CIRCLE E-NEWSLETTER

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A. NAD TEACHER SURVEYS

Profile 2007: Your voice is important to the North American Division Office of Education and Curriculum Committee. If you have NOT received an email from Larry Burton with your unique link to the survey online, please email burton@andrews.edu. The survey can be completed in 30-90 minutes, depending on your position. The software saves your responses allowing you to return using the same computer later. Thank you for participating this month.

ASDAL Library Database Survey: Is your school interested in library database partnership? Please complete the ALICE survey at http://circle.adventist.org/services/surveys/survey.phtml?name=alice06 now. This is the last call for this survey.

Special Education Survey: The NAD Office of Education invites all teachers to participate in a short survey of special education needs in its elementary and secondary schools. If you have NOT received an email from Debra Fryson with your unique link to the survey online, please email glynisb@andrews.edu.

B. AVLN COURSES BEGIN JUNE 18

Take a technology class this summer! Details at

http://www.avln.org/site/1/docs/07techflyer.pdf or http://www.avln.org/article.php?id=4

- 1. Integrating Technology Into the Curriculum, US\$250, June 18 July 27, http://www.avln.org/article.php?id=47, Instructors: Peter Wallace and Janine Lim
- 2. Technology in the Early Elementary Classroom, US\$250, June 18 July 27,
- http://www.avln.org/article.php?id=125, Instructor: Gavin Record
- 3. Developing WebQuests, US\$250, June 25 August 3,
- http://www.avln.org/article.php?id=131, Instructor: Janine Lim

http://www.avln.org/article.php?id=132, Instructor: David Jeffrey

4. Internet Research and Projects, US\$250, June 25 - August 3,

5. Integrating Technology Through Service, US \$125, July 9 - Aug. 3,

http://www.avln.org/article.php?id=26, Instructor: Shelley Bacon

C. EARN PAC CREDIT FOR CIRCLE SUBMISSIONS

Each year, Adventist teachers create instructional materials, then move on, and their investment is often lost. Much time and money could be saved if every teacher shared their ONE best personally created resource through CIRCLE each year. Imagine accessing over 60,000 new teaching tools each year, reflecting the Adventist worldview from 7,000 Adventist schools and colleges.

Have you considered sharing resources, but don't have the time? The good news is that NAD K-12 teachers can now negotiate PAC credit with their union certification registrar for personally developed resource submissions to CIRCLE. Before leaving the classroom for summer, polish and share your best daily lesson starters, lesson plans, thematic units, course outlines, school-wide master plans intentionally built on the Adventist worldview. Submit documents online, or email for help. Once approved, send the link to your union registrar, to receive PAC credit for the number of hours you negotiated.

What to submit? Besides your own documents, recommend websites, publications or documents your school/conference uses for:

- 1. Graduation aims, mottos, etc.
- 2. Yearbook companies, tips & tech tools recommended
- 3. Guidelines/standards for Adventist school-sponsored activities on Sabbath
- 4. Residence/dorm policies and sample forms/records
- 5. Adventist heritage
- 6. Modern language curriculum materials for elementary schools
- 7. Templates to save time instruction, communication, record keeping, etc.

An NAD summer committee is working on spiritual resources – curriculum, instruction and administrative documents that guide teachers and students in their spiritual formation. Please contribute directly by emailing Garry.Sudds@lucsda.org. (The PAC credit option applies for personally developed items only, but recommended publications and websites are welcome too.)

D. YOUR HELP NEEDED RE HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CONTEST

For many years Dr. DeWitt Williams, director of Health Ministries for the North American Division, has championed the Healthy Lifestyle Contest as a means of strengthening commitment to a healthy lifestyle. Many hundreds of students have been benefited – congratulations to this year's winners!

As this contest is in danger of being cancelled, my urgent appeal to all who have supported this program and who still see its usefulness in the school curriculum, is to please e-mail DeWitt.Williams@nad.adventist.org briefly telling how this contest has helped you personally or your students. This is vital to the continuation of this program. Don't delay-Do it TODAY. Thank you for your support.

E. FEATURED RESOURCES

- 1. Geoscience Research Institute Newsletter, http://www.grisda.org/newsletter/09.pdf
- 2. Facing Our Challenges by Richard Osborn,

http://www.avln.org/site/1/docs/FacingOurChallenges.pdf

- 3. Factors affecting enrollment in Adventist K-12 Schools, reviewing the research, http://circle.adventist.org/browse/resource.phtml?leaf=7141
- 4. Everyday Evangelism by Homer Trecartin,

http://adventistreview.org/issue.php?issue=2007-1515&page=8

- 5. Biblical Integration all excellent articles, don't miss the Visual Valet, http://www.transformingteachers.org/index.php?option=com content&task=blogcategory &id=13&Itemid=142
- 6. Can-Do-Music, Carol Swinyar's music resources for elementary teachers, http://www.can-do-music.com/?page_id=12
- 7. Adventist Colleges and Universities connect parents and students to the new http://adventistcolleges.org
- 8. Adventist Wellness and Health Information, http://www.healthylifeinfo.com/
- 9. AVLN Conference: Facing Our Challenges, June 26 online http://www.avln.org/conference/
- 10. Addictions Ministry Conference: Freedom to Live, July 12-15 at Andrews University. http://www.addictionministry.org

Thank you for your commitment to being an everyday evangelist, journeying together with your students and colleagues to spiritual and academic excellence. May this summer be a time of renewal to this high calling.

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