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Kairos and providence

I've been spending more than a little time thinking about the qualities of leadership lately. I coach the women's basketball team here at Andrews and often wonder about how best to unite the team to improve performance.

So far, I've resisted strangleholds, chair-throwing, and shouting in my player's faces (à la Texas Tech coach Bobby Knight), and instead relied on a much more low-key and authentic approach, given my personality.

Additionally, there is a climate of leadership change on campus, as new leaders establish new directions and plans for all levels of the university. The university is also more overtly concerned with the concept of leadership as an educational enterprise at the center of our mission. We have our own graduate program in leadership after all, and, as many of you know, Andrews prides itself on its "legacy of leadership."

Throw in the national coverage of the 2008 presidential race and my thinking has quite naturally come back to leaders.

I recently finished David McCullough's *1776*, a riveting account of that year's battles in the American Revolution. What becomes clear over the course of McCullough's recounting of these events—which included mostly lopsided and nearly war-ending British victories—is that the American cause was preserved through an amazing combination of perseverance, quickly learned and improvised military strategy, but mostly good fortune.

George Washington's role, obviously, was central. While recognizing his army's many deficiencies, from lack of training and dismal hygiene to divisive state allegiances and straight-forward drunkenness and debauchery, Washington managed to provide a public figure for his troops around which they could rally.

That Washington's leadership involved intangibles, perhaps even elements we might find contrary to good leadership, is also significant. He was stubborn, impetuous to strike a blow against the British troops, and at once both brilliant and naïve as a military strategist.

McCullough's portrait highlights the precarious position of the American army throughout the year, after repeated defeats and both secretive and improbable retreats. While General Washington's decisions and actions were fundamental from beginning to end, the confluence of timing, chance and what was then termed "providence" proved decisive.

This confluence points out what I think is the problematic nature of advocating a strict leadership formula. As a part-time student of classical rhetoric, I appreciate the Greek notion of *kairos*, or "fitting timing." The Greeks believed that speakers achieved excellence through a heightened understanding of the particular moment during which they addressed their audience. Adapting to immediate audience expectations, recognizing the contextual environment, perhaps unwittingly (or even providentially) knowing what had to be said and how to state it in the moment—these were the dimensions of *kairos*.

Rhetoric, perhaps like leadership, is an art. There may be principles to guide us in practice and education, but intangible aspects often determine the higher reaches of quality. These intangibles, it would seem, necessarily involve a whole lot of Divine Providence.

In this issue, we look at the leading role the United States is playing in a growing global economic imbalance. Economics professor David Beckworth examines the uncertain situation, suggesting that a "hard landing" could be a devastating outcome for all citizens of the world.

Our other feature highlights current Andrews TV production efforts. Organized by communications professor Melchizedek Ponniah, these programs, aired locally and via satellite, are becoming a proving ground for students interested in the field, while simultaneously serving as an outreach tool for the university.




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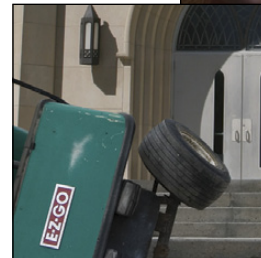
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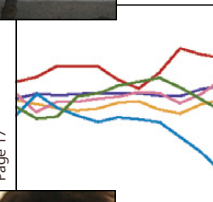
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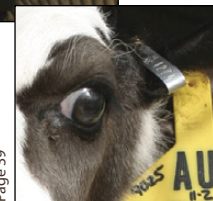
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On the cover

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Sweet smells of response

A veritable potpourri of letters from readers came in since our last issue. Two topics are still spiking conversation. The university board remains the subject of some readers' reactions, including one we share here relating to board makeup. Additionally, our photo essay from two issues back, "Faces of India," continues to provoke thoughtful responses, among them insights from the photographer-essayist's mother.... Readers were also saddened to learn of the passing of Mary Jane Mitchell and John Lungu, and wanted to share their memories of these two influential people.... We also appreciate your careful attention to details we might have missed or overlooked, and we hope you'll continue to admonish us on these important finer points. Enjoy!

Board makeup

Regarding the "Board Briefing" (Spring 2006, Vol. 42, No. 2), I think they should appoint more Blacks, Lay people and Women to the Board of Trustees. I'm very saddened to see very few of the above mentioned people serve on the Board of Trustees. I hope they will give careful study to this and do the needful thing. Also, they need more Hispanics in the Board.

Johnson S. Christian (MA '61)

Remembering

Thanks for keeping alumni informed through the Focus. I always go through my copy the moment it arrives in the mail. I was saddened to read of the passing of Mr. Lungu. I started in the AU system back in 1975 in the 5th grade at Ruth Murdoch Elementary School, so I remember him well through my Andrews Academy days. He was always very friendly, taking care of problems, and a reassuring presence roaming the halls that I'll never forget.

I look forward to that great Reunion in heaven when we can meet all of our former family and friends who are now resting in His care.

Ernie Medina, Jr. (BS '97)

I was very sad to read about the passing of Mrs. Mary Jane Mitchell, longtime librarian of Andrews University. Seeing her picture in the Fall 2006 issue of Focus, brought a lot of memories! I had finished

my MA in Theology at the old Potomac University in Washington D.C., in May of 1960, and after some deliberations, my wife and I decided to go to Andrews and finished our BD, before returning to Brazil.

