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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Henry Scoggins



We have just returned from a very inspiring ASI Convention in Cincinnati. The Kunau sisters, Jacque Small, Mary Woods, Claudia Dustin joined Jim and Judy Culpepper and Marjorie and I staffing the Madison College

Alumni booth. We shared the history of Madison in creating ASI with a few folks who stopped by. Most had never heard of Madison College. There were a few who knew its history and several alumni who stopped by to chat. It is amazing to experience an ASI Convention, see the wide range of exhibitors, hear the reports, enjoy the music and the outstanding speakers and to realize that this all came from Madison. The reports from the field were every bit as interesting and exciting as I remembered those given when the convention was held at Madison back in "our" day. The former Association of Self Supporting Institutions, now ASI, has seen tremendous growth but the same spirit is present among all the members.

ASI granted \$16,000 to the alumni association to digitize the Madison story. The grant to digitize all the Madison historical documents was included in the funds collected on Sabbath. The budget for all the grants planned was \$1.2 million but the morning offering was over 1.7 million which will allow more projects to be funded.

I would encourage everyone to attend an ASI convention, you will be blessed!



Mary Woods, Claudia Dustin and Henry Scoggins attend the ASI Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio.

LAYMAN FOUNDATION RESTRUCTURES

Albert Dittes

The Layman Foundation, once the financial arm of Madison College, has fallen on hard times and is struggling to find a financial base now that the personal fortune of Lida Funk Scott is mostly tied up in the properties of self-supporting schools.

The Headquarters started out on the Madison campus, then moved to makeshift circumstances in Little Creek in East Tennessee and ultimately Collegedale, Tenn. The Foundation needed a permanent headquarters and new financial base.

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MADISON HOMECOMING A SUCCESS*Albert Dittes (Editor)*

The annual Madison homecoming was a spiritual and financial success this year.

At least the offerings more than covered the weekend costs.

All this not to mention inspiring messages and music plus the wonderful fellowship with friends.

It all shows that the Madison influence is alive and well.

Harry Mayden spoke Friday night about the importance of accreditation. He has been an academy principal and led out in developing the Adventist educational system in Russia for several years, finding no conflict between meeting state standards and fulfilling the mission of the church. He reminded us that Madison attained accreditation as a junior college but never quite as a senior college.

The pioneers believed in accreditation. Percy Magan went to the College of Medical Evangelists to bring it up to American Medical Association (AMA) standards. In his correspondence with Lida Scott back at Madison, he repeatedly said that the AMA standards amounted to what Adventists should have been doing all the way along. He achieved accreditation for the medical school by stressing its unique ministry through the church.

Ed Reid, Sabbath speaker, said he worked two jobs at times during the day and again at evening while an academy student at Madison. He initially thought of becoming a lawyer and, once in the Adventist ministry, earned a law degree because of the example of Martin Luther and John Wycliffe. He reminded us of the imminent Second Coming of Jesus, something the school

was founded to prepare us for, and brought out the assurance of our gaining heaven with no risk as opposed to the worldly system of low risk with a more-chances-than-not certainty of no return, especially when playing the lottery.

These two men have spread the Madison influence around the world.

Steve Dickman spoke powerfully about the Madison philosophy of education continuing through the work of the E.A. Sutherland Education Association (EASEA), the accrediting agency of self-supporting schools. The Layman Foundation helped launch this agency.

Pat Silver had charge of the music, and Bill and Beverly Wilson told of how they began their marriage and distinguished career by doing what needed to be done at the Madison unit of Pine Forest Academy in Chunky, Miss.

Attendance at the alumni homecoming was less this year than last, and that trend will continue the farther time passes from the college closing in 1964.

But the Madison legend still grows.



LAYMAN FOUNDATION RESTRUCTURES

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The coming of a huge Volkswagen assembly plant to Chattanooga seemed to be the answer to meeting these dual needs. The board invested in property along Apison Pike in Collegedale just a short distance away from the proposed plant. Then it built a gleaming headquarters building with not only adequate space to house the Layman Foundation personnel but a storage area for its valuable Madison historical materials and also office space for the E.A. Sutherland Education Association (EASEA), the accrediting agency for self-supporting schools. The Foundation had taken on subsidizing EASEA as an extension of its mission to promote the work of Madison. State educational guidelines required a self-accrediting agency for the self-supporting schools with no administrative ties to the Seventh-day Adventist educational system.

