyllis Alexander of the Rapid City Adventist Church; Photo by iStock

Note:

Who: All PVA/SRA/DAA Alumni and Friends

What: PVA/SRA/DAA Alumni Weekend
Honor classes are years ending in "0" and "5"

When: October 4, 2019
Registration opens at 1:00
Wallace Carlson Memorial at 2:30
Pioneer Reception at 4:00 - *Class of 1970* - but all classes are welcome
Vespers at 7:30

When: October 5, 2019
Breakfast at 8:30
Worship Service at 10:00 - *Class of 1980*
Lunch at Noon
Honor Class Recognition at 3:30
Buffet Supper at 5:00 - *Compliments of the Alumni Association*
Vespers, DAA Showcase Concert at 6:30
Alumni Business Meeting at 8:00
Basketball & Volleyball Games at 8:00

Where: Dakota Adventist Academy
15905 Sheyenne Circle
Bismarck, North Dakota

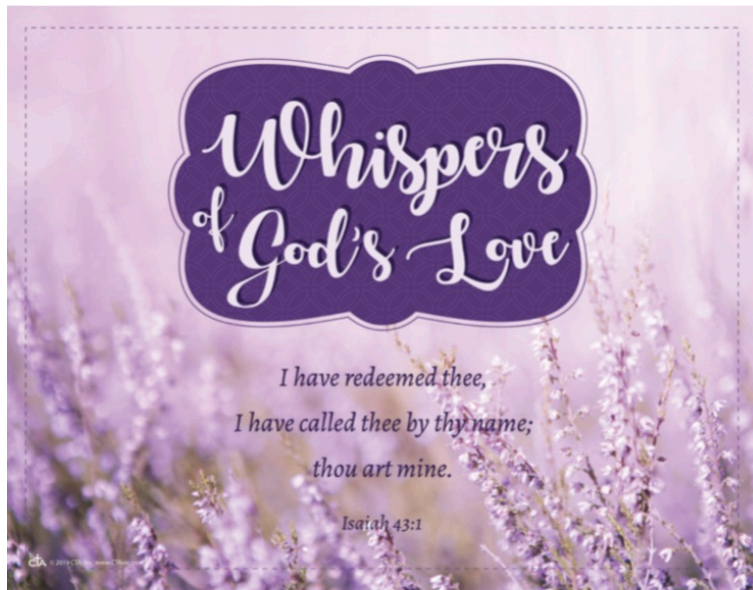
An Anonymous Donor Shares

An anonymous donor has provided matching funds for the completion of the outside of the kitchen/cafeteria at Northern Lights Camp before winter. A letter to that effect will be sent out. With that generous donation in mind, the project has begun to protect the building from snow, rain and hail damage. Brick is being used on the front, lower half of the building with metal siding.

Thank you Mr. or Mrs. Anonymous and thank all of you for your generous spirit as we point children to the Savior.



Article by Jacquie Biloff; Photos by Ron Wright



***Dakota Conference Women's Retreat
October 25 - 27, 2019
Mandan, North Dakota***

***Register Online at dakotaadventist.org
Featured Speaker: Linda Shelton***



Bismarck		Retail	Retail	SPECIAL	SPECIAL
Canned		<u>Case</u>	<u>Single</u>	<u>Case</u>	<u>Single</u>
H Breakfast Links	6/19 oz	\$36.02	\$6.61	\$30.50	\$6.16
LL Chili	12/19 oz	51.23	4.70	47.83	4.50
LL Choplets	12/19 oz	71.73	6.58	68.33	6.38
H Deli Dog	6/19 oz	36.02	6.61	30.50	6.16
LL Diced Chik	12/13 oz	61.49	5.64	57.59	5.44
LL Fri Chik	12/12.5 oz	61.49	5.64	57.34	5.41
LL Tender Bits	12/19 oz	71.73	6.61	68.33	6.33
LL Tender Rounds	12/19 oz	71.73	6.61	68.33	6.33
LL Vege Burger	12/12 oz	71.73	6.61	68.33	6.33
LL V Skallops	12/20 oz	71.73	6.61	68.33	6.33
LL V Steaks	12/20 oz	71.73	6.61	68.33	6.33
LL Vegetarian Burger	12/19 oz	71.73	6.61	68.33	6.33
LL Veja Links	12/19 oz	71.73	6.61	68.33	6.33
Food Service					
Fri Chik	12/47 oz	153.69	14.10	147.89	13.75
Swiss Steak	12/47 oz	153.69	14.10	147.89	13.75
Frozen					
W Frozen Rolls	4/4 lb	118.50	32.61	107.50	30.41
W Deli Slices	4/4 lb	35.23	4.85	31.23	4.45

sales dates: September 3-20, 2019

ABC hours in Bismarck, ND are:
 Tuesday - Thursday: 3:00 - 5:30 pm

Sept 5 Dispatch Photo



Paulette Bullinger

Photo by Paulette Bullinger

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