MADISON ALUMNI SHAKEN BUT SAFE
Albert Dittes

When a March earthquake rocked Japan, Ichiro Tabuchi, was out walking.

His daughter Naomi wrote, "After the earthquake Friday at 2:45 p.m., I soon phoned to my mother and luckily I could talk to her. She said my father went for a walk at that time. He felt earthquake but he could come back home safely."

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NEWLY FRAMED PORTRAITS

Board members of the Madison College Alumni Association pose by newly-framed portraits of William Sandborn and Sallie Sutherland after their March meeting. These pictures will be mounted in the Heritage House in their honor.

The Rushing family in Collegedale framed these portraits without charge.

Left to right: Albert Dittes, Henry Scoggins, Bill Wilson, George Stilwell, Charles Harris, Billy Burks and Jim Culpepper.

HOMECOMING SPEAKERS

Tui Pitman (Sabbath): Tui Pitman, speaker for alumni homecoming this year, grew up on the Madison campus.

His mother, Dr. Naomi Pitman, moved the family here in 1949. Her husband, a medical missionary physician in South America, had just died in a plane crash in the Andes Mountains. She worked as a Pediatrician and Nursing Instructor at the hospital until transferring to teach Pediatrics at the Loma Linda University School of Medicine in 1962.

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Ernest J. Plata (Friday Evening): Speaking for the Friday night service at alumni weekend will be Dr. Ernest Plata, a Madison academy and college student during the 1950's.

"I took about everything they had to offer," Plata says in describing his years at Madison from 1951 to 1956.

He started in academy, then studied X-ray, Medical and Surgical Technology, Hydrotherapy and Dietetics. He then earned a Masters degree in Chemistry education at Vanderbilt and Peabody, followed by a second Masters and Doctorate in Immunology and Virology.

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FAREWELL TO AN ICON

Albert Dittes (Editor)

With this issue of the Survey we bid farewell to Dr. J (Jasper) Wayne McFarland, a symbol to the Seventh-day Adventist Church of the health message and medical missionary work.

Madison College produced many successful physicians, of whom my father was one, but Dr. McFarland was perhaps the most widely known.

The medical profession tends to frown on physician publicity. My father used to say that a doctor's medical practice should be built on professional, not promotional skill.

Dr. McFarland, however, used his public relations talents not to advertise himself but the Adventist lifestyle and message. I always thought of him as helping many people to stop smoking or writing articles teaching better living.

At a Friday night service one alumni weekend, he said he heard about Madison while growing up in California from someone speaking highly of the school. He thought it unusual because that person had just been dismissed. Why would someone talk like that about a school that had just kicked him out?

Young McFarland and his parents moved to Madison and found out. He turned out to be a perfect fit for the Madison philosophy. My father went to college with him and said he was then active in giving health talks at various places, a fitting foundation for his later career.

I had the privilege of meeting Dr. McFarland during my seminary training for the Adventist ministry. A group of us worked with him one summer in Philadelphia. He was conducting Five-day Plans then with a local pastor and attracting 400 people to each session, right in the downtown area. He had a great interest in big city evangelism and invested a lot of energy in that as well as teaching at a medical school. I clearly remember him saying that the union of the medical and ministerial arms of the church was the most powerful combination in proclaiming the gospel. He exemplified that in starting that Five-day Plan with a clergyman.

I later learned that Dr. McFarland worked closely with Dr. E.A. Sutherland in starting ASI, now a giant Adventist lay movement.

So Dr. McFarland carried the Madison influence around the world.

He therefore joins the Madison pioneers in being part of Adventist history.
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She added that "trains stopped all day. So many people working at Tokyo couldn't come back home on Friday. They stayed in their office or station. The train moved again on Saturday afternoon in Kanto area. However compared to Northern part of Japan, damage of our area is little. So we had a tsunami but not big tsunami like northern area."

"I and my father are all right," she wrote in another e-mail. "I heard that several Adventist schools and church buildings got damage. The northern part of Japan suffered enormous damage."

