

Did you know  
College View Academy's  
ACT scores are  
consistently higher than  
the state average?



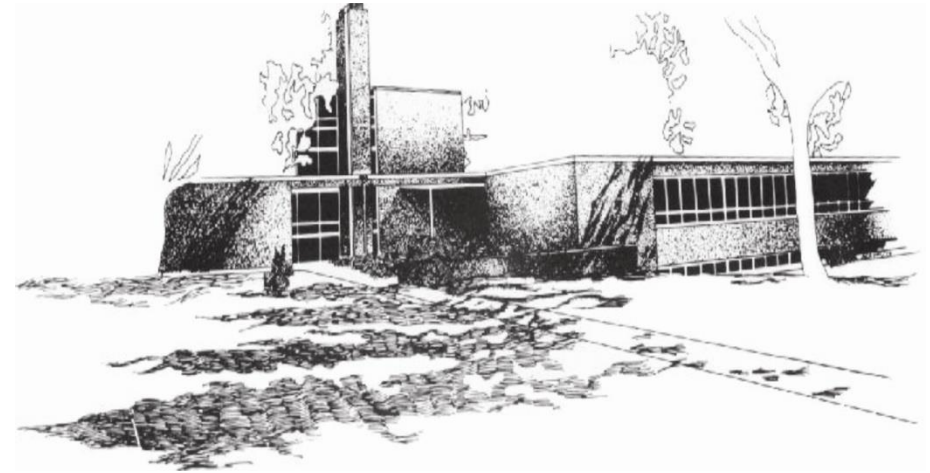
It's true. In the last three years,  
CVA's students averaged 2-4  
points higher than students in  
their district.

## *Prayer & Praise*

Theoda Huish – health  
Vacation Bible School  
Sharon Beall and family - Larry's passing  
Russ Huggins' father - cancer  
Carolyn Baker & family - John's passing  
Janeece McNew - cancer (a "GoFundMe"  
page can be found on Janeece's facebook  
page)

## **Piedmont Park Community Seventh-day Adventist Church**

We pray that your encounter with God  
and His Family will renew your experience  
of joy and peace in your journey.



### **Bible Study Classes**

Pre-Program: Virgil Carner

Song Leaders: Beth Baker & Adam Schwimmer Pianist: Betty Hill

Singing/Prayer 9:15-9:25am; Missions 9:25-9:45am; Class Study 9:45-10:40am

**As the Spirit Leads:** Office E. Quarterly & Spirit of Prophecy. Leon Hill

**Searchers of the Word:** Back left side of the Sanctuary. The Bible, Quarterly and the Spirit of Prophecy. John Rhodes and Assistants

**Balcony Explorers:** Balcony. Practical problem-solving through sharing Scripture and the Church Quarterly. Bill Fitts and Assistants

**Hearers of the Word:** Right front of sanctuary. Hearing assistance available. Virgil Carner

**Conference room:** The quarterly. Sandra Schwab, Dustan Daniel, Randy Sly

**Matthew 11:28-30:** Multipurpose room #2. Bible study. Peter Adams, Kim Hazelton, Kirk Brown, Kalvin Follett.

**Young Adult Class:** Multipurpose room #1. Breakfast at 9:30am, Bible Study at 10am. Collegiate Quarterly. David Deemer, Alexa Hazelton.

**Themes of Hope:** 9:30-10:40am South end fellowship hall. Church Quarterly. New members & visitors are welcome! Donald Williams, Scot Coppock, Jennifer Somers, Renee Schaecher, Manuela Coppock

**Karen SDA:** Sacristy (room behind piano) Victor Pastor. 9:30-10:35am

**Spanish class:** North end of fellowship hall. 9:30-10:35am

### Vision Statement

We will, with God's guidance, introduce individuals to Jesus Christ and support their growing relationship with Him in preparation for the Second Coming.

### Mission Statement

With God's leading, we will create an atmosphere of Christian love and friendship, nurture spiritual growth and equip members for active involvement in ministry to our community and world.

July 23, 2016

## Message of Encouragement

I once did a 28-day fruit and veggies cleanse. I was between jobs and cleared my schedule of most everything else. It was a good thing I did because the rhythm of my life had to slow down to wash and cut and blend or toss produce every few hours. Between meals, I found time to journal and listen to birds. I noticed gazing at the moon calms me instantly and nothing's easier than eating a cantaloupe right out of the rind. Sun on my skin warmed all the way to my soul and I let myself feel the spring breeze. I smiled to myself more than I have in years.

