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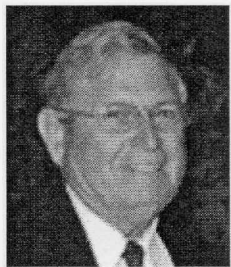


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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Henry Scoggins



Madison College closed its doors more than 45 years ago and the youngest of the alumni are now approaching retirement age. The reality is that the alumni association is a dying organization that will likely not have more than 20 years of life remaining. Madison, in its heyday, was an amazingly successful and valuable demonstration of a new concept in education. Those of us who were fortunate enough to be trained there left the school with a unique knowledge of how to work. We had the technical knowledge of our craft but equally important had work experience and went out as skilled workers. Graduates with that ability are not produced by modern day educational institutions. We were taught that there is dignity in work and we learned that education had value to improve the quality and satisfaction of our lives, not just some way to provide us with ability to do a job and earn a living. We went out prepared to improve the World we live in. And, we went out free of debt, having been able to earn our expenses as we trained.

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Homecoming Weekend Recordings

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MADISON HOMECOMING

The Madison College homecoming once again brought many old friends together to share fond memories.

Several people came from the West Coast and points in between.



Manzano Family
L to R: Eileen, David, Ben, Charmain, and Vern

The weekend especially featured the reunion of the productive Manzano and Mitzelfelt families. They were merely representative of the people there having distinguished careers in many fields.



Mitzelfelt Family
L to R: Patricia, Sylvia, Richard and Vincent

The attendance this year was slightly less than the year before, and the ranks will continue to slightly thin with each meeting. Yet the strength and quality of the people coming show the mark Madison College left on the students who came, an influence that has spread to affect in one way or another anyone bearing the name of Adventist.

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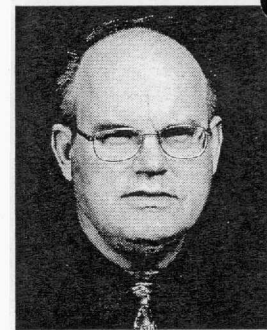
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THE MADISON ZEAL OF A NAMESAKE*Albert Dittes (Editor)*

Two cousins of my paternal grandfather - Frances and Florence Dittes - distinguished themselves by teaching nursing and dietetics during most of Madison's history. Some people ask me if I am related to them once they hear my last name.



Frances, the dietitian, went to Madison in 1910 and remained through the rest of her life, dying in 1979. Florence, head of nursing education for many years, went shortly afterward and died prematurely in 1935.

They grew up in Minnesota, and I found some inspiring news notes about them as young women in the Northern Union *Reaper* at the *Adventistarchives.org* web site.

Their father, Fred Dittes, became an Adventist in 1899, according to his obituary, and was active in the church.

They both followed his good example. The June 30, 1908, edition of the *Reaper* lists them among the "agents" selling Adventist books. Frances was about 18 at the time and Florence about 23.

Florence taught church school in St. Paul the year Frances went to Madison. A May 31, 1910, news report says she "closed her school last week after a successful term of nine months." In a December, 1910, issue, her name appears with all other Minnesota Conference church school teachers, with St. Paul having an enrollment of 20.

"Nine of these pupils have walked two and four miles to school most of the year," Florence wrote in summing up the school year in the June 6, 1911, edition of the *Reaper*. "Some of the parents have sacrificed greatly to meet tuition and car fare for their children."

Then she added, "But although no apparently great results of the school have been seen, we know the sacrifices have not been in vain. Every effort has paid, for under the influence of God's Spirit we have watched some young lives grow more tender and more reverent and obedient; and it has led those of us who have had these lives under our influence to renew our determination to more perfectly reflect the image of Christ in our lives. Then it has paid, too, because God has promised that seeds of truth faithfully sown shall not return unto Him void."

Florence went to Madison during the summer of 1911, according to an August news note. "Miss Florence Dittes passed through Minneapolis last week en route to the convention of self-supporting workers at the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute. Miss Dittes will attend this institution next year."

"The *Reaper's* weekly visit to our library table here at Madison is indeed a welcome one, especially to us eight Minnesota people," she wrote in the May 28, 1912, edition. "We look forward to its arrival with almost as much interest as to a letter from home."

Florence then showed she had caught the Madison missionary spirit to the then-underprivileged South, something she would never lose.

