

A Troop is Coming!

by Doris and Lloyd Anderson

Over the past two years the Board of the 7Wonders Creation Museum has searched for new directors, always praying in terms of another couple to replace us. Having purchased the property to begin this ministry 15 years ago, we desire for it to continue even after we retire. Health and aging now make that necessary.

The search went nowhere until recently when, we believe, God increased our vision for the future of the 7Wonders Museum. Our culture is more sophisticated.; technical advertising demands newer and younger blood. To do more tours of MSH we need more tour guides. Lloyd said, “Why not the Kleins”? They said, “Are you serious”?

Parents, Dave and Debbie Klein, have been friends of the Museum since soon after it’s August 1998 opening when they initially visited, responding to our ad in *The Teaching Home magazine*. Later, Abby Klein, then about 15, forged a missionary project: sending us jars of brownie mix, layered and calling attention to the layered sediment at Mount St. Helens to be sold in the bookstore.

Now Abbey is 23. Her oldest brother, Zac, is 24. Following Abbey are 12 younger brothers and sisters. We share some of their poetry in this issue. You can see them all at their family web site, inKleinations.com.

In 2006 the Kleins hosted us for a home-school conference they organized in Texas. More recently they asked for photos to use for setting up a temporary creation museum in their community. Since we had developed new displays, we were glad to provide some of our older photographs.

Important to the Museum would be Dave’s computer programming expertise. He is self-employed as are his two oldest sons who primarily work from home. As a sideline family business, they organize computer programming conferences several times a year. See cocoaconf.com.

In March, following a question and answer time with Dave and Debbie, the Museum Board of Directors invited the family to give this summer a trial run. After a week of seeking the Lord’s will, they said yes. So the troop will train and operate the ministry from June through Labor Day working with the Andersons.

Specifically, the Kleins will get to know the Board Members; experience the demands of the summer season; understand development needs and determine God’s leading as permanent ministry directors. If they sense God’s calling, they will return to the Midwest to settle their affairs during the non-tourist season while the Andersons relocate. Their tenure would begin in the spring of 2014.

Newsletter #18

Spring, 2013

Insights into Creation from the 7Wonders Creation Museum

See Inside:

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Open House – meet new staff
June 23rd, 2-6 pm

As preliminary ideas are considered for going forward, you can help in three ways:

1. What do you think of expansion—ministry, facilities? We could use your ideas and comments.
2. Pray for wisdom and vision for us all—Directors, Board, and staunch friends of Creation for initiatives to enhance the goals and objectives of the Seven Wonders Ministry.
3. Consider beginning to give toward the future development of the ministry and facilities. Any designated funds given will be set aside in an account for such development. As plans are formalized, details will be announced to help direct you to specific funding needs.

Tourist Season 2013

Coming 'Round the Mountain

At the Mount St. Helens Museum of creation

*You'll learn about the devastation
Wrought by God for meditation
Rather than mere trepidation
See how fast the elevation
Turned to layers of sedimentation
See 7 clues in illustration
Hear Lloyd's awesome presentation
Take a hike in the monumentation
Of chunks of the mountain in replantation
and marvel at the reforestation
Visit here for relaxation
More than that, creation inspiration!*



Grand Opening, May 18th:

Harry Garner Park Offers Camping

After nine years of work and cooperation with Cowlitz County, the Friends of Harry Gardner Park will celebrate the Park's restoration, May 18th, with a Grand Opening. The 80 acre treasured recreation site was buried under three feet of mud and debris following the 1980 eruption. Residents mourned its loss but eventually good leadership pulled the community together and inspired County officials to join the process.

Visitors will now have access to several RV hook-ups, a dump site, and places for tents. Water and power are in as well as picnic tables, a playground area and access to the South Fork of the Toutle River. Interviews for a camp host are underway. First come, first served will be the rule; reservations will not be taken.

Harry Gardner Park is located 11.5 miles east of I-5 off SR 504. Turn right onto South Toutle Road opposite Drew's Grocery. Cross the bridge about a mile later. The park is along the river on your left. You may access the Park on Fiest Road. For more information go to the County web site at [www. co.cowlitz@wa.us](http://www.co.cowlitz@wa.us) and click on Parks.

Tourist Season Hours on SR 504

7Wonders Creation Museum, milepost 9.5, open Monday through Saturday, 9-6, mid-May thru mid-October. For Sundays and non-tourist season, call before coming (360-274-5737).

