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1930s

BARBARA H. PHIPPS (BA '39) retired from library work at Pacific Union



Barbara Phipps

College in 1981, but she has just recently concluded part-time assistance

and volunteer work at the reference desk there. She writes that she misses the stimulation of a collegiate community. In the fall of last year she moved into Silverado Orchards in St. Helena, Calif., and reports that she is happy with her new living arrangement and occasionally gives "consultant" assistance on how to access information at the local library.

1950s

BURTON L. WRIGHT (MA '56, MDiv '79) and his wife Myrna live in Avon Park, Fla. During his retirement, Burton remains active by participating in prison ministries and serving as Chaplain Major in the Civil Air Patrol. Both he and Myrna are active in their church. Two of their four children have attended Andrews.

Long-time staff behind the scenes at Andrews

JOHN F. NEUMANN (BA '51) arrived at Emmanuel Missionary College in 1946 to join the many other World War II veterans taking advantage of the U.S. Military Services Bill of Rights. Neumann had been drafted in 1942. Trained as a medical lab technician, he was stationed in Europe and North Africa until June of 1945 when he shipped to the Philippines. After two months' staging on Luzon Island and a stop in Japan, Neumann arrived back in the United States at Seattle on December 29, 1945, to be met by his mother and his fiancée, **LORA G. WASENMILLER** (BA '42).

Lora persuaded John to pursue his education at Emmanuel Missionary College, and, after marrying on May 12, 1946, the couple moved to Berrien Springs, where Neumann settled on a business major. His life's course was shaped the day a fellow student-worker prompted him to apply for work in the business office where Earl Beaty, accountant-treasurer, and Robert MacMorland, associate accountant and treasurer, held sway. Beginning in February of 1949, Neumann learned the routines of the business office: acting as time clerk, issuing personal statements, and so on (all hand-work in those days, of course). When Neumann graduated in 1951, Beaty offered him a junior accountant position at a starting rate of 85 cents an hour.

Neumann went on to become assistant accountant in 1956 and

accountant for the University from 1966 until his retirement in 1987. Lora assisted in the business office part-time from 1956 to 1963 and full-time from then until her retirement in 1981. As with so many faithful Andrews employees, however, retirement did not mean either of the Neumanns stopped working; they continued to serve the University for additional years on a part-time basis. According to Neumann, he and **KENDALL**

HILL (BS '59) are the only business graduates to stay on at the school after graduation and complete their entire careers in service in the business office of Emmanuel Missionary College and Andrews University.

Neumann feels that many do not realize all that behind-the-scenes employees like himself contribute to the University. He lists just a few of the things for which he was responsible and points out that, before computers, everything was done by hand: "Postings, checking, re-capping, seeing that bills and taxes were paid and reported on time, processing and distributing the different types of insurance costs, sending out billings for the industries and processing payments and reconciling

them monthly. Processing inter-department transfers which began as just a dozen to almost a thousand a month as the University expanded. Employee medical reports, utilities allowances and expense reports had to be processed and checked."

Neumann also served as a notary public and for many years kept the offering and tithe records for the college church and then Pioneer Memorial Church. Students may remember

him best as he directed ticket sales for the lyceum programs (later Concert-Picture Series) for 30 years in the little ticket office at Johnson Gym.

The Neumanns are now retired in Berrien Springs and remember fondly the many stu-

dents and staff members with whom they worked over their many years of service. They have two children. **KAREN NEUMANN ALLRED** (BS '70) and her husband Jim own and operate Allred Funeral Home in Berrien Springs and Bowerman Funeral Home in Eau Claire, Mich. **RON NEUMANN** (CERT '74) is operations manager at the Andrews University Computing Center where he has worked for 25 years.



Lora and John Neumann

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KENNETH H. WOOD (MA '59) will soon complete 19 years as chair of the Ellen G. White Estate at Adventist church headquarters in Silver Spring, Md. He was elected to that post in 1980, two years before retiring from the editorship of the *Adventist Review*.

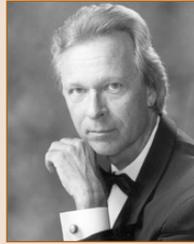
Recently he edited Dr. Herbert Douglass's influential new book on Ellen G. White, *Messenger of the Lord*, and wrote the preface for Dr. Jean Zurcher's book, *Touched With Our Feelings*, a historical survey of Adventist thought on the human nature of Christ during the past 150 years.

Wood is still a member of the General Conference Executive Committee, having served on that body since 1966.

He and Miriam, his wife of 61 years, enjoy their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, and recently traveled to Florida to visit those in that state. Though they had made the trip many times before—by air and by car—they satisfied their urge for new experiences by going via the auto train. He writes: "It was a pleasure to SKIP I-95 (Amtrak's telephone number for the service.)"

1960s

PETER MATTHEWS (BA '66) is Artistic Director of Orlando XIII, a chamber choir based in central Florida. This summer he



Peter Matthews

is composer-in-residence at the 49th Annual Church Music Conference held at University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.

