

Arcata-McKinleyville Adventist News

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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From the desk of Pastor Ron Mellor

Some of us undoubtedly are familiar with the name Monty Hall. He was the creator and long-time host of the popular game show, “Let’s Make a Deal.” Monty Hall passed away just 3 months ago, but the game show he was famous for lives on, airing on TV with its host, Wayne Brady.

The format of “Let’s Make a Deal,” features members of the audience during the taping of the show who dress up in crazy and outlandish costumes and get-ups to increase their chances of being selected as a contestant. The game show host offers the contestant who is chosen to compete something of value, and then gives him or her the opportunity to trade that known quantity for something else behind a curtain or door. The show produced the popular catch phrase “Do you want Door Number 1, Door Number 2 or Door Number 3?” The prizes behind these doors could be something as valuable as a new car, but also a worthless item known as a “zonk.” A zonk could be a towel, a pumpkin or even a goat.

Sometimes a zonk would be a cover-up concealing an item of great value, such as the time when the selected door was opened and there was an old dryer with a worn-out pair of jeans in it. However, on closer inspection in the

pocket of these old jeans was found keys to a brand new car!

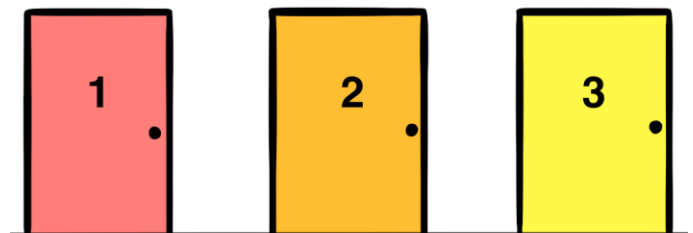
Throughout the Bible “a door” is used as a metaphor for an opportunity. When we think of a door, we think about what could be on the other side. There is a certain amount of mystery and anticipation when we think about what might be on the other side of a door.

I will be presenting a new message series for the beginning of 2018. I am calling it “Open Doors.” In this series we will look at doors that “God opens and no person can shut,” (Revelation 3:7, 8).


The year 2018 can be filled with wonderful opportunities to us if we but walk through the doors that God has opened.


Opportunity will knock for each of us in 2018. Will we walk through our open doors? So what will it be—door number 1, door number 2 or door number 3?

Ron Mellor





 JANUARY BIRTHDAYS	
Cherie Hammack	January 6
Dawn Baumgartner	January 9
Ronda Trumble	January 11
Marcyln Cyphers	January 12
Katrina Tayler	January 13
Bob Werner	January 14
Beth Johanson	January 14
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.

The "Christmas Dinner Party" was a big success and enjoyed by all. Congratulations to **Ida Elloway** for winning the \$50 Gift certificate from Ray's and to **Ruthanne Altsman** for winning the pizza from Round Table Pizza. Lots of thanks to **Norma Werner** for the wonderful dinner.

The Social Committee wishes you a very Merry Christmas and invites you to join us on **Sunday, December 31, at 7:00 p.m.** for the **New Year's Eve Party!**

From Carol Burris

All Ages are Welcome, including Parents!



Children's Church

SABBATH, JANUARY 6, 2017
10:45 a.m.



**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–2: Ashley Stewart

School Secretary: Debbie Rosenberg
Email: hbcsecretary@gmail.com

2017–2018 School Year

School resumes on January 2, 2018

Thursday, January 4
Ice Skating for PE in Fortuna

Friday, January 12
School Spirit Day

Saturday Night, January 13
Skate Night

Monday, January 15
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
No School

For more information about HBCS
go to the school website at:
www.hbcseducation.com

or the church website
www.mckinleyvilleadventistchurch.org



ICE SKATING IN FORTUNA

**HBCS will be going ice skating
for PE class on: January 4, 2018**



**HBCS
SKATE NIGHT**

Saturday night,
January 13, 2018
6:00 p.m.

Food will be on sale!



Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, January 15, 2018

No School



"Serving Communities
in Christ's Name"



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

Co-leaders of Community Services
Tina Ahrens & Norma Werner

Community Services Report

Norma reported that the Thanksgiving boxes were distributed to 129 families serving 455 individuals.

Ray's Food Place donated bread and desserts for the boxes saving Community Services nearly \$1,000.00 on their food budget.

Community Services spent \$1,347.87 on Thanksgiving food staples and will be reimbursed for one-half of this expense by the Family Resource Center.

Community Services helped 816 people with clothing, bedding and miscellaneous needs in October of 2017.



From
Julia Courtney-Williams,
Church Librarian

The church library is in a little room with shelves on the wall and under the counter behind the main counter in the church foyer. Feel free to come in the room and browse.

All the Ellen White books are primarily arranged together in the left hand section as you face the wall. Then the books are arranged by the Dewey Decimal System by categories.

As you can imagine, the majority of our books are religious in theme. We do have books about missions, nature, and stories. We also have quite a few Bibles and other reference materials such as commentaries in the bookshelf section on the back side of the counter.

Several books for little children are in a bucket in front of the counter.

Feel free to borrow any book. They are meant to be read. See me if you need help.



Future Dates to Remember

NEW MESSAGE SERIES

for the beginning of 2018

"OPEN DOORS"



Are you ready for God-sized opportunities in 2018?

