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CODY, WYOMING

"THE PLACE TO BE IN '03"

June 24 – 29

ASDAO Convention Schedule

Tuesday, June 24

4:00 Registration begins
6:30 PM Welcome Dinner
8:00 PM O.D.'s Business Meeting



Wednesday, June 25

8:30 AM Worship - Pastor Barry Curtis
Continental Breakfast at hotel
6:00 AM - 9:00 AM
9-12 noon OD's Education Dr. John Swanson,
from TLC Billings, MT
9:30-noon Women's Ministries Meeting

Becky Curtis

Lunch on your own
Afternoon free
6:00 PM Cody Cowboy Shootout
Irma Hotel
7:00 PM Banquet at Irma Hotel
Auxiliary Auction to follow



Thursday, June 26

8:30 AM Worship - Pastor Barry Curtis
Continental Breakfast at hotel 6:00 AM - 9:00 AM
9:00-11:00 AM OD's Business Meeting
9:30-11:00 AM Auxiliary Business Meeting
11:00 AM-noon Joint Business Meeting
Lunch on your Own
1:00-5:00 Golf at Olive Glen Golf Club
Afternoon Free
Dinner on your Own
8:30 PM Cody Rodeo (Leave hotel 7:30)



Friday, June 27

8:30 AM Worship - Pastor Barry Curtis
Continental Breakfast at hotel
6:00 AM-9:00 AM
10:00 AM Buffalo Bill Museum (2 day pass)
All Day: Come and go as you wish
Lunch & Dinner on your own
7:00 PM Vespers at the Hugh Smith Park
Special musical program by "Gospel Notes"

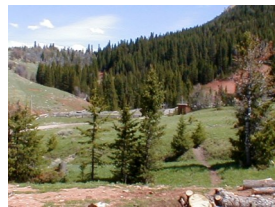


Sabbath, June 28

Continental Breakfast at hotel 7:00 AM -10:00

AM

9:15 AM leave hotel for NWCC Field Station
10:00 AM Sabbath School
11:00 AM Church Service
Pastor Barry Curtis
12:30 PM lunch provided at NWCC
Afternoon: Horseback riding (pre-paid at



Visiting

Optional returning to museum
6:00 pm Snacks
Sundown Worship & campfire at

registration) Hiking or

BIG DAY PLANNED FOR SABBATH

Sabbath will be a big day for all of us. We will start with breakfast followed by a 30 minute drive to the Northwest WY Community College Field Station where we will have



Sabbath School and church. Lunch will be served in their dining room following

church. The afternoon will give time to hike, go on a nature horse back ride or just visit on their beautiful deck. There is a beautiful drive on up the highway to Dead Indian Pass. It is only about three miles from where we will be. Those who would like to go back to town, you have a two day pass to the museum. You will however, miss the evening snack time and sundown worship around a bon-fire before returning back to the hotel.



GUNFIGHTERS PRESERVE WESTERN SPIRIT

Wednesday night before our banquet we will see the Cody Gunfighters perform a 1800's melodrama. The program features actors garbed as real and made-up heroes or desperadoes. The intent of the Cody Gunfighters is to keep alive the spirit of the Old West and promote Cody through the re-enactment's.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR VISION AFFAIRS FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SDA



Dr. John W. Eaton

GHG As we reported in the past issue of the Fraterniteyesser the eye clinic at Blantyre Adventist Hospital has closed because of finances.

GHG Lilongwe, Malawi-Dr. Ben Arrogante reported that he was not able to get the same funding code as the dental department and that he has been asked to go on a permanent leave this summer. This means when this occurs we will not have an active SDA eye program in the country of Malawi.

GHG Manzini, Malawi-Dr. Urban Negre has experienced similar financial problems but he is reporting an agreement has been reached with an Ophthalmologist in the only private hospital in Manzini and he will begin doing refractions and optical services with this hospital on a part time basis. He will continue with the Swazi Eye Clinic as well. He is in dire need of a Phoropter for this clinic. We will do our best to help him. Equipment was sent by "Light Bearers" last year but has not arrived as now.

GHG We are anticipating a personal report at our convention from Guillaume Mulenga concerning his work in Djibouti.

GHG Hope to see you in Cody this June. John W. Eaton, O.D., Assistant Director for Vision Affairs. GC Health Ministries.



PRESIDENT LOWELL'S COLUMN

Dr. Lowell Meister

Looking forward to seeing each of you at our convention in Cody, Wyoming! Come in a few days early or stay a few days later, there is much to see in this area. We are going to Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone Park and the Black Hills. This is an area rich in American History.

