

Pine Hills Annual Golf Tourney

With the great spring weather upon us, it's time once again for the ever popular annual Pine Hills Adventist Academy Golf Tournament. As a benefit for the school's "Worthy Student" fund, this year's competition promises to sport some formidable competition.



Golfers will tee off at 8:00 AM on Sunday, May 17, the Ridge Golf course. The tournament will feature a "shot gun start" with a four-man scramble so contestants will need to be at the top of their game right from the beginning. Cost for the tourney is \$90 which will include the green fee, cart rental, and lunch. To register contact Pastor Dave (or leave a message at the church office) before Thursday, May 21. "Fore!"

Church Work Bee

A "Spring Cleaning" church work bee is planned for Sunday, May 31, at 2:00 PM. We will be doing upkeep and repair chores both inside and outside the church. Inside we will concentrate on window cleaning, dusting and cleaning nooks and cranny's, light fixture cleaning, and perhaps plumbing and electrical repairs. Outside chores will center mostly around mowing, weed eating, and general clean-up. Please see "**Work Bee**" on page 6.



Okari Children's Foundation Update

By Margaret Okari, Kenya, Africa

Education - Health & Human Services Leadership & Sustainability

May is here and our new school is running smoothly, the children are happy – they have adequate food, the showers have running water (rain water) and they love their new school. For all these blessings, we are grateful to God, from whom all blessings flow.



This picture (see page 5) is of some of the kids eating rice and beans for lunch in the new school cafeteria. The kids love being all together and we are now up to 67 kids at the new school with a waiting list of almost 300 orphans.

This picture (above) is of the new Hunter Hall – Boy's Dormitory that is being built. You can view all the details on our website by clicking on the link "[Latest Hunter Hall Construction Pictures](#)".

As I mentioned in our last E-Newsletter, I want to update you on our goal of self sustenance for the school, hopefully by the end of next year. Towards this end, we are working on several projects which I am sure will interest you. Please see "**Okari Kids**" on page 5.

Communion

Sabbath

May 23

Worship Service

10:45 AM to 12:15 PM



PHAA news

May Calendar

- May 3-7** 8th Grade Class Trip
- May 3-8** Senior Class Trip
- May 3-8** Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 11** School Finance Meeting
6:00 PM
School Board Meeting
7:00 PM
- May 14** K-12 Spring Musical
- May 16-17** Alumni Weekend
- May 17** Golf Tournament
- May 25** Memorial Day - No School
- May 26** High School Spring Fling
- May 28** K-8 Spring Fling

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On-Going PHAA Fundraisers

Box Tops: Please clip & save box tops for Education Coupons and turn them into the school every month. Products to clip include General Mills, Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Green Giant, Progresso, Gold Medal, and Ziploc.

Raley's/Bel Air Card: Please use your card (available at school office) when making purchases. Pine Hills receives a percentage of your purchases.

Inkjet/Laser Cartridges & Cell Phones: Drop off your old cartridges and cell phones at the school office to be sent away for recycling. School receives cash for each cartridge and phone turned in.

eScript: Pine Hills earns money through your everyday purchases made at eScript merchants. See www.eScript.com.

Kellogg's Label Investment Program: Please save your UPC Codes and/or labels from any Kellogg's or Worthington product and turn them into the school office.

I Stopped By A Church One Day

By Janet Kahler

A chance visitor	No handshake there
From out of state	On out the door
Lonesome for fellowship	Soul and body unfed that day
Stopped by a church one day	Away from church
	Down the road
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Neatly dressed	A hometown member
Tastily groomed	On the church books
Happy in Christianity	Lonesome for fellowship
Came through the door that day	Stopped by a church one day
"Nice you're here;	Moral code
Have a seat inside."	Clothes, hair wrong
Appropriate smiles I got	Or contraband gold
While at a church that day	Came through the door that day
Warm outside	"Glad you're here."
Cold inside	No more. No less.
Well executed formalism	Averted stares I got
Were in the church that day	While at the church that day
"Do come back."	Warm outside
On out the door	Cold inside
Soul and body were fed that day	Well executed formalism
Away from church	Were in our church that day
In the park	
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A young person	No invite home
From out of town	Pharisaical airs
Lonesome for fellowship	My soul is bleeding, unwelcomed
Stopped by a church one day	Unwanted at church that day
	"No hope for me!"
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Matted hair	A local person
Untrimmed beard	From our hometown
Trying out Christianity	Lonesome for fellowship
Came through the door that day	Stops by our church one day
Nobody welcomed	How's he groomed?
Found my own seat	What is her race?
Curious stares I got	Obviously not our kind of folk!
While in a church that day	Comes through the door today
Warm outside	You are there
Cold inside	How will you write
Well executed formalism	The next two stanzas
Were in the church that day	While at our church today?

