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Lake Forest Academy, site of the 1980 Summer Workshops

FIVE COMMITTEES SPONSOR 1980 SUMMER WORKSHOPS

The 1980 Summer Workshops held at the Lake Forest Academy in Lake Forest, Illinois represented a new level of joint functioning by the standing committees of URANTIA Brotherhood. Five committees coordinated the week-long workshops from August 3rd through the 8th. These committees are: Domestic Extension Committee, Education Committee, Fraternel Relations Committee, International Fellowship Committee, and Special Projects Committee. Approximately 170 people attended this year's workshops.

The Education Committee coordinated a two-day teacher-training workshop. Themes for the two days for newcomers were *teaching principles of Dalamatia and Eden* and *teaching principles of Jesus*. Those who attended the workshops the previous year had as their theme *teaching methods derived from the five epochal revelations*, as well as an in depth study of *Jesus as teacher and student*.

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Jacques Tetrault, left, and Conrad Lavallee, right, assisted in the simultaneous translation at the 1980 workshops.



Program cover of the 1980 workshops.

GENERAL COUNCIL CONVENES IN AUGUST

The regular meeting of the General Council was held August 9, 1980 at 533 Diversey Parkway, Chicago. Thirty-two members were present for the all day session. While decisions made were not of a dramatic nature, a number of items are worth noting.

The five resolutions submitted by the Triennial Delegate Assembly of 1979 had been referred to the Executive Committee for study and action; reports on these were made to the Council at the 1980 meeting. Two resolutions, establishment of a Spanish translation fund, and giving URANTIA Societies discounts on copies of *The URANTIA Book* were considered to be matters for URANTIA Foundation and were thus referred to the Foundation for action. The Foundation established a non-restricted fund for the Spanish translation and established a quantity discount of 20% for anyone purchasing five or more copies of *The URANTIA Book*. This will be more fully reported on in the Winter issue of *URANTIA Brotherhood Bulletin*.

A third resolution concerned a request that Standing Committees of the Brotherhood more actively pursue their constitutional purposes, establish specific goals, take positive steps to achieve them, and report on them in their annual reports to the General Council. This resolution was referred to committee chairmen for study and implementation.

A fourth resolution requested study of the possibility of financial sponsorship of attendees at Brotherhood conferences. It was the Executive Committee's view that such funding was not feasible at the present time.

The fifth resolution concerned finding ways to facilitate family participation in Brotherhood-sponsored events such

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Gloriann Harris



Thomas A. Kendall

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as conferences. The Executive Committee recommended sending the resolution to all those responsible for planning Brotherhood events at any time. The General Council accepted the action and advice of the Executive Committee on all five of the above resolutions.

There were four additional formal requests made at the 1979 Council meeting which the Executive Committee took action on and presented at the 1980 meeting. The first concerned study of an amendment which would restrict any person from serving on two Departmental Committees at the same time. The Executive Committee recommended that such an amendment is unnecessary. The Council can simply avoid electing a person to two positions. Not having a formal amendment also permits the flexibility of an occasional exception to the rule for interim periods.

Another motion concerned having outgoing members of the General Council serve through the meeting immediately following a Triennial Delegate Assembly at which they have been voted out, and having new members sit in as observers. While the Executive Committee recognizes a problem in coordinating these meetings of the General Council, solutions thus far suggested appear to offer as many new problems as they solve. The Committee will continue to study the problem in the coming year.

A third motion requested preparation of an amendment to permit the Executive Committee to meet monthly, bimonthly, or quarterly. Such an amendment was prepared and passed at the 1980 meeting. This amendment provides more flexibility for the Executive Committee in its meeting schedule.

Another motion concerned the use of telecommunications to allow a member of a Departmental Committee to be regarded as present at the meeting and be counted toward making a quorum. The Executive Committee presented an amendment which permits long distance transaction of certain types of committee business to be formally considered. This amendment was passed.

Three other very minor constitutional amendments were presented and passed. All three are only of a clarifying nature and do not involve substantive change.



Herman and Edna Schell at 533 Diversey in 1972.

