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1810 Little Creek Lane
Knoxville, TN 37922
July, 1989

Dear Creekers,

Here we are at the lodge on a beautiful day in late July. Prof is mowing the lawn and I have been cleaning a little and thinking of all the good times we've had up here with you.

Somewhere this week it dawned on me that one can be a student without a teacher but never a teacher without a student. So you see you all were a very necessary part of our lives. Without you, Little Creek would not be. Thank-you for all you did to help us.

Recently I answered the phone and heard a voice so familiar--Mr. Ingersoll. He was worried about us as he heard about the flooding in Tennessee and called to see if we were o.k. His wife was on the phone also and we had a good visit--sharing our memories of picking 500 boxes of strawberries per day. So many wonderful, caring people have been part of the "creation" of Little Creek. God gives us the power--"Every human being, created in the image of God, is endowed with a power akin to that of the Creator....It is the work of true education to develop this power." Ed. P. 17. May God especially bless all of you who have used this creative power to help LCA.

The summer began for us with two days at the Carolina Campmeeting where we enjoyed seeing the Maxson side of our family. We came home with new energy. Late in June the Maxson family came for a reunion and were in charge of all the week-end services, including the San program on Sabbath afternoon. Ben and Mary Maxson '67, Glenda (Maxson '69) Davidson, and David Maxson '61 and John and Janelle (Maxson '83) Spaulding were among the group.

June 16-17 was Madison College Homecoming. Laura Mae Zollinger came from Hawaii for her 25th celebration. It was quite a thrill to wear the special double lei that her husband Glenn '45 sent for me. So beautiful and fragrant.

Eleanor (Von Boeckman '54) Willoh and husband have retired and built a house about 10 miles from us. They hosted a celebration for Ann Goodge combining birthday and successfully passing the test necessary to be our nursing facility administrator. This was a "high" week as the sanitarium also passed the state inspection without any "write-ups".

Our vacation in June took us to Flint, MI, to see our family there. Monty Straw and family visited with us one evening. Then we spent Sabbath with Dee (Straw '62) Melins and all went to see Prof's brother Ronnie and wife Maxine who live by a lake. Dee is a full time student now and will soon graduate.

Two Sundays we took a group of girls to prepare and serve supper for a United Way project. They house and feed families who have no place to stay and help them find jobs or solve whatever problem they have. This is a girls' dorm project every week. Hope to get a picture. They also are telling bedtime stories and visiting with children at Lake Shore.

Our campus boasts a lovely little newcomer--Kyla Ann--born June 23. Her mother, Mrs. Wilton, is one of our Sanitarium cooks.

I'm glad I take time to read the letters from ADRA that accompany the receipt for our monthly donations as last month I found a penned note from Bonita Dale '88 and Paul McKee '88 who are working there this summer. Now wasn't that a plus?

Sorry I am not better organized. I'm never sure how to separate campus news from alumni news. It is hard to teach an old dog new tricks.

June 28, Becky Cote '87 spoke for prayer meeting and Bill Cote '89 played the organ for her song service. She will return soon to Keene, TX for her junior year. She has been appointed Assistant Chaplain for the year and will be in charge of the Friday evening vespers. All the family will move this time as Bill will begin his freshman year. We will miss them.

July 2, Leon Peek '64 spoke for church. He and his family were quite an attraction as all the relatives gathered, Bob and Mary (Peek '55) Kurzynske, Norman and Ava Peek '53, Kevin and Terryn (Kurzynske '79) Shaw '79, Donald and Michelle (Kurzynske '80) Chase '82 and Charlene Peek '82. We enjoyed their music and help in the afternoon San program.

July 22, Greg Scott '76 spoke for church and showed pictures of Adventist World Radio on Guam where he works as program director. The reports are thrilling. So far they have received 18,446 letters from 104 countries. You may want to subscribe to their quarterly newsletter--

AWR-ARSIWAVES

Adventist World Radio-Asia

P. O. Box 7500

Agat, Guam 96928

Greg's parents, Bud and Jane Scott '48 joined us for a potluck dinner that day. Brent and Kathy Myers '78 joined us also and Brent gave the scripture and prayer for the worship service.

ALUMNI NEWS

Our living room was crowded recently with guess who?--the Dysingers. Edwin '77 and Jenni from Khartoum, Sudan, Africa, where Edwin is Public Health Programs Manager for ADF Sudan. Wayne '78 and June who are going to Guam where Wayne will be a Family Practice physician. John '82 and Pam who were on a short vacation from Maxwell Adventist Academy in Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa. John is pastor and Bible teacher and Pam is teaching elementary school. Janelle (Dysinger '82-84) Carpenter was with them. She's awaiting motherhood in early September.

Karen McKinney '87 has been an angel of mercy by helping in the sanitarium on weekends. Jeanine (Greenhaw '74) Waterworth stopped by to introduce one of her students to us. Elwyn Sievers '47 surprised us one day and we shared memories of long ago.

Stanton and Debbie (Straw '77) Tait and Cynthia (Straw '81) Mitchell paid their mother, Janet, a surprise birthday visit.

We have had a number of other visitors--Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm Schmehl '65, David and Amy Hack '74, Gary and Jan (Williams '72) Carlson '73, Kandy Habenicht '89, Jeff Pride '89, David and Kathy (Leffew '77) Twombly, Albert Heidinger '79, Mr. and Mrs. Len (Karen Habenicht '82) Sherwood, Carol Shaw '89, Devora Buck '89, Dan Peek '84, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Foster '68, Krista Olson '88, Tom McNeilus and Marie (McNeilus) Ostrander.

WEDDINGS

Karen Habenicht '82 and Leonard Sherwood, Jr., June 18, 1989, P. O. Box 361, Boyne City, MI 49712.

NEWCOMERS

Luke Andrew, July 2, 1989, to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff (Pearl Moretz '80) Hudgins, 4523 Old Winston Road, Kernersville, NC 27284.

Sorry to end on a sad note. Allen Green '48, who lived in the community, passed away. Life is so short for some.

Faye (Lea '45) Neely passed away June 29, 1989, after bravely fighting a losing battle with cancer. She was our church school teacher for a year. Stanford remembers her as his 3rd grade teacher. Our sympathies to her family. Virginia Gustin, Sarah Ann McNeilus '43 and Mary Charles (Scott '46) Jones went down to see her a couple of times.

We just received word that Frederick Van Deusen '75, passed away following a long battle with a brain tumor. We extend our sympathies to his family.

We have been checking up on the library this summer. Many books are missing. Several were signed out by former staff members and students. Please check and see if by some chance you find any among your books by mistake. It can happen so easily.

Please remember that the weekend of November 3-4, 1989 has been set aside for Homecoming. Put it on your calendar and come and enjoy fellowship with your classmates and friends.

Enclosed you will find an update on address that we have received since the last letter was published. If you have an address change or know the address for someone whose address is missing, please send them to Rogene right away.

Summer has finally found us - 95° today. We hope to leave tomorrow to spend the week-end at Elkmont with Janet and Stanford and our great grandchildren. It will be cooler up there. Homecoming is just around the corner. See you then. In the meantime we'll all try to let our light shine in this troubled world.

Happy summertime,
Alicia and Leland Straw