For five minute video regarding services, go to www.creationism.org/sthelens. Click on "Discover the Wonders" icon to the left after scrolling down a bit. Also read section on "Visiting the Seven Mountain Wonders"

MSH Visitors Center, milepost 5. Open year around; 9-5 daily, beginning May 16th, free, May 18th.

Johnson Ridge Observatory, milepost 52. Opens for season, Sat, May 11th, 10-6 daily, Free, May 18th.

Hoffstadt Bluffs, milepost 27, Restaurant, Gift Shop, foyer displays of MSH, pre 1980. Open Daily, 9:30-5
Helicopter tours

Coldwater Ridge Visitors Center, milepost 42: Open week-ends with restrooms, indoor picnic tables, displays, some week day events offered by the MSH Institute.

Forest Learning Center, milepost 33, Open daily this summer, 10-4 starting May 17th

Dr. Stephen Kirkpatrick Joins Board

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Stephen Kirkpatrick to our Board of Directors. Having studied creation, evolution and intelligent design for about 20 years, he understands the creation/evolution controversy and its implications for society. Steve has also run a successful dentistry practice and will be able to help guide our business decisions. He is semi-retired.

Having Dr. Kirkpatrick on the Board will give us another experienced speaker to give presentations at the Museum. Living and working close by, he has many contacts in the Longview/Kelso area where he has often taught creation science to church groups. He enjoys music, emphasizing that worship must be done "in spirit and in truth" as stated in John 4:24. In order to worship Jesus as Savior it is essential to know the truth about Him as Creator, he says. This strong belief infuses his ministry as a worship leader.

If you wish to enlist a creation science speaker for your church or home school group, let us know. We now have three available: our director Lloyd Anderson, Bruce Barton who lives in Auburn, and Dr. Kirkpatrick.

Better 7 Wonders MSH DVD—Order your Copy Now

How did our 2008 MSH DVD get better?

- Better pictures from Steve Austin
- Enhanced pictures and captions by Kim Jones
- Better logic and transitions by Lloyd Anderson
- Geographical lesson on locating the devastation—courtesy of the captain's chair
- Learning which channel is the Little Grand Canyon; hiking there with Steve Austin
- Tracing the Little Grand Canyon on a clear aerial photo by Austin
- Learning from Phoenix creation geologist why the mountain collapsed

How much better? Pat Roy, creator of the Jonathan Park Creation Adventure Series, said: "This is the best DVD on MSH I have ever seen and I have seen many."

Permission granted to use this quote

What you get—117 minutes of fact-filled content (all we could cram on one standard disc):

- 65 minute version of the Director's talk (for serious study)
- 36 minute version (for church services, beginners)
- 5 minute (youtube) promo of the services of the 7WM by Kim Jones
- 5 minute (youtube) Hummocks Trail hike by Kim Jones
- 5 minute introduction to the 7Wonders Museum by the director
- Professional disc menu and submenu/chapters, etc.
- Booklet with the entire 65 minute (7500 word) script in the box (once it is ready)
- New—released October 11, 2012
- Striking jacket

DVD is a fund raiser. The creation science from Mount St. Helens was developed by the Institute for Creation Research. ICR is our primary source of information and Dr. Steve Austin is the primary ICR geological investigator. We can't sell our DVD because the pictures belong to others, even though the narration is our own, researched over 15 years and as accurate as we can make it. So we are offering this DVD for a donation of any amount. We only ask for postage of \$2.50 above your donation to ship your request/resource order of any size. Would you join us in praying to raise \$10,000 over the next year through this channel? On our Florida tour last fall people took about 180 DVDs. The average donation was about \$8.50.

Production costs were minimal due to volunteers—volunteer home school studio audience whose reward was cookies and juice (or coffee), volunteer movie maker and jacket designer Becki Pike (we bought her a new hard drive and supplies) and her sister Marianne,

volunteer director who practiced the talk on 900 audiences over the previous 14 years, director's wife volunteering her support all along, and volunteer John Leslie making copies while furnishing the color jacket, ½" DVD boxes, DVD discs, and copying the booklet. John even refuses any more reimbursement for the raw discs, boxes and color jacket expense. Lastly, volunteers to assemble the package (not shrink-wrapped). Thus, nearly all of your donation directly supports the Museum.

