

# Happy 2017 Arcata-McKinleyville Adventist News



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From the desk of  
Pastor Ron Mellor

As I compose this article, we are less than two weeks away from the New Year. Certainly we are all wondering what 2017 will bring. As always, there are a number of people who are making predictions about what to expect in the New Year.

For 224 years the *Old Farmer's Almanac* has been making prognostications about the upcoming year. Established by Robert B. Thomas in 1792, the *Farmer's Almanac* is the longest-running periodical in America. When it began, it cost a whopping 9 cents! If you want to purchase one today, it will run you \$6.99. For your money you will get a number of guesses about the New Year.

Although not nearly as sensational as the terrifying predictions of the 16<sup>th</sup> century *prophet*, Nostradamus, the *Almanac's* forecasts are never-the-less quite interesting. Here are a few predictions about what to expect in 2017:

- The trendiest vegetables will be radicchio (an Italian chicory) and kohlrabi (a German turnip).
- "Cat Cafes" will become popular where people will gather to hang out together with the favorite furry felines.
- We will be able to purchase "smart" dishwashers that will send out a text when they are out of soap.
- In the weather department, our nation's spring time will be warmer than usual; however, the summer and fall temperatures will be below normal.

- The winter will also be colder than usual with an above average snowfall.
- In the area of fashion, the padded-shoulder look, popular in the '80's, will make a comeback for a ladies fashion trend. For the men, pink will become a popular color for the wardrobe. ☺

Jesus once gave some really good advice when it comes to trying to figure out what the future will be like. ... *Do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.*

Matthew 6:34 (Today's New International Version)

One day at a time is a good approach for Christ followers to live their lives by. None of us have any control over what happens in the future. What's going to happen in 2017? You don't know for sure and neither do I.

But whatever happens, let's follow the good goal of Matthew 6:33 – *Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need.* (New Living Translation)

Happy New Year!  
Ron Mellor



# Birthdays and

# Anniversaries



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Cherie Hammack	January 6
Shirley Green	January 8
Dawn Baumgartner	January 9
Ronda Trumble	January 11
Marclyn Cyphers	January 12
Katrina Tayler	January 13
Bob Werner	January 14
Beth Johanson	January 14
Alexandria Woodruff	January 18
Victor Wallenkampf	January 20
Hal Burris	January 22
Ann Anderson	January 23
Jessica Chiaudano	January 23
Maria Diaz	January 27

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Jack & Trudy Bull	January 1
Roger & Susan Wallace	January 16
Stan & Nell Lane	January 28

Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365 page book. Write a good one.

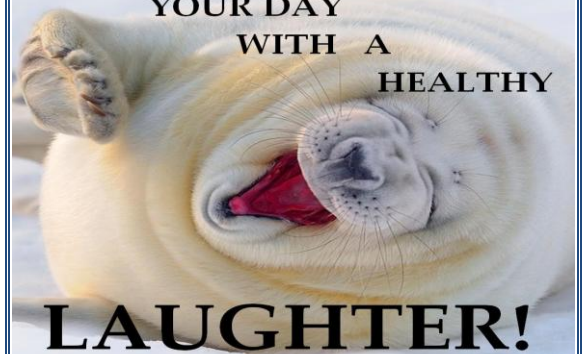
”THERE ARE YEARS THAT ASK QUESTIONS, AND YEARS THAT ANSWER.”

Zora Neale Hurston

*You can't change the past, but you can ruin the present by worrying over the future.*

Anonymous

START YOUR DAY WITH A HEALTHY



**LAUGHTER!**

~ Earl Nightingale



**HUMBOLDT BAY  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
PHONE: (707) 822-1738**

School Hours: 8:15 a.m. – 3:05 p.m.  
Friday: 8:15 a.m. – 1:35 p.m.

