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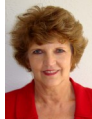
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## 2012 ASDAO CONVENTION JUNE 28 -- JULY 2 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Chicago, Chicago that wonderful town, is how the song goes. I have now been to Chicago twice and found it to be clean, safe, friendly and filled with many, many attractions. Come let me show you around. June 28 through July 2, 2012



Dr. Lowell & Dellene Meister, Convention Hosts

Chicago is made up of many different area communities. The community I have chosen for our convention is Westchester. The Westchester Hampton Inn is located in a very convenient area. Out of congested traffic, across from a golf course and in a somewhat wooded area, creates a nice atmosphere. Sorry no swimming pool. There is a breakfast buffet included in the price. Just minutes away from two shopping centers with many fine restaurants. Very near Hinsdale SDA church and hospital.

Please Google [www.hamptoninnwestchester.com](http://www.hamptoninnwestchester.com) then click on Hampton Inn Chicago-Westchester II Hotel for pictures and many links about what is offered, including a list of directions from almost all major highways and airports. Check in time is 3:00 PM. Check out time is 12:00 noon. Upon arrival photo identification and credit card is required. Located 2222 Enterprise Drive just west of Cermak Road, Westchester, Ill.

Sleeping rooms and rates.

Tuesday, June 26, 2012 10 Kings/10 Doubles \$109.00  
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Monday, July 2, 2012 10 Kings/10 Doubles \$109.00



Call Hampton Inn (Phone number is 708-409-1000) for cost of rooms and registration for ASDAO meeting.

For Education you may attend classes at the AOA downtown Chicago.

Our program will begin Thursday with registration at the Hampton Inn meeting room from 6 to 8 pm.

Friday, 8:00 am a trip to downtown Chicago on the Metra to a sightseeing Trolley ride that makes many stops.  
Friday evening supper and vespers Hinsdale SDA Hospital.

Sabbath, S.S. and church at Hinsdale SDA church with lunch provided by Hinsdale church.

Sabbath afternoon a trip to beautiful Chicago Botanic Garden.  
Sabbath Vespers and supper Hinsdale SDA church.  
Saturday night Braums Ice Cream.

Sunday morning Business meetings.  
Sunday afternoon a ball game (hopefully) Cubs or Sox's.  
Sunday Evening Business Meeting at Hotel.

Monday morning shopping, golf, Brookfield zoo, Graue Mill and Museum or Ernest Hemingway Home and Museum.

Monday evening Yugoslavian Banquet and auction.  
Tuesday Have a safe trip home!

More information will be coming with web sites in the next FRAT.

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It was my privilege to attend the Conference on Emotional Health and Wellness October 12-15, 2011 held at the Centennial Complex LLU Loma Linda, California. This was a World Conference for the health workers in our church and to other faiths. Lectures were given by mostly SDA Professionals and some by other Christian Faiths. I attended twelve hours of lectures and nine hours of Workshops. There were twelve tracts of workshops, each with a different topics. I attended the workshop on Family Education. Topics were Adventist Families and Emotional Health, Premarital and Marriage Education, Child and Adolescent Health. They were taught by Dr. and Ms. Oliver, Family Ministries GC. Dr. Allan Handysides and Dr. Peter Landless From Health Ministry Department GC and Dr Hart President of LLU lead out in the meetings.

Can there be Health without Mental Health is the question. What is mental health, you would have to read books to learn all this. I will try to give you a few thoughts.

We all suffer from mental health problems from time to time. Anxiety, Depression and other forms of mental illness are things we live with all the time. Who has not been concerned about the problems that come to all of us. Too much concern will lead us into depression. Answer's in the past in the past have been pray, read your bible, get connected with God, are all good pieces of advice, but when the illness gets out of control you must get professional help. The SDA Church is changing their attitude toward Mental Illness. Most at this Conference thought it was about time.

When you get to the place you can't do your work you have waited longer than you should have for professional help.

We know this is an evil world and we have to deal with evil. EGW says something like this. The greatest evil in this world is man's inhumanity towards men. We believe this when we are hurt, but what about when we hurt someone. Some day we will have to answer for the things we have said and done. God Help Us. Let us determine to do our best to put some Son Shine into some one's life today.

