# **Madison Survey**

# and ALUMNI NEWS



# **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

Henry Scoggins



Several volunteers are working in Heritage House to prepare the historic documents to ship to the Center for Adventist Research at Andrews so that the process of archiving the history of Madison can begin.

If there are extra copies of yearbooks, books and news letters, we will keep those in the Heritage House.

The future of the Alumni Association has continued to be discussed at the Alumni Board meetings. There are fewer and fewer alumni who are able to volunteer for work required to hold the annual homecomings and it is now necessary to pay folks to do much of the work. It has been suggested that we could increase the registration fees to pay for work previously done by volunteers for future events. Some have suggested that we change from every year to every other year. With the declining number of alumni who attend the reunion, the cost may be more than folks are willing to pay. number of alumni replied to the questionnaire mailed with the last Survey and the responses were almost evenly split between continuing to hold the reunion or discontinuing it.

The turnout for the reunion this year will be indicative of how we should plan for the future. Many alumni are not on the mailing list so we invite you to pass the word about the reunion in June to all of the old classmates you are in contact with and encourage them to attend. We look forward to seeing those alumni who are

regular attendees and it would be great to see many others who have occasionally or never attended. Share the word!

#### **HOMECOMING 2013**

June 21st, 22nd and 23rd

#### SPEAKERS:

Vespers – **Jim Herman**, Madison Academy, class of '63.

Sabbath School – **Magda Rodriguez**, President of Ouachita Hills College

Sabbath – **John Read**, Madison College, class of '53

#### **HONOR CLASSES:**

College: nursing, all one/two-year programs: 1938, 1943, 1948, 1953, 1958, 1963.
Amesthesia: 1953, 1958, 1963.

Since we no longer have a telephone in the Heritage House, for more information call:

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The meetings are in the Madison Academy Chapel and meals and fellowship in the gymnasium.

Registration begins Friday (21<sup>st</sup>) at 2 pm with supper beginning at 6 pm.

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# A PIVOTAL TIME

Albert Dittes (Editor)

The Madison story and influence is entering a new phase.

It all started on the campus in 1904 with a school, farm and then sanitarium. The founders passed off the scene and the three grand divisions gradually shut down for one reason or another. The alumni remained intensely loyal to their alma mater, but even they are approaching the end of the line.



Now the self-supporting work of the Madison-affiliated schools is going through a time of testing. With the Layman Foundation presently unable to provide financial support to these institutions, they are scrambling to find other sources of funding as is the E.A. Sutherland Education Association (EASEA).

While times and people change, the Madison influence will never die. In fact, it will eventually be available to anybody in the world with Internet access.

We are in the process of transferring our important historical materials at the Heritage House to the Center for Adventist Research (CAR) at Andrews University for organization and digitizing on the Internet. A complete set of Surveys going back to 1919 and several albums of enlarged, priceless historical pictures of the Madison phases of operation starts the collection. A set of yearbooks also will be available for perusing on the web.

Lida Scott's father earned a fortune in the publishing business, meaning she had a background in public relations and documented photographically every phase of Madison's work--schools, sanitariums, vegetarian restaurants, farming, industry--everything.

In going through the pictures, I found some priceless photos of the origins of Fountain Head Rural School, where I grew up in Portland, Tennessee. One

showed three young men searching for a site for the school on a ridge top. I positively identified one of them as the founder--Braden Mulford. The caption on the back said he was searching for a school site. That had to be in 1906. He took possession of the property in 1907. Another one shows the school family in its second year, according to the caption. I was able to identify the founding West, Mulford and Edmister families as young people.

These pictures had been sitting in a box labeled unit photos. Soon, they will be available on the Internet to everyone in the world.

Many other pictures like this from other Madison units will soon go on the web. Some of them came from Fletcher, Pisgah, Glen Alpine in North Carolina, Little Creek in East Tennessee and the Hurlbutt Farm in Georgia. With the help of some former residents of The Pewee Valley, Kentucky, school and sanitarium, I found a photo of two parents of people I went to school with. I was not able to identify the people in the other unit photos, but those of you familiar with their heritage will once you see them on the world wide web.

