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March 16, 1994

Dear Alumni and friends,

So much has taken place since the last newsletter. When I arrived at Little Creek to work on the current newsletter, I was given a copy of the letter Mr. Garver sent out to you. So you are aware that the sale of the Little Creek farm property is final. The selling price was approximately 5 million. You are also aware that the current Little Creek Academy will be closing at the end of the 1994 school year. The new school, Heritage Academy, will be located in northwest Tennessee. This has been a difficult time for many, as you can imagine, but with the changes soon to take place we must work together with a common goal of finishing God's work. It is my prayer that God will truly bless Heritage Academy and its staff.

Your alumni officers are busy at work planning for the next homecoming. Mark your calendars for November 4 and 5 and start planning now to come. The alumni will have very important decisions to make at that time. The honor classes this year are: 1944, 1949, 1954, 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989 and 1994. Further announcements will be sent out to you in September. At that time a questionnaire will also be sent that will enable us to know approximately how many are planning to attend. If any of you have suggestions for Homecoming please let us know.

With all the changes that will be taking place we know that many of you will have questions. The alumni association officers are glad to be available to you should you like to talk with any one of us. Below is a list of our addresses and phone numbers:

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I am really looking forward to seeing you in November. Do feel free to contact me with any suggestions or questions. May God bless each one of you in 1994.

Sincerely,

*Jan Carlson*

ALUMNI NEWS LETTER  
MARCH, 1994

Dear Alumni,

It is a little late for New Year's greetings, so I will jump into more seasonal springtime greetings. Daffodils and forsythia are helping us to forget drab winter days and we look forward to our beautiful East Tennessee dogwoods.

My eyes are always quick to notice L.C.A. Alumni's names when reading church publications, etc. The following items were noted.

CARLA GOBER '77, who is a chaplain at Loma Linda University, led out in a recent Women's Retreat held at Nosoca Pines Ranch. The "Southern Tidings" reported this event. It was one of several in which Carla has taken a leading part.

JULIE WINKLE '90, was one of eleven North American college students to join 30 Brazilian students in a 10 week summer witnessing project called "Brazil 93". "The V.O.P. News" gave a stirring account of this very challenging adventure.

The January 13, 1994, issue of the "Review" published a short article entitled "Baby Chastity" written by BRENT VANARSDALL '81. It was a reflection on Brent's observations regarding his job and life work.

The Feb. 24, 1994 issue of the "Review" had this news item. "JAMES W. BOYLE '61, president and chief executive officer of Shawnee Mission Medical Center in Shawnee Mission, Kansas, has been named president of the Adventist Assn. of Health Care Executives."

WILLIAM DEWITT '87 marriage is mentioned under weddings, but you will be interested to know that he and Lois are now in Saipan for 2 years of mission service. William is teaching grades 5 and 6, band, and private piano lessons.

What is the first thing you think of when you hear the name NATHAN DEWITT '89? Tall? thin? Me too! However, his recent body building program has advanced him two suit sizes and 30 pounds. At 6', 7" he is still thin! He has also been busy at Andrews University working on a history major and biology minor with excellent teaching credentials.

Thanks to MERWIN STEWART '72 and ESTHER EIRICH '89 for your letters. How much we enjoy hearing from each of you!

RAYMOND OSTRANDER '67, in addition to other duties at Andrews University School of Education is the Associate Editor of "The Journal of Research in Christian Education".

KENT VANARSDALL '79 and wife, Joan, reside in Knoxville at the present time. Kent finished medicine at Loma Linda in 1987, and finished a residency in Internal Medicine at Kettering, Ohio. He spent some time in Phuket, Thailand, as well as Singapore before coming to Knoxville where he is establishing a practice with Dr. Paul Watson.

We had a wonderful letter from Bill and Yvonne Dysinger bringing us up date on the activities of their children. Space permits only the briefest account of each.

EDWIN DYSINGER'77 and wife, Jennifer with Evangeline (9), Carolyn (7), and Paul (3) have been busy home building and doing church-based community development work at Kibidula in Tanzania.

WAYNE DYSINGER'78 and wife June, in addition to parenting 14 mo. old Stephen, have continued in Atlanta with June's study of midwifery and Wayne's family practice which also includes helping to set up a new Family Practice Residency.

JOHN DYSINGER'82 and wife Pam are busy in their 6th year of teaching at Maxwell Academy in Kenya. They have 2 yr. old Kirsten and her new baby brother, Jonathan.

Janelle lives in Maryland and works as an EMT and recently as a surgical technician in an outpatient Surgery Center.

Speaking of the "Review", many of you will notice the frequent contributions to the Children's Corner made by our Campus Writer, Alyce Pickett. Mrs. Pickett, retired, was a nurse at the San for many years. She enjoys having her son, JAMES'61 close by. Jim stays very busy in the Trauma Center at U.T. Medical Center. He is very professionally prepared for this, having finished residencies in Pathology, Internal Medicine and Emergency Medicine.

#### NEWCOMERS

December 17, 1993, Randall Thomas, 8 lbs., 7 oz., to Audrey and BOB FOLKENBERG'82.

January 29, 1994, Heather Brianna, 8 lbs., 8 oz., to Gerald and SUSAN (REMPHER)'87 Peel.

#### WEDDINGS

July 11, 1993 Lois Gates and WILLIAM DEWITT'87, in California.

December 5, 1993 JILL GUNDERSON'84 and Brian Horn in Nashville.

#### VISITORS FROM CHURCH GUEST BOOK

Bob and MARY (Peek) KURZYNSKE, DAWN CRIDDLE, SCOTT BOEHM, SHAUN DEAN, KENT and Joan VANARSDELL, Bob and BONNIE (Block) EVANS, MICHELLE (Kurzynske) CHASE, and DOUG DEWEY.

One of the greatest joys in teaching and guiding young people is the fact that the rewards keep coming year after year as we hear and read of your lives of service. I wish to express my thanks to each and every one of you for enriching my life in so many ways, not only when students, but in a continuing stream of love and support for Little Creek School.

On this earth God has given us all minds with diversity of opinions, a wide spectrum of talents, and multiple ways in which to serve Him. Frequently these diversities give us unsettling situations, but one common thread runs among us—a longing for a land of peace and harmony where we shall hear the "bells of heaven ring".

Ringingly yours,

*S.A.M.*  
Sarah Ann McNeilus

*Hi! Much love to all  
of you,  
Alicia and Leland Strawn*