Kiyoshi Fujita, a friend of Madison, wrote, "Though half of Japan seems in the great mess with earthquake and tsunami, it seems to me there is no harm for the Madison alumni friends so far."

He added that Mr. Ichiro Tabuchi didn't know of anybody from northern Japan ever attending Madison College.

"Mr. Tabuchi said that when he was at Madison College in the midst of World War II the political relation between the United States and Japan was the worst. The Madison College graduates returned to Japan after the war and contributed to the reconstruction of Japan so greatly in San Iku Gakuin College."

Tabuchi left Japan on the last passenger ship to depart from there before the bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941 and spent the war years at Madison College.

TUI PITMAN

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He graduated from Southern Adventist University in Collegedale, Tenn., and the SDA Theological Seminary at Andrews University, and has spent the past 27 years as a pastor, academy principal and trust services representative in the Gulf States Conference. Though retired, he currently serves as a special assistant to the principal of Bass Memorial Academy in Lumberton, Miss.

Pitman and his wife Fay have two sons, both physicians, and four grandchildren.

ERNEST PLATA

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Plata has enjoyed a distinguished career in scientific research, working for government and industry. He served as a fellow at the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Md., for 15 years as well as vice president for research at Bristol Myers for 14 years.

He retired to Jefferson, Texas, the hometown of his wife, Ceilia Kinder, then joined the faculty of Wiley College and eventually became vice president for academic affairs at this Methodist institution.

He currently maintains two homes, one in Marshall, Texas, and the other in Dallas, where his wife directs the information systems at the University of Texas Southwest Medical Centers.

Plata was born in Colombia, South America, and came to Madison through a friendship of his father, an Adventist minister, with Wesley Amondsen, president of Madison College in the early 1950's. He now feels privileged for getting to meet Dr. E.A. Sutherland.

"I am so very grateful for the "spirit" and orientation Madison gave me which has lasted to guide and energize much of my life, even today," he says. "I am also thankful for the team's leadership in keeping the concept of Madison alive. It is special and, as I hope to share on Friday evening, still relevant if not prophetic."

DUES AND OFFICE SUPPORT

Thank you to all who have sent dues and monies to support the Heritage House. These funds are greatly appreciated. We do not mail receipts unless requested.
MCDANIELS VISIT CAMPUS

Dean and Rosie McDaniel visited the Madison campus on a recent afternoon to apply the Madison model to their work of "mobilizing nomads" in Mongolia. Training Mongolian young people to work in their homeland through a school, restaurant, publishing enterprise and translating Adventist literature into their native tongue continues the work Madison began in the Southland. Here they pose in front of the Heritage House with their son B.J. and daughter Bethany. For more about their ministry go to: www.UpliftingHim.org.

BIRTHDAYS

Viola Salsgiver Knight celebrated her 90th birthday on Sept. 29, 2010. She graduated from Madison College with a dietetics degree in 1945. She then married Kenneth Knight, an accountant and also a Madison graduate, and worked with him in Robertson County, Tenn. They made their home in Ridgetop. Her husband died in 1995. She now lives with her daughter, Karen Caldwell, in Collegedale and spends the winter months with another son in Florida.

Robert (Bob) Kunau celebrated his 98th birthday on April 7th. He was very pleased with the 30 cards and letters he received, along with a few e-mails about the good times at Madison College and the influence he and his family had on the lives of the students’. Mr. Kunau came to Madison College in 1954 for the education of his children: two in church school, two in academy, and two in college. Madison College was not only a blessing to the Kunau family but still remains “home” for them.

READER COMMENTS

Joseph W. Bondranke, ’51, (Knoxville, TN): Greetings to Madison, many fond memories. I am not sure if I and my wife, Gilda, ’51, can attend the reunion in June.

Mrs. Eunice May was one of the nursing instructors. Husband, Luther, graduated in 1950; had two daughters at that time. Their youngest, Judy, was born later. Brother Luther worked in administration at Mount Pisgah Hospital, later in Avon Park, Fla. He was ordained as a pastor at the age of 35, served many years in this capacity. He baptized our current Pastor Bruce Trigg, married to their youngest daughter, Judy.