Brian Traxler, head of EASEA, occupied an office there and also devoted himself to organizing the Madison historical materials.

The board also made provision to broaden its financial base by adding extra office space to the headquarters building to rent out to businesses expected to move into the area to service the Volkswagen plant.

The property is in a high-volume business area. The Volkswagen plant, employing 2,000 people, plans to double its capacity. An Amazon Fulfillment Center in that area is the size of 28 football fields. The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) has completed a new interchange on I-75 nearby with direct access to Volkswagen and plans to widen Apison Pike, into a five-lane highway going directly to the interchange. Funding for this construction will be in the 2014 budget, according to a TDOT spokesperson.

But the economy changed after the Volkswagen plant came, and the Foundation had trouble finding renters for the office space

and buyers for the 15 acres of undeveloped commercially-zoned property surrounding it.

They eventually rented the vacant portion of the building to Sky Angel, a media ministry generating \$187,000 a year in revenue.

But that was not enough to cover all expenses including debt service, insurance, taxes and utilities not to mention personnel, accounting costs and the EASEA subsidy.

The foundation is thus under pressure to exit the headquarters building and rent out the entire facility to generate more income to cover payment and interest on a \$2.5 million loan generating \$6,000 a month interest.

The Layman Foundation cut its subsidy to the E.A. Sutherland Education Association (EASEA) and eliminated one clerical employee in the headquarters office.

"We have stabilized ourselves by cutting expenses, and if we can lease our office space, we should be able to meet our obligations until something sells," says Steve Dickman, a board member active in negotiating the details of paying off the loan.

Treasurer Herbert Coolidge, who has long tried to find buyers for the land and renters for the office space, opposes vacating the headquarters building.

"I have moved the foundation office for the last time and view that as a negative," he says. "This building is designed for our benefit, and it makes no sense to leave it empty. It has a board room, storage room and classroom and not designed for many small offices. Converting it would be expensive."

The financial shortfall has put acute pressure on EASEA, which has moved its headquarters to Laurelbrook Academy near Dayton, Tenn., and hired a new director of education, Wanda Saar formerly of Ouachita Hills school in Arkansas, to replace Brian Traxler. Board Chairman Blondel Senior says they hope to

make up the \$80,000 a year subsidy lost from the Layman Foundation by assessing their schools, applying for an ASI grant and finding private donors.

He says they serve eight schools: Laurelbrook, Harbert Hills and Heritage Academies as well as Advent Home Learning Center in Tennessee, Miracle Meadows School in West Virginia, Ouachita Hills Academy in Arkansas, Wildwood Elementary in Georgia and Fletcher Academy in North Carolina.

"We accredit only in Tennessee," he says. "The other schools participate but we have no jurisdiction over them."

Senior thinks EASEA can come up with \$60,000 a year from school assessments and the ASI grant. "Another \$20,000 a year could keep us healthy but not rich," he says.

NEW EASEA CHIEF



Wanda Sarr became the new educational director of the E.A. Sutherland Education Association (EASEA) on July 1 after serving as principal of Laurelbrook Academy for two years. She has spent most of her working life at Laurelbrook and plans to do most of her EASEA work there while retaining the headquarters office at Layman Foundation headquarters for public relations use as long as possible. She helped develop an educational curriculum for self-supporting Ouachita Hills College in Arkansas and plans to maintain the Madison standard and philosophy in the EASEA system schools.

VISIT TO DR. SHAEN AND MAVIS SUTHERLAND

Jim and Judy Culpepper stopped by to visit Dr. Shaen and Mavis Sutherland at their home, Friendship Manor Nursing Home, Pewee Valley, Ky. Their place is just off the south/east beltway around Louisville, Ky.

They have two rooms that includes many things from their home in Lawrenceburg, including several of Shaen's paintings.