Ordering. Many evolutionists have hardened their hearts against biblical creation. But many Christians are still in the valley of indecision. Who do you know that would benefit from this accurate and clear explanation of the creation lesson taught by the world's most famous volcano? What church do you know would show this in a service? Make a list and order copies to give them. Please be as generous as you can with your donation. (Order form on separate page.)

Talking Turkey 'bout 7Wonders Museum

by the treasurer, Lloyd Anderson

In August the Museum will observe its 15th anniversary. Over 30,000 people are recorded in the guest register since opening 8/15/98. After the first start up years appeals for donations seldom appeared in this annual newsletter. God supplied about \$20,000 a year net for operating costs and capital improvements. Conservation of funds, much volunteer labor and surplus donations produced the 960 square foot addition of 2001-2003 and the beautification project (landscaping/paved parking) of 2009-2010. God has done these marvelous things.

In 2012 expenses (\$37,791) slightly exceeded gross income (\$37,829). This happened in part because fewer people visited and because of development costs for new initiatives. The rain did not let up until mid-July resulting in 300 fewer visitors (2,133 in 2012 vs 2,430 in

2011). Development costs were related to three 2012 initiatives to raise funds—Lloyd's new MSH talk, his Flood talk and selling copies of the displays.

Now the Museum is entering a new era and much financial help will be needed. This summer alone the Museum will encounter about \$4000 of additional expense in its quest for new directors. But we suspect that much larger amounts will be needed for the Museum to continue holding forth God's glory seen in creation into the next 15 years. Please consider making the Museum a part of your monthly/annual giving for ongoing operational expense or giving a one-time gift towards anticipated capital expenses. Savings stands at about \$30,000.

2013 Weather: Promising a beautiful summer!

Remembering May 18, 1980, by David Brooks

A time for the heavens to weep

A time for the earth to shudder

A time for people to wail and cry

A time for terror to mutter

When the fire flares from the deep

When the rock moves from his mother

When the mountain wakes from her sleep

It is time for prayers to be uttered.

The prayer,

Touch the mountain my Lord and God,

And look upon my claim.

Come and teach us, Almighty on High

That we might fear Thy Name.



Seattle Creation Conference, Hear Four Great Creation Science Speakers

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May 31-June 1, 2013

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NEW RESOURCES

- **Compelling Evidence for Creation**
- **Persuasive Rebuttals of Evolution**

Evolution Impossible - 12 reasons why evolution cannot explain the origin of life on earth. 202 pp, 2012, 7WM Price - \$13. Author John

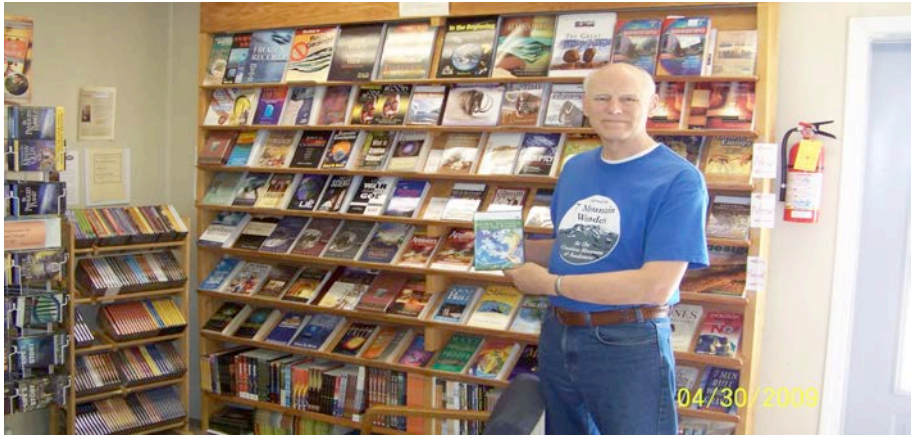
Ashton uses recent discoveries in genetics, biochemistry, geology, etc., to explain 12 compelling reasons why Darwin's theory of evolution is just a myth. Ashton, editor of *In Six Days* and other books, has been active in science teaching and research for over 40 years.

The Lie: Evolution/Millions of Years. Revised and expanded 25th Anniversary edition of Ken Ham's signature book, *Evolution: the Lie.* 240 pp, 2012, 7WM-\$13. After speaking on this subject thousands of times over a quarter of a century, Ham is certain the key issue is – man's word or God's word. What happens when believers abandon the authority of Scripture is ugly, and we are seeing the fruit of this unbelief in the USA today. The topic can't be put better than this expert has done. His book is a must read for every Christian and provides persuasive arguments for the undecided.