Grades 4–8: Ruthanne Altsman, Principal  
Grades K–3: Vickie Arnold

School Secretary: Debbie Rosenberg  
Email: [hbcsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:hbcsecretary@gmail.com)

**2016 – 2017 School Year**

**Tuesday, January 3**

Classes resume after Christmas break

**Friday, January 6**

Ice Skating in Fortuna  
For PE Class

**Saturday Night, January 14**

Skate Night in the Gym  
Food will be on Sale

**Monday, January 16**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
No School

**School Finance/Board Meetings:**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month  
School Finance at 6:30 p.m.  
School Board at 7:00 p.m.

For more information about HBCS  
go to the school website at:  
[www.hbcseducation.com](http://www.hbcseducation.com)

or

[www.mckinleyvilleadventistchurch.org](http://www.mckinleyvilleadventistchurch.org)



**ICE SKATING IN FORTUNA**

HBCS will be going ice skating  
for PE class on:  
Friday, January 6, 2017



**Adventist Education**

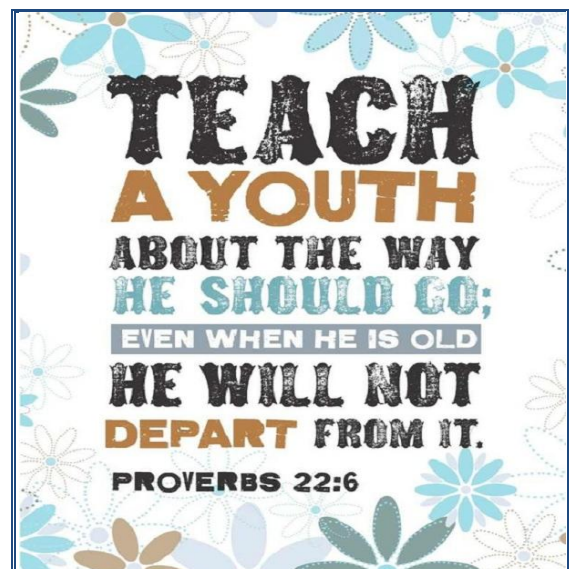
A JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE



**HBCS  
SKATE  
NIGHT**

Saturday night,  
January 14, 2017  
6:00 p.m.

Food will be on sale!





## News from Community Services



**Weekly Meetings on Wednesdays**  
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Co-leaders of Community Services  
Tina Ahrens & Norma Werner

## HAPPY NEW YEAR 2017



Each moment in a day  
has its own value.  
Morning brings HOPE,  
Afternoon brings FAITH,  
Evening brings LOVE,  
Night brings REST.  
Hope you will have all  
of them every day.



Remember Your Offerings

## Directory Updates

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I HAVE  
A DREAM 

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day**  
Monday, January 16, 2017

- No School
- No Pathfinder Meeting

It's time to unfold new pages and  
start a new chapter in your life because it's a **New Year.**

## HAPPY NEW YEAR



## Future Dates to Remember

All Ages are Welcome, including Parents!



**SABBATH, JANUARY 7, 2017**

**10:45 a.m.**

### Pathfinder Vespers

A skit and a Movie and Food

January 7, 2017

McKinleyville SDA Church

• Bible Skit

• Movie: *A Man Named Norman*



### HBCS SKATE NIGHT

Saturday night,  
January 14, 2017

6:00 p.m.

Food will be on sale!

## pathfinders camp



### January Event for Pathfinders

Friday Night – Sunday Noon, January 20-22

#### Annual Winter Campout at HBCS

Our club, along with Hayfork, Crescent City, Napa and Gloverdale clubs)

## Variety Hour Pathfinder Fund Raiser

January 28, 2017

HBCS Gym at 7:00 p.m.

Corndogs on Sale at 6:30 p.m.

Plan ahead now to join the fun!  
We want you for this talent program!