Their daughter Heather and her husband run the nursing home. This is why they have chosen this as their place to live. They still miss their home in Lawrenceburg.

Mavis has to use a wheelchair a lot due to a stroke. Shaen had a long recovery after bypass heart surgery, but now enjoys walking and pushing Mavis around in her wheelchair.

We all had an enjoyable visit.



Shaen Sutherland, Judy Culpepper and Mavis Sutherland.

RESEARCHER VISITS ALUMNI HOUSE



Dr. Fred Bischoff, director of the Adventist Pioneer Library, visited the Heritage House in search of health education materials produced by Julius Gilbert White. He found a syllabus and lectures among the historical materials of prominent people of Madison. Dr. Bischoff is based in Loma Linda.



Class of 1942 – Mary Belle ('42) and Edwin Martin



Class of 1947 - Margaret Adams ('47) with sister and brother-in-law, Naomi and Gerald Fillman



Class of 1952 – Thelma Pitt, Ramona Seath-Lubke, Velma Smith, Retta Robinson, Sue Owsley



Class of 1962 – Aida Henderson, Faye Brumagin, Henry Bedford (MTSA), Deanna Stilwell, Lily Cabansag, Alicia Verschoor



Class of 1957 – Robert Ley, Jack Northcutt (MTSA), Lois Northcutt, Louis Meyer, Evelyn Meyer, Bobby Harrison, Gene Harrison, Harry Mayden



Dan Johnson, interim principal, MA '87, welcomes alumni



Ramona Seath-Lubke



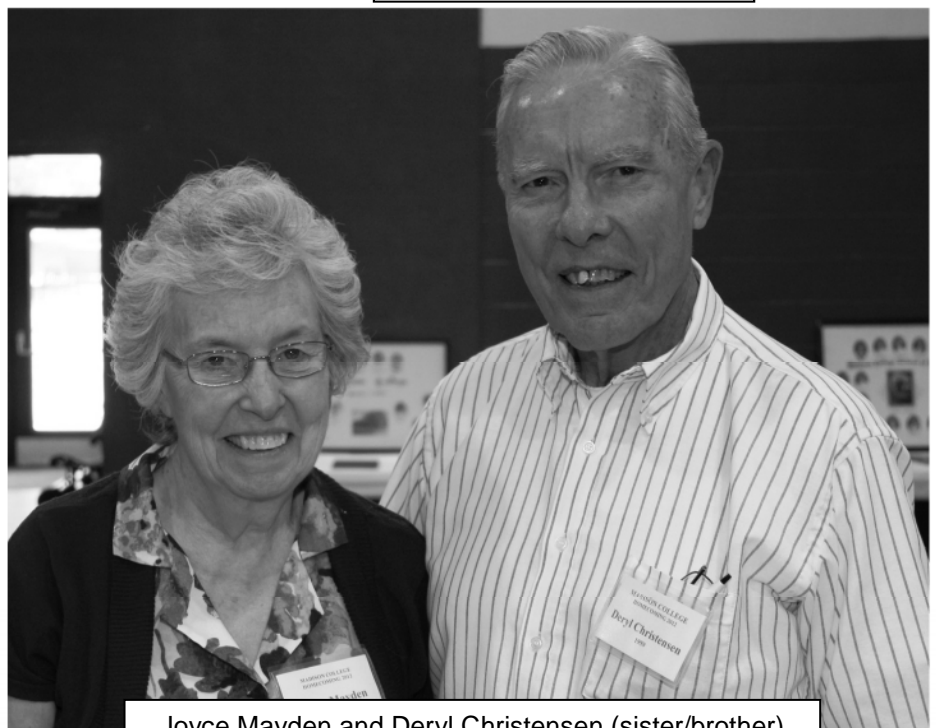
Serving breakfast



Velma Stewart Smith



Larry Hawkins



Joyce Mayden and Deryl Christensen (sister/brother)