Mrs. May is currently living in Madison, Tenn. Mrs. Eunice May played the piano and Judy on the organ last Sabbath, March 12, 2011, in the Oak Ridge church. Mrs. May plans on attending the Alumni weekend at Madison.

Please remember Gilda in her medical needs and myself.

G. Ellis Burcaw, ’39-’41, (Tuscon, AZ): Thank you for printing in the Survey my letter recommending that a review of Dinosaurs -- An Adventist View be included in that newsletter. And thank you especially for your long and thoughtful comments. I have found the book listed by Amazon.com with reviews. Some Survey readers might be interested in knowing that the book is listed at $34.95, shipping free, and that the site includes several enthusiastic reviews.

These are by Neal C. Wilson retired president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists who wrote a forward for the book, and by Donald R. Sahly former president of Southern Adventist University and of Southwestern Adventist University. Four others wrote glowing tributes including Arthur Chadwick of Southwestern Adventist
University, and Gary Oliver of Loma Linda. There were no unfavorable comments.

You explained that dinosaurs were created by human beings, the descendants of Adam and Eve, acting improperly. This must have been done repeatedly on all continents, since dinosaur remains are found everywhere, throughout the world. So people thousands of years before Columbus were sailing across the world’s oceans, living, perhaps, as widely dispersed as people today. But Noah’s flood destroyed all traces of them and their civilizations. I expect that David Read deals with that in his large book. You explained that the book’s large size was due to his arguments and explanations aimed at non-believers. Adventists would not need all of that and could have been satisfied by a smaller book.

The paradox, of course, is that the people who need the large book are not likely to read it. The large treatment for Adventist readers would be an illustration of "preaching to the choir" perhaps.

Interesting material. Thank you, too, for mentioning that Ellen G. White’s prophetic writings contributed to Mr. Read’s research.

Raymond G. Campbell, ’61, (Columbus, OH): I had been meaning to send dues for some time, just neglected to do so.

I would love to be there for homecoming but do not think I will be there.

I enjoy receiving the Survey. Keep up the good work. Take care. You are doing a good job.

Joe and Shirley Fields, (Colville, WA): What a joy it is to receive the Madison Survey. It brings back such happy memories.

Joe and I met at Madison College. We were married at the Boulevard SDA Church in 1961. September 10 of this year we will have had 50 blessed years of marriage. We have three wonderful children. Thanks for all you do.

Vanessa Standish Ford, (Loma Linda, CA): I just want to express in a few words the joy I have received in reading the last copy of the Madison Survey.

So many people I can remember from my days growing up in Madison. I lived there all of my childhood and academy days. I graduated from academy in 1937 – wonderful memories! I remember Bernard Bowen, Bill and Beverly Wilson, Neal Wilson and his family! – Oh, such memories!

Forgive me for taking your time with this. Just had to say THANK YOU! For the Survey!

June Mathiesen (Echo, OR): Thanks for giving me notice for my check not clearing. Didn’t realize that the address had changed. Hope things are going well with you and your family. It seems as though my life changes around every 20 years or so due to changes not under my control. Sorry this has taken me so long in responding to your letter. It was laid aside and not noticed until a week ago. Here is the information you asked for.

My ex-husband, Ronald Schmale, lives in College Place, Wash. I see him now and then but neither he nor his wife are very well. They both have had cancer and he has had a heart attack, by-pass surgery, and several surgeries for his cancer. He looks pretty good, at least the last time I saw him.

Just to let you know, my husband, Ted Hendrickson, passed away in July of 2008. I have married Fred Mathiesen. I don’t have a computer as yet, however. I’m getting one in two weeks. I won’t know how to use it because I have never been in a position to use one but now I think it is time.

I enjoy reading the Madison Survey and hope it will continue to come. It is always nice to read about our friends and classmates, and sorry to see so many are passing away. Someday soon I hope to be seeing them all again when Jesus comes.