"Our school year is just closing and I can truthfully say that it has been one of the most profitable as well as pleasant years I have ever experienced," she wrote. "It has proven an eye-opener to the needs of a long-neglected mission field that lies right at our door, the woe of which has caused Christ to weep. It has strengthened determinations to be zealous and active in the work of moral renovation which must be done before Jesus can come. The information gained in simple treatments and practical nursing has helped us to see why 'small local sanitariums should be established in connection with our training schools,' for it has fitted those who took that course to carry on more successfully any branch of this work they may choose to follow."

She closed by asking for prayers of the folks back home "that our faith fail not, and that God's people will awake to the instruction given in Vol. 7, pages 229, 230 and that many workers be sent to this sin-darkened field."

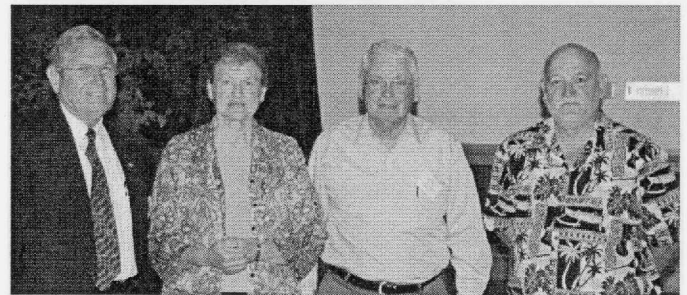
When she wrote this, young Florence Dittes had no way of knowing that her 23 years of high-level nursing work at Madison would have a part in developing the Southern Union into the largest, richest Union in the North American Division.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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Today, the culture we find in most all developed nations is not attuned to such a concept in education. It is my opinion, however, that the "Madison Plan" would work well in many of the developing nations. Therefore, I suggest that the Madison College Alumni Association can have a valuable role, in its declining years, to share the Madison concept of education. Much of the history of Madison and the details of its success are contained in dusty, old books and papers. The Alumni Association can cause that material to be made available to everyone electronically. I think that it would be a worthy cause for those few of us who remain to make the details of the establishment and operation of the school to those who may be in a position to re-create similar institutions in settings where it may be appropriate.

NEW ALUMNI OFFICERS



New officers were elected to the Alumni Association on June 25, 2011. From left to right (above): Henry Scoggins, president; Jacque Small, vice president; Jim Culpepper, secretary/treasurer; George Stilwell, assistant treasurer.

Albert Dittes was thanked for his service to the association. He will still serve as Editor of the Madison *Survey* and Alumni News.

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HERITAGE HOUSE REPAIRS AND FINANCES

Jim Culpepper

We were recently faced with replacing our wind damaged roof and were concerned as to where we could come up with the \$5,000 - \$6,000 needed for a new roof. We had about \$2,700 in our savings and about \$5,500 in the Bob Sutherland Memorial Fund. We were fortunate that Adventist Health agreed for their insurance to pay for a new roof.

Since our Heritage House belongs now to the Adventist Health System, and has not yet been transferred to the conference, we pursued the Adventist Health insurance for some help. After several calls, it became apparent that they would consider wind damage and payment. We took pictures and got an insurance estimate and sent to Adventist Health.

About two weeks after Homecoming a stack of new shingles were delivered to our backyard. Our old roof was removed and new building paper and shingles were installed, including a ridge vent and two wind turbines we purchased. We are grateful and thankful for this blessing.



Installing a new roof

We do still have repairs to the front of the house where the fascia board holding the gutter is quite rotten. Part of the gutter blew down. We will need to replace the fascia board and then new gutter all across the front.

Our finances continue to be a challenge. We receive dues of \$25.00 from about 125 to 130 members each year. Some couples do send in \$50.00 for dues. This does cover the production of four issues of our *Survey*

newsletter each year – but we have a lot of other expenses.

We mail to 550 individuals and e-mail to over 100. Many who receive our Alumni News don't pay anything.

We do appreciate those who send in extra money when they send in their dues. At Homecoming several individuals came up to me and gave me several hundred dollars, realizing our finances are tight.

The board does look for ways to save money – we recently cancelled our telephone, we are careful with our thermostat, not too hot and not too cold.

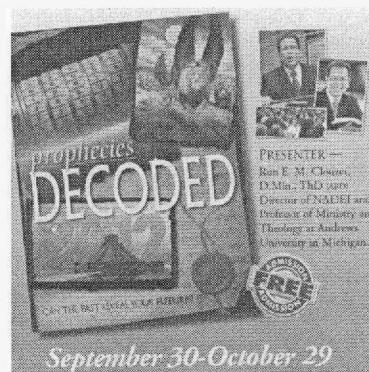
Repairs really set us back. Last year we had to replace our A/C Heat Unit for \$4,500. We had a leak in our water main that cost us \$200 to repair, paid by one of our Board members.

