

Golden Hearts



Front row (l-r): Jim Gooch, Edith (Moore) Ashlock, Averille (Smouse) Kaatz, Audrey (Williams) Kaatz, Carol (Wolfe) Koester, Bonnie Jean Hannah, C. Fred Clarke, Paul Hamel, Bernice Taylor, Robert Merchant, Arnold Friedrich

Second row (l-r): Gilbert Dunn, Bob Robinson, Jess Oliver, Arne Muderspach, Jim Kaatz, Herald Habenicht, Donna Habenicht, Ruth Hamberger, Lee Pritchard, Shirley Minisee, Gordon Shumate, Dorothy (Sheddan) White, John F. Neumann, Herb Pritchard, Judy Pritchard, Lenard Jaecks, Gerald Abel, Agnes (Benedict) Merchant, Whit Robinson, Ruth Kaiser, Laurel Thoresen

Steps and deck (l-r): Eric Kreye, Bernard Marsh, Ardith Tait, Reid Tait, Robert Wonderly, Murna Wager, Wyman Wager, Ray Hamstra, Beverly (Vieau) Rhodes, Noble Vining, Bruce Lee, Frances Beck Schleicher, Jack Schleicher, Charlotte Groff, Al Klein, Kenneth Oster, Dorothy Oster, Steven Vitrano, Marilyn Boram, Cathy Lang Titus, Stella Strickland, Joyce Paul Brown, Dwain Ford, Luz Journet-Earp, Bruce Zimmerman, Pat Mauro, Knobby Mauro, Douglas Thoresen



Class of 1935: Dorothy (Sheddan) White (left) and Betty Garber



Class of 1945 (l-r): Robert Merchant, Dorothy Nelson Oster, Steven Vitrano

MARTHA MANFUL BENJAMIN (BA '31) celebrates her 95th birthday this December. After graduating from Andrews University, Martha moved to Montreal, Quebec, where she graduated from McGill University with a BS in library science and then a MS in library science in 1961. Also in '61, Martha won the Murray Gottlieb prize for the best unpublished essay on the history of medicine and allied sciences. Amid her extensive library career, Martha raised two children. Today, Martha remains an active, independent woman who keeps busy with her myriad of hobbies, family, and friends.

1950s

The Class of 1955 raised \$29,775 for their reunion gift. The majority of these funds were designated to the Annual Fund which supports virtually every aspect of the university from maintaining the campus to providing much-needed student scholarships.

JIM KAATZ, class president and reunion chair, led out in the fundraising effort.

Thank you to the Class of 1955 for supporting their alma mater in such a generous way!



Class of 1955: Front row (l-r): Lenard Jaecks, Cathy Lang Titus, Jim Gooch, Edith Moore Ashlock, Jim Kaatz; **Second row (l-r):** Gordon Shumate, Luz Journet-Earp, LeVerne Bissell, Arne Muderspach, Stella Strickland, Averille (Smouse) Kaatz; **Third row (l-r):** Marilyn Boram, Reid Tait, Ramona (Bryant) Young, Beverly (Vieau) Rhodes, Shirley Minisee, Daniel Chaij; **Fourth row (l-r):** Jerry Bray, Mary Dunn, J.D. Westfall, Jess Oliver; **Last row (l-r):** Gilbert Dunn, (Chuck) Virgil Tacket, Eric Kreye, Larry C Croxton, Bruce Zimmerman

1960s

Ever since **CECIL L. LEMON** (BMus '63) graduated from Andrews University, his life has revolved around music. Early in his career, he sang with the Baltimore Opera Company for several seasons. Cecil has also performed with various



Minnie Wood and Cecil Lemon

choral groups, served as choir director for both Adventist and Methodist congregations, and recently marked his 40th anniversary as hired tenor soloist with the Lutheran Church of Holy Comforter in Baltimore, Md. In addition to his extensive performing career, Cecil has also enjoyed many years teaching music

at public schools. Now retired, Cecil still conducts weekly private voice and piano lessons.