1970s

GARY HUFFAKER (BA '70), a pediatric ophthalmologist at the Riverside Medical Center, was recently given the 1998 Kaiser Permanente's annual "Physician Exceptional Contribution Award." A resident of Riverside, Calif., he serves as a board member and president of Inland



Gary Huffaker

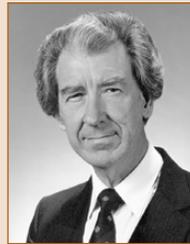
County's Family Learning Center and cochairs the Family Life

Committee at La Sierra University. He and his wife Suha and their three children participated in last summer's Madaba Plains Project in Jordan.

GARY COUNCELL (MDiv '71) and his wife Joyce celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary this summer and are moving to Fort Hood, Texas,

where he will serve as the III Corp and Fort Hood Chaplain, starting July 8. Col. Councell is chaplain in the U. S. Army; he writes: "We are just now turning out the lights and closing the door on the religious program and facilities at Fort McClellan, which ceases to be an active Army training installation this summer."

REX D. EDWARDS (MA '71, MDiv '73), formerly director of Continuing Education at the General Conference Ministerial Association



Rex Edwards

(1981-1998), has been appointed associate vice president and director of religious studies for Griggs

University, the collegiate division of Home Study International. He is a member of the Washington Cathedral College of Preachers, the GC Biblical Research Committee and an adjunct professor at the SDA Theological Seminary at Andrews. He recently taught classes on expository preaching in South America, and he will lecture in Siberia, Poland and Norway this year. Edwards continues to produce instructional videos in the Seminar-in-a-Box series for the Ministerial Association.

STEPHEN L. BURLINGAME (BA '72) has been listed in

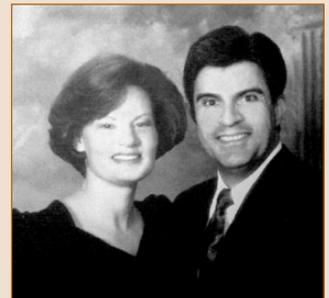


Stephen Burlingame

"The Best Lawyers in America" for 1999-2000. Stephen was listed for his excellence in corporate law.

He currently practices in the areas of business law, real-estate law, employment law and health-care law. Stephen works with the full-service law firm of Fraser Trebilcock Davis & Foster, P.C., with offices in Lansing and Detroit, Mich.

CAROL FISK-OWAIS (BS '74) is currently in a private psychiatry practice, having founded Associates in Behavioral Medicine, a Christian behavioral health practice, in



Carol Fisk-Owais and husband Wisam

Cookeville, Tenn. She also teaches part-time as voluntary clinical faculty at East Tennessee State University and at Michigan State University while doing both office and hospital-based

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psychiatric medicine. She is active in community education about mental health and women's issues. She and her husband Wisam are both active in various church projects. Carol writes: "I have remained loyal to my botany training at Andrews, declaring indoor and outdoor gardening the best way to maintain sanity."

GERALDINE (BURT) HAM (BS '74) lives in Hendersonville, North Carolina. Since graduating from Andrews, she

earned an MS degree in nutrition from Florida International University-Miami. Geri now works as a clinical nutrition specialist. She has two college-age children, Amy and David, who both plan to become physicians.

JESSICA (GOH) OKIMI (MMus '74) has a music studio and teaches piano half time and is at home half time with administrative duties at her husband's dental office. She and **PETER** (MAT '74) have three children: Jon, Joshua

and Joseph. They live in Terrace, British Columbia.

MARLENE (GONZALEZ) ROMEO (BA '74) has served as principal at Poughkeepsie Seventh-day Adventist School in New York for the last five years. Under her leadership the school has grown from 13 to 65 students and from one to four teachers. In 1996, Marlene received the Zapara Award for Excellence in Teaching. She writes: "I love children! I adore my own children and husband! I love

cooking! I love arts and crafts activities!" Her husband Tony is creative director vice-president for DDB Needham Advertising Company in New York City. They have two children, **JENNIFER** (BBA '99) and Anthony.

ALEXANDER CURRIE (EdD '75) is administrative assistant to the president of the South Pacific Division. His 38-year career has also included pastoral ministry and conference and educational administration in Australia, and serving as principal at Fulton College in Fiji. He has also served as a missionary to Papua, New Guinea. He and his wife Beverly have three children: Andrew, Philip and Gavin.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Alums enact historical events in Jackson

In July 1849 Advent pioneer preacher Joseph Bates rumbled into Jackson, Mich., in a stagecoach and immediately recognized it as the town he had seen in his dream four days earlier.

On July 10, 1999, several Andrews alumni helped to reenact that event as part of the sesquicentennial celebrations that drew over 500 people to the Jackson SDA School. **BRIAN STRAYER** (MA '74), currently professor of history at Andrews, played the part of Bates. **DAN DRAZEN** (BA, BS '74), director of the SDA Periodical Index at the James White Library, was local blacksmith Dan Palmer.