I was approached by Mrs. Mitchell to see if I would be interested in packing all the Seminary books during the summer of 1960. She promised me a job at the new Andrews University in Michigan! And so it was that I had the privilege of packing all the books and enjoyed working with her for two years, watching the library in the evenings, which was located in the basement of the old chapel building. It was a very difficult time, financially, because my second son, Luis Robert, was born in St. Joseph, and I needed two jobs. Thanks to Mrs. Mitchell I was able to make it! She was a wonderful lady.

When I graduated in 1962 and was getting ready to go back to Brazil, the new James White Library was about to be inaugurated, and she was so proud of it. We thank God for people like Mrs. Mitchell, who had a profound influence in our lives and in the institution!

Leo Ranzolin (MA '60, MDiv '62)

India revisited

As Daniel Bedell's mom, I was so proud of his photo essay in this past summer's Focus (Vol. 42, No. 3), and was very appreciative of the editors for giving it space and a beautiful layout.

The protective mom side of me went into "attack" mode when I read the letter

Don't forget to write

Letters to Focus are always welcome. To ensure a range of viewpoints, we encourage letters of fewer than 300 words. Letters may be edited for content, style and space. Opinions expressed in letters are not necessarily shared by the editors, university employees, officers and administrators.

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to the editor in the issue that just arrived at our home this morning (“Picture India,” Fall 2006, Vol. 42, No. 4, page 5). I felt like responding to this gentleman by reminding him that this person he is criticizing is just a student: a 22-year-old, who is searching and seeking for his place in this world and in our church. He isn’t yet a seasoned traveler. He isn’t a theology or anthropology student or a political science major—just a photographer and journalist excited to see and experience the world. He went to India to observe and experience, not to judge.

We all feel bad that his impressions and thoughts expressed in his photo essay made someone so upset and defensive. Daniel has grown up in a small community with a huge diversity of cultures. In our church, school and in his class, there was always a wonderful mix of Asians, Hispanics, Caucasian and African Americans. His own grandparents escaped from Hungary during its revolution in 1956, and have exposed him to that eastern European culture. So he is not really someone who is sheltered from or critical of other ways of life! He treasures his study tour experience in India.

Thank you for your editor’s note clarifying that Daniel was on an academic study tour, not a mission trip, and thank you again for nurturing the students and validating their experiences by publishing their work in your magazine.

Judy Bedell (BS ’80)

Back on “The Spindle”

January 10, 2007, marked my eighty-sixth birthday! Nothing unusual about that except that none of my natural or acquired male forebears made it to fifty. I’m retired in North Carolina, having had my home address in Orlando since 1934.

I graduated from EMC with Frank Foote and George Vandeman, both of whom went on to better things. I was in the half of the class that made the upper half possible. (For three years, I wrote a jolly column—Left On The Spindle—for the *Student Movement*. Scarcely a man is now alive that remembers that!). Maybe

that is why my name does not appear on page 48 of the Focus (Fall 2006, Vol. 42, No. 4) I received yesterday. It listed eight of my class who have been \$upportive of Andrew\$ Univer\$ity.

In 1967, with my two sons and one of their friends, I was driving at random in Europe for three weeks. At our hotel desk in Germany, a man was unsuccessfully trying to negotiate a ride to the airport for Sunday morning. I butted in to say I’d be glad to accommodate him.

Sunday morning on the way to Frankfurt, I asked his destination. He said Munich. I said that we’d take him there. We had a delightful day, but as we neared Munich, I asked him his next destination. It was in Austria, but not too far, so we took him there.

All day I had worried this man might be a criminal and he’d rob me. I do not know of his criminality, but he did take me up for \$10,000. His name was Hammill, and he claimed he was associated with a little freshwater college in Southwestern Michigan.

Those circumstances, I guess, were why my name did not show up on page 48.

William A. Iles (BA ’42, DIP ’47)

Unnoticed?

In the Fall 2006 issue of the Focus, I came across the section telling about the Alumni Gatherings. I read that there was a gathering here in Maryland at the Eggexpectations—which is only minutes away from where I live. I was disappointed that I didn’t receive any notice of the gathering! It would be nice to hear of such happenings.

Duane Potter (BA ’60)

Correction

The name of my mother printed on the Golden Hearts photo caption of the recent Focus (back cover) is incorrect. Her name is Barbara Tompkins (not Thompson) Byrd. Her parents, the Tompkins, worked for years in the AU laundry. My parents make annual donations to AU.

It was very disappointing for me to see her name printed as “Thompson” in a caption that should mark a special milestone in her life. I know she will be disappointed as well.

Having worked as an editor myself, I’ve had typos slip through too, but when it comes to names in a photo caption—attention to detail is important.

Stephanie Regester

Thanks

We truly enjoy reading Focus. The Fall 2006 issue, which I just received, was a beautiful issue which helped to convey a true sense of pride in having attended a wonderful Christian institution.

Melodie Lopez (BA ’75)

Ogden Tours 2007

Imperial Russia River Cruise
June 20–July 5, 2007

Limited space is still available for this memorable cruise to Imperial Russia, including stops at the Hermitage Museum, Catherine’s Palace, and Perhof Palace in St. Petersburg; Red Square, the Kremlin, and St. Basil’s Cathedral in Moscow.

Autumn in Japan
October 28–November 13, 2007

This outstanding tour features the exotic country of Japan in the fall, exploring areas of cultural and natural beauty around Tokyo, Kyoto and Hiroshima, as well as Mt. Fuji and the Pacific coast.

For information on either tour contact:

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6th annual "Legacy of Freedom" celebration

Numerous events honoring the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr., were held on campus January 13–15.