With a declining membership, we will all need to pitch in a lot more. Those who are not paying anything will need to step up and join those of us who regularly pay our dues. To save money, we don't mail receipts unless you request it.

Thank you to those who faithfully support your Alumni Association.

NET 2011 EVANGELISTIC SERIES

The Madison Campus Church will be the anchor church for the Net 2011 evangelistic series starting September 30 - October 29, 6:30 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST). Advance meetings have been held for the last few months in



preparation. Net 2011 will be broadcast on the Hope Channel and live streamed via the internet to churches across the United States and many foreign countries. **Additional information can be found at www.propheciesdecoded.com.**

ALUMNI WEEKEND NETS A PROFIT

The financial report for 2011 Madison College homecoming reflected a smaller attendance than the year before.

This year's homecoming showed a net income of \$993 compared to \$1,851 in 2010. People sent in \$1,978 for preregistration this year in comparison to \$3,385 for 2010. The good news was the expenses were less in 2011--\$2,677 compared to \$3,524 for 2010.

"We bought and prepared food for three meals of 100 but only 65-70 came," according to the report, "one meal for 200 but only 150-160 came."

The Board decided to send the preregistration form out with the Alumni news rather than in a separate mailing.

MADISON ALUMNI MEET IN ORLANDO



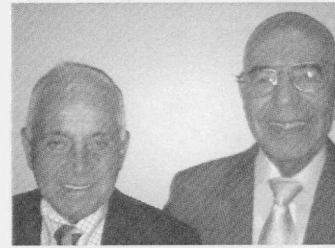
Madison Alumni get together in April in Orlando, Fla., hosted by John and Pat Bullock, MCA '60. Pictured left to right: John Bullock, Richard Kunau, Pat Bullock, Rex and Donna Leatherwood, Bill and Rose Holverstott Coolidge, Carol Hilgers Kunau, Priscilla Lynn, and Kaye and Noel Johnson. Seated left to right: Lois and Jack Northcutt. They enjoyed potluck meal and fellowship.

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madisoncollegesurvey@gmail.com.

OLD FRIENDS

Albert Dittes



German Pavia (left), a native of Columbia, responded to an advertisement for a course in diesel engines in Nashville when he was a young man. He made the sacrifice to come and take it, only to find that the school did not offer such a course. Since he had no money, the school authorities suggested that he could work his way at Madison College. He showed up in the President's office unable to speak English. Ernest J. Plata (right), a student at that time, came in to translate. He helped German enroll in school and became his closest friend on campus. Both finished college at Madison and went on to distinguished careers. Ernest J. Plata spoke for the Friday night worship service. German Pavia, a lecturer of Spanish at the University of Miami, returned to Madison for the first time since going to school there to express gratitude for how much he owed to Plata.

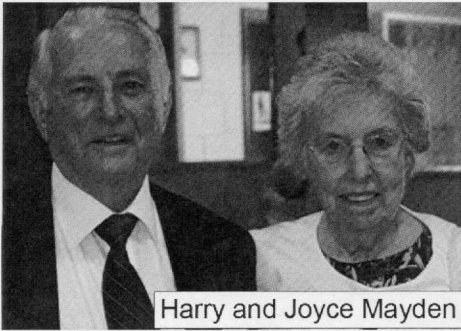
LARRY CHEEVER'S MADISON COLLEGE EXPERIENCES

When I came out of the Army I was told by my girlfriend's mother that Arlene (my girlfriend before the war) did not want to have anything to do with me anymore. I heard that she had gone to Madison College to school. I wanted to know if she really didn't want anything to do with me anymore or not, so I wrote to the school and was accepted.

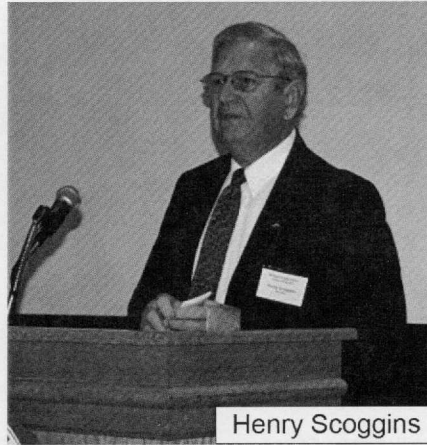
I spent a few months on the farm. I worked at the dairy and I remember the time the cows ate some wild onions. We had to put cut up raw apples in the milk to take the taste away.