The Global Flood - unlocking earth's geological history. 176 pp, 9x11, casebound, 2012, 7WM-\$18. Here comes John Morris with a skillfully updated version of his Father's classic 1961 book -- *The Genesis Flood.* Co-authored by theologian John Whitcomb, their book persuasively linked good science with the Bible and saved Christianity from the murky waters of evolutionary compromise.

In 2009 Andrew Snelling issued *Earth's Catastrophic Past*, a massive 1100 page, two volume semi-technical update, reporting many new scientific discoveries supporting the Biblical Flood. Now, John Morris adds his 2012 easy to follow style and his genius for extracting forceful arguments from a maze of scientific data. Nearly every page contains pictures and illustrations in rich color. Most of one page contains a summary of a Morris' Acts and Facts article, *Were Any Human Remains Fossilized When the Titanic Sank?* Read the book and you will no longer allow evolutionists and old-earth creationists to fool you.

Jericho Unearthed, DVD, Filmed on site by Joel Kramer with **Living Hope Ministries**, now **Main Street Church of Brigham City Utah.** 2010, 7WM-\$10. World



famous archaeologist Kathleen Kenyon spent a decade after World War II excavating Jericho and continuously questioning the Biblical account. She said Jericho was unoccupied when supposedly the Israelites marched around Jericho seven days, gave a great shout and the walls came tumbling down.

This DVD interviews Kenyon's associate who agrees that her findings do not stand scrutiny and that Jericho bears all the evidence of being conquered as Scripture describes. Who can calculate how much her articles and notices undermined the confidence of seminary professors in the US and Europe, an uncertainty they communicated to their theological students who became pastors and filled their churches with unbelief. The DVD's photography is excellent, its logic is impeccable and it is just 34 minutes. Ideal for Sunday School, evening services or fellowship events.

The 7WM carries four other excellent DVDs from this ministry to Mormons: ***DNA vs The Book of Mormon, The Bible vs The Book of Mormon, The Bible vs Joseph Smith*** and ***Lifting the Veil of Polygamy.*** Each sells for \$10.

Metamorphosis: The Beauty and Design of Butterflies. 7WM BLU-RAY or DVD-\$18; feature length (64 minutes); extras (over one hour); English subtitles, 2011. The migration and transformation of the butterfly is an outstanding example of why creation causes angels and the redeemed to glorify God. Migration: the fourth generation of monarch butterfly returns home to the mountains of Mexico where its great-grand parents departed. No maps, no guide, just the Creator's programming. If the wonder of this migration isn't enough, each generation begins with the caterpillar spinning his cocoon, completely dissolving, then reassembling as a beautiful butterfly. Spectacular photography. A film to fill you and your family's heart with wonder.

Set in Stone – Evidence for Earth's Catastrophic Past. DVD, 58 Minutes, 2012, 7WM-\$18. Geologists Andrew Snelling, John Whitmore and Paul Garner take the viewer on a visual odyssey of discovery at renown

British sites. At Siccar Point in Scotland James Hutton convinced geologists the rocks formed slowly. Powerful visual evidence shows how rapid catastrophic processes were responsible for the rock formations there and throughout the Isles. Hutton's view was incorrect.

Other Highly Recommended Titles: Dr. Carl Werner's *Evolution: the Grand Experiment* and *Living Fossils*, (texts, guides, DVDs); *Old Earth Creation on Trial, Persuaded by the Evidence, Astronomy I & II* (DVDs by Spike Psarris), *The Young Earth, The Fossil Record, Case of the Missing Mountain, Flood by Design, Without Excuse, 15 Reasons to Take Genesis as History* (32 pp by Don Batten & Jonathan Sarfati), and many more.

Internet Resources-Streaming

www.ctvn.com – About 100, half-hour, weekly *Origin* TV programs can be streamed. They feature interviews with creation scientists. Newer programs replace older ones. About 20 programs feature the studies of Steve Austin (MSH, Sodom & Gomorrah), Russell Humphreys (declining strength of magnetic fields, worldwide young earth measures), Andrew Snelling (the Flood), Carl Werner (Evolution: the Grand Experiment; Living Fossils), and Rob Carter (DNA).