There are many stories I could tell you about Mental Illness. Depression first signs are sleep and eating changes, too much or not enough. Mental Health costs lives and billions of dollars. Let's take another look at Mental Health.

**From the Auxiliary President**



Carol Stickle

For those of us who live above the 49<sup>th</sup> parallel and those of you who are close to it are noticing the change the fall season brings. While we love to have the four seasons, we always look forward to spring and summer with the warmth and the new growth. That is what we are looking forward to, is having new growth. New growth in the Auxiliary membership and in the Association.

What a joy it was to welcome Ross and Kristin who attended for the first time this last June. Our long term focus is in the growth of the Association as well as the Auxiliary and yet it is so difficult when the so many of those who attend regularly are getting older. We need so much for you to come and give us your ideas of how we can grow and how we can be more effective for the Lords work around the world.

We know that Dr. Lowell Meister has done an excellent work in promoting Optometry to the Health Department of the General Conference. While this is not exactly the Auxiliaries mandate to help in that area, Dr Meister can tell them about the help that we do give to the mission work and right now we do have funds available, which we know the Lord would like us to use.

Another way auxiliary members can be of assistance is to accompany the O.D.'s as they participate in different organized mission trips. We have gone on several now and it has been a blessing to us and what a joy it is to see the happy people when we are able to help them have better vision. Perhaps by us being there we can show them a better vision of what heaven will be like.



**PRESIDENT  
DAN'S COLUMN**

Dan Beckner, O.D.  
ASDAO President

**Mission and Purpose  
Part 2, Friendship**

I remember my first visit to an ASDAO Convention. Barbara and I were not finished with optometry school yet. We had planned to stay in a Tee-Pee at the lodge near Calgary Alberta but there was snow on the ground so ASDAO paid the hotel fare for two poor college students! Immediately we made friends and the food was great!

The visit to the Gimbal Eye Center in Calgary was an eye opening experience in refractive surgery. We also rode the tram to the top of the mountain overlooking the beautiful city of Banff, Alberta. I remember most the kind and generous spirit of those fine doctors and their families. Almost 20 years later I can say I have friends from that weekend whom I still look forward to seeing each time I make it to a Convention. I've heard many a story of those who grew up going to conventions and the friendships that are treasured to this day.

Recently Barb and I had the privilege to visit John and Kathy Smith in their home in Spokane, Washington. We had such a wonderful time talking and sharing. Friendship is the stuff that adds meaning and depth to the blessings we already receive from the great God of heaven. I know of no better way to meet fellow Adventist Optometrists and I treasure the friends I've made. I hope to see you soon.

**MAKE YOUR  
HOTEL RESERVATION  
EARLY**



Make your reservation early for the 1012 ASDAO convention in Chicago. Phone 708-409-1000 and give them the discount code of "ASDAO". Check in dates are June 28 thru July 2.

We hope many of you will plan your vacation time with us and have a great time getting to know former and new SDA friends.

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Mission projects for The Quiet Hour: Tacna, Peru, June 15-30 2012 Contact Dr. Dennis Benedict [dhbenedict@yahoo.com](mailto:dhbenedict@yahoo.com)  
 Check out the web site for additional information.

## MISSION TRIP SCHEDULE

Here are the mission trips scheduled for 2012. We need O.D.'s to volunteer for 2 or three projects.

Mission Projects available:

### Quiet Hour Ministries:

Honduras - March 29 - April 8, 2012 Youth Mission Adventure with Jody Melanshanko

Phillipines - April 13 - 28, 2012

Tacna (Peru) - June 15 - 30, 2012 Jackie & Bill Tucker

Tonga - July 5 - 15, 2012 Youth Mission Adventure with Jody Melanshanko (Trip 1),

(trip 2) is the same program but dates are July 17- 29, 2012

### Air Care International:

Honduras - March 11-19, 2012

Contact Dr. Dennis Benedict and let him know you are interested.

Additional information will be given you. Phone 1-517-890-9002 or email him at [dhbenedict@yahoo.com](mailto:dhbenedict@yahoo.com)

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<b>2013</b> San Diego	June 26-30
<b>2014</b> Philadelphia	June 25-29

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