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Hello Everyone:

We had our Valentine's Party on Saturday night, February 9. It was an event filled with good food, fellowship, and fun games planned by Fran Jones. We had a skit put on by Howard and Shirley Banks. Forest Randall added some humorous readings and comments. We had drawings and a number of people won prizes. We had about thirty people, including one or two people who came for the first time.

Watch the newsletter for events planned for the coming months.

A group of us went snow tubing in Pennsylvania on Sunday February 17th. It was a fun event sponsored by the group JOY (Just Older Youth) from Frederick, Maryland. If you are interested in their activities, contact Bonnie Thomas (301) 682-4656, or e-mail her at windsong42@comcast.net.

New Singles Group

There is a new singles group in Ohio called YAPS (Young Adventist Prepared for Service). For information, contact Melissa C. Strickland at: yapministries@hotmail.com, or call 216-659-5648.

Survey

Please download the survey at: <http://www.asamchesapeake.com/>, fill it in, and mail it to us at the conference address above.

Retreat Application

You may download the April retreat application at: <http://www.asamchesapeake.com/>. Please fill it in and return it to us with your payment.

Calendar of Events

Please visit our website for more details: <http://www.asamchesapeake.com/>

A National Singles Camp is taking place at Camp MiVoden in Idaho, August 27 to September 3, 2008. This event draws singles from the United States and Canada. If you are interested in attending, you may get more information at their website www.mivoden.com, or you may also contact Lorene Soderstrom at lorene.soder@comcast.net.

February 28-March 12, 2008 Brazil Mission Trip

On this trip we will be building a church in Euzebio, near Fortaleza, Brazil. For more information, visit: <http://www.asamchesapeake.com/> and click on Ministry. Or contact: Dirci Borelli Marquart, Tel. 240-315-2112, dirci@missionserv.org.

March 1st. Courthouse Church Singles Ministries Organizational Meeting

All singles age 19-100 are invited to meet at the Courthouse Road Seventh-day Adventist Church, Richmond VA (530 Courthouse Road). We will meet immediately after the divine service in order to organize a Singles Ministries group. This event is sponsored by Chesapeake Conference ASAM (Adventist Single Adult Ministries). Please bring snacks for the light refreshment time. A RSVP would be appreciated. Please contact Sandy Walcott: 804-263-6504 or 804-422-7709.

March 15, 2008, Family Film Night, 7:30 PM Chesapeake Conference 6600 Martin Road, Columbia, MD 21044-9988

There will be a \$2 charge for entrance fee & one bag of popcorn. Concessions will be extra to raise funds for our budget. Kerry Gordon is the coordinator. For more information, contact her at: 301-922-0047 or e-mail her at kg8luv@aol.com.

April 25-27, 2008, Single Adult Retreat Mt. Aetna Youth Camp in Hagerstown, MD

Speakers: May-Ellen and Gaspar Colon & Andrea Hicks

The Colon's theme is: "Sabbath, It's All About Him."

May-Ellen is Assistant Director of the General Conference Sabbath School and Personal Ministries Department, and Director of Adventist Community Services International. Gaspar is a professor of Theology at Columbia Union College in Maryland.

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Ms. Hicks has a passion for singles and has been actively with them since 2001. Currently she is the North American Division Coordinator for Adventist Single Adult Ministries.

Her workshops are entitled:

Why Do Some Romantic Relationships Fail?

Do I choose a partner or does God choose one for me?

Awakening Your Heart After Love Dies: Life with a spouse is an exceptionally beautiful experience for most couples, so when one dies or divorce brings separation it results in brokenness manifested in an outflow of sadness, pain, distress, and loneliness for survivors.

A.S.A.M. Workshop: Tools for a Successful Single Adult Ministry: Practical training and resources for you and your leadership team. "It's not about the quantity of your A.S.A.M.; it's the quality of your program(s)".

For more retreat information, please visit: <http://www.asamchesapeake.com/> or Contact: Fred Thomas: Fmthomas1950@yahoo.com, Tel. 410-992-9731.

September 18-29, 2008, Brazil Mission Trip

You do not have to be a skilled to help. Apply at our web site: <http://www.asamchesapeake.com/> and click on Ministry. Deadline: July 31, 2008. Or contact: Dirci Borelli Marquart, Tel. 240-315-2112, dirci@missionserv.org.