In a 2010 program Steve Austin explained the process that deposited the nautiloid fossil bed in the Grand Canyon's Redwall. One of the largest fossil finds ever, Austin

develops its significance in the episode called *Mudflow Madness*. Like the proverbial elephant in the room, it is disregarded by secular geologists because it doesn't fit their billions of years earth history story.

www.sourceflix.com – Joel Kramer (Exodus Unearthed) and family moved to Israel to produce Biblical films. To date 34 of his 1-2 minute shorts can be streamed. With beautiful photography, these teaching films provide insights into the background of Bible passages that make them come alive..

www.hallindsey.com – April 26, 2013 program. Hal Lindsey brilliantly explains why much of the media and even recent US presidents are confused about Islam. The question is, how can Islam be called peaceful, yet be brutal and inhumane? The answer lies in their holy books. They contain two sections written at different stages of Mohammed's life, one urging peace; the other war. The war verses command Allah's followers to conquer the world for him—either convert the infidel or kill him. The faithful obey these commands. Liberal Muslims may avoid them but cannot renounce or even criticize them because that is blasphemy, a capital offense in Islamic law. So since its founding 1400 years ago Islam has consistently used violence to spread its teachings and it cannot change. Question: Does freedom of religion extend to a religion that advocates violence against non-adherents?

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If total exceeds \$20 and you would like the booklet *15 Reasons to Take Genesis as History* check here: _____

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Noah's Flood: Fact or Fable (7WM DVD)

In his new DVD, Director Lloyd explains **seven recent geophysical discoveries** that have allowed creationists to construct a mechanism for Noah's Flood that is true to Scripture and true to science. These discoveries, little known to Christians, are being debated to a greater or lesser degree in the scientific community. For Bible believers they provide much explanatory power when applied to the Flood as they are by creation geologist Dr. Andrew Snelling in his two volume work, *Earth's Catastrophic Past* (Lloyd's major resource).

Much has been written about the results of the Flood as fossils and strata tell their stories. They are observed stretching across continents and greatly support a global event. But the Flood began at the bottom of the ocean (Gen 7:11 "All the fountains of the great deep broke apart"), and that is where the mystery has been; for it is more difficult to explore the deep ocean floors than the surface of the moon. So how the Flood happened has been the more difficult study. Here are some of the new discoveries:

1) Ocean floors with their basaltic rock are denser than continental surfaces (granitic rock). As the ocean rock pushes down a little harder on the material below, the

continental rock rises ever so slightly. This is the only reason we have dry land.

2) Deep ocean floors are younger than land surfaces. This is incompatible with known science. Rivers carry sediment into the ocean, not visa versa. Unless, of course, the Flood produced new ocean floors even as sediment from the old ocean floors were swept onto the continents. Deep sea drilling is establishing this discovery and that is happening today.

3) Ocean floors theoretically continue to be compressed until they are considerably denser than the supporting rock. At some point they will descend through that rock below.

4) Furthermore, a vast mountain chain has been discovered at the bottom of the deep oceans. Called the mid ocean ridge, it measures 45,000 miles and utterly befuddled modern geology until the findings of the 1960s when the concept of plate tectonics was finally accepted by most geophysicists.

5) Plate Tectonics is the idea that the earth's crust is not one hard sphere but is broken up into sections called plates and these plates slowly creep across the surface of the earth.

How does this all come together and what do discoveries six and seven add? Purchase the DVD and find out what makes Lloyd so excited about these discoveries.

Ode to the Great Global Flood

by Doris Anderson

Breaking plates in anger is nothing new
About 2000 BC God did it too!
Make no mistake, He was justified
Evil thoughts and violence abounded
If you knew how much you would be astounded!

The plates God broke were the ocean floor
The pieces now found by those who explore
You can see the results all around:
Deep in the sea there's a mountain chain
That oozed on up in that deep terrain.

The cracks, in fact, are still there today
As warning signs of disaster at bay
The ones in the sea caused towers of water
That roared to the earth covering every quarter

But God designed the sediments of the sea
To make lovely places for us to see
When mighty waves poured onto the land
Bringing along a great deal of sand

Forming rocks of different sizes
Amazing shapes and huge surprises

Just visit one of the national parks
Understand who made those awesome landmarks!

Before God caused the Flood to subside
All land animals were buried in giant mudslides
Man's choice was not to enter the ark
They scoffed at Noah, an ominous bark
Okay, said God, become beds of oil and coal
In the future you'll speak to those who would know

Then God raised up the Mountains til the water descended,
Forming valleys with rivers and seas much commended.