Elections

The General Council held a special election to name two new Councilors. One of the vacancies was occasioned by the loss of Herman Schell who passed on last March 22nd. The two new Councilors elected are Thomas A. Kendall and Gloriann Harris. These two are elected on an interim basis until the next Triennial Delegate Assembly in 1982. Tom Kendall served many years on the General Council and Executive Committee and chaired the Domestic Extension Committee. He returns to the Council after only a year's absence. Gloriann Harris has been elected to the General Council for the first time. Gloriann is a member of the First URANTIA Society of Glenview (Illinois). She is a Certified Public Accountant and for several years has worked part time for both URANTIA Foundation and URANTIA Brotherhood as an accountant.

During the previous year, Arthur C. Born resigned as Chairman and member of the Brotherhood's Finance Committee for health reasons. In February, the Executive Committee named Frank Sgaraglino to fill the position on an interim basis. At the Council meeting, Frank was confirmed as Chairman and member of the Finance Committee for the one-year remainder of the term. Frank is a member of the Orvonton URANTIA Society of Chicago and has served on the General Council since 1964. Frank works as a Trust Officer for a Chicago Bank. Since his election, he has aggressively sought to institute practices and procedures designed to improve the financial position of both URANTIA Brotherhood and URANTIA Foundation.

The regular election of members to the standing committees was also held. A number of people either were re-elected or are returning to the Brotherhood Committees in a new position. Those elected to a Brotherhood Committee for the first time include: Ellen Montgomery (North Hollywood, California) and Helena Sprague (Farmington, Connecticut) on the Judicial Committee; Bettina Gray (Berkeley, California) and Sally Schlundt (Urbana, Indiana) on the Fraternal Relations Committee; Marvin Gawryn (Berkeley, California) on the International Fellowship Committee; and Charles Montgomery (North Hollywood, California) on the Special Projects Committee. In addition, Marilyn Hauck (Aurora, Colorado) was confirmed as a member of the Education Committee for a partial term of three years, and Paul Snider (Wilmette, Illinois) was confirmed as a member of the Finance Committee replacing Harold Schomas Sr. who resigned due to ill health.

Another matter of some concern to Councilors was whether or not to hold the 1981 meeting in Colorado immediately before or after the General Conference, or on a separate date in Chicago.

This matter was referred to the Executive Committee and after considerable discussion of pros and cons, was referred back to the Councilors who replied by mail. By a narrow margin, it was agreed to hold the meeting in Chicago in August so that the matters coming before the Council members can better receive their undivided attention.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN URANTIA SOCIETY OF DENVER INSTALLED LAST FEBRUARY

A new society was chartered into existence last February 16th in Denver, Colorado. Its founders named it the Rocky Mountain URANTIA Society of Denver. Seventeen founding members and 10 of 15 charter members were on hand for the installation ceremony which was conducted by the Charter Committee of URANTIA Brotherhood. The activity was held at a special school owned by one of the founders.

Members of the Charter Committee at the weekend celebration were: David Elders, Chairman, David Renn, Irene Sprunger, Katharine (Ticky) Harries, and Mary Lou Hales. Also present from URANTIA Brotherhood's Executive Committee were President John Hales; Lynne Kulieke, Chairman of the Education Committee; Martin Myers; Chairman of the International Fellowship Committee; and Barbara Kulieke, Chairman of the Publications Committee. Two Field Representatives, Julia Fenderson from the Los Angeles area, and Berkeley Elliott from Oklahoma City also participated. Several other interested people from around the country came to visit and offer their good wishes to the new society.

The program extended throughout Saturday afternoon and included the installation ceremony conducted by the Charter Committee, a talk by John Hales, and brief remarks by Julia Fenderson, and Berkeley Elliott. Martin Myers, as a Trustee of URANTIA Foundation, gave a talk on Foundation matters.

The first officers of the new society are James McNelly, President; Paul Knott, Vice President; Marilyn Hauck, Secretary; John Hay, Treasurer; and Roxanne Andrews, Study Group Officer. The society started with a total of 32 members from many parts of Colorado including Denver and vicinity, Boulder, Pueblo, Rye, Colorado Springs, New Castle, and Grand Junction. Our best wishes go to this 13th URANTIA Society, the 15th to receive a charter.

