

Weddings

PETER J. POKRYFKE (BArch '02, MArch '03) and **Kiirsa Pokela** were married September 5, 2004, in Portage, Mich., where they now reside.

Births

To **MARY (COVARRUBIAS)** (BSN '96) and **GREGORY HANN** (BSN '95), Puyallup, Wash., a girl, **Madigan Isabelle**, May 8, 2005.

To **LUCIE (ALLEYNE) DELFISH** (BA '02), Kingston, New York, a boy, **David Alex**, January 8, 2005.

To **CHARISSA (CRAW)** (BSW '94) and **ADAM ROSE** (BA '94), Portland, Ore., a girl, **Madeline Sydney**, February 8, 2004.

Deaths

HENRY "GREGORY" DELGADO (MA '94) died May 12, 2005, as a result of injuries sustained in an accidental fall at work. He was born April 10, 1967.

Delgado received a bachelor's degree in business management from Southwestern Adventist University. After earning his graduate degree in education at Andrews, he worked as an assistant store manager for Walgreens at locations in Niles, Mich., and South Bend, Ind. He was most recently working in home construction for Exquisite Homes in Berrien Springs.

Gregory was always full of life, greeting everyone he saw with an infectious, bright smile, and he was always there for his friends and family, taking the time to listen and just being there. The basis for Gregory's character was found in the strong faith that he had in his Lord.

Gregory was an avid reader, enjoyed sports of all types, spending time with

family and friends, and vacationing.

Survivors include his son, **Garrett**; former wife, **Karen Johnson**; his parents, **Henry and Eva Delgado**; his twin sister, **Lisa Hess**; and his grandfather, **Apolinar Delgado**.

ELENORA I. (WASENMILLER) MARSA (BA '38, MA '63) died May 5, 2005. She was born June 5, 1917, in Shattuk, Okla.

Following her education, Marsa served as a teacher, reading specialist, and a principal, beginning her career at the Berrien Springs Village SDA School, and retiring from the Rockford, Ill., public school system in 1984.

She married **LEONARD J. MARS**A (BA '41) on September 12, 1937. Together they pastored various churches in Illinois, including Springfield, Peoria, Rockford, Freeport, and Savanna.

Because of health concerns, the couple moved to the Toledo, Ohio area in 2004 to be close to family, and they thoroughly enjoyed being near four of their great-grandchildren.

Elenora is survived by her husband, **Leonard**; son, **GERALD MARS**A (BA '63); daughter, **Carolyn Johnson**; granddaughters, **Kathi LaCourt**, and **CHRISTINA CARLTON** (BA '91); six great-grandchildren; her sister, **LORA NEUMANN** (BA '42); and several nieces and nephews.

RICHARD LEE HUFF (former staff) was born May 12, 1929, in Indianapolis, Ind. and died April 28, 2005. He spent his early childhood in Indianapolis where he attended Indianapolis Junior Academy. Much later, he would serve as chairman of the school board for 13 years.

Although beginning his high school education at Indiana Academy, Richard graduated from Broadview Academy in LaGrange, Ill. His experiences at Broadview were some of his most cherished memories, as he participated in the Glee Club, Saxophone Quartet, and

Band. Until his death, Richard served on the Board of Directors of the Broadview Academy Alumni Association.

Richard attended Emmanuel Missionary College before transferring to Southern Missionary College, where he graduated with a degree in economics and business in 1952. Later in life, Richard would serve on the Andrews University Board of Trustees and the Andrews University Executive Committee.

While attending the Glendale Church in Indianapolis, where he served as a head elder and deacon, Richard met **Roberta Lambert-Harper**, whom he married, becoming a devoted father to her son **Verner B. Harper**. Their second son, **Richard A. Huff**, was born in 1962. Roberta passed away in 1986 after a battle with cancer.

Richard received his Doctorate of Juris Prudence in 1956, from the Indiana University School of Law. After a short venture into private practice, he went to work for the Indiana Attorney General's Office, where one of his most notable accomplishments was the legal planning and supervision of construction of the Port of Indiana. He then went on to serve as judge for the Indianapolis Probate Court.