The weekend began on Saturday, Jan. 13, with an oration of one of King's sermons at New Life Adventist Church. On Monday, Jan. 15, a special convocation was held in Pioneer Memorial Church, featuring two student speakers. Guillermo

educator with his volunteer service to his community; Patricia B. Mutch for her professional contribution to research on substance abuse and for her commitment to personal and institutional growth on issues of equality among Andrews' faculty and staff; and Edward Wood III, director of communications at the Michigan Department of Management and Budget.



Freedom Award recipients and presenters, l-r: Heather Knight, Edward Wood III, C. Willard "Knobby" Mauro, Sherry Collins, Patricia B. Mutch, Niels-Erik Andreasen, and Joseph Warren

Magana, a senior political science and communication major and president of the Andrews University Student Association, spoke on "Building the Beloved Community through Student Leadership." Anna Park, a sophomore English major and editor of Andrews' annual, *The Cardinal*, spoke on "Building the Beloved Community through Learning."

The convocation also featured the presentations of the second annual Freedom Awards to community members whose efforts actively further the cause of freedom. Recipients included: Sherry Collins (BA '68), for her innovative and successful work in the challenging urban schools of Benton Harbor, including the Gifted/Talented Magnet Academy; C. Willard "Knobby" Mauro (BA '48), for his uncompromising dedication to service, integrating his work as an

Several workshops took place on Monday afternoon in the Seminary. The first workshop was on the "Lost Boys of Sudan," sponsored by Campus Ministries' Action, featuring a panel discussion of video clips selected from the recent PBS documentary about young refugees from the Sudanese conflict. Next was a presentation of "Fuerza: A Documentary on the Realities of Immigration in Two Small Cities." This documentary focused on immigration issues in Mexico. Members of the production team from Goshen College were present to screen the film, lead a discussion and answer questions. Lastly, a panel discussion on "The Theological Implications of Immigration" featured a theologian, a historian, a sociologist, an attorney, and a representative from the field of public administration.

Focus receives silver Pride of CASE V award

Focus recently received a silver Pride of CASE V award for Best Alumni/Institution Magazine, 1,001-2,999 FTE, competing against other colleges and universities in Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota and Ohio. The award was announced at the 32nd Annual CASE (Council for Advancement and Support of Education) District V conference held in Chicago, Ill. December 10–12, 2006.

Over the past two years, Focus has undergone a redesign, including a shift to full-color for the entire magazine. Ivan Davis, Focus editor since early 2002, considers the mission of Focus "to create and nurture a positive relationship between the university and its alumni constituency and friends through an informative and entertaining publication." Celebrating Focus' 40th anniversary in winter 2005, Davis has built on a legacy of editors who have brought the magazine from a thin, black and white newsletter to its current, colorful 40+ page layout.

Focus is published out of the University Relations Office and is sent to Andrews' almost 30,000 alumni around the world. Pat Spangler, assistant director of University Relations, serves as the magazine's assistant editor, and Matt Hamel of Visionary Multimedia is the design consultant.



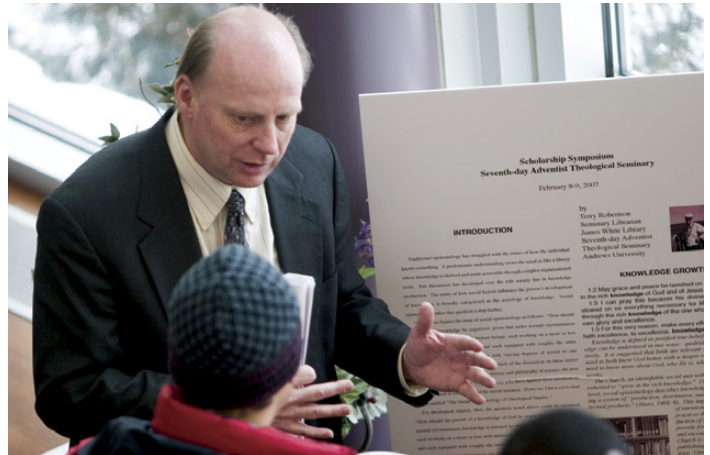
(From left) Rebecca May, director of University Relations; Keith Williams, CASE V board member; Pat Spangler, assistant editor of Focus magazine and assistant director of University Relations; and Sarah Panetta, CASE V board member.

Seminary Scholarship Symposium

On February 8 & 9, the Seminary held their third annual Seminary Scholarship Symposium, showcasing the research, creativity and learning accomplished at the Seminary during the previous year. The Thursday-morning recognition assembly highlighted six of the scholarly projects accomplished by Seminary professors and students, including Clifford Jones' book *James K. Humphrey and the Sabbath-day Adventist*; Richard Davidson's *Flame of Yahweh: Sexuality in the Old Testament*; and Felix Cortez, who was published in the prestigious *Journal of Biblical Literature*.

On Thursday evening and Friday morning, the Seminary Commons displayed abstracts of academic projects presented in poster form. The plenary session on Thursday evening featured a lecture on Adventist contributions to biblical archaeology by Randall Younker, professor of Old Testament and biblical archaeology.

The Symposium program listed nine poster projects, 19 abstracts of scholarly papers and nearly 170 publications and presentations completed in 2006.



Terry Robertson, seminary librarian, presented his research at the annual Seminary Symposium.

"Lost Tomb of Jesus"

Until recently, "ossuary" wasn't a word brought up too often in general conversation. That changed, however, thanks to the Discovery Channel's airing of "The Lost Tomb of Jesus," a program that has brought about much debate in Christian and secular circles alike.