After taking part of my high school, I took the GED Test to finish. Then I decided to take nursing. While in pre-nursing, I was asked to plan a Christmas program along with Lois Bale, the teacher, and others.

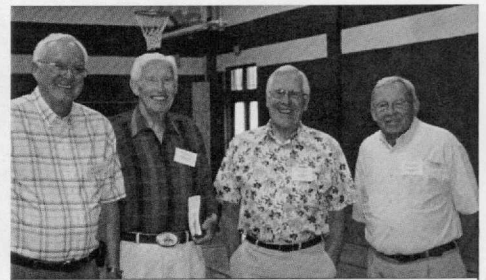
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Harry and Joyce Mayden



Henry Scoggins



Mickey Rabuka, Charles Myers, Louis Meyer and Carlos Quevedo



Former and Current Sec/Treas:
Stella Sutherland, Viola Knight
and Jim Culpepper



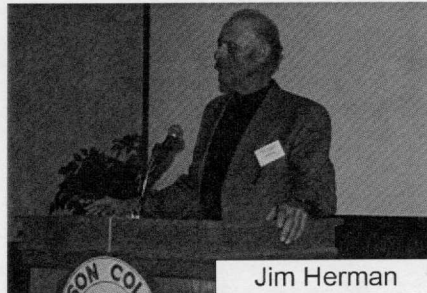
Edwin and Mary Belle Martin,
Pat and Bob Lowry



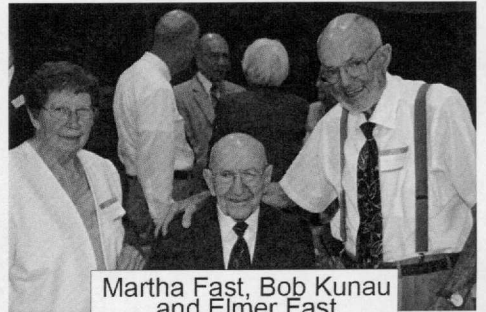
L-R: Cecelia & Ernie Plata,
represented class of 1956



Jan Rushing, Vern Manzano



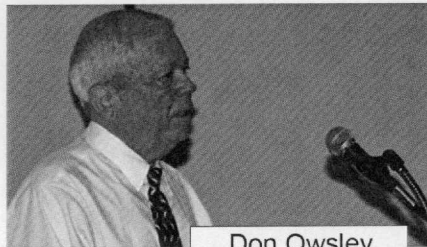
Jim Herman



Martha Fast, Bob Kunau
and Elmer Fast



Carol and Joe Wilson



Don Owsley



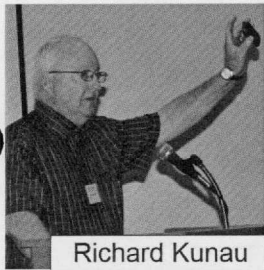
Joyce Mayden and
Carol Kunau, piano duet

Class of 1961: L-R: Elmer Fast,
Richard Sutton, Patricia Sutton, Mary
Gill, Margaret Carver, Barbara Pickel,
Carol Hilgers