In 1977, Richard decided to leave public service and move to Berrien Springs to dedicate his legal practice to church matters. Richard felt his most rewarding career choices were serving Andrews University as Vice President and General Counsel, and providing legal counsel for the Lake Union Conference. In 1988, Richard was reunited with college friend **Eva Lynne Ashlock-Herdman** and in 1989 they married. The marriage gave Richard two stepsons—**Doug and Dave Herdman**. Sadly, **Eva Lynne** passed away after a battle with cancer in 2004.

Richard continued his involvement with the church and law until recently

when he was forced to wage his full-time battle with illness. Richard's devotion to his life's work led him on many journeys where he came in contact with many different people. His love for Christ showed through his relationships both personally and professionally.

FRANCIS ANDREWS THIEL (BA '48) died on April 26, 2005, in Fairfield, Wash. He was born June 4, 1921, in Walla Walla, Wash., to Professor Leo F. and Myrtle E. (Andrews) Thiel.

Thiel graduated from Takoma Academy in 1939, and earned an AA degree at Columbia Union College in 1942.

After serving from 1942 until 1945 in the U.S. Army 70th Station Hospital, which was activated out of Fort Lewis, Wash., Thiel completed his premedical education at EMC. He earned his medical degree from Loma Linda University in 1953, and completed a rotating internship at Deaconess Hospital in Spokane, Wash.

Thiel practiced in Fairfield, Wash., with Dr. Walter E. Hart from 1953-1982, and then continued his practice for the next eight years with his wife, Dr. Shirley O. Thiel. In retirement, Thiel did many locum tenens appointments in both Idaho and Washington.

Survivors include his wife; four children, Arthur, Loren, Norman, and Nancy; seven grandchildren; and two siblings, Dorothy Hughes, and Mitchell Thiel.

JOYCE MARIE (MOHLMANN) JONES (former staff) was born November 3, 1923, in Bethel, Connecticut, to Bertha Sandstrom Mohlmann and George B. Mohlmann.

Joyce graduated in 1945 with a BA in Religion from Atlantic Union College. After a short stint as a Bible worker in Maine, she taught elementary school in

Providence, Rhode Island, where she met Harold T. Jones, a graduate student at Brown University. She had already committed to a term of missionary service in Ghana when they became engaged. For two and a half years, Joyce and Harold corresponded while she taught at the Bekwai Teacher Training School.

Upon Joyce's return from Africa, she and Harold married in Bethel on August 23, 1953. After the wedding, she moved to Berrien Springs where Harold was already teaching mathematics at Emmanuel Missionary College. She quickly became involved in her new community, working in the registrar's office, serving as president of the very active Campus Women's Club, and leading in the Primary Sabbath School. As she raised her children, she continued to work part-time, substitute teaching at both the elementary and secondary levels.

Joyce served as dissertation secretary and bulletin editor at Andrews University for 17 years, editing scores of doctoral dissertations for the School of Education and the Theological Seminary as well as theses in biology, home economics, and music, among others. She prepared the class schedules and academic calendar for Andrews University, edited book manuscripts for the University Press, and served as copy editor for the *Journal of Research on Christian Education*.

She directed the local Community Services Center in Berrien Springs for more than a decade and her volunteer spirit blessed hundreds in the community, including international students and those who had suffered disaster. One of her hobbies was collecting dolls, and she was a charter member of the Blossomland Doll Club.

Joyce died at home with her family beside her on Friday morning, April 15, 2005. Harold preceded her in death in 1995. She is survived by her daughter

MEREDITH JONES GRAY (BA '76, MA '77), son-in-law **GARY R. GRAY** (M.Div. '80), and grandson Jeremy J. Gray; and son Bruce D. Jones, daughter-in-law Lolita Nick Jones and grandson Liam T. Jones.

HEDWIG (NAGELE) JEMISON (former staff) died April 12, 2005, in Greeneville, Tenn. She was born November 25, 1912, in Portland, Ore.

Known to friends as "Hedy," Jemison attended classes at Pacific Union College, Columbia Union College, and Andrews University, where she studied business administration and religion. In 1980, she received an honorary master of divinity degree from the SDA Theological Seminary in the Philippines.