GOLFERS alert: THURSDAY 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM golf on the 18 hole championship golf course, the Olive Glen Golf and Country Club. Bring your clubs or rent them from the pro shop. A restaurant is available.

I wish you all a safe journey and a wonderful vacation. See you soon.

YOU WILL LOVE SEEING WONDERFUL WYOMING

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT COLUMN



Barbara Beckner, President

Wednesday evening after the banquet will be our annual auction. Bring as many things as you can that we can auction off to raise money for the mission projects and scholarships that we award each year. LOTS OF FUN FOR ALL.

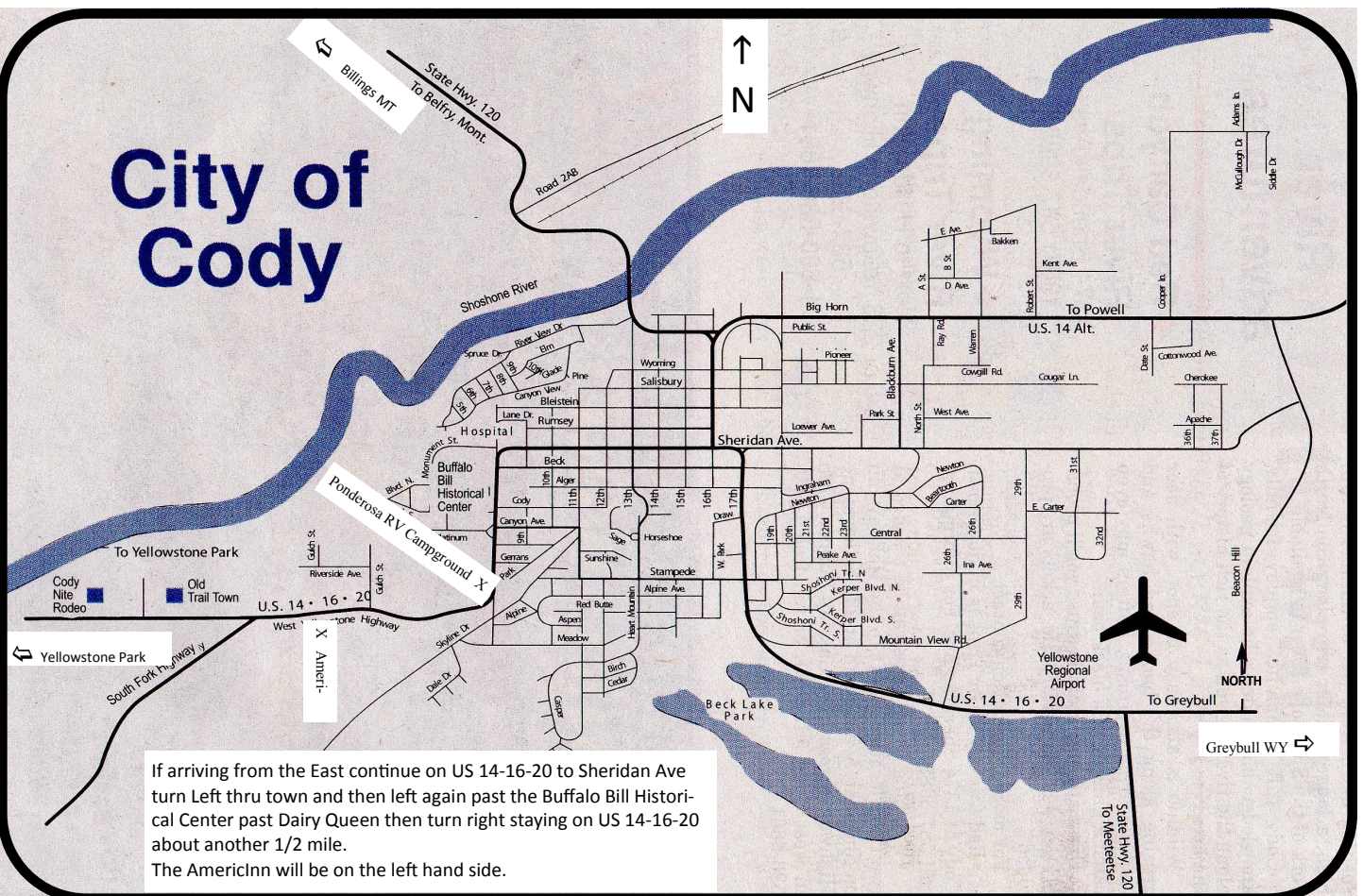
Visit and socialize

We plan to have plenty of time to visit and get well acquainted. This beautiful lobby will be just the place for anyone that wants to spend time together. We have found over the years that many



lasting friendships have been developed at the ASDAO conventions. Attend and see how this works for you.