In this message series for the New Year, Pastor Ron Mellor will look at the doors that God opens that no one can shut.

Opportunity will knock:
will we be ready to walk through
our doors of opportunity?

JANUARY 2018 OFFERING SCHEDULE

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January 13	Local Conference Advance
January 20	Local Church Budget
January 27	NAD – Religious Liberty

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Life Line Screening

is a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings.

They will be in our community on
Wednesday, February 7, 2018,
at the

Arcata-McKinleyville SDA Church.

Ultrasound screenings to identify risk factors for cardiovascular disease include:

~Carotid Artery

(Plaque buildup – a leading cause of stroke)

~Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm

(An enlargement of weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body)

~Peripheral Arterial Disease

(Hardening of the arteries in the legs)

~A Heart Rhythm Screening

(An EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heartbeat) and an

~Osteoporosis Risk Assessment

for men and women.

Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks, helps you and your doctor address problems early.

Register online TODAY at
www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle

and receive your
Community Circle discount
and your
Preferred Appointment!





News from Our Pathfinder Club

Betty Newman, Area Coordinator

From
Julia Courtney-Williams
Pathfinder Director

The Pathfinders finished December early with a long-deserved party on December 11, 2017.

We ate Costco pizzas, fresh fruit, raw veggies and mango or apple juice. One of our parents, Wes Harrison, had a birthday that night. To honor him for coming to our party instead of planning his own party we had his favorite dessert, cheesecake. After the food each Pathfinder showed his/her Temperance poster and explained what it meant. Then the Pathfinders demonstrated their Temperance jingles. Additionally we repeated the Temperance pledge in unison.

Our next event is Area 1 winter campout the weekend of January 5-7 on the campus of Humboldt Bay Christian School. Five Pathfinder Clubs attend this annual event: Humboldt Bay (we host it), Crescent City, Hayfork, Fortuna and Napa.

An honor we will work on together this year is the Standard First Aid Honor, required for 8th graders in their Advent Youth Class work. I've studied the honor and assigned sections to each club to teach. Part of the honor is hands-on, including bandaging, splinting and rescue carrying.

Other parts are "book learning," including: what to do in various emergencies; assisting in bleeding situations; what to do in case of heart attack or stroke; shock; poisoning; burns; obstructed airways; head injuries; internal injuries; gunshot injuries; animal and insect bites; fainting; epilepsy; heat exhaustion;

stroke; hypothermia; frost bite; escaping a fire; obtaining help in emergencies.

There will be several other Pathfinder honors taught throughout the weekend. Clubs take turns preparing and serving the meals to everyone. There is usually some gym time. We enjoy worships, singing together and playing together, knot tying and marching.

If the weather cooperates, the teens may get to practice Archery. There are always several Nature honors taught. After the campout I expect to have a report of all the activities that happened.



PATHFINDER VARIETY HOUR

at
HBCS - 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday Night,
February 3, 2018**

Corn dogs will be on sale

Contact
Betty Newman or Julie Courtney-Williams
if you would like to participate.

JANUARY DATE TO REMEMBER

Area 1 Winter Campout at HBCS
January 5-7, 2018

Pathfinder Club Meetings

Mondays at HBCS: 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

No club meetings on
January 1, 2018 – Happy New Year
January 15, 2018 – Martin Luther King Day

Religious Liberty

FREE WILL and RELIGIOUS LIBERTY From Kathy Anderson

Free speech and freedom to worship according to one's conscience has been protected by the Constitution of the USA for over 200 years.

We Christians have exercised these rights with some resistance; but we are not as many in the world that are threatened, or experience a cruel death for publicly proclaiming our faith.

Over the past few years hatred towards Christianity has grown and churches have burnt to the ground; Bibles are not allowed in our military and some schools; uttering the name of Jesus has been outlawed in some venues; prayer has been removed from public places and ridiculed as meaningless on social media ... etc.

As many religions, including Protestants, join together with the Pope in Rome to proclaim the end to Protestantism, we have been introduced to a new religion, The Church of Artificial Intelligence (AI).

This religion of Trans-humanism is replacing the dualistic reality of today's world with Singularity, otherwise known as merging humans with machines. To what extent are you able to understand how this religion will impact your life?

We have seen a robot named Sophia become a citizen of Saudi Arabia, thereby acting as a witness to human culture, learning from us and adapting to the world at a faster rate than we.

That fact is magnified to an incredible extent when we understand that Sophia is an example of first generation robotics of which there are 4 generations, or more, at this time, at work in places we are not aware of.

Knowing this, I suggest that we pay attention and learn how to resist bowing down to it as we look to the soon coming of Christ our King (Revelation 13).



CAVIN TAYLOR Concert Pianist

Will give a sacred concert on
Sabbath, February 10, 2018
at
10:50 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.

Dr. Calvin Taylor provides a full,
inspiring Sabbath of music
and worship.

Calvin Taylor
Music Ministries ~ Over Forty Years

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
The concert is free – Donations will be accepted
Arcata-McKinleyville SDA Church
1200 Central Avenue
McKinleyville, CA 955519

Dr. Calvin Taylor
will also give a sacred concert at the
Fortuna SDA Church
Sabbath, February 17, 2018
11:15 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.