Jemison was married to Dr. T. Housel Jemison, now deceased. The couple had one daughter, **BARBARA (JEMISON) MYERS** (BA '63).

Jemison worked as the head of the diet kitchen at the St. Helena Sanitarium, secretary to the treasurer of the Northern California Conference, secretary to the president of PUC, secretary to Arthur L. White of the Ellen G. White Estate, and secretary to W.G.C. Murdoch, dean of the seminary at Andrews, before becoming director of the Ellen G. White Research Center.

Jemison was involved in extensive travel while representing the White Estate, including trips to Europe, Australia, South America, Inter-America, the Far East, Ethiopia, and South Africa. She established the Ellen G. White Research Centers at Newbold College, England; Avondale College, Australia; Montemorelos University, Mexico; River Plate College, Argentina; the theological seminary in the Philippines; and Helderberg College in South Africa, with smaller centers in Japan, Korea, Peru, Brazil and Trinidad.

Jemison also compiled two morning-watch devotional books entitled *My Life*

Today and Sons and Daughters of God. She has also written various articles for denominational publications and presented a paper on the role of women in the church for the General Conference. Retired as associate director of the White Estate, Jemison moved to Tennessee, where she was a member of the Greeneville SDA Church.

"Hedy" loved Jesus. She loved people, her family and her church. She grew flowers. She traveled the world. She leaves behind an extensive network of friends.

Preceded in death by her husband, Housel, and brother, Charles Nagele, Jemison is survived by her daughter, Barbara Myers; granddaughters, Mindy Burgin and Larisa Brass; two great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

DOUGLAS RONALD NEWBERRY (BS '73, former faculty) died March 23, 2005, at home following an illness. He was born Jan. 27, 1949, in Kingston, Ontario, Canada, to Ronald F. and Jean V. (Sudds) Newberry.

Newberry was a graduate of South High School in Grand Rapids, and earned a degree in physical education at Andrews. He received his master of education and health degree from Western Michigan University. Newberry taught physical education and health classes at Andrews Academy for over 15 years before accepting a teaching position at Andrews University in 1988. After his retirement from teaching, he worked as a residential building contractor and construction manager for 10 years.

Newberry was a very active and involved teacher, mentor and friend to his students. He was known for doing much more than what was expected of him. He sponsored canoe, cycling and backpacking trips and took a lot of pride

in Andrews Academy. He often spent countless hours in the summer months grooming the ball fields and was heavily involved in the design of the current physical education facilities at the Academy. Newberry will be remembered for the special connection that he had with his students. Although he always commanded respect, he demonstrated care and concern for his students by being a good listener and friend. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. He was a member of Pioneer Memorial Church, loved sports of all types, including golf, hockey, boating and camping. In recent years, he developed a love for riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle.

Survivors include his wife, **LOIS R. NEWBERRY** (BS '70, MAT '85); a daughter, Jennifer Renee Mueller; a son, Bradley Douglas Newberry; his father, Ronald F. Newberry; a brother, Glenn F. Newberry; two sisters, Dianne McMains and Joanne Edgar; and 10 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his mother, Jean V. Newberry.

Memorials in Newberry's memory can be made to the Andrews Academy Douglas R. Newberry Endowed Scholarship Fund.

MARK YANCEY (AT '91) was born Nov. 19, 1968, in Indianapolis, Ind. He died March 3, 2005, in Parkville, Mo., at North Kansas City Hospital. Mark had recently successfully completed chemotherapy for testicular cancer when he suffered a sudden illness from which he was unable to recover.

Mark graduated from Andrews University with an Associate Degree in Automotive Technology in 1991. He had been employed by Toyota Motor Sales USA since 1995, having started out as a warranty administrator and, most recently, as a district service and parts manager in the Kansas City Region.

Mark and his wife, **BRANDEY (TESSER)** (BS '91), had been married for 14 years and have 3 children, Chris, Halle and Tanner. They had been foster parents for a number of years as well, having cared for 8 children over those years.

Mark will be best remembered for his terrific sense of humor, love of life, and devotion to his family. Survivors include his wife Brandey; sons Chris and Tanner; daughter Halle; parents Steve and Virginia Yancey of Orlando Florida; brothers Michael, of Chicago, and Greg, stationed in Turkey, and their families.