Recently, Cecil and his wife, Ingrid, visited **MINNIE IVERSON WOOD** (former faculty), Cecil's former voice instructor at Andrews University. Cecil reports that Minnie wouldn't let him go without a quick voice lesson and that her final admonition was "keep practicing!" And he has every intention of following her advice. "I plan to utilize my voice to the glory of God [for] as long as He permits," Cecil writes.

Cecil and Ingrid have four daughters,



Class of 1965: Front row (l-r): Darrell Hicks, Sylvia Nelson Clarke, Patricia Mutch, Charlotte Groff, Rae Holman, Sylvia Marsh Fagal, Marilyn Bender, Niels-Erik Andreasen; **Back row (l-r):** Doug Anderson, Wil Clarke, David Bender, Mike McInerney, Jared Bruckner

three sons-in-law, six grandsons, two granddaughters, and a one-year-old great-granddaughter. The couple provides care for Cecil's father, who will turn 100 years old in early December, and Ingrid's mother.

1970s

LYNN GRAY (BS '71), has recently been named president-elect of the Michigan Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP) during the annual congress of MAFP delegates. Headquartered in Okemos, Mich., MAFP is an association of over 3,200 Michigan family physicians dedicated to providing outstanding and cost-effective health care to Americans. MAFP is a constituent chapter of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP). While Lynn has been actively involved in MAFP for some time, as president-elect, he will oversee the department of education and scientific affairs. Lynn will assume full presidency in July of 2006. This appointment comes after a noteworthy medical career, 16 years of which Lynn spent practicing family medicine. For the past nine years, he has worked in emergency medicine.

GARY G. IRISH (BA '73) recently accepted a position as president and CEO for Simi Valley Hospital (SVH), a division of Adventist Health. With his extensive career in health care, it goes without saying that Gary will bring expertise, experience, and a commitment to service to his new job.

After graduating from Andrews University, Gary transferred to Loma Linda University where he earned a master of public health in health service administration. His educational track then transferred him to the University of California, where he obtained a master of business administration.

Since then, he has pursued an active and successful career in health care administration, beginning with a 1978 stint as director of resource management and planning at Loma Linda University Medical Center in Loma Linda, Calif. Then it was on to a number of administration and leadership roles, including president and CEO for Glen Oaks Hospital and Medical Center in Glendale Heights, Ill.; administrator and executive vice president for Huguley Health System in Fort Worth, Tex.; COO of Littleton Adventist Hospital and Porter Adventist Hospital in Denver, Col.; and president and CEO of South Coast Medical Center in Laguna Beach, Calif.

Despite his ambitious work schedule, Gary maintains active membership in numerous professional organizations and acts as a diplomat in the American College of Healthcare Executives. Gary and his wife, Karen, will soon relocate to the Simi Valley area.

After U.S. naval commander **STANLEY ANDREIKA** (BS '73) graduated from Andrews University, he embarked upon what is now a 24-year career with the U.S. military, including both active duty and reserve service. During the Persian Gulf War, Stanley acted as operations officer for the USS Marvin Shields and, during the early '80s, was responsible for the protection of shipping deployments in the Persian Gulf. Stanley also served as officer in charge for the Hunter/Striker '86/'87 minesweeping force that paved the way for U.S. flagged tanker convoys. In '03, Stanley continued his education at the University of

Phoenix, graduating with a Master of Arts in Organization Management. Currently, Stanley is stationed as operations officer for the U.S. Harbor Defense Forces Western Pacific and receives biannual deployments to the Korean peninsula. In addition to his military service, Stanley's current civilian employment sees him working at AmcorPET.