# A Blessing In The Storm

By Michael O'Haver

Sarah collapsed under the big oak tree at the edge of a clearing in the woods. She had to catch her breath from the run through the woods. For a moment everything was still. Then she realized it was only a lull before the storm. Soon the tall grass in the clearing was bending before the rising wind. The leaves of the oak tree above her rustled and moved like they were coming alive. She could smell the storm coming. She could feel the wind against her skin, even under the oak tree's protecting shelter. The temperature was dropping rapidly. She saw clouds growing fat and black, gathering from the west. Sarah didn't like thunderstorms and started growing apprehensive as she saw lightning in the west. She knew thunder usually followed the lightning. Sure enough, there was a distant rumble. It wasn't long before Sarah cringed, as the first thunder boomer broke right over her. She slunk back into the woods, seeking more cover from the growing storm. The first drops of rain caught her before she reached the cover of the woods. She remembered a rocky area not far back along the trail she had arrived on. Perhaps she could find a cave or better shelter. The driving rain was seeping through the tree cover and drops ran down the back of her tee shirt, like icy fingers.

She found a dark crevice in the rocks. As she explored closer she saw it gave way to a cave but the interior was dark and uninviting. Sarah was a little claustrophobic and she hesitated to enter the close confines of the cave. Her apprehension stemmed from an incident that happened last summer when she was camping. She was sharing a small tent with two other girls and there had been a storm then too. The claustrophobia had hit all at once. Sarah had started hyperventilating, breathing real fast; it was hard to catch her breath. She couldn't stand to be in the tent because it was too crowded. She had spent the rest of the long miserable night outside shivering under a tree trying to keep dry in the storm.

But the cave looked dry and the storm was getting worse. Sarah's fear of the storm was worse than her fear of the dark cave. At least the cave was warmer than the driving rain outside. Sarah said a prayer as she settled down to wait out the storm. She tried to think of other things to keep away the closing in, smothering feelings of the claus-

trophobia. Suddenly she heard rustling coming from further back in the cave. Was this cave someone's or something's home? She hadn't thought about that aspect.

"Is sssomeone there?" She asked in a quivering voice.

No answer! Was that good or bad? Sarah didn't know.

Suddenly she saw two eyes shining from the back of the cave. They were low to the ground and they were moving slowly toward her. Maybe it was because her own eyes were adjusting to the darkness of the cave, or maybe the animal had come out from hiding somewhere. As the eyes came closer and closer, Sarah could gradually make out the form of what looked like a small cat-like animal.

"Meowww." It WAS a cat! Sarah signed in relief.

The cat cautiously approached Sarah but soon it was rubbing against her legs. She scooped the animal up in her arms and hugged its furry body to her chest. The cat started purring, signifying its pleasure. Sarah and the cat cuddled together sharing body warmth throughout the rest of the storm. When the storm was over and Sarah left the cave she realized that her claustrophobia was gone and it was all because of the new friend she had made. Sarah took the cat home and named it Angel because she just knew God had sent her a guardian angel to watch over her during the ordeal in the cave. Sarah noticed later that she was even less apprehensive during storms, even when Angel was not around to comfort her.