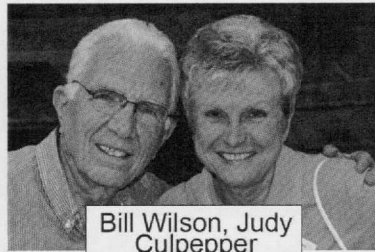


Class of 1951: L-R:
Clifford Ahlbert, Lois
& Larry Cheevers

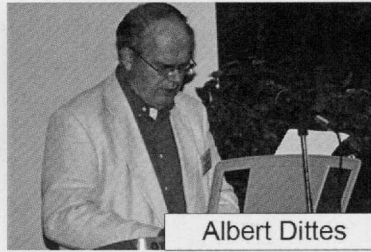




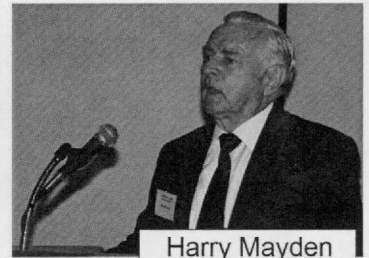
Richard Kunau



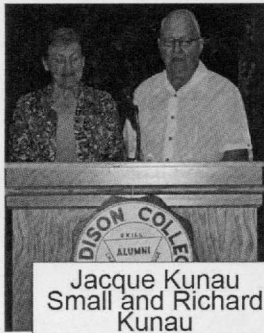
Bill Wilson, Judy Culpepper



Albert Dittes



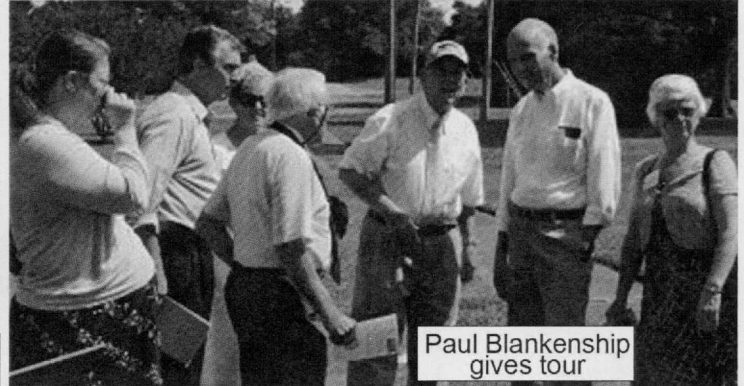
Harry Mayden



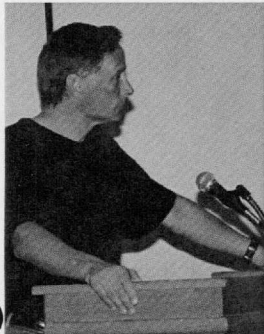
Jacque Kunau Small and Richard Kunau



Visitors at Heritage House



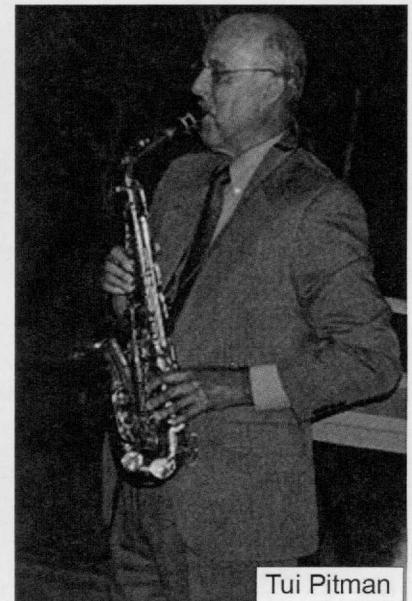
Paul Blankenship gives tour



David Denton, principal of Madison Academy



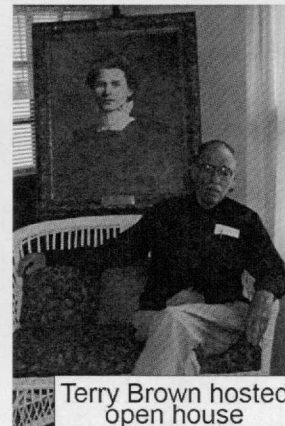
Class of 1958: L-R: Carlos Quevedo, George & Joan Roach, Mary Qualls, Marilyn Gunderson, Paul Blankenship, Terry Brown



Tui Pitman



Vincent Mitzelfelt and Pat Silver



Terry Brown hosted open house

Homecoming 2011



Cafeteria staff



Crew for Sunday Pancake breakfast

CHEEVER'S EXPERIENCES (CON'T)

The teacher and Lois both lived a fair little ways away in the same direction, so I offered to take them home in my car. Then I found it convenient to go back and see Lois more often.

Sometime later, Mrs. Hopper, director of the nursing program, thought we were thinking of getting married. So she said to us one day, "If you two are thinking of getting married, you should get married between pre-nursing and nursing so they won't make you miss school for several months." So we laid plans for Aug. 29, 1948. Neither one of us can remember making a proposal so I guess we just knew what each other expected. Anyway we have stayed together 62 years. I don't think anything but death will part us now.

At one point in time, there were four Cheevers working on the surgical ward (Lois says it was the North Hall) at the same time. There was my brother, Warren, and his wife Jewel, Lois and myself.

After getting my bachelor's degree in nursing, I started the anesthesia course under Mr. Bowen. Everything was going along real well until one day things seemed to go wrong. I got so discouraged that when I got home I told Lois that I wanted to quit anesthesia. She said, "You've gone too far to quit now." So I continued until I finished and I've been forever grateful for her encouraging me to continue. I think we got very good training at Madison. It was a great place.