Kenneth and Lorene Fipps Trussell (Salem, OR): Thank you for the Survey and taking care of the Heritage house.
RESTING UNTIL THE RESURRECTION

CORRECTION

From an obituary “MTSA Founder dies at 93” in the January-March, 2011 Survey: Dollie and Bernard Bowen had two foster daughters, eventually adopting one, and Dr. McKinney was Dollie’s nephew. We apologize for this error.

Dr. J. Wayne McFarland, 97, passed away on March 14, 2011, at Loma Linda.

He left his mark at Madison as president of the Cricket Club, a group of young men on campus organized to help train the students to take the initiative and develop a sense of responsibility to improve the school. The Cricket Club, under the leadership of Dr. McFarland, put in a new sidewalk between the school and hospital in one day. He also, along with Lyle Herman, helped build the Science Building and did the stone work on the Demonstration Building arches.

He became one of the most famous graduates of Madison College through developing the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking with Elder Elman Folkenberg in 1960. They held their first program in Taunton, Mass., and caused a sensation in the early 60's in Denver, Washington, D.C. and New York. Television appearances included the Today Show and What's My Line. *Time* and *Newsweek* featured their work. McFarland estimated that the 5-Day Plan helped more than 20 million people around the world give up tobacco.

Jasper Wayne McFarland, named for his maternal grandfather, was born on Aug. 11, 1913, in Brawley, Calif. He spent his childhood years in his native state. Then Dr. E.A. Sutherland invited his parents to work at Madison, his father as food factory manager and his mother as teacher. Young Wayne McFarland finished his last year of academy at Madison and then studied premed for two years, entering the College of Medical Evangelists in the fall of 1934.

He finished medical school in 1938 and married Martyn Ingram in 1939.

He started his career at the White Memorial Hospital, having won a fellowship in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn. He became well known for successfully using hydrotherapy to treat polio. He became editor of *Life and Health* Magazine in 1946 as well as associate director of the Health Department of the General Conference. During these years, he worked with Dr. Sutherland to start the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions (ASI), now a thriving lay organization of Adventist business people.

He then taught at the Loma Linda University School of Medicine and worked briefly at the Battle Creek Sanitarium in Michigan.

His eventful years started when he became director of the Health Department of the Atlantic Union Conference in 1960. Out of that came the 5-Day Plan. He then taught at Temple University and later the Thomas Jefferson University School of Medicine in Philadelphia for several years. He again toured the world as associate director of the General Conference Health Department and retired in 1980. He continued holding frequent stop-smoking clinics in China and Russia, and the Ministry of Health of the People’s Republic of China appointed him as a Health Education Consultant in 1991 and 1992.

He spent his later years in Loma Linda. His wife, Martyn, died in 2008.

Survivors are two daughters, Patricia Anne (Lynn) Foll of Highland, Calif., and Boulder City, Nev., and Margaret McFarland (Roy) Benton of Takoma Park, Md.; three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Willis Elston Adams, 89, passed away on Jan. 18, 2011.

He was born Nov. 15, 1921, in Nevada, Iowa, and graduated from Oak Park Academy in 1942. He served in the European theatre during World War II, being discharged from the U.S. Army on Dec. 3, 1945.

He married Margaret Ann Jensen (nursing class of 1947) on Dec. 23, 1947. They celebrated their 63rd anniversary before his death.
Willis was maintenance superintendent, and Margaret served as a nursing supervisor at Imperial Garden, formerly Imperial Manor, in Madison, Tenn., for 17 years before retiring.

Survivors are his wife Margaret; two sons, Stanley (Charlotte) Adams of Roseville, Calif., and Bruce Adams of Long Beach, Calif.; a sister, Rowena Smith, of Cereses, Neb.; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Vera M. Bergmann**, 81, passed away on Nov. 29, 2010, in Delta, Colo.

Vera was born May 28, 1929 in Aurora, Illinois to August and Minnie Bergmann. She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Audrey Hulet; brother, Alfred Bergmann.

She graduated from Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia (MTSA) on June 30, 1967. Vera resided in Oren, Utah for over 40 years before moving to Cedaredge 8 years ago.