So you soon won't have to travel to Madison or Andrews in order to see these photos or learn about your ancestry in the Survey. It will be at your touch on the computer.

Madison has impacted every baptized Seventh-day Adventist in the world in one way or another.

### **HOMECOMING SPEAKERS**

## <u>Friday evening vespers speaker:</u> **Jim Herman**

Jim Herman, a hospice chaplain at Hamilton Medical Center, Dalton, Ga., and heir to a Madison tradition, will speak for the Friday vespers service at alumni weekend.

He graduated from Madison College Academy in 1963 after having also worked at the hospital and been part of the choir and band. After finishing college, he went into the Adventist ministry, starting out in the Arkansas Louisiana Conference. He has worked at Southern Adventist University since 1976, serving 15 years as chaplain and as director of children's ministry for 10 years. He assumed his chaplains position after retiring from 40 years of denominational service.

He has deep Madison family roots. Herman's father, Jim Herman, Sr., started college here in 1939, and his mother, Charmain Manzano, came the next year. His grandfather, R.J. Manzano, headed the hydrotherapy department at Madison Hospital for several years. A street near the campus is named after him.

# <u>Sabbath School speaker:</u> Magda Rodriguez

Magda Rodriguez, president of Ouachita Hills College in Amity, Ark., will feature the Madison model at work there during the Sabbath School program. A native of Puerto Rico, she became an Adventist after finishing graduate school and worked as an executive for General Electric for 15 years before joining the Ouachita Hills staff to head the business administration program seven years ago. She is completing her first year as president. "We understand the value of Madison," she says, "and require our students to read God's Beautiful Farm." The main college buildings are on Madison Way.



# <u>Sabbath Church speaker:</u> **Dr. John Read**

January – March 2013

Dr. John Read of Keene, Texas, the Sabbath church speaker and first music major to graduate from Madison College, will speak for church

at alumni weekend this year. He finished college in 1953, taught at three Adventist academies and then spent 20 years teaching vocal and choral music at Southwestern Adventist University and later opening a real estate office in that community. He is still active in church music and real estate development.

#### THE MILK PLANT

Jim Culpepper

The milk plant is the only remaining limestone rock building on the campus. Madison Academy building uses the for their maintenance. I worked in the Milk Plant in 1950 when I was a sophomore at Madison College Academy. It was here at age 16 that I learned to drive on the old army ambulance, which we used for a milk truck. I would drive down to the dairy and load 10 gallon cans of milk onto the truck and return to the Milk Plant, where it was pasteurized. I would also deliver milk to the Cafeteria, the San Kitchen and run a route around the campus delivering quarts of milk and other products to peoples homes. We used milk tokens, like the ones in the picture. Customers would leave tokens in a milk bottle for the number of quarts they wanted, 25 cents a quart.



It was here, when I was age 16, I used Menton Medford's 1937 Plymouth coupe to take my drivers license test in. My parents did not own a car. Menton Medford was a creative manager of the Milk Plant; we made ice cream, cottage cheese, chocolate milk and a number of juices. We had a milk separator where we separated the cream from the milk, sold the cream and made cottage cheese from the skim milk.



While working at the Milk Plant I planted a row of hedge plants along the front of the building, they are all gone now. I also planted a magnolia tree, which is now huge, on the right side of the picture. We had a reciprocity agreement with Davis Dairy in Amqui, about the location of the Lowes Home Improvement Store now. When we had a surplus of milk we would take it to Davis Dairy and when we ran short we would go to Davis Dairy and pick up what we needed.

Like most places at Madison, you learned how to work and had an appreciation for work. Just handling a 10 gallon milk can into and out of that army ambulance was a big deal for a 16-year-old. At Madison College, working was part of your education.

#### EASEA SEEKS BROADER BASE

Albert Dittes

Despite the loss of support from the Layman Foundation, The E.A. Sutherland Education Association (EASEA) is getting enough subsidies money from its 10-member schools to maintain stability.