After I finished my training at Madison we went to Peewee Valley (Kentucky) to work at the hospital there. After working there for awhile we went to Savannah, Tenn., where I worked close to nine years. There we helped to build up the church, giving five Bible studies a week and signing up close to 900 people for the Voice of Prophecy Bible course. It was here where we had the first five of our children as well.

In 1961 my brother Warren, who also had taken anesthesia at Madison, asked me to

come to Florida to help him in the anesthesia department in Winter Garden. So we left Savannah and went to Florida and have been here ever since, except for nine years I spent in West Virginia.

In West Virginia we organized a church of about 20 members in Webster Springs.

When I turned 70 years old, I retired and have commuted between the two places each year spending summers in Webster Springs and winters in Winter Garden. I like to garden in West Virginia in the summers because it isn't so hot there, and garden in Winter Garden for the warmer weather which allows for gardening in the winter months.

I am 90 years old now and doing pretty well. I still split wood and stack it for winter heat, and plant and harvest from my gardens. Lois is 83 but has difficulty getting around on her feet.



Larry Cheever chopping wood

FROM OUR READERS

Lucy Courter Butcher, '61 (Crystal Beach, FL): I remember James Herman with fondness. May we be faithful to the lifestyle Mr. Herman represented. I am a substitute school teacher now, after having worked with an attorney (who became a judge) for 41 years. I'd like to get to Madison Reunion but may not have the money. I'm planning to sell and move to an independent living facility in the area.

I'm involved with church planting in Palm Harbor, Florida (Tampa Bay area). We started with 30 members and now have about 70 members, meeting in a converted office area of

a local shopping center. We are praising the Lord we have a pastor and we're growing slowly! Let us be faithful to the Lord.

T. Henry Scoggins (Friendsville, TN): I have just learned of the death of Mr. James Herman, a student at Madison in the late 1930's or early 1940's who then returned to Madison in 1960 to head the Industrial Arts Department.

I had the privilege of working in Industrial Arts for him during the summer of 1960 and have always remembered him as being very kind and understanding. His influence on my life was profound and I have fond memories of the family. Mr. and Mrs. Herman graciously held a wedding reception for Marjorie and me.

Charlotte Hunt Alger (Ashland, OR): I appreciate your sending me this last edition of the Madison news.

The class of '41 was a great class and I wonder how many are left. I kept in contact with some until they passed away. The last member was Dorothy Wayne Bowes with whom I talked to on her cell phone a week before she died. My favorite teacher in nursing was Esther Johnson, who taught O.B.

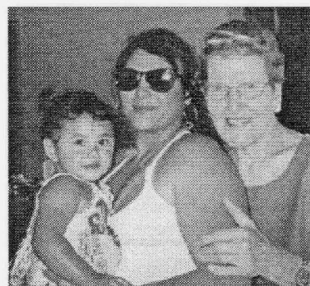
An incident that happened on graduation day was a memory not to forget. There was an organ concert in the Percy Warner Park and Gertha Brost and I went to hear it. At this moment I don't remember the popular organist. Anyway, when we returned on campus the '41 class was lined up to march into the chapel. If ever two girls changed clothes and got into our uniform it was Gertha and me. We were the last two to march in and I still don't know if we had our nurses caps on straight. God was good to get us there in time. I think the name of the organist we went to hear was Leon Cole.

I would like the next issue if possible to know who if any of class '41 is still living. I am now 95-1/2. It is by the love and grace of God that keeps me going. Thank you very much. God bless you.

Jo Sprague Wong (Pahoa, HI): Aloha – Just a note to say that I do enjoy reading the *Survey*

and a special note to Stella Sutherland. I hope that by now, she is able to make it through the day without unspeakable grief.

I have to ask about Mavis and Shane. I wrote to them at the nursing home but received no answer. Please let me know--as Mavis was my classmate.



I have lived in Hawaii for 37 years, 28 on Maui and the last nine years on the Big Island. I live in the Pahoa area, four blocks from the beach. My daughters each married local boys (both part Hawaiian) so I have lots of brown babies. They are truly the joy of my life. My adopted son will be 9 in December. I got him when he was 10-months-old. I often wonder where I get the energy to keep up with him! He is also a joy.

My husband died 10 years ago and I left Maui and bought a home here.

James F. Patton (Hagerstown, MD): I worked in the Madison College print shop from August, 1951 to December, 1951. Drafted into the Korean situation, I completed my education at other colleges, earning a master's degree in education and serving as principal and teacher in junior academy. I also spent 26 years as a nurse and 36 years as a paramedic.