Next time you play on the ocean shore
Acknowledge the one who makes the sea roar
Controls the earth as it turns on its axis
And sin is the only thing that He taxes

But Jesus paid them all for us
All God asks is that we believe and trust
The work of His Son who died on the cross
To free us from sin and its horrible cost.

Excerpts from *inKLEINations*

Written in 2006

*Thy statutes have been my songs
in the house of my pilgrimage Psalm 119:54*

Beds that Are too Short

by Abi Klein, then age 16

The couch of the rich man is beautifully spread;
He carries the wealth of the world on his bed.
With lush Tyrian purple the bed is arrayed,
On bedposts of gold and diamonds displayed.

The pillows are full of luxurious down,
The covers are scarlet, the best to be found.
Its curtains embroidered with fine silken thread,
The rich man has made himself such a great bed.

Some people would say, "I wish I had such rest,
I wish I could have such a well-feathered nest."
But no, this rich man is not happy at all;
For all of its beauty, the bed is too small.

And if he spreads himself out on his bed,
He finds there's no space for him to lay his head.

Family Around the World

Poem by Hannah Klein,
then age 11

When one is born again, no matter where he be,
If he's with other Christians, he's with his family.
We won't feel lonely when our homes we leave,
For ahead our family abounds more than we can
conceive.

With God as our Father, and Jesus Christ His Son,
He is as our brother, together we are one.

Older men are as fathers, older women as mothers,
Young ladies as sisters and young men as brothers.
We are all one big family; through Jesus, God's own Son,
We love each other dearly, together we are one.

If you would like to join us you can do it here today:

*Be born again in Jesus,
And walk with Him each day*

I am not alone

Poem by Joanna Klein, then age 9

I am not alone, my God is always with me,
When I'm greatly troubled He leads me into safety,
Underneath His wings, I have nothing to fear,
I do not have to worry, my God is always near.
When troubles will arrive, then from my fears I hide;
He is my Mighty Fortress, my Refuge and my Guide
If you trust and obey God and give Him your heart
today,

He will be your fortress and guide you all the way!
He will be your refuge and He will be your friend,
He'll strengthen you today and lead you till the end.

If you could lie on it, there'd be room for you,
But still it's too short for him, what'er he do

The lives of the wealthy are terribly rough,
No matter their riches, there's not quite enough.
They labor and toil to get more and more.
And hasten to build up their great treasure store.

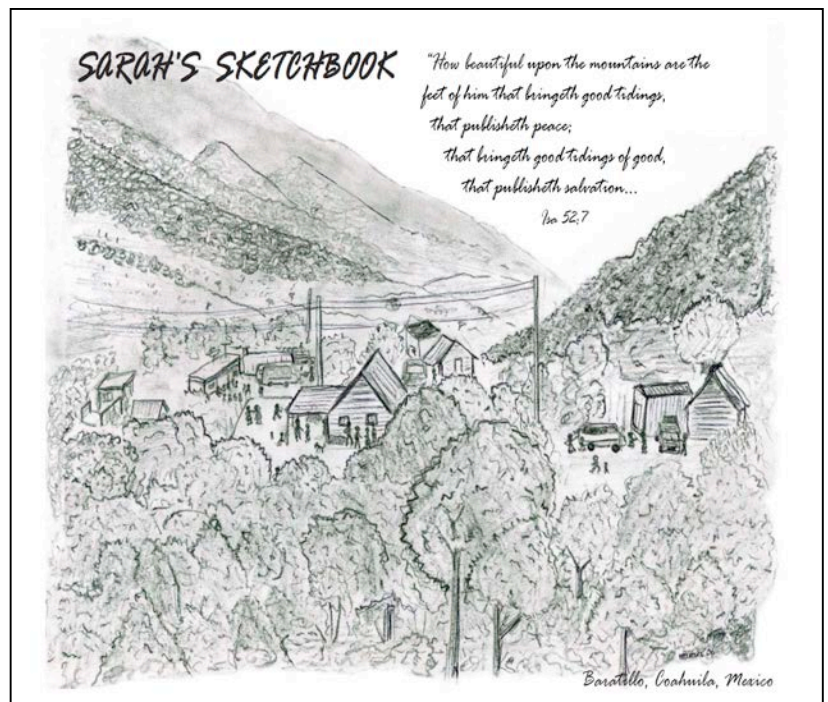
If they seek in riches to find happiness
Whatever they get only brings hopelessness.
As all their desires continue to grow,
The end of their seeking they never will know.