In light of these recent conversations, the Horn Archaeological Museum, part of the Institute of Archaeology, hosted a special lecture on Tuesday, March 13, to an interested crowd of more than 80 people. Biblical archaeologists Randy Younker and Paul Ray were joined by New Testament scholar Richard Choi to share their views on the claim of the discovery of Jesus' tomb and what it means for Christians.

In "The Lost Tomb of Jesus," producer James Cameron and director Simcha Jacobovici claim they've nailed down the earthly remains of Jesus of Nazareth—along with those of his purported family—based on what they interpret to be a rare combination of name inscriptions, among them "Jesus Son of Joseph" and "Mary Magdalene."

Outrageous though the documentary's claims may be, Younker says Christians



cannot afford to ignore them. "A lot of people today haven't yet made up their minds about [Jesus' divinity] and will grab on to and be enthusiastic about these claims. [In the Bible], Paul says to 'always be ready to give a reason for your faith,' so it is the Christian's responsibility to show that these sorts of claims are not valid and don't undermine our faith—in a respectful way, of course."

Attendees had the opportunity to view an actual ossuary (*bone box pictured above*) from the time of Jesus, a model of a tomb with a rolling stone doorway, as well as photos of the discovery of the "Lost Tomb of Jesus." The Alumni Office served refreshments under the museum's Bedouin

tent following the presentation.

Younker maintains that "The Lost Tomb of Jesus" is not one of those instances where faith must be shelved by science. Rather, he and a host of other scholars—Christian and secular—think the documentary relies on sensationalism, sloppy translations and incorrect statistics to boost "at best, a bogus claim made by quasi-archaeologists with an agenda."

The Institute of Archaeology conducts and manages the biblical-archaeological research and education programs at Andrews University and is based within the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary here on campus. The Institute's work, pioneered by Siegfried Horn nearly 40 years ago, has been foundational to archaeological research worldwide, and has led to worldwide acceptance of Adventist archaeology as good science which remains true to Scripture. The Institute's Hisban Project in Jordan has been a pioneer in Islamic archaeology, which has offered significant opportunities for interfaith dialogue and understanding in Jordan and beyond.

Indian journalist shares her experience

Seline D. Augustine, associate editor of *The Hindu*, a national English newspaper from Chennai (Madras) India with worldwide distribution, visited campus March 5–6. Augustine’s career is anything but typical for a Christian woman in India—especially since she first ventured into journalism 25 years ago when Indian women had few career options beyond nursing, telephone operating and elementary-school teaching.

Speaking to communication students, Augustine shared her experience as a pioneering Christian journalist in a predominantly Hindu country. Christians make up a mere 2.4 percent of India’s population, and Augustine says her colleagues often challenge her for covering Christian news, especially around Christian holidays such as Christmas and Easter.

However, Augustine says she holds fast to the journalistic tenets of

objectivity and fairness, and that means covering all aspects of Indian society, including Christian events and issues. “When you are on the staff of a newspaper and you are a Christian, you feel strongly about [your Christian identity] and can [make an impact],” even if only in the “small things,” Augustine told the students.

Augustine says she is encouraged by recent signs of progress in India. Among other traditionally male-dominated fields, she says more women are working as journalists, as well as CEOs and police officers—thanks to recent equal-opportunity government initiatives and the empowering force of globalization.

Even though she didn’t become a teacher as she originally planned, “God had other plans. [He] gave me the best of both worlds,” Augustine told students.

While at Andrews, Augustine lectured on several topics, including gender roles in India, democracy and intercultural communication, and the Christian journalist’s role in secular society.



IPA receives contract from DeVos Family Foundations

The Institute for Prevention of Addictions was recently awarded a 17-month, \$51,279 contract from the DeVos Family Foundations in Grand Rapids, Mich. to evaluate the DeVos Urban Leadership Initiative (DVULI).

DVULI is a national faith-based training program that prepares urban youth leaders to be more effective in their ministries. The evaluation is being led by Curt VanderWaal, professor of social work and department chair. It will collect and analyze focus group and case study data from indi-

viduals participating in the project in nine cities around the country.

“The best way to truly understand a program is to ask the participants what they learned and how that knowledge and skill is actually being applied in their real-life ministries,” said VanderWaal. He is also working with DeVos Family Foundation staff and researchers from Calvin College to design a more in-depth Internet survey for all 450+ program graduates. “This is a great opportunity for Andrews University to partner with another Christian college on a

project that has impacted thousands of urban youth around the nation,” said Edwin Hernandez, Foundations Research Director for the DeVos Family Foundations.

“Critics have really challenged the effectiveness of faith-based programs. It’s not enough to just say ‘this program works’ — you have to prove it. This evaluation gives us a chance to take a close look at the processes and outcomes of one such program and see whether it is making a real difference in the lives of participants and their communities”, said VanderWaal.



“Biggest Loser” at Andrews

Being thought of as a “big loser” is usually something most people want to avoid. But thanks to NBC’s hit reality TV show that’s turned losing weight and becoming fit into steep competition, thousands across the country are clamoring for the title of “Biggest Loser.” And thanks to the work of graduate psychology major Sekenah Daye, “Loser mania” has even found its way to campus.

Sekenah planned and launched the program, which was sponsored by the Counseling & Testing Center, for Wellness Week, starting October 15, 2006. Two teams of five students each were chosen for the competition.