4-21-09 D. Michael O'Haver


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## Lake Tahoe Campmeeting

August 3 - 8 • Camp Richardson • South Lake Tahoe

Information and Reservations: Virginia Rose (916) 967-5932  
or tahoecampmeeting@juno.com

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SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
 <p>"As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, ... so is the word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it." Isaiah 55:10-11 (NIV)</p>						
<b>3</b> Men's Basketball 5:00 - 6:30 PM PHAA	<b>4</b> PHAA 8th Grade Class Trip (May 3-7)	<b>5</b> Community Services 9:00AM to 1:00PM Bible Study 1:30PM@Comm.Services	<b>6</b> PHAA VegeFood Store 3:00 - 4:00 PM PHAA Teacher Appreciation Week May 4-8	<b>7</b> Volleyball - 6:00 PM at PHAA gym	<b>8</b> Sunset 8:02 PM PHAA - SA Vespers PHAA VegeFood Store 12:00 - 1:00 PM	<b>9</b> Sunset 8:03 PM Fellowship Lunch 9:30AM Sabbath School 10:45 AM Worship Service Sermon: To Be Announced: Speaker: Pastor Dan Appel
PHAA Senior Class Trip (May 3-8)						
<b>10</b> <i>Mother's Day</i>	<b>11</b> PHAA Finance Committee 6:00 PM PHAA Board 7:00 PM	<b>12</b> Community Services 9:00AM to 1:00PM Bible Study 1:30PM@Comm.Services	<b>13</b> PHAA VegeFood Store 3:00 - 4:00 PM	<b>14</b> PHAA K-12 Spring Musical Volleyball - 6:00 PM at PHAA gym	<b>15</b> Sunset 8:09 PM PHAA VegeFood Store 12:00 - 1:00 PM	<b>16</b> Sunset 8:10 PM 9:30AM Sabbath School 10:45 AM Worship Service Sermon: To Be Announced: Speaker: Pastor Dan Appel PHAA - Alumni Weekend
<b>17</b> PHAA - SA Spring Banquet PHAA Golf Tournament Men's Basketball 5:00 - 6:30 PM PHAA	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Community Services 9:00AM to 1:00PM Church Finance Committee 6:00 PM Church Board 7:00 PM Bible Study 1:30PM@Comm.Services	<b>20</b> PHAA VegeFood Store 3:00 - 4:00 PM	<b>21</b> Volleyball - 6:00 PM at PHAA gym	<b>22</b> Sunset 8:15 PM PHAA VegeFood Store 12:00 - 1:00 PM	<b>23</b> Sunset 8:16 PM 9:30AM Sabbath School 10:45 AM Worship Service Sermon: To Be Announced: Speaker: Pastor Dan Appel
<b>24/31</b> Men's Ministries Breakfast (5/31/09) "Sweetpea's" 7:30 AM Men's Basketball 5:00 - 6:30 PM PHAA	<b>25</b> <b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>26</b> Community Services 9:00AM to 1:00PM PHAA - High School Spring Fling Bible Study 1:30PM@Comm.Services	<b>27</b> PHAA VegeFood Store 3:00 - 4:00 PM	<b>28</b> PHAA - K-8 Spring Fling PHAA -Home & School Awards - 7:00 Pm Volleyball - 6:00 PM at PHAA gym	<b>29</b> Sunset 8:21 PM	<b>30</b> Sunset 8:21 PM 9:30AM Sabbath School 10:45 AM Worship Service Sermon: To Be Announced: Speaker: Pastor Dave Carreon



# May '09

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some of you. The first one is:

### **Egg and Poultry Production**

We have constructed a 1080 sq. ft chicken house which will accommodate up to 500 chickens. We have already taken in 150 chicks and we will continue to do this in stages. After one month, we will take in another batch, until we reach the 500 mark. The first batch of chickens should start laying eggs by the end of July. There is a high demand locally for eggs and we hope to capture this market. Currently the wholesale price for eggs is about 10 cents each. This will not only generate income for the school but it will provide useful learning and work experience for the kids. The second school sustainability project is:

### **An Organic Fertilizer Project**

Considering what commercial fertilizers have done to our soil in Kisii, and the high cost of commercially available organic fertilizers, MOCF started our own fertilizer company: The East African Organic Fertilizer Company. The Kenyan Ministry of Agricultural has been educating the public that organic fertilizer will not only safeguard Kenyan farm land, but also improve it from one year to another and thus enhance crop production. This new awareness within the country, the high cost of fertilizer and locally available raw materials for our fertilizer is why we chose this business. We combine “pressmud” (a by-product of sugarcane production), cow manure and chicken manure into a rich organic fertilizer, which is sold in 25 and 20 kilo bags. We will be selling this to the local farmers and also use it to grow our own food for the school. We currently employ 3 local villagers in this business and they are grateful for the work.