She was an accomplished accordionist. In April of 2010, she traveled overseas to Africa to visit a nursing school she founded over 50 years ago.

Vera was a member of the Cedaredge Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Vera is survived by her niece, Wanda (Dale) Kaiser of Denver, Colo.; and one sister, Ina Haugen of Rock Springs, Ga.

**Harlan Monroe Brown**, 89, passed away March 31, 2010 at his home in Monticello, Utah. He was born Jan. 1, 1921.

He met Verle Anna Hamel at Madison, whom he married on Dec. 23, 1948. They had seven children. Verle was an RN at Madison, about 1942-48. She passed away Oct. 6, 2001.

Harlan was a carpenter and farmer, having a degree in Agriculture. He loved to sing. He enjoyed reading the Bible and being in nature.

Surviving children are sons; Wayne, California, David, Washington, Marvin, Australia; daughters, Esther, Washington, Naomi, California, Martha, Utah; 13 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.


In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, Oveda Lambert Fisher; older brother, Albert Walter Fisher, Jr. & older sister, Jeraldine Fisher Hagewood-Young.

He attended Jones and Siegfried elementary schools and graduated from North High School in Nashville. He then attended Madison College for three years, where he took courses in X-ray Technology and Laboratory Science. There he met and married his sweetheart, Oveda Lambert, on Sept. 11, 1949. They had four children: Gary, Stephen, Alesa, and Kevin. Howard and Oveda lived in Waynesboro, Va., for one year, and then came back to Nashville, where Howard went to work for the Southern Publishing Association. He then became the Assistant Manager for the Kentucky-Tennessee Book & Bible House. He later transferred to Topeka, Kans., where he served as the Manager of the Kansas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists Book & Bible House. In 1969, after a short stay in Collegedale, Tenn., the family moved to the Orlando, Fla., area, where Howard was self-employed in the construction industry, and worked as a realtor. Howard and Oveda moved back to the Nashville area in 1979, where he again worked as a realtor and for the state of Tennessee. He retired at age 65. Howard enjoyed his retirement years, living in Cheatham County with Oveda and always looking forward to visits from their three grandchildren - Shana, Jonathan, and Kaitlyn. He was a member of the Ridgetop SDA Church.

Surviving him are three sons, Gary (Cynthia) Fisher of White House, Tenn., Stephen Fisher of Joelton, Tenn., and Kevin Fisher, of Kingsport, Tenn.; daughter Alesa (Scott) Esh of Hartsville, Tenn; sister Betty Jean (Henry B.) Craig of Mountain View, Ark.; and three grandchildren.

Mr. Slater was the president of the Bowen Campbell Association. He was a member of the Tennessee Historical Society and Curator of the Ridgetop Museum. He was a member of First Families of Tennessee, descended from John Dunham. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps and a former semi-pro baseball player. He attended Madison College. Mr. Slater was former president of Sheet Metal Local #177. He retired as vice president of the John McDougall Co. after 45 years of service. He held numerous patents and was involved in the design of Epcot Center. He was a member of Luton’s United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by brother, Charles Purcell. Survivors are his wife, Mildred, of 64 years; brother, Earl Slater; sister, Mable Slater Parrott; two nephews; six nieces; 16 great-nieces and nephews; 29 great-great-nieces and nephews.

Henry Steinmuss, 82, passed away on March 17, 2011, at his home on Blueberry Hill Road in Nashville, Tenn. He was born on Dec. 6, 1928 in East Germany, in what is now Poland.

Henry came to the United States in 1951, sponsored by an Adventist family in East Tennessee. This family told him about Madison and he came to Madison College in 1952. He could not speak much English but did take some class work and worked. It was at Madison that he met and married Betty Peters, who was a nursing student.

Henry worked as a bindery machine operator at the Southern Publishing Association until it closed and moved to Washington, D.C. He then worked for a local printing company until his retirement.

He is survived by two daughters, Judy of Nashville, Tenn. and Joy of Ashville, N.C.; brother, Heinz, of Washington, D.C.; a sister in Germany.