Participants were required to attend the first weigh-in on October 15, compete in three competitions throughout the semester, meet with a personal trainer for one hour each Sunday, as well as attend a weekly group therapy session and work with a nutritionist.

Results were announced at a special final celebration on December 10. Angelika Grozdic (*pictured below, far left*), junior communication major, was deemed the “Biggest Loser,” with a total loss of 26.75 lbs and 11% body fat. The four-member yellow team took the Biggest Losing Team title, with a total combined weight loss of 53.75 lbs. For her “losing” success, Angelika took home a 30G iPod, while her team members each received a home entertainment system that included a DVD player.

“I never would have expected to have benefited so much from the program in so many different ways,” said Angelika. “It challenged me physically and mentally. My life has definitely changed as a result of this program.”



Top left: Students had the opportunity to explore their options for future employment at the Health Careers Job Fair, held Jan. 29 in the lobby of the Howard Performing Arts Center.

Middle: Hyveth Williams, senior pastor of the Campus Hill Adventist Church in Loma Linda, Calif., conducted the Week of Prayer at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, January 15–19.

Bottom: A copy of the Torah is carried through the congregation as part of the Hebrew Adventist worship service, Beit B’nei Shalom on Sabbath, Feb. 3, as part of the annual Music and Worship Conference in the Howard Performing Arts Center.

Flight simulators arrive

The Aeronautics Department recently welcomed the arrival of two new flight simulators. Andrews University is the first institution to receive this particular brand of simulator, which comes from a factory in central France which is hoping to begin manufacturing and distributing in the United States.



Flight instructor Steve Horne and Masahito Nakamine, senior aviation major, stand in front of one of the Aeronautics department's new flight simulators.

The simulators will be helpful to aviation students, particularly during inclement weather, when it is not possible to teach advanced flight. "Simulators will give us the ability to teach in an advanced cockpit in all conditions," said Allan Payne, department chair.

With the new equipment, flight instructors can teach many techniques, including takeoffs, landings, private maneuvers, instrumental flying, and commercial maneuvers. Though students are required to spend four-fifths of commercial flying in an actual airplane, they can amass up to 50 hours in a simulator. This reduces the expenses for flying, especially since it cuts down on fuel consumption and insurance costs. The computer can create emergency situations, like smoke in the cockpit, to help students assess and fly in hazardous situations.

The final step is to solidify the simulators' place in the department and community. Retired construction and steelworkers, as well as contractors, from the Berrien Springs community are collaborating with sponsorship from Fiskars Construction to help set up the building that will hold the simulators. With the new building in place, groups from the community, such as the Rotary Club or the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) can meet there. It can also serve as a base for rescue operation exercises. The new building will allow Aeronautics to serve the community, as well as provide an enhanced academic program for its students.



Tenor David Düsing, Peter Shickele (as PDQ Bach) and soprano Michèle Eaton performed for the Howard Series on Saturday, Feb. 3. Their unique mix of classical music and comedy made for an evening of laughter.



Pastor Wintley Phipps shared his music ministry with a standing-room-only crowd at the Howard Performing Arts Center on Friday evening, Feb. 2, as part of the annual Music and Worship Conference.



Tony Campolo, preacher, educator, and founder of Evangelical Association for the Promotion of Education was the guest speaker for University Forum on Jan. 16, at Pioneer Memorial Church.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Grant

Andrews University, in partnership with The MayaTech Corporation of Silver Spring, Md., has recently been awarded a 30-month grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Substance Abuse Policy Research Program to evaluate factors potentially affecting access to outpatient substance-abuse treatment for African Americans.

The purpose of the project is to examine whether state Medicaid policies governing outpatient substance-abuse treatment coverage facilitate or inhibit access to treatment services for African Americans. Duane McBride, PhD, director of Andrews University's Institute for the Prevention of Addiction, will serve as the project's Principal Investigator, and Jamie Chriqui, PhD, director of MayaTech's Center for Health Policy and Legislative Analysis, will serve as the Co-principal Investigator.

"Concern about equal access to drug treatment services has become a major

issue in our society," explains McBride. "Considerable evidence suggests that substance abuse treatment is effective and that state policy can play a major role in determining access to these necessary services."

State Medicaid data will be compiled by the study team and linked with treatment-program and client-admissions data collected by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Analyses will focus on identifying differences in policies that are related to equal access to services.

"Many African Americans face barriers in accessing treatment services, which include lack of resources, transportation, and childcare," states Chriqui. "Recent data also suggest that African Americans participate in Medicaid as the only or primary insurance at a higher proportion than other racial or ethnic groups, and that is why the analysis of these state programs

is key to evaluating access."

The research project will involve three substudies to specifically examine state Medicaid requirements for outpatient substance-abuse services, the differences in Medicaid versus non-Medicaid funded programs that may affect African Americans, and the relationship between state Medicaid policies and treatment-program practices.

Andrews University and MayaTech also are currently collaborating on a 50-state analysis of methamphetamine precursor policies under a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice's National Institute of Justice.

NASA astronaut speaks for Black History Month

Robert L. Satcher, Jr., an astronaut with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), spoke for chapel on Thursday, February 8, as part of a Black History Month Celebration under the theme "Higher than the Highest Human Thought Can Reach."

Satcher's presentation focused on the history and development of NASA and how African-American men and women have served their country by contributing to the space program. He outlined the achievements of the nineteen outstanding African-Americans who have been connected to the space program since its establishment in 1959. Some featured individuals include: Edward J. Dwight, the first African-American man accepted into the program, Guion Bluford, the first African-American astronaut to fly in space, Mae C. Jemison, the first African-American female astronaut, and Bernard Harris, the first African-American astronaut to walk in space. Currently, there are four active African-American astronauts with NASA and another three looking forward to their first space mission.