If given the wealth of all nations worldwide,
The rich man will still never be satisfied.
His life is so miserable, full of regret,
For all of his wonderful plans are upset.

The treasures and wealth of this world will not last,
The time is quick passing, soon life will be past;
Some say, "He who dies with the most toys will win,"
But if his soul's lost, is it gain in the end.?

But God blesses those who make themselves poor,
"For he who gives much will be given yet more."
God's servant fears not, he has nothing to lose,
The Lord will provide for him when'er He choose.

If his treasure's in heaven, what more could he ask?
The Lord provides all that he needs for each task.
This poor man is happy; the Lord gives him bread,
As well as a humble, yet comfortable bed.



Two Trees Tell a Tall Tale (Cont. from NL #17)

by Doris Anderson

Hit by a falling giant digger pine cone while mowing the lawn, Director Lloyd Anderson lay bleeding and dazed under the 40 foot tree that had become a point of interest on his property for visitors. Although it baffled Doris, the damage to Lloyd (pressure exerted) might be calculated by someone who could determine the amount of fall per minute from a 40 foot high tree for a pine cone weighing 2 lbs. She had been told this by Christian Zeller, one of their helpers from the nearby high school. He had learned the impact could be treacherous. In fact, the thorns were still imbedded in Lloyd's head, causing him to look like a turbaned Hindu.

Thinking how Lloyd had faithfully watered her each summer during the dry season, Pine was mortified! How could she help? After all, who would know her language besides Oak? The worrisome Oak, always one full of opinions and cautions cried out from across the yard, "Lean into the wind, waft your arms, moan and murmur, I'll call for help."

Pine, now wafting in the wind, hung as tightly as she could onto her cones lest another would fall. Because the tree was close to the house, Doris was not unaware of the motion. Sure is windy, she said, thinking Lloyd would be due in shortly. Humming along making dinner she did begin to wonder what was keeping her husband who could always be detained, watching the neighbors' "Oreo" cows, counting visiting elk or seeing the season's geese and ducks swoop on and off the rear wetland.

Comment by David Brooks, expert on Mount St. Helens before the eruption:

"No human being ever plants a digger pine by choice. Therefore, one must assume that in a round about way, God planted this remarkable pine. The pine makes the property unique and the oak makes the property typical to the area. One is reminded by the words of Jesus, "Every plant which My heavenly Father did not plant shall be rooted up." Matthew 15:13."



The ecosystem surrounding 4749 Spirit Lake Hwy included many varieties of birds: both stellar and blue jays, chickadees, gold finches, red wing black birds, flickers and many swallows who, true to their name, swallowed a myriad of bugs every spring. Doris believed, since the birds could perch 40-50 feet high in the trees, they always knew what was going on and that must be how the song "a little bird told me that you love me" came to be written.

Just as Doris was about to call Lloyd to dinner the phone rang. Since it was someone wanting to speak to Lloyd she went to look. She saw the lawn mover standing by itself; then there was the pine tree moving back and forth more than she had ever seen. Then, under the tree lay Lloyd with two jays pecking at his head, trying to carry off the cone.

Actually, this was not too helpful, for as the cone moved, the bleeding increased. Shoo, shoo said Doris as she carefully removed the cone and tried to arouse Lloyd whose head was now resting in a pool of blood. When he would not speak to her she called 911 and began to check his pulse which was fast and thready. When she heard the sirens she ran to show the responders where her husband lay. Much to their surprise, Lloyd was no longer there --to be continued June 23rd at the Open House -- free pine cones available.



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Hot off the wire ----



“They’re closed, their closed, their closed”
Cawed the crow up on the line
His brothers three begged to disagree
For they’d read the OPEN sign

Just a word to those who heard
7Wonders had closed its doors
Nay, nay, nay, it is still here to say
Don’t believe such a silly bird

Museum in a Box

Eight colorful display boards of the 7Wonders now available in two sizes for your own creation ministry. Set up table-top displays at fairs and conferences or in a church foyer, Sunday school or youth room. Better yet, just open our box and start a museum yourself.

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Meet our summer staff

Sunday June 23rd, 2:00 thru 6:00 PM
Open House at the 7Wonders Museum

- Enjoy super refreshments
- Poetry reading – Silly ones too!
Have one? Bring it!
- Music – prizes – book discounts
- Guided hike, 4:30 pm
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