I've heard nature is therapeutic and essential to our well-being, but not until this month-long oasis did I understand for myself. Our lives aren't just stressful because of their complexity or technology or gobs of information. Those things add stress, but maybe we could handle all of it if we indulged in what God put in our world as therapy for us. Grass under our feet, star-gazing, the smell of a rose. Those things feel so good I forget what I was so upset about. They're His gifts to help us stay strong through battles and help us unwind what's gotten too tight.

*But ask the animals, and they will teach you,  
or the birds in the sky, and they will tell you;  
or speak to the earth, and it will teach you,  
or let the fish in the sea inform you.*

*Which of all these does not know  
that the hand of the LORD has done this?  
In his hand is the life of every creature  
and the breath of all mankind.*

*Job 12:7-10 NIV*

By: Kendra Carlson

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## Tithes and Offering

7/23 KS NE Advance  
7/30 KS NE Scholarship

Our church budget requires \$3,866.22 per week. The July 9 offering was \$2,502.74. The church budget is -\$3,756.84. Thank you for remembering your church's financial needs. To donate online, go to [piedmontparksda.org](http://piedmontparksda.org), and choose Online Giving. Treasurer: Marsha Hansen, 402-432-0455, [marshaanddiego@gmail.com](mailto:marshaanddiego@gmail.com)

## Announcements

**Adventure Club and Eager Beavers Registration** will be Sunday August 7 from 3-4pm. This will also be an ice cream social, so come and enjoy a sweet treat and get signed up! Adventure Club is for ages 3-10 and meets every other Wednesday from 6:30-8pm

**2016 WOMEN'S RETREAT, JOURNEY.** October 21-23, Grand Island, NE. Our main speaker will be Melissa Howell. Registrations forms are available in the lobby, at [www.ks-ne.org](http://www.ks-ne.org) or you can call 785-478-4726. There are seminars for teen girls too, so something for everyone from 12 to 112 years old!

**The Lincoln SDA Credit Union** has an immediate full-time opening. The successful candidate will have a background in accounting and will preferably have experience in a credit union or bank. This position will be responsible for teller duties, member service, banking operations, and assisting the manager as needed. Applicants must be active members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Apply by sending your resume to: Lincoln SDA Credit Union, Attn: Norm Peterson, 4733 Prescott Ave., Lincoln, NE 68506 or via e-mail to: [norm@lincolnsdacu.org](mailto:norm@lincolnsdacu.org)

**Union College is seeking** a full-time Office Manager for the Division of Nursing. Duties include scheduling and coordinating appointments, maintaining files, answering the phone, compiling and distributing materials and reports, responding to inquiries and other duties. View the full job description at [www.ucollege.edu/employment](http://www.ucollege.edu/employment). Please send resumes and inquiries to Nicole Orian at [norian@ucollege.edu](mailto:norian@ucollege.edu).

**General Conference Auditing Service** is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant. Person will coordinate the functions of the Mid-America office, facilitating audits of SDA organizations within the Mid-America Union territory including scheduling, preparation for audits, and release of audit reports. Assist in designated administrative duties using initiative and sound judgement. High level of technical skills (computer software including MS Office and Adobe Acrobat Pro), tact, confidentiality, telephone courtesy, strong interpersonal skills, and proven organization skills are crucial. It is the policy of the GC to hire only Adventist church members. Please send resume or inquiries to JoJean Birth at [BirthJ@gcasconnect.org](mailto:BirthJ@gcasconnect.org)

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# Leap of Faith

## Retiring the Debt

We thank you for your continued faithfulness in fulfilling your pledged and non-pledged giving! It is only through God's faithfulness and your generosity that Piedmont Park can be debt free after the building expansion.

*Every single penny counts!*

Questions? Send an e-mail to Steve Duden at [steveduden@rocketmail.com](mailto:steveduden@rocketmail.com)



*July 23, 2016*

Prelude	Savior, Like a Shepherd/He Leadeth Me	Kim Hazelton
Call to Worship	Shout to the Lord	Words on Screen
Welcome & Prayer of Invitation		Pastor Michael Halfhill
Tithe and Offering	KS & NE Advance	Kevin Young
Song of Gratitude	Road to Zion	Gwendolyn Hawkins
Announcements		Pastor Michael Halfhill
Lamb's Offering		Pathfinders
Children's Story		Vacation Bible School Video
Gift from the Heart	God Will Make a Way/Clap Your Hands	VBS Kids & Staff
Scripture Reading	Genesis 45:1-5	Trystin Somers
Song of Worship	Our God is So Great	Words on Screen
Prayer Chorus	Mighty to Save	Words on Screen
Church in Prayer		Bill Fitts
Sermon	Family Reunion	Pastor Michael Halfhill
Song of Dedication	He Leadeth Me	#537
Prayer of Blessing		Pastor Michael Halfhill
Postlude	Holy, Holy, Holy	Kim Hazelton
Musicians: Kim Hazelton-piano, VBS Celebration team-vocals		