Satcher, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard Medical School, is an orthopaedic surgeon and most recently an assistant professor in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at the Feinberg School of Medicine at Northwestern University. He has completed an Orthopaedic Oncology Fellowship



(L-R) President Andreasen, Provost Knight and Dr. Satcher (photo courtesy of *Herald-Palladium*)

from the University of Florida, among other achievements and stints of postdoctoral research. Satcher was selected by NASA in May 2004 and completed his Astronaut Candidate Training in February 2006. His training qualifies him for various technical assignments within the Astronaut Office, and he is currently awaiting flight assignment as a mission specialist.

Creative Arts Festival offers a variety of options

Barry Black, chaplain of the United States Senate, kicked off the 13th annual Creative Arts Festival, held Feb. 20–24, by relating highlights from his inspiring story, chronicled in *From the Hood to the Hill*. Each day was filled with a variety of arts-related events to choose from. The James White Library hosted a number of afternoon arts and crafts demonstrations and international music performances. The library also displayed art by various faculty and staff.

Several galleries on campus showcased recent work from both students and faculty and the Architecture Resource Center Gallery featured “Sedimental Journey,”

works in clay by ceramist Michael Taylor.

A biblical storytelling presentation, “The Grandmother’s of Jesus,” put on by a group of local community women was held in the Youth Chapel on Tuesday evening.

Nu Sigma, the English honor society, held their annual poetry night in the lobby of Chan Shun Hall, where guests enjoyed live jazz and the reading of original poetry by members of the Andrews community.

The Terrace Café was the site of lunch-time concerts by local musicians, including the AU Sinfonietta Strings, AU Brass Quintet, and selections from the Music Department’s production of “Trial by Jury.”

The Band and Keyboard Festival hosted approximately 120 high school and academy students who performed on Friday and Saturday afternoons. Jo Ann and Richard Davidson, professors of Old Testament in the Seminary, shared “The Great Sabbath Welcome,” a multisensory event in the Howard Performing Arts Center lobby on Friday evening. The Festival concluded with a Howard Series concert by the Julliard-trained Ahn Trio, three sisters who perform originally composed contemporary classical music, gave a thrilling performance on Saturday evening.



Barry Black speaks in PMC for University Forum.

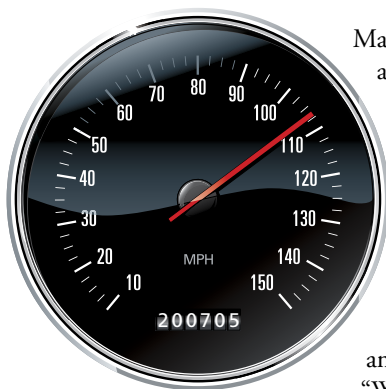


Band and Keyboard Festival participants in rehearsal on Friday, Feb. 23.



Richard Davidson begins the Sabbath with the sound of a shofar during the “The Great Sabbath Welcome.”

May Express rolls out



May 7, 2007, the Monday after graduation at Andrews University, marks the beginning of May Express, a month of intensives burgeoning the school’s already-expanding summer programs. May Express is the brainchild of Donald May, assistant dean for the College of Arts and Sciences and general education director.

“We believe in our general education program and our approach to it,” May explains. “But it would be better if we can make it available at a convenient time and a great price.”

May Express is a 3–4 week intensive of selected courses, ending before summer camps start to ensure a job and classes for busy

students. May notes that the program is targeted for double majors, students needing additional assistance and those needing credits for graduation.

Students may take up to four credits, at half-price per credit. They must register by April 25, and each class must enroll a minimum of ten students. Future offerings will depend on this year’s success, anticipated by students and faculty alike.

“The May Express initiative demonstrates great potential for increasing enrollment growth in the summer programs, one of the goals I would like to see achieved over the next year,” states Provost Heather Knight. “I am delighted at any opportunity that allows our University to expand its academic horizons and offer alternatives for students needing extra time to complete general education courses.”

For more information and a list of available classes, log onto: <http://www.andrews.edu/academics/mayexpress/>

Faculty and staff honored for excellence and service

Andrews University's faculty, staff and Board of Trustees enjoyed their annual banquet on Sunday, March 4. The evening opened with a reception and student art exhibition in the lobby of the Howard Performing Arts Center, then continued with the entertainment/awards presentation in the concert hall. The program, "The Golden Cardinal Awards," was styled after the Oscars, with spoof categories like "Best in Shoes," "Best Golf Cart Driver," and "Best Milker" mixed-in with the more serious Excellence in Service, Excellence in Teaching, and Years of Service awards. Attendees closed off the evening with a dinner catered by Terrace Café.

Almost 90 faculty and staff members were honored for anywhere from five to thirty-five years of service at Andrews. Three were honored for 30 years of service: Gary Marsh, professor of aviation technology; Daniel Bidwell, senior systems administrator; and Tom Baker, teacher of English and German at Andrews Academy. The two 35-year honorees were: Barbara Friesen, assistant to administration, and Patricia Mutch, professor of nutrition.

Three staff members were honored for Excellence in Service. Recipients of this award are hourly or salaried full- or part-time staff who have served for at least three consecutive years, and have

not previously received the award. The award is given "in recognition of outstanding service to the university, the church, and the community, and for demonstrating, by precept and example, a Christ-centered life." This year's awardees included: Ildiko Gyeresi, asst. to financial records director; Sandra White, interlibrary loans associate for the James White Library; and Barbara Friesen, assistant to administration.