1980s

AGNES (HO) (MBA'85) and **CECIL WEAVER** (MS '93) reside in Georgia where Agnes



Class of 1975 (l-r): Rudi Maier, Sylvia Budd, Bob Barker, Barbara Roy, C. Bruce Bowen, Gretchen Brown



Class of 1980: Back row (l-r): Norman Forbes, John Bedell, Tom Mejeur, Jim Ford, Elwyn Hyde; **Front row (l-r):** Joyce Webber, Judy Bedell, Debra Stama, Louann Clark, Linda Closser, Esther Knott



Class of 1985 (l-r): Lorena Bidwell, Trevor O'Reggio, Susan Krug, Howard Krug, Ron du Preez, Carmen Barahona, Ted Pottle

works as a diabetes educator and teaches piano in her spare time. Agnes has been included in the 59th edition of *Who's Who in America*, in addition to the 25th edition, *Who's Who of American Women 2005*. Cecil works as a senior systems analyst in Atlanta. The couple has one grown daughter, Stephanie, who is currently earning her doctorate in pharmacy.

1990s

GEETA (RAKHERAM) (BS '91) and **GODFREY MYAING** (BSAS '89, BArch '91) currently reside in Lynchburg, Va., with their two young children, Dylan and Malanie. After completing her degree at Andrews



The Myaing Family

University, Geeta transferred to the Medical University of Ohio to earn her medical degree in 1995. She currently practices medicine at Medical Associates

of Central Virginia and volunteers at the hospital's free walk-in clinic. For her outstanding service, the Consumers' Research Council of America named Geeta one of the top physicians for the year 2004/2005. For his part, Godfrey worked for Normand Associates and Versar Inc. after graduation from

Andrews. He is currently employed by Wiley & Wilson, Architects and Engineers. Both Godfrey and Geeta enjoy traveling to Europe and the Caribbean and hope to participate in a mission trip in the near future.

A. LEE BENNETT, JR. (BT '92), recently completed 13 years of service with the Florida Conference of Seventh-day Adventists' communication department, where he has served as an assistant director for nearly five years. As director, Lee's responsibilities include designing *Florida Focus*, the conference's quarterly newsletter, generating material for the conference's news pages in *Southern Tidings*, and producing camp meeting brochures and a variety of other promotional literature. Lee is also involved in conference video production and participates in its annual camp meeting satellite broadcast. The most recent of these broadcasts is the conference's 10th uplink, available for viewing via the Adventist Communication Network (ACN) on the Hope Channel network. Lee resides in Orlando, Fla.

JOEL AVERY (BA '92), principal of Creativeness (formerly known as i design:information), a nationally- and internationally-known suburban Philadelphia design studio, is pleased to announce the studio has recently received its third American Graphic Design Award. Creativeness was recog-



Class of 1995 (l-r): Nikki Johnson, Lisa Ziegele, Wanda (Shatford) Swensen, Diana Sinclair

nized for its proposed Garden State September 11 memorial. Sponsored by *Graphic Design USA* since 1978, this annual competition's winning entries are published in the monthly magazine's December issue.

ROBERT MUZIRA (BA '97) earned his degree in theology at Andrews University's Zimbabwean extension campus: Solusi University, where he met **RUMBIDZAI DUMISANI NYIKA** (BBA '99), whom he married in 2002. Robert recently graduated from Solusi University with his second degree, a MA in religion. He currently serves as a district pastor in Harare, Zimbabwe, part of the East Zimbabwe Conference. Rumbadzai is studying for a MS in finance and investment with the National University of Science and Technology in Zimbabwe. She is also working as the administrator of a private company. The couple has a one-year-old daughter, Nyasha.

Now an assistant professor of Business at Canadian University College, **DAVID JEFFERY** (MBA '97) currently resides in Lacombe, Alberta, Canada.

2000s

KRISTI (DOSS) (BS '00) and **ADAM KIS** (BA '00), along with their two-month-old son, Zachary, are moving to Conakry, Guinea. While in West Africa, Adam will research the correlation between AIDS and culture for his PhD in anthropology from the University of Florida. Adam will also volunteer with ADRA to help develop AIDS awareness programs in Guinea.