City of Cody



If arriving from the East continue on US 14-16-20 to Sheridan Ave turn Left thru town and then left again past the Buffalo Bill Historical Center past Dairy Queen then turn right staying on US 14-16-20 about another 1/2 mile. The AmericInn will be on the left hand side.

O.D. EDUCATION

We have scheduled 3 hours education to be Wednesday morning from 9 to 12. We have asked Dr. John Swanson Clinical Director at TLC Laser Center in Billings MT. Dr. Swanson will be speaking 2 hours on Custom Cornea and Wave-front Sensing. The third hour will be Advances in Macular Degeneration and Rheopheresis.

Dr. Swanson has provided pre and post-op laser care since 1996, in his own private practice and for two laser centers in Michigan, prior to coming to Billings. Dr. Swanson has been practicing optometry for over 26 years.

A graduate from Illinois College of Optometry in Chicago, where he specialized in contact lenses and ortho-keratology. He received a national award, the Robin-Gates Memorial Award, (The late Robin Gates was a SDA from Colorado) for the best student research in ortho-keratology.

Dr. Swanson is a member of the AOA, Michigan Optometric Association and the International Society of Refractive Surgery. Dr. Swanson has also served as the Clinical Associate of the Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University.

HORSE BACK RIDE

There is a horse back trail ride that will be available to anyone that would like to take part in it. This will be on Sabbath afternoon at the Northwest Wyoming Field Station where we will be having Sabbath School and Church.



If you are interested we will be able to sign you up during registration Tuesday. The charge will be \$15.00 for each person that wants to ride. Short rides for small children will also be available at \$5.00

Not like the Rodeo we will see on Thursday night.

IS YOUR NAME MISSING HERE?

Those who have said that they will be attending the ASDAO convention are: Drs. And their families Don Ackley, Kim Ackley, Troy Bailey, Dan Beckner, Dennis Benedict, Helaina Boulieris, Wilma Boulieris, Wes Cooper, Alden Curtis, Duane Curtis, John Eaton, Dallas Lighthouse, Lowell Meister, Guillaume Mulenga, Clarie Omans, Tom Sanders, Roger Scott, John Smith, Bill Spaulding, Roland Stickle, Chuck Stumpf, Jim Tillman, and Kirby Treat. Other guests and families are: Don Allemand, Marcus Baker, Barry Curtis, Milton Fredrickson, Bruce Kennedy, Neil Litchfield, Don Pester, Tom Stanyer, Ed Sweezy and Ted Uren, Shelley Weaver.

Let us add your name to this list.

SPECIAL CONVENTION FEATURE

We have invited Pastor Barry Curtis and his wife Becky to be with us during the convention.

Pastor Barry is the son of Dr. & Mrs. Alden Curtis and pastors the Hamilton, MT district churches. Throughout the week Pastor Barry will be conducting a continuous worship theme each morning culminating with the Sabbath morning church service. You will not want to miss any of these. Becky is the Woman's Ministries leader for the Montana Conference and will be conducting a woman's ministries program for the auxiliary Wednesday morning during the convention.

Barry grew up attending the ASDAO convention and will be

DON'T FORGET THIS IS A WESTERN CONVENTION

We will be having the ASDAO convention this year in the cowboy state of Wyoming. We want to make this as much of a Western convention as possible. If you have western wear be sure and bring it with you. You will notice that Cody, WY is a very western town.



For all kids 12 and under there will be a kids calf scramble. "Get ready kids". Also Just before the banquet there will be a cowboy shoot out.

If you do not have any western wear we still want you to attend the convention. You will not be left out. Wear what you are comfortable with.

WYOMING DIRECTIONS FROM BILLINGS, MT TO CODY, WY

Drive down the hill (27th St.) until you get to a road that has two lanes of traffic going both ways (I-90), continue West until you get to a place that makes gasoline (Laurel) turn off mile marker 434 and drive South until you come to a place that has old wagons and tractors (Rockvale) turn left on 310/212 there and drive to the city that is named after a early American scout "Bridger" after going through town turn right at the Y in the road hwy 72 to a little town (Belfry). When you get there head South on 72 at the big tree and continue until you get to Cody.

If you want the scenic drive don't turn at the wagons and tractors and continue into Red Lodge On 212 then continue through town South to the big mountain, over Bear Tooth Pass down the other side to Hwy 296 then on to Hwy 120 and into Cody. This is a very beautiful drive. Add 2 hrs.

2004 ASDAO CONVENTION KELOWNA, BC CANADA JULY 7-11, 2004

Hosted by Rolland & Carol Stickle

Come to the ASDAO Family Reunion in beautiful Kelowna, BC, July 7-11, 2004. Kelowna is a wonderful place to play and visit.