Charmain Herman (Columbus, NC): Madison was the best thing that happened to me. I met my husband there. I don't see well anymore – but when Jesus comes I will see all again!

Walter Kohler (Lawley, AL): Maranatha, I am a WWII vet and a graduate of Madison 1951. Thank you for *Madison Survey*. I was treasurer at one time of Madison Alumni and worked at Echo Valley Academy, Wytheville, Va., Pine Forest Academy, Chunky, Miss.

Richard Mitzelfelt (Edgewood, NM): Growing up on the campus of Madison College (1950-1961), I learned the value of hard work

and responsibility. Christian teachers and influences were valuable beyond measure.

Eloise Young Jackson (Jacksonville, FL): I look forward to your report of the Alumni meeting. Enclosed is money for dues and Heritage Fund.

Howard Huenergardt (Zellwood, FL): Henry Scoggins has been very faithful. I do receive the *Survey* and had hoped to come to the reunion this year, but my son had his vacation planned at this time so we are unable this year.

Yes, the blessed hope is a wonderful promise of God that will not fail. "He that shall come, will come, and will not tarry." I finished my x-ray training in December, 1951. Then I transferred to Southern Missionary College to finish pre-med.

Lucy DePas Zetko (Crestwood, KY): On May 11, 2011, Lucy DePas Zetko, RN, class of '49 at Madison College was the honored guest speaker for National Nurses Day at the Robby Rex VA Medical Center in Louisville, Ky. I told several unusual experiences that happened during my career.

I am 91 and was nursing well over 50 years and stopped at age 84. I am happy I was able to give the sick, compassion and care.

I very much appreciated my training at Madison. Thanks to Larry and Lois Cheever, I was able to be at homecoming this year. I live in Crestwood, Ky., but am selling our house and plan to be in an apartment in LaGrange, Ky.

RESTING UNTIL THE RESURRECTION



James K. (Jim) Herman, Sr., 90, died of natural causes at his home in Columbus, N.C., on April 1, 2011.

He was born Jan. 8, 1921, in Cambridge, Ohio, the youngest of 12 children. After finishing high school in his hometown, he joined his older brother at Madison College., where he married Charmain Manzano on Dec. 18, 1941.

Military service during World War II interrupted his college education. He returned to Madison after the war ended, and graduated in 1947 with a bachelor's degree in agriculture. He worked toward his master's degree in education. He had enough hours from three different schools but never completed his degree. All of his work toward his master's degree was in education.

He then moved his family to California and was instrumental in helping Sacramento Junior Academy achieve high school status as well as developing an extensive busing program there. He also taught at Lodi Academy, and Folsom High School.

He then returned to head the Industrial Arts Department at Madison College for three years and later served as principal of SDA schools in Louisiana, Arkansas, Minnesota, North Dakota, Florida and Alabama.

He finished his career in the Adventist ministry, being ordained in 1984, and serving churches in Arkansas, Georgia and Tennessee.

After retiring, he drove an 18-wheeler more than a million miles and retired a second time to North Carolina.

Survivors are his wife Charmain of Columbus, N.C.; four children: James K. (Ellen) Herman, Jr., of Collegedale, Tenn., Ronald W. (Linda) Herman of Columbus, N.C., Jean (Ron) Smith of Naples, Fla., and Gary R. (Dawn) Herman of Arlington, Texas; 12 grandchildren, 19-great-grandchildren and a sister, Betty Templeton, of Marietta, Ohio.



Roy Clarence Wilkin, 85, a retired dentist, died on May 26, 2010, of kidney failure in Bakersfield, Calif.

He was born in Portsmouth, Va., on May 24, 1925, into a navy family. He attended Auburn Academy in Washington State and Ozark Academy in Arkansas, then served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He attended Madison and Pacific Union Colleges and worked as a lab technician and

nurse-anesthetist for several years before going to dental school. He graduated from Loma Linda in 1962.

He practiced dentistry in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, San Francisco and Blythe, Calif., retiring in 1996. He then lived with a son in Bakersfield, Calif., dying there last year.

He married Mary Halley of Fort Smith, Ark., in 1948. They later divorced.

Surviving him are two sons, Joseph Wilkin of San Diego and Roy Wilkin of Bakersfield, Calif.; a daughter, Judy Wilkin of St. George, Utah, seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. His oldest son Mark died in a 1982 auto accident.



Clifford Tonsberg, 84, a former academy teacher and missionary to Mexico, passed away on June 10, 2011. He had been suffering with cancer and died of a sudden heart attack.