Other actors included **JIM TWEDDELL** (BS '74, former faculty) as the stagecoach driver and local Jackson member Joe Badgley as the boardinghouse proprietor. The script for *Jackson: Town in a Dream* was written by Berrien Springs playwright **VICKI CUDANIN** (BA '89), who has

produced many plays for the Andrews community, including last year's homecoming drama *The Ablest in All Our Ranks*, a play on the life of J. N. Andrews. Videos of this play and other events for the sesquicentennial



HISTORICAL HISTRIONICS: Brian Strayer and Daniel Drazen perform in Jackson: Town in a Dream at the Jackson, Mich., Adventist church.

weekend can be purchased from the Jackson SDA Church.

DAN HOUGHTON (BA '77) is president of Hart Research Center, a resource center experimenting with outreach and revival projects and publisher of Christian art, books and video seminars. His wife **KAREN** (BS '75) works there as well; she also teaches health and cooking classes in the Fallbrook, Calif., area.

Dan is president of ASI (Adventist Laymen's Services and Industries), an organiza-



The Houghton family

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tion of the Adventist lay businesses and ministries in the North American Division. He also serves his local church as the head elder. Dan and Karen have two sons, Danny and Jamey.

VICKI (SIMMONS) HALL (AIT '79, BS '89, MA '91) has taught English at Greater Boston Academy and Orangewood Adventist Academy, Garden Grove, Calif. She now spends time tutoring, contract and substitute teaching while raising her son Daniel. Her husband Kells is also a teacher. They live in Anaheim, Calif., and enjoy traveling—"Alaska in '97 was my 50th state!" Vicki is also active in their church with music, and Pathfinders, and she serves as worship coordinator.

DOUGLAS HEARN (BA '79) is a staff attorney with Keystone Legal Service in State College, Penn. His wife **REBECCA (LAUBACH)** (BS '77, MA '79) is a human-resources generalist with C-COR Electronics. They have one son, Andrew.

1980s

RITCH ENOS KACELENGA (MA '80, EdD '83) retired last summer from teaching English at the University of Eastern Africa. He now lives in Balantyre, Malawi.

KAREN (HABENICHT) SHERWOOD (BS '88, MS '89) works as an aquatic physical therapist in

Traverse City, Mich., where her husband Leonard is a carpenter and aircraft mechanic. Recently they finished remodeling their home. The Sherwoods have two daughters, Maria and Laura.

CHARLES AHN (BS '89) is an ophthalmologist for Macon County Eye center in Decatur, Ill. He is married to **SUN-HEE (CHUN)** (att). They have two children, Joshua and Jeremy.

MICHAEL BERGLUND (BSIT '89) teaches history for the Saline area Schools in Michigan. His wife **CARITA (STENFORS)** (BS '92, BSMT '94) is a dentist. They make their home in Ann Arbor.

SANDRA (ST. CLAIR) MORAN (BS '89) is a registered nurse for an obstetric clinic and is applying for entrance into a nurse practitioner program. Her husband **TERRY** (MDiv '90) is a minister. They have two children, Jason and Kaleb, and live in Yakima, Wash.

MICHELE (PEZET) EVARD (BA '89) lists her current occupation as "Mommy" to their son Andre Cascade, born December 1998. She is married to **REMY** (BS '90), and they live in Downers Grove, Ill. She earned a PhD from MIT in 1998. The title of her dissertation is "Twenty Heads are Better than One: Communities of Children as Virtual Experts."

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JORGE RICO (DMin '89, DMin '97) is a minister for the Oregon Conference. During his career he has established a new two-church district in southern Oregon where before there was no Spanish church. He is also working on a doctoral program. Jorge and his wife Elizabeth have two children, Michele and Jorge III.

CLIFFORD SWEET (BA '89) is a radiologist and has worked as chief of diagnostic imaging for Tinker AFB Hospital in Oklahoma City. His wife Kim is also a physician. They have recently moved to Texas.

KEVIN (MA '89) and **VICKI (EIGHME) WILEY** (AS '86, BA '89) live in Berrien Springs



Kim and Clifford Sweet

and are active members of Pioneer Memorial Church. Kevin is general book manager at the AU bookstore. Vicki is assistant to the personnel director of Adventist Frontier Missions, doing in-

home interviews of prospective missionaries all over the United States.

VALERIE (HARDIN) MONIACI (BS '89) is a neonatal nurse practitioner at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton, Ohio. Her husband Scott is an engineer; they have two children, Chad and Julia.

1990s

REBECCA (FADELEY) SUMNER (BS '90) teaches elementary school for the Wisconsin Conference and "wants to teach young people to care about their neighbors." Among her life experiences, she writes, she has "survived almost ten years of teaching; hiked about 160 miles on the Appalachian Trail—would like to do all of it—and is training a Polish Arabian horse named Ditto." Her husband **JONATHAN** (MA '80), is also an elementary school teacher. They are planning a move to Chattanooga, Tenn.

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