We have reserved 30 rooms at the Coast Capri Hotel which is located on the main street through Kelowna about a mile from the lake.

Because of the dollar exchange the price will be quite good. Standard rooms will be \$115 Canadian plus tax which will be about \$60 US plus tax. The superior rooms in the tower will be \$135 Canadian which makes it about \$70 US.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

We do want to have interesting programs at our spiritual meeting and would like your help.

We are requesting that you bring your musical instruments or music to the convention to help out with some of our church and other programs.

Don't be bashful as we need your help to make this a great convention.

If you would be willing to play, sing tell a story or give a reading. E-mail us at: wrlcuris@rtconnect.net or drop a note in the mail to Cody ASDAO Convention 1517 Circle Rd. Worland, WY 82401.

KIDS 12 AND UNDER

During the Rodeo Thursday night there will be a calf scramble for all kids 12 and under. A calf will be turned loose and you can see if you can catch it. It is recommended that you dress in something that won't get damaged while running around.

SPECIAL FRIDAY VESPERS

Friday evening vespers will be held at the Hugh Smith Park where we will be lifted up by a singing quartet "The Gospel Notes" from Greybull/Basin and Shell, WY.

There will be a love offering taken to help their ministry.

The "Gospel Notes" are soprano Kathy Ewen, a medical practitioner, alto Neda Herman, housewife and substitute teacher, tenor Phil Juillard the Mayor of Basin, WY, bass Homer Thompson and his wife, Dena Rae plays the piano.

They have been singing at church services, social gatherings, banquets and business meeting in the Northern Wyoming area since March of 1998

CODY TROLLEY TOURS

If you would like a tour of Cody a trolley tour is available.

Tours depart at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. from the trolley ticket booth at the Irma Hotel. The 24 mile loop tour includes Sheridan Ave., 17th Street and a trip through Shoshone Canyon and to Buffalo Bill Dam. The Cody Trolley packs history, education and a good time into memorable hour long rides with stops at various city attractions. Free shuttle from hotel.

IMPORTANT THIS BE RETURNED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

REGISTRATION FORM
ASDAO CONVENTION JUNE 24-29, 2003
CODY, WYOMING

Name _____ Spouse _____ Children name and age _____

Home address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone # _____ e-mail address _____

I am planning on attending the ASDAO Convention in Cody, WY estimated time of arrival _____ Air _____
Driving _____ Other _____

Recreational Vehicle campgrounds close by if you so desire. — I will be staying in a RV

Hotel reservations call the AmericInn today 307-587-7716 identify yourself as a member of ASDAO. Make reservations as early possible. Room block will be released on May 15,2003.

This is **IMPORTANT** that you send this in so we can make the reservations for special events. Mail to:

~~It's not too late to make your reservations for~~

MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS TODAY

the 2003 ASDAO convention, you should do it TODAY. This hotel only has 46 rooms.

**AmericInn Lodge & Suites, Cody Wyoming
508 Yellowstone Avenue on highway to Yellowstone Park**

Room block will be released May 15, 2003

Phone 1-307-587-7716

June 24-29, 2003

Double Queen, King, Mini Suites

Identify yourself as a member of the ASDAO
Rate \$110.00 Plus tax per night for Queens

Deluxe Continental breakfast every morning.

RV CAMPGROUNDS

If you will be arriving with a RV there are several campgrounds in the Cody Area.

My first choice is the Ponderosa Campground which is only 1/2 mile East of the hotel. Other campgrounds would be:

Ponderosa Campground	307-587-9203
1815 Yellowstone Ave.	
\$21-\$30/night depending on length	
KOA Campground	307-587-2369
5561 Greybull Hwy	
Gateway Motel & Camp	307-587-2561
203 Yellowstone Ave.	
Parkway Trailer & RV	307-582-5927
132 Yellowstone Ave.	
Absaroka Bay Campground	307-587-9203
2001 Highway 14,16,20	
Camp Cody	307-587-9730
415 Yellowstone Ave.	


ATTEND ASDAO CONVENTION

CAR RENTAL

If you are planning on renting a car when you fly into either Cody, WY or Billings, MT we have arranged a special price with **Thrifty Car Rental**. These are small airports and not many cars are available. You need to let them know when you call that you are with the **ASDAO** and you can get a \$37.00 per day plus tax rate.

This is for an intermediate size car. **Reservations must be made by May 15, 2003**. Phone 1-888-794-1025 let them know if you want the car for Billings or Cody. Other rentals are available from Hertz & Budget check with your travel agent or on the internet..



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