He was born in Hawaii on Aug. 4, 1926, to a Portuguese mother and sailor father.

Tonsberg went to school at Madison after the pioneers had passed from the scene but kept the self-supporting tradition alive by going to Mexico on his own, purchasing land and starting schools. He virtually hand cut out a mission school and medical clinic out of the Chiapas, Mexico, jungles. He turned the school over to the conference. It now operates as Universidad Linda Vista.

He graduated from Auburn Academy in Washington State in 1945, hoping to be a photography specialist. He then served for two years in the U.S. Army.

He enrolled at Madison College in 1948 and graduated in 1952 with a major in religious education and minor in agriculture.

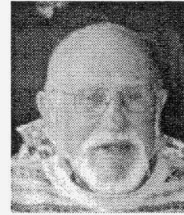
He served as boys dean at Little Creek Academy from 1952-1962, then spent the next 15 years working in Mexico, first at Yerba Buena and Linda Vista Missions in Chiapas and then at a school named Monte Bello he

started in Sabanilla. He developed a farm, school and clinic there as well as met his wife, Maria Lara.

Tonsberg later returned to teach at Linda Vista, the school he had founded, then back in the United States at Pine Forest Academy, Wildwood and Laurelbrook. He moved to Collegedale, Tenn., in 1999 and worked for several years at Collegedale Casework.

He was buried in Chattanooga Military Cemetery.

Survivors are his wife Maria Tonsberg of Collegedale, Tenn.; daughter Denise Tonsberg of Baltimore, Md.; and son Clifford Jr., of Collegedale.



Sanford E. Peck, 97, died peacefully in his home in Buchanan, Mich., after a brief illness, on February 12, 2011.

He was born April 16, 1913, in Marshfield, Wis. to the late Benjamin and Florence Peck. He married Oline King in 1935, who preceded him in death in 1992.

In 1946 he graduated from Emmanuel Missionary College with a degree in math and physics. Following graduation he became dean of men at Madison College. He also taught math 1-2-3, machine shop, and ran the hospital boiler.

In 1951 he went back to school and received an engineering degree at Vanderbilt University. He moved to Michigan in 1969 and taught shop for ten years.

He married Jacqueline (Jackie) Collins in 1995. They moved to a farm near Buchanan, MI, and raised grapes and chickens.

Surviving him are his wife Jackie Collins; sons, Neil (Barbara) Peck and Robert; stepdaughters, Elizabeth (John) Akers and Mary (Dan) Pfeifle; stepson, Steven (Ladonna) Collins; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; six step-grandchildren. A daughter, Ella May Patterson, preceded him in death.



Ronald Elton Schmale, 76, of Salem, Ore., died June 24, 2011, from complications of surgery at Oregon Health Sciences University Hospital in Portland.

He was born Dec. 4, 1934, in Longview, Wash., to Herbert and Mabel (Cage) Schmale. While still young, they moved to Gentry, Ark., Wildwood, Ga., and then to Madison, Tenn. He went to Madison Academy and College, graduating with a bachelor's degree in medical technology in 1960. He was an excellent student and was listed in Who's Who of America twice throughout his college days.

On June 9, 1960, he married June Davidson, a registered nurse. They lived and worked at Madison Hospital for many years and had four daughters. The family moved several times, living in Yakima, Wash., Soap Lake, Wash., Portland, Ore., College Place, Wash., and Brewster, Wash. After their divorce, he moved back to College Place where he met and married Shirley Terry on May 15, 1983. He

worked at Providence St. Mary Medical Center for 20 years until his retirement in 2002.

Ron enjoyed camping with his family and traveling with his wife, Shirley, across Europe in 1990. Other interests included riding dirt bikes, spelunking, and fishing with his daughters, backpacking, bicycling; and he loved caring for birds. His passion was playing the trumpet, and he was in two trumpet ensembles for many years. He suffered a heart attack in 2003 and battled cancer for eight years.

Survivors are his wife, Shirley P. Terry of Salem, Ore.; daughters: Rhonda Randall of Hermiston, Ore., Donna Michel of Caldwell, Idaho; Tamara Partney of Pendleton, Ore., and Sandra Hendrickson of Echo, Ore.; step-daughters: Gwendolyn Hessong of Tigard, Ore.; Carolyn Boss of Rolesville, N.C., and Jacquelyn Carman of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; 16 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. His parents, an infant brother and a step-grandson preceded him in death.

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