"We are holding our own on a reduced budget," says Wanda Saar, director of education.

One of her goals is to broaden the EASEA financial base by applying for grants from other foundations. A \$15,000 ASI grant has helped with the transition and to provide professional development progress for the schools and teachers.

Requests for accreditation from schools in Texas, Utah and Alaska are leading her to explore options to go regional.

EASEA still maintains its official headquarters office in the Collegedale, Tenn., Layman Foundation building though Saar does most of the work 60 miles away at Laurelbrook Academy near Dayton, Tenn. "Since the bylaws allow for a secondary office, I work from home," she says. "I don't have secretarial help but am managing."

## WANTED - MADISON COLLEGE ANNUALS

Jim Culpepper

We are preparing material to place on the Madison College Web Page as part of the Andrews University Center for Information.

We want to put annuals on the Web Page from 1948 through 1964.

Thank you for sending your copy or extra copies to the Heritage House.

# We are missing the following issues:

1951 2 copies
1958 2 copies
1959 2 copies
1963 2 copies
1964 1 copy of the 60th Anniversary Book with the red cover, published in 1986.

#### **DUES FOR 2013**

Jim Culpepper

Thanks to all of you who have sent your dues of \$25.00 and donations to the Heritage House.

It is important that everyone who receives our Alumni Newsletter pays the \$25.00 to help pay for the costs of producing our quarterly paper.

Remember, if both spouses attended or graduated dues are \$25.00 per spouse.

#### THANKS FOR YOUR HELP

Albert Dittes

The Alumni Association took in \$10,000 last year and spent \$8,916, netting it \$1,640, according to a report Treasurer Jim Culpepper presented at the last board meeting.

Trimming office expenses such as disconnecting the telephone service and installing more efficient heating and air conditioning have lowered the operating costs.

168 alumni members paid \$4,195 in dues during 2012 and also donated \$3,288 at homecoming. Another \$2,827 came in for Heritage House upkeep.

#### FROM OUR READERS

Ramona Seath-Lubke, Big Rapids, MI: I am sorry it took me so long to respond to the 2012 homecoming, but my heart is still touched by the joy of seeing classmates and friends after all these long years! My life will never stray from all the beauty captured from Madison College...because of a deep mother's love and teachers and faculty that urged me on I am about my father's business today. Every time I perform in song/piano I am sweetly taken back to Madison, where much of my talent was developed. I thank you James (Culpepper) and all others for making Jesus so real to me. God be with each of you always!

Velma Stewart Smith, Rogersville, TN: We are still tending to our 30 acres in beautiful East Tennessee. I am still working part time teaching for the State of Tennessee. We count our blessings every day for the good health God has granted us. I believe the good lifestyle we had growing up at Madison was a blessing. My sister, Violet Lang, and I are the only siblings left in our family. Prayerfully we will all meet in Heaven before very long!

Charmain Herman, Columbus, NC: I'm elated at what is being done for Madison College to preserve its history. Madison College was the beginning of Jim's and my life together. Back in 1940 when I walked into the cafeteria at Kenny Kitchen with my three girlfriends from Battle Creek, Michigan, Jim spotted me and told his buddies "that's the one for me."

We had 70 years together in educational work and pastoring. I'm now 91 and Jim has been gone a year and a half. It seems that most of our Madison friends are gone too but soon we will have that long awaited reunion in Heaven.

Madison has held on for a long time and the result of its influence has gone around the world. I suppose the reunions will cease. I cannot attend anymore, but it was truly an institution of God's making.

Alvin Wilson, Graysville, TN: Responding to the "Annual Dues" invitation is my first contribution for the New Year. It was during my only year of college 1947-48 that I met my first and only girlfriend, Alice Belle Wheeler. We were married by Elder Glenn A. Coon, as I believe, his first wedding on campus, June 20, 1948.