Charles and Edna Myers



Ed Reid, MA '62



Harry Mayden, Louis Meyer, Gene Harrison, Charles Myers



Jim Culpepper, Evelyn Meyer, Mickey Rabuka, MCE '48



Charles Harris



Drs. Florence and Wilfred Stuyvesant and Steve Dickman



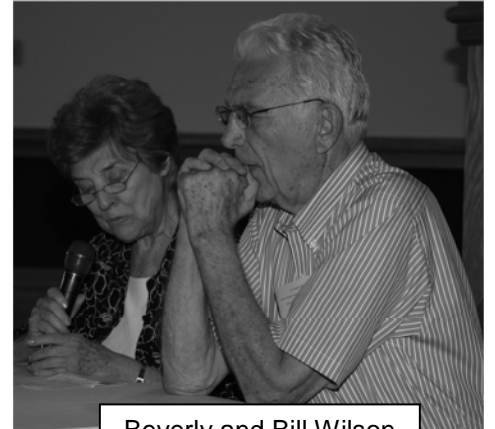
Barbara and Charles Elrod



The Moore Sisters: Charolette Clegg, Myrna Ferguson, Bobby Harrison, Evelyn Meyer



Edna Myers and Marguerite Roberts



Beverly and Bill Wilson



Billy Burks



David Patterson



Carlos Quevedo and Don Owsley

FROM OUR READERS

Gary W. Cantrell, Cleveland, TN: I remember all the beautiful buildings. I worked on the farm. I went to school with Dick Doolittle, Connie Just, Doug Beard, and Cindy Williams. The Workmans were our teachers. What a wonderful, beautiful, divine place.

Charolette M. Clegg, Siloam Springs, AR: Madison was a wonderful experience for my family. We made it our home for many years. Until my father retired and my parents moved to Idaho, going home always meant Madison and Madison College. It is still coming home and will be to me until Jesus comes.

Myrna Ferguson, Eagle, ID: When I think of Madison College, it makes me so sad that it no longer exists. I am thankful my parents moved to Madison and for the many memories and friends made there.

Rit and Carol Kunau, Longwood, FL: Sorry we will miss reunion this year! Very glad ASI is helping archive the History of Madison College. Greetings to all.

Mary Belle Ramsey Martin, Nashville, TN: I came so that I could get an education by my ability to work most of my way. I stayed because of the atmosphere of acceptance by students and faculty, no class distinction. I was baptized my freshman year – loved my time there!

Alicia Espinoza Verschoor, Carlsbad, CA: Madison was an interesting place to gain an education. Among other factors there was the diverse student body that came from across the United States and several foreign countries. I still have close contact with several people whom I befriended at Madison. Finally, I should include that I still recall my teachers with a great deal of affection.

Louis Meyer, Ellijay, GA: Enjoyed attending Madison College very much. Met my future wife there and also met many friends there that we stay in touch with.

Faye McColpin, Apison, TN: God raised that school up but man allowed the Devil to destroy it. God is still on the throne and the righteous Judge. He will take care of that. I might have graduated there but heard the accreditation was being lost, so I moved. I read the Survey. Thank you.

Zoe Cruzen Nelson, Hendersonville, TN: Many good memories of my years at Madison. I am grateful for the education I received there.

Ramona Seath-Lubke, Big Rapids, MI: Madison was awesome – highlight of my life, so friendly, so spiritual, loved all the worship times! It was like a beautiful walk in the woods, the walk from home through college continued on. Meaning all the wonderful Christian teaching from my mother and grandparents never ceased.

Lily A. Cabansag, Keene, TX: I took nursing at Madison College while my husband, Filemon, was taking a residency in family practice at the hospital. It was there where we received the fundamental principles of self-supporting work. From Madison we went to Honduras, Central America, and established a medical clinic and a 10-bed hospital. After five years, we came back to the United States and continued the self-supporting work in our medical clinic, 33-bed hospital and 70-bed nursing home in Santa Anna, Texas.

My husband passed away in February 2007 at the age of 81. He was still practicing full time when he died suddenly.

Reavis and Tomasia Leatherwood, Dallas, TX: Regretfully we will be unable to attend Homecoming 2012. In April 2011 Tomasia was inducted into the Southwestern Adventist University Alumni (SWAU) Hall of Fame.