Founding Members

Jim Andrews
Roxanne Andrews
Gary Carter
Lynn Chapman
Marilyn Hauck
Russell Hauck
John Hay
Paul Knott
Mary Kruger
Terry Kruger
Jim McNelly
Linda McNelly
Mo Siegel
Steve Tattum
JoAnn Wiedman Brummett
Arlene Weimer
Buck Weimer

Charter Members

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Kenneth Barnes
Ann Marie Connors
Tom Foster
Gerald Hunter
Dorothy Laird
Lorence Laird
Patricia Lauro
Dennis Nisbet
Clifford Rullman
George Samaras
Douglas Smith
Jeffrey Taylor
Richard Tippet



Founding and charter members of the Rocky Mountain URANTIA Society of Denver.



Officers of the Rocky Mountain URANTIA Society of Denver. Left to right: John Hay, Jim McNelly, Roxanne Andrews, Marilyn Hauck, and Paul Knott.

STUDY GROUP NOTES

Pittsburgh Study Group



Front row, left to right: Oliver Alfred, Jim Cover, Bob Buselli, Greg MacIsaac. Back Row, left to right: Linda Buselli, Marean Dawkins, Dee Smith, Lois Smith, Pam MacIsaac, Inez Early, Bea Mouganis. Picture taken on August 21, 1979.

"The group meets every week at the homes of the members. Presently we are studying the book paper by paper, although for special occasions we have particular topics."

PERPETUAL URANTIA BOOK PRINTING FUND

The Finance Committee of URANTIA Brotherhood is currently working on developing a fund raising program for the seventh printing of *The URANTIA Book*. The goal is to raise \$210,000. This fund drive, if successful, will allow URANTIA Foundation to print 25,000 books and establish a fund so that they will be able to print books in perpetuity.

Frank Sgaraglino, chairman of the committee, gave a short talk on some of the details of the drive at the 1980 Summer Workshops at Lake Forest Academy. He reported at that time that several societies and members had already pledged or contributed funds without any solicitation, and to date they had received in excess of \$2,000.

One method of raising funds will be undertaken in March; a phonathon is planned which will take place on five different days during the month, using the services of volunteers from the Chicago area.



Frank Sgaraglino

CORRECTIONS IN HISTORICAL ISSUE

Our Spring, 1980 issue stated that Dr. William Sadler was given the Van Award in 1970. This was a misprint. Dr. Sadler received the award in 1960.

On the same page in the Historical Issue, Lee Miller Jones was mistakenly omitted from the list of people who have served on the General Council in the first 25 years of URANTIA Brotherhood.

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1981 CONFERENCE SITE CHANGED TO SNOWMASS

As those who have been on the mailing list already know, the site and date of the 1981 General Conference was changed. Our Fall 1979 issue indicated it would be held at a YMCA Conference Center in Rocky Mountain National Park in August. This plan fell through and an arrangement was subsequently made to hold the gathering in Snowmass at Aspen, Colorado. This new conference site is superb. The conference will run from June 28 through July 3, 1981.

After the initial mailing, approximately 1,000 people either sent in registration fees or indicated tentative plans to attend. The actual number who do attend, however, is expected to be somewhat less than this figure.

IMPORTANT: If you have not registered and think you might attend, please reply as speedily as possible to Nancy Grimsley, Chairman of the Planning Committee, 1981 URANTIA Brotherhood General Conference, P.O. Box 126, Berkeley, California 94701.



Planning Committee of the 1981 General Conference. Left to right: John Hay, Marta Elders, Berkeley Elliott, Nancy Grimsley, Chairman, and David Kulicke.

1980 SUMMER WORKSHOPS

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The Fraternal Relations Committee sponsored a one-day session with presentations on the major groups of world religions, which included a question and answer session at the end. The Domestic Extension Committee and the International Fellowship Committee also held one-day sessions. These sessions included talks by URANTIA Brotherhood and URANTIA Foundation leaders as well as discussion of pertinent issues facing each of these committees.

Of noteworthy interest was a fairly sizeable group of French-speaking readers from France and Quebec, Canada. As several do not speak English, simultaneous translation was provided them by other multi-lingual members of the group. It was an exciting moment to see this new step taken toward the internationalization of the URANTIA movement.

As a part of the Domestic Extension Committee's workshop, the Publications Committee also participated by presenting an hour-long slide-tape production of "A History of the URANTIA Movement" as a pilot showing.

Several of the Brotherhood committees will again hold workshops in 1981 as a part of the 1981 General Conference.

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