### **Food Security**

The school has rented a few acres of land from local farmers, where we have planted corn (Kenya’s staple food), beans and finger millet. We have also planted a lot of vegetables on a one acre piece of land at my house. Rain is an issue here since we depend on the rain for all our crops. Please pray that God sends us

enough rain to make a difference in the crops we have planted for the children.

As the various revenue generating projects mature we plan to involve our children in all of them. We feel strongly that they

should be involved with all the projects, and as a result, they will learn skills which they would not have otherwise. Sustainability is so important to the long term success of the school and in each child’s life. “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it”. Prov. 22:6

Thank you for your continued support and may God continue to bless and enrich your efforts. Please visit our website, which is full of new pictures and videos at: [www.okarichildren.com](http://www.okarichildren.com).

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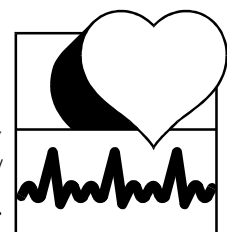
## **Relay for Life**

*By: Mandy Nash, Director of Health Ministries  
Auburn Seventh-day Adventist Church*

May is National Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection & Prevention month. The Auburn Seventh-day Adventist Church is currently putting together teams of people to support The American Cancer Society’s fight against cancer. Relay For Life is a big event that takes place each year to honor cancer survivors, remember the ones we’ve lost, and join the fight against disease. More information is avail-

able on the new church website <http://www.aubnda.org/>.

This is your chance to participate in the fight against cancer. Relay For life is a fun, fulfilling, life changing event. Sign up TODAY!!!



# Church Directory Update

For those camera-shy individuals who have put off having their picture taken for the new church directory there is still time to ratchet up your courage and have your portrait taken. From now through the end of May there will be a photographer at church Sabbath mornings to take photos from 10:30 to 10:45 AM between Sabbath School and church service. No need to make an appointment, just show up at Pastor Dan's office right after Sabbath School and sit for a brief photo. It is important that all members and regular attending non-members be included in the directory so that we have a names to go with the smiling faces that we see each week as we worship together.

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ing of the patio and walkways. Church members of all ages are encouraged to lend a hand in our efforts to spruce up our church and grounds. So put on your work gloves and load up your cleaning supplies and gardening tools and head on over to the church on the 31st. See you there!

# PHAA “vege food store”

The Pine Hills Vege Food Store is conveniently open every day to place an order. To order from our wide variety of fresh and packaged vegetarian food items, call the school secretary during school hours, or you can visit during regular store hours: Wednesday 3-4 and Friday 12-1. You can also call Diane Chang, (530) 906-5498 to place an order. The proceeds go to help the 8th grade class graduation and class trip.

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**YOU WERE RIGHT ON THE LINE, SO WE'LL LET THIS FREE THROW DECIDE IT**

# Fellowship Luncheon May 9

Join us May 9 following our worship service for our once-a-month time for good food and fellowship with friends. Bring a favorite vegetarian entree/salad/dessert or bread. *Please bring items pre-cooked and wrapped to keep them warm and make the dining experience run more smoothly.*

## Free Child Care

Now available during worship service for children five years and under

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Skilled, Caring Staff  
Electronic Parental Pagers

## Recovery In Community

A hearty breakfast and a Twelve Step path to recovery is now available to the community every Sabbath morning at the Auburn church. Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall begins at 8:00 AM and is followed by the 12 Step Program at 9:15 AM in the Community Services Lobby. For information contact Community Services at 823-0345.

## New Church Website is now up and running!

Visit us at:  
<http://aubsda.org>

## Sermon Notes

May sermon dates and speakers:

May 2 **Sermon:** *Pastor Dan Appel*

May 9 **Sermon:** *Pastor Dan Appel*

May 16 **Sermon:** *Pastor Dan Appel*

May 23 **Communion Sabbath**

*Pastor Dan Appel*

May 30 **Sermon:** *Pastor Dave Carreon*

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