The Daniel A. Augsburg Excellence in Teaching award was given to seven faculty members. Faculty from each school nominate and choose their individual candidates. The recipients were: Jacques Doukhan, professor of Hebrew & Old Testament exegesis; Stan Beikmann, assistant professor of agriculture; Arlene Saliba, assistant professor of nursing; Janice Wrenn, associate professor of social work; Shirley Freed, professor of teacher education; Leonard Gashugi, associate professor of economics and finance; and Rhonda Root, professor of art.

Glenn Russell, assistant professor of religion, received this year's Spiritual Life Award, which is awarded to any employee, faculty or staff member, who has made a significant contribution to the spiritual life of campus.



Daniel A. Augsburg Excellence in Teaching Recipients, L to R: Rhonda Root, Stan Beikmann and Arlene Saliba. (not pictured: Jacques Doukhan, Janice Wrenn, Shirley Freed and Leonard Gashugi)



35 Years of Service, l-r: Barb Friesen, Patricia Mutch



30 Years of Service, l-r: Daniel Bidwell, Tom Baker, and Gary Marsh



25 Years of Service, l-r: Tari Popp, Rebecca Lofthouse and Jeane Robinson (not pictured: Ben Chilson, Daniel Cress, Ruth Gardner, Merrie Jones Gray, Robert Schwab and Barry Wilson)



20 Years of Service, l-r: (back row) John Baldwin, Alan Mitchell, Steve Hansen, Dewey Murdick, and Winston Craig; (front row): Linda Mack, Kathleen Demsky, Elynda Bedney, and Allen Wellborn (not pictured: Mari Aker, Sallie Alger, Merle Bascom, JoAnn Davidson, Hilda Hasel, Julia Lindsay, John Reichert and Dennis Willis)



Excellence in Service, l-r: Ildiko Gyeresi and Barbara Friesen (not pictured: Sandra White)

Faculty and staff honored (continued)



Spiritual Life Award:
Glenn Russell



Ella Simmons, Board member, and Gerry Karst, chair of the Board of Trustees, enjoy the banquet following the awards program.



Stephen Payne, master of ceremonies, and Silmara Ferreira, awards assistant, display the Golden Cardinal.

Schalk named VP for Financial Administration

The Andrews University Board of Trustees has appointed Lawrence Schalk the new vice president for financial administration. Schalk is replacing Edward Wines, effective March 27.

Schalk is not new to the role of serving as a chief financial officer, coming to Andrews with years of experience at several institutions, including Adventist Health Resources, Hinsdale, Ill.; Harding Hospital, Worthington, Ohio; and most recently, Florida Hospital Fish Memorial, part of the Adventist Health System.

Schalk holds both a BS in accounting and an MBA from Andrews University and is a Certified Public Accountant. He serves as treasurer for Florida Memorial

Health Network in Orange City, Fl., and is a fellow of the Healthcare Financial Management Association. He has also published two articles in *Healthcare Financial Management*.

Why work at Andrews? “I am a double graduate, have children and family who attended, have been an adjunct professor and a former Board member, a member of the President’s Council and PACID, and have a deep interest and commitment to [Andrews University],” Schalk responded, listing his many connections to the school.

As for goals, Schalk hopes to “become acquainted and friends with all constituents and meet the goals of the Board [of Trustees] and staff.”



Larry Schalk

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Dean Snow

(CERT '74), Assistant Manager, Custodial Service
31 Years at AU

DUTIES: Snow describes these as supervising employees, and making sure campus is clean. "We also do a lot of moving."

OFF-DUTY GIG: Serves as a volunteer firefighter with the Eau Claire, Mich. fire department.

MOST DANGEROUS GOLF CART MANEUVER (OTHER THAN PIC): Loading four golf carts on a semi, where the ramp to the truck provided barely an inch of clearance on either side.

YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW: Custodial Services "does more work non-cleaning than cleaning."

DIRTIEST JOB EVER: Septic system clog in old Burman Hall, 1975. "There was toilet paper coming down the stairs, along with everything else associated with it!"

JOB FULFILLMENT: Finishing a job that "makes somebody happy."

BEST THING ABOUT AU: "The people—friends."



A World Out of Balance

How A Spending Addiction in the Developed World and a Saving Glut in the Developing World Undermines Global Economic Stability

By David Beckworth

A Deceptively Robust World Economy

The world economy has had an exceptional run over the past five years. Since 2002 economic activity across the globe has grown on average about 4.5 percent a year, a rapid pace by historical standards and one that is all the more remarkable given the significant surge in oil prices, the continuing conflicts in the Middle East, and heightened uncertainty over terrorism. This economic expansion is generally attributed to the productivity gains arising from ongoing technological innovations as well as the entry into the world economy of many formerly closed economies—and the billions of people they represent—in east and south Asia.

Lurking underneath these economic fundamentals, though, is a growing imbalance between how the economic activity of the world is being produced and consumed. The developed world, specifically the United States, has become the demand engine for the global economy with a voracious appetite for goods and services that exceeds its own productive capacity. This excess demand has created a boon for developing countries, particularly in Asia, that depend on exports to the United States to maintain their own economic growth. The strong spending coming out of the U.S., however, has exceeded not only its productive capacity, but also its national income. Consequently, to maintain its robust consumption the U.S. has had to borrow from abroad. Fortunately for the U.S., the same developing countries that have fed its spending addiction with their exports have been more than willing to finance it by extending credit.