## Calendar

**Friday, July 22, 8:52pm-Sundown**

**Sabbath, July 23, 8:51pm-Sundown**

9:15am-Adult Sabbath School Pre-Program (Details in Class Schedules Box)

9:30am-Adult Youth and Children's Sabbath Schools

10:50am-Hearing God's Word: Michael Halfhill

12:30pm- No all-church potluck

**Wednesday, July 27**

4:00pm-Bulletin deadline for announcements and worship service information

6:30pm-Prayer meeting in conference room

**Friday, July 29, 8:45pm-Sundown**

**Sabbath, July 30, 8:44pm-Sundown**

9:15am-Adult Sabbath School Pre-Program (Details in Class Schedules Box)

9:30am-Adult, Youth and Children's Sabbath Schools

10:50am-Hearing God's Word: Michael Halfhill

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## Thunder IN THE HOLY LAND

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and nonbelievers*

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## Announcements

The bulletin is posted on our website, [piedmontparksda.org](http://piedmontparksda.org) and click on Bulletin. You can also connect with us at [facebook.com/piedmontparksda](https://facebook.com/piedmontparksda)

The Elder for the day is Bill Fitts and the deacon is Mark Snyder.

**Welcome to VBS Celebration Sabbath!** A huge thank you to the many, many people who put their time and energy into making this Vacation Bible School happen. Special thanks to our leader, Charlene Hawkins, for her vision and leadership.

**Two More Summer Youth Events!** July 30 at 4pm is a canoe trip at Pawnee Lake and on August 3 at 6:30pm we'll be going to the fair at Lancaster County Event Center.

**If you miss the offering plate,** feel free to put your tithe in one of the mail boxes outside the front doors or slip it in the slot on the church office door. Thanks!

**A Church Business Meeting** will be held Monday, August 1 at 7pm. All members are invited to attend. Some of the agenda items we will discuss are church budget for 2016/2017 and a new church logo. Please plan to join us as we make plans for the future of Piedmont Park.

**The Piedmont Park Thunderbirds Pathfinder Club** is preparing for our Niobrara River canoeing adventure on July 24th. We're excited to have Pastor Caleb along as a sponsor. A trip like this is an important piece of our youth's development, but it's expensive and can be a challenge for some Pathfinders to afford. We need your help to make it possible for our Pathfinders to enjoy this opportunity and others this year, so please consider making a financial contribution to the Pathfinders. You can give by filling out a tithe envelope and writing "Pathfinders" on it. If you have questions contact club director, Ryan Lindbeck at 402-440-3505.

**College View Academy Preschool** is enrolling for the 2016/17 school year. At CVA Preschool our students gain knowledge a variety of ways: social, language, beginning math and number/letter recognition and pre-writing skills. Students explore the world around them with hands-on activities in science and creative experiences with art & music. Group times provide opportunities for singing, movement, stories, and sharing. We believe the key to all this is the development of a student's faith through Bible stories, songs, and prayer. If you have questions or would like to tour the classroom please contact Shannon Chilson at [schilson@cvak12.org](mailto:schilson@cvak12.org) or text 402.730.1343.

**Registration for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Eye Run...** is now open! Walk or run for eye health at beautiful Holmes Lake Park on Sunday, October 2. Early bird registration is available now for individuals and teams. Funds raised benefit programs and services through Christian Record Services, Inc. for people who are blind. Don't wait! Early bird registration ends Thursday, September 1. Visit [www.EYERUN.info](http://www.EYERUN.info) to learn more and to register.

**Lancaster County Fair:** Janin Rexigner from the Holland SDA Church is sponsoring a booth for the fair. The fair runs from August 4-14 from 10am - 10pm. She is planning to hand out literature and doing blood pressure screening. Janin is still needing donations of "Great Hope" books to give away and volunteers to help staff the booth. If you would like to help, please call or text her at 402-419-4429.

**Thunder in the Holy Land** If you've ordered and paid for your DVDs, you may sign out and pick them up at the Welcome Desk. If you'd like to order your own set, please sign up at the Welcome Desk. Each set is \$35.00, which you can put in a tithe envelope in the mail slot on the church office door or in the offering plate. [www.nadministerial.org/article/999/for-nad-pastors/articles/thunder-in-the-holy-land](http://www.nadministerial.org/article/999/for-nad-pastors/articles/thunder-in-the-holy-land). Questions? Pastor Michael Halfhill 402-318-1856

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