You can sing, play an instrument, read or recite a poem or reading, do a skit with friends, or anything else you do that is entertaining. If you want to participate, please call Betty Newman: (707) 442-6203

### Worship Service Schedule for January 2017

- 7<sup>th</sup> Ron Mellor will present  
*“Come Before Winter.”*  
This New Year’s message will look at 2 Timothy 4, relating a special request that the Apostle Paul made to Timothy to a decision that God would have us make or remake at the beginning of a New Year.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Kelly Kinsley will be the speaker.
- 21<sup>st</sup> We will return back to the *“Be Joyful”* series on the book of Philippians. In this message Ron Mellor will share *“The Humility of Christ”* from Philippians 2:5-11.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Ron Mellor will speak on *“Be Joyful – 9; Shine as Stars in the Darkness”* – from Philippians 2:12-18.

No Mid-week Lift until after the Holidays. The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 18, 2017.

# PATHFINDERS

## Humboldt Bay Trackers

### News from Our Pathfinder Club

Betty Newman, Area Coordinator

From the  
Director, Julia Courtney-Williams

December is always a short month for Pathfinders, but we accomplished a lot. In addition to having Monday night meetings, on Sabbath, December 10, April Harrison and Karen Ronk provided Sabbath dinner at Eureka SDA Church. Pathfinders Joey and Christian helped prepare and serve the food, which consisted of oatmeal patties, roasted red potatoes, green peas, and green salad. The dessert table just about collapsed. I helped serve and clean up afterwards. Joey and Christian are earning the Cooking and Baking Honors at home. They are a great help at the Eureka Church.

Another honor the Pathfinders earned in December is the Dog Honor, taught by Sadie Dodds. We had her little dog and McCrigler's dog as guests for the evening and they were very polite.

On Monday night, December 12, many of the parents and other family members participated in a dinner at our meeting room. We ate pizza, raw veggies, fresh fruit, cashew nuts, root beer floats, pumpkin pie and lemon bars. Those of us on gluten-free and dairy-free diets ate Amy's mac and cheese and dairy-free ice cream.

The Pathfinders prepared for a vespers program that we are planning to do at McKinleyville SDA Church Sabbath evening, January 7. They will be performing a short Bible skit on Saul's conversion experience found in the book of Acts. The script is from the Message Bible and Pathfinders will be portraying Bible characters, including the voice of God, Saul, Ananias, and a narrator. The skit will be directed by Sadie Dodds.

Please come out to the McKinleyville SDA Church on January 7 at 6:00 p.m. to enjoy vespers, food and a movie, *A Man Named Norman*.

The Eureka Church folks received this well and you'll enjoy it too. Admission will be free and we'll have a donation jar.

Coming up in January are two more big and important events for Pathfinders.

The winter campout is set for January 20-22 at HBCS. Our club is hosting other Northern California Conference Clubs from Crescent City, Hayfork, Fortuna and Napa. For the past few years this has been just about the most popular event of the school year. The event starts Friday evening with a worship service. The clubs take turns raising and lowering the flags.

We have worships in the mornings and evenings. The clubs take turns preparing, serving and cleaning up for each of the meals. In between meals there will be activities, including drilling and marching, knot tying practice and earning honors and completing Investiture Achievement requirements. Lori McCrigler of Fortuna is preparing to teach the Hot Air Balloon honor. There will be other honors taught and I'll report more about this as I have information. Traditionally we have about 60 people (adults and children) at this weekend event.

The last important event in January is Saturday night, January 28. Please plan on attending this event at HBCS gymnasium. It is the annual Variety Hour Program. At the beginning we traditionally have corn dogs, popcorn, baked goods and juice for sale. Then the program begins. We need your help for this program to be successful. We need people to volunteer to do readings, tell stories, perform musical numbers (sing, play an instrument, for example) or skits. Just about anything that might be of interest to others is welcome. One year we had a woman show her dogs and put them through some tricks. Usually we have the Pathfinders demonstrate the proper handling of the flags and basic drill commands during the program.

Please call Betty Newman at (707) 442-6203 to sign up for participation in this program.

### Pathfinder Club Meetings

Mondays at HBCS: 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

No club meetings on

December 22, 29 and January 2