Reavis has fond memories of his time at Madison, along with his association with Bernard Bowen. Both Reavis and Tomasia also have fond memories of corresponding with Mable Towery, whose vision/dream it was to continue an alumni association at Madison. We

send our heartiest greetings to the members of the Madison College Alumni Association.

Marguerite S. Roberts, Hartsville, TN: I would not have been able to be a nurse – even a retired nurse. When I finished school the final bill showed they owed me, who would have thought. I loved the school and appreciate the chance I had to go to school.

Robert M. McBride, Kettering, OH: Love to get the Madison Survey & read about the ones I remember and those that I don't remember.

Maureen Drake Watson, Santa Anna, TX: Hello to Madisonites! I know it is after reunion. Wish I could have been there. It is a long way from Texas and I'm a lot older than when I went back and forth to school. I still hear from some of my friends. I worked 45-years in nursing, 20 years teaching nursing at Odessa College in West Texas. God is so good to us Madisonites. He has followed and blessed in every way. I have two wonderful sons and four beautiful and handsome grandchildren. I pray God to be so good to each Madisonite.

I'm sending dues and more. Wish I had a million to send.

Hello to the classes of 1958, 1959, and 1960.

Thank you at the alumni office for caring and keeping the home fires going.

Mavis Sutherland, Peewee Valley, KY: "After Shaen finished the Laboratory course at Madison we went to work for Drs. Bryant and Myers in Woodbury, Tenn., for a year. Then we went to Loma Linda for medical school. After we returned to Madison, Shaen worked for Dr. Roy Bowes a year and then we went to Lawrenceburg, Tenn., with Dr. Joe's blessing. Shaen practiced medicine there for 45 years. We had five children: Yolanda, a nurse; Heather, a nurse; Chris, a pilot for American Airlines; Corby we lost in a 1979 accident and E.A. II in radiology.

"I stayed busy with church and community work as well as serving on the Conference

Committee for seven years, the KY-12 Board of Education six years and the Highland Academy board for 16 years. I served on all the boards of the church. Shaen was too busy to get mixed up with boards so I filled in for him. I served with Louie Dickman as a member on the Harbert Hills board for 45 years.

"After retirement about six years ago, Shaen had open heart surgery. It has been downhill since then. I had been having heart valve problems for several years. I also had open heart and had a stroke during surgery. Shaen also had a light stroke. They told me I was going to die as my lungs were filling with fluid. The children came in and told me goodbye. I prayed and asked the Lord to give me a few more years. I have my faculties and am so thankful. Since I can't write in longhand, I am happy for the computer.

Shaen is doing very well. He does a lot of reading. We have been active in the Alumni Association. I feel very attached to it. We enjoyed recent visits from Jim and Judy Culpepper and Al Dittes.

We are now at Peewee Valley, Ky., where my daughter's husband is the administrator of a nursing home facility. The address is 7400 Friendship DR, Room 303, Peewee Valley, KY 40056-9180. Cell phone: 615-869-8949. We'd love to hear from you.

RESTING UNTIL THE RESURRECTION

Ben Brost, 99, a retired teacher from Adventist schools, died Feb. 23, 2012, in Portland, Tenn., exactly one month short of his 100th birthday.

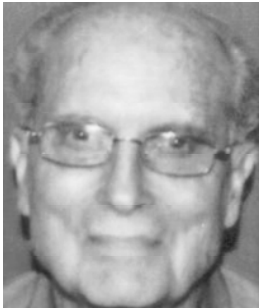
He was born March 23, 1912, in Wirch, N.D., and grew up on a farm. He attended Sheyenne River Academy in North Dakota, graduated from Madison College in 1938 and married fellow student Edith Werner in 1939.

He worked in community development in Celo, N.C., for the next seven years, then began a 30-year teaching career at Highland Academy, Portland, Tenn., in 1946. From

there he went to Enterprise Academy in Kansas and Campion Academy in Colorado. He served as farm manager at Highland and Enterprise Academies and earned a master's degree in agricultural science at the University of Nebraska. He also taught Bible, history and drivers education.

Brost retired to Tennessee in 1977. His wife Edith, a dietetics graduate of Madison College, died in June, 2003.