I was pleased to be able to attend 2012's Alumni meeting and look forward to the Homecoming in June 2013. I was the only one at the 1947 table. I didn't remember the 1942 table and Elder Jim Herman was the only other Alumni member I really knew. He was a fellow worker in the Arkansas/Louisiana Conference when I pastored there.

Evelyn Emerson, Bearcreek, MT: I realize that it will be hard to keep going. I doubt that at 87 I will be able to attend any. However, I do want to say that I enjoy the pictures that cover it. The ones of my 7th and 8th grade students were wonderful; James, Lynn, Gail, Evelyn, Bobbi, Mickey, etc. Also, I like reading about the people I worked with.

Betty Peek Harold, Hopkinsville, KY: Dear Friends at Madison College Alumni: In trying to decide what to say about the input you asked for about the Alumni Association reunion. Ray and I are not able to drive much anymore so we have missed the reunion the last few years.

Probably as long as you have alumni who are able to attend and there are funds to cover the reunion is a blessing and a lot of pleasure to those who can come. To go beyond 2014 may depend on the responses to this input. You might also put something in the Survey to get an idea how many can be counted on to come.

I really appreciate the efforts of all the association officers and members who have made the reunions so successful over these many years.

### RESTING UNTIL THE RESURRECTION



**Steve Dorosh**, 83, died on Feb. 12, 2012, in Sutherlin, Ore. after suffering a series of strokes.

He was born on Jan. 7, 1929, in Boyle, Alberta, Canada, into an Ukrainian

family of homesteaders. He started his working life as a logger on the Queen Charlotte Islands off the coast of Canada and then went to Madison College, finishing the nursing course in 1957. Here he married Agnes Effenberg.

He then studied anesthesia in Spokane, Wash., and worked in Roseburg, Ore.

Surviving him are his wife Agnes of Sutherlin, Ore., and daughter Charlene (Larry) Wise of Battle Ground, Wash. His son Randy died in 2005.



**Pat Lee Scott**, 73, passed away on Nov. 24, 2012, in Tonasket, Wash.

He was born on May 22, 1939, in Mercedes, Texas.

Pat attended Madison College in 1958-59. He married Esther Edmonson, Aug. 18, 1959. He took lab and X-ray at Madison but when they moved to Avon Park, Fla., in 1961, he took on the job training to become a surgical technician. He worked in several hospitals in the United States and Canada until he took theology at Canadian Union College in LaCombe, Alberta, and graduated in 1972. He pastored in several churches in Canada until 1982 when he was called to Africa to be youth secretary and communications for Tanzania Union. In 1983, due to a motor vehicle accident, he sustained a spinal fracture causing quadraparesis over his entire body. Upon recovery he pastored in Texas, Kansas and Nebraska. He and his wife Esther finally retired in Loomis, Wash. On Feb. 12, 2012, he had a massive stroke and never recovered.

He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, two sisters, and a daughter, Sharia.

Surviving are his wife, Esther of Loomis, Wash.; three sons, Ron of Hubbards, Nova Scotia, Kevin of Jackson, Mich., and Roy of Peace River, Alberta; eight grandchildren; sisters, Leona Hester of Millry, Ala. and Opal (Jean) Peters of Carmichael, Calif.



**Dr. Helen Crawford Burks**, 80, died in an auto accident on Dec. 6, 2012. Her husband, Dr. James William Burks, Jr., survived and has been going through rehabilitation.

Helen Elizabeth Crawford was born on April 13, 1932, in Napoleon, Ohio, to Homer and Olga Crawford, the second of two children.

She graduated from Napoleon High School in 1950 as co-valedictorian and a member of the National Honor Society. She then went on to Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich., to study pre-nursing and finished the first in her class from the Hinsdale School of Nursing, Hinsdale, Ill., in 1954. She then went back to Andrews to study premed and graduated from the Loma Linda University School of Medicine in 1962.

Dr. Burks then did an internship and pediatric residency at White Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles and joined the medical practice of Drs. Kendall Brown and Dorothy Vollmer in Glendale, Calif., working from 1965 to 1969.