RAYMOND S. BENSON (BA '48) died on January 30, 2005. He was born April 16, 1921.

Raymond served in the Army, Air Corps (which became the U. S. Air Force), and he retired from the Air Force as a Lt. Colonel. Raymond married **BARBARA TUPES** (att.) in August of 1948. Shortly afterward the couple moved to Auburn, Calif., where Raymond worked as an accountant. In the mid 1950s he started his own accounting practice, retiring from that in 1996.

Upon retirement, Raymond and Barbara moved to Redding, Calif., where Raymond was very active in the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Auburn.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara; two sons, Bradley and Rodney; and five grandchildren.

MADLYNN JONES HALDEMAN (MA '49, ThD '88) died on January 28, 2005, in Naples, Fla. She was born in Lebanon, Penn., in 1926. She and her husband Wilfred Haldeman were married in June of 1950.

Madelynn served on the faculties of Mt. Vernon Academy, Kingsway College, Loma Linda University and La Sierra University. A superb teacher of Koine Greek and of New Testament interpreta-

tion, Madelynn led many hundreds of students into deeper insights into Scripture's meaning in early Christian times and in our times today. Her mastery of syntax and of literary style also made her an excellent copy editor for several publications, including the *Journal of Medical Sciences* and *Spectrum*.

Madelynn was honored by the Association of Adventist Women as Adventist Woman of the year in 1995 and, on December of that same year, ordained to the ministry at the La Sierra University Church. She was a leading member of the Gender Inclusiveness Commission of the Southeastern California Conference, and led out in the establishing of the Women's Resource Center at La Sierra University.

Madelynn was the first president of ASRS (Adventist Society for Religious Studies), and a member of the Society of Biblical Literature, the American Academy of Religion, and Alpha Mu Gamma Honors Society for Modern Languages. Fifteen articles or book chapters by her have appeared in denominational and professional publications.

Through her writings, preaching, counseling, teaching, seminars, retreats and camp-meeting presentations, Madelynn made an enduring impact on Adventist laypeople's understandings of God, forgiveness, and grace. Her ability to draw rich meaning and spiritual insight and encouragement from the New Testament writings distinguished her beyond the confines of campus and classroom.

She is survived by her sister, Nancy Wall; her son, Joel; her daughter, Kimberlee; and grandchildren, Tiffany and Casey.

NAOMI LORENE (STRINGER) TRUBEY (BA '64) died Nov. 8, 2004, in McMinnville, Tenn. She was born Aug. 9, 1910, in Guthrie Center, Iowa.

Naomi graduated from high school at age 15 with "Normal Training" diploma, which would have qualified her to teach in those days if she had been 18 years old. After working as a seamstress for a couple of years, and subsequently turning eighteen, Naomi taught public school in Iowa for two years.

While attending Union College, Naomi met Lester Trubey, whom she married on Sept. 4, 1932. The couple moved to eastern Ohio, where Naomi taught in SDA elementary schools in La Grange, Rock Creek, Ashtabula and Dayton. For ten years, Naomi would teach special education in the public school system in Columbus, Wis., before continuing to teach at a number of Indiana SDA schools, including schools in Kokomo, Anderson, Richmond, Frankfort and Cicero. Wherever she was, Naomi was interested in, and put forth extra effort for, the children who didn't do well in school.

In 1964, 36 years after she began teaching, and after attending five other colleges through the years, Naomi graduated with an elementary education degree from Andrews University.

Over the years, Naomi and her husband took in at least 11 people to live in their home, often for a year or more. Most came so that they could attend an SDA school. Besides this, she was involved in tutoring, teaching Red Cross classes, teaching children's Sabbath School classes, working with Pathfinder clubs, visiting neighbors, and helping people in the community, school or church.

Naomi lived a long, active, full life, and was a wonderful wife, mother of four children, teacher and citizen. Her consecration to the work of God in education impacted many lives.

She is survived by her husband; two daughters, Eva Badger and Jeanette Bissell; two sons, Charles and Edward;

13 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren and one step great-grandchild; one great-great-grandchild and three step great-great-grandchildren.

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