Surviving him are a daughter, Jean Davis of Lincoln, Neb.; and a sister, Hilda Husted, of Los Angeles; four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.



David Kingry, age 73, died on June 13, 2012, in Chattanooga, Tenn., from complications of leukemia and pneumonia.

He was born on Sept. 2, 1938, to D.C. and Elizabeth Kingry and grew up in Pensacola, Fla. He graduated from Highland Academy, Portland, Tenn., Madison College and Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, Tenn.

Kingry earned a bachelor's degree in education and also worked for 35 years as a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) based in Chattanooga.

Surviving him are his wife, June Kingry, of Chattanooga; sons Dwight Kingry of Atlanta, Ga., and Dewayne Kingry of Ooltewah, Tenn.; daughter Kandes Lambert of Huntsville, Ala.; three grandsons and a brother, James Kingry, of Pensacola, Fla. His sister, Carolyn Forney, preceded him in death.

The New Life SDA Church in Chattanooga honored him with a memorial service.

Lillian Gray McKinney, 80, a native of Hammond, La., and resident of Gresham, Ore., passed away on May 15, 2012.

Lillian moved to Madison College at the age of 14. There she married William (Mac) McKinney in 1949. Her oldest son, Charles Morris, was born at Madison in 1951. Her next son, Bruce, was born in Hammond, La., in 1953. She, her husband and her family traveled extensively throughout the United States



and spent a few years in Colorado, where their daughter Kandace was born. After that they finally settled down for 10 years in Rogers, Ark. Then they moved to Dayton, Tenn., where Lillian was a Dean of Girls at Laurelbrook Academy. They spent the next 20 years in Collegedale, Tenn. During that time she went back to school and became a licensed practical nurse.

After Mac's retirement they lived in Monett, Mo., for 10 years. During that time Lillian wrote a memoir about her life called "Blessings Untold." <http://bit.ly/NMpckR>. In 2005, they downsized and moved to 3ABN in Illinois to volunteer at the television station. Due to the health concerns of Lillian, they moved to The Village Retirement Community in Gresham, Ore., in May 2010.

Lillian leaves behind her husband, William McKinney; daughter, Kandace McKinney; two sons, Charles Morris McKinney and Bruce Wayne McKinney; along with six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister, Jessie Mae Burger; brothers, Leon Gray and Wiley Gray, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding Lillian in death were her parents, Charles Leon and Alice Bruce Gray; and sisters, Margaret Smith and Mary Florence Gray.



Jim Knight, 61, son of Madison alumni Kenneth and Viola Knight, died on April 25, 2012.

He was born in Madison, Tenn., on Nov. 20, 1950, and grew up in nearby Ridgetop.

He went to Little Creek Academy in East Tennessee and graduated from Andrews University in 1975, having majored in art and specializing in pottery and graphics. Here he married fellow student Elly Betat.

He taught art in Newfoundland for one year, returned home to Ridgetop for awhile, then went into business with college friends in Orlando, Fla, using his photographic and layout abilities to help start several successful national magazines: Classic Chevy, Late Great Changes, Super Chevys Limited and Pickups 'n Panels In Print.

After the company was sold, he continued to do freelance magazine work and car photography throughout the United States up until two weeks of his death.

Surviving him are his wife Elly; two daughters, Angelika (Andrew) Sorrow and Jamie (Simeon) Wiseman; six grandchildren; mother, Viola Knight, sister, Karen (Bud) Caldwell and brother, Edson Knight along with many nieces and nephews. His father, Kenneth Knight, died in 1991.

OTHER DECEASED ALUMNI

- David Hernandez, MD - March 1, 2012.
- Maydell Wilcox
- Vivian "Willie" Wilcox – January 2011

HELP WANTED

If you know of any Madison College alumnus who has passed away in the last year, please let us know either by e-mail or regular mail. We would like to make everyone aware of those who have fallen asleep in the past year. If you have an obituary/picture that you could supply, this would also help in keeping *Survey* readers informed.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The editorial staff appreciates your stories, comments and memories of Madison. Keep them coming!

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