She married James William (Billy) Burks on June 2, 1967, and later moved to Madison, Tenn., setting up her solo practice, Pediatric Care, Inc.

She became the first pediatrician in Hendersonville, Tenn., upon joining the family practice of Dr. Jerry Maynard in 1970.

Dr. Burks was an active member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and with her husband formed and ran Evangelical Partners International (EPI), an organization financially supporting a Russian evangelistic team conducting meetings around the world. She was still a practicing pediatrician at the time of her death.

Survivors are her husband, James William Burks of Hendersonville, Tenn.; step-children Jim (Wanda) Burks of Hendersonville, Tenn., and Susie (Burt) Snider of Madison, Tenn.; sons Jonathan (Maresha) Burks of Goodlettsville, Tenn., and Joey (Crystal) Burks of Fairview, Tenn; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

#### **WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

The editorial staff appreciates your stories, comments and memories of Madison. KEEP THEM COMING!



Elden Ronald Wilson, 92, a former student at Madison and teacher at two of its units, died unexpectedly on Jan. 13, 2013, at his home in Cleveland. Tenn.

He was born on Jan. 10, 1921, in Boulder, Colo., to Ronald and

Elda Snyder Wilson and grew up on a wheat farm in LaCrosse, Kans. He graduated from Shelton Academy in Nebraska and attended Madison College in the late 1930s. He then taught at Fountain Head Rural School, then a unit of Madison College and now Highland Academy, in Portland, Tennessee, and later at the Sand Mountain, Ala., unit. He served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1947.

Wilson spent most of his professional career as a pastor-teacher in the Kentucky-Tennessee and Georgia-Cumberland Conferences. He attended Homecoming in 2011 at the age of 91.

Surviving him are two sons, Ronald (Phyllis) Wilson of Ooltewah, Tenn., and Terry Wilson of West Columbia, S.C.; a daughter, Diane (Larry) Hodges of Cleveland, Tenn.; 11 grandchildren; a brother, Lawrence Wilson of Ringgold, Ga., and Sister, Helen (Junior) Callis of Portland, Tenn.

His wife, the former Thelma Hughes of Nashville, Tenn., preceded him in death as did his sister, Dorothy Lundquist, and two brothers, Warren and Wesley Wilson.

Burial was at Floral Cress Cemetery in Bryant, Ala.



Albert Roland Parker, 85, passed away peacefully on Jan. 16, 2013, after a short stay at Beystone Nursing Home in Fletcher, N.C.

He was born at home near Bunnell, Fla., on Sept. 12,

1927, to Carl Osgood Parker and Ida Gwendolyn Mosby Parker. He attended Madison College in Madison, Tenn, where he met his future wife, Genevieve Hughes, and graduated as a registered nurse.

Genevieve and Roland were married in June 1950 following which Roland returned to school, using his nursing degree to cover their expenses. Roland received a degree in religion with a minor in Spanish from Southern Adventist University in 1952 and then earned his Bachelor of Divinity degree (now known as a Masters of Divinity) from the S.D.A. Theological Seminary then at Washington D.C.

After completing his education, Roland accepted a call to serve as a principal and teacher of Bronx Community School, in New York City where he would spend the next six years. He then entered the ministry, serving as a pastor for various churches in the Michigan Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

In 1967, Roland realized a lifelong dream when he entered the mission service, serving for three years as youth director and health educator for the Seventh-day Adventist church

in Bolivia. Upon his return to the United States in 1970, Roland resumed the pastoral ministry in Michigan until his retirement in 1989. In early 2005, just a few short months after moving to the Fletcher Park Inn in Hendersonville, N.C., his wife of over 54 years passed away.

Roland would again find companionship in Katherine (K.B.) Myers, whom he married on July 2, 2006.

He is survived by his wife, K.B., two daughters-in-law, four granddaughters, great-grandchildren and his sister, Dorothy Keppler, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. His sons, Robert and George, his first wife, Genevieve, and his sister, Marjorie predeceased him.

# **OTHER DECEASED ALUMNI**

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