The mechanics of this arrangement are straightforward. Central banks in Asia and other participating developing countries buy up U.S. dollars in foreign exchange markets to keep their own domestic currency competitively undervalued. The central banks buy up the U.S. dollars with their own currency which they can create without limit. This exchange serves to lower the price of, and increase the demand for, their exports in the United States. In turn, the central banks, not wanting to sit on idle cash, take their new U.S. dollars and buy U.S. debt instruments. This purchase of U.S. debt



effectively channels their saving to the United States and, in turn, puts downward pressure on U.S. interest rates.

This global vendor financing arrangement, while supporting growth in the world economy over the past five years, is also planting the seeds of its own destruction as it has generated large U.S. trade deficits, an overvalued U.S. dollar, and a growing level of U.S. indebtedness, making the U.S. economy susceptible to economic shocks. Moreover, it requires that developing countries maintain excess saving—or equivalently a reduction in their own consumption—so that they are able to fund the great American consumption binge. Developing nations will not subsidize the United States this way forever, especially as they grow richer and depend less on American export markets. For now, however, this arrangement continues to underpin the global economy.

The Extent of the Global Imbalances

One way to get a sense of these lurking imbalances is to take a look at an indicator called the current account balance—a measure of the dependence a country has on foreign funding. If a country is spending more than it earns, essentially living beyond its means, it will be borrowing from abroad and running a current account deficit. If, however, a country is spending less than it earns and actually saving, it will be lending abroad and running a current account surplus.

To be sure, running a current account deficit is not a bad thing in itself and depends on the purpose of the borrowing. Just as there is a difference between an individual taking out a loan to start

a business versus taking out a loan to go on vacation, countries similarly can make judicious choices between using foreign funds to invest domestically or consume domestically. Even with judicious choices, though, a nation that consistently runs current account deficits is a perpetual debtor and runs the risk of becoming a credit risk. Figure 2 shows the current account balance for the United States since 1980 in both dollar terms and as percent of the total economy, as measured by Gross Domestic Product (GDP). This figure reveals the U.S. has been consistently running a current account deficit—indicated by negative numbers—since the 1990s.

The current account deficits of the mid-to-late 1990s are viewed by many observers as benign since they served to finance major investments in information technology that could generate future earnings. The subsequent current account deficits, however, have been more troubling since they generally are perceived to have funded U.S. consumption in both the private and public sectors that has little, if any, future potential earnings. It is hard to believe that foreigners will want to continue to provide funding to the United States over the long run at the levels they have over the past decade when it is being used solely to sustain consumption. Nonetheless, for now foreigners seem content to continue funding a massive U.S. shopping spree that in 2006 was on the order of almost \$900 billion.

Figure 3 provides the current account balances of major regions in the world as a percent of world GDP. This figure vividly illustrates the global economic imbalance problem by revealing that the only major region of the world to systematically run significant current account

Figure 1
Average Annual Growth Rate of the World Economy

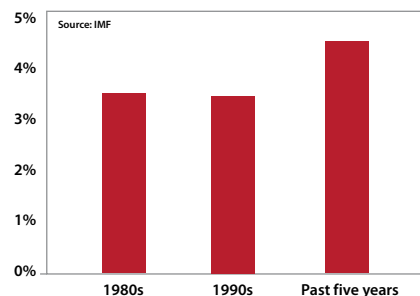


Figure 2
US Current Account Balance

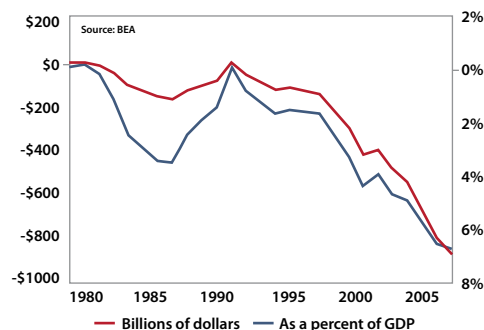


Figure 3
Current Account as a Percent of World GDP

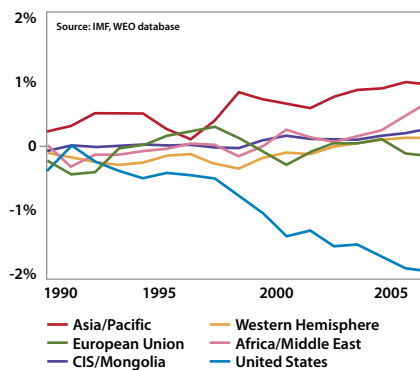
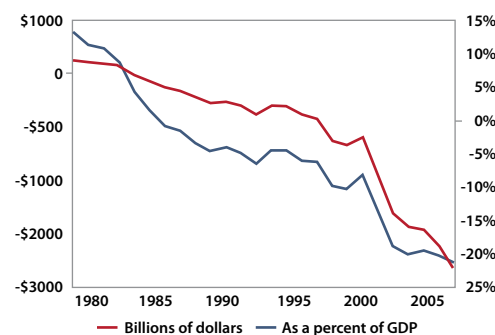


Figure 4
US Net International Investment Position



How Indebted is the United States to the Rest of the World?

The net international investment position (NIIP) is a measure of a country's foreign assets minus its foreign liabilities. Because the United States has been running current account deficits for so many years, it was as of 2005 indebted at almost \$2.7 trillion to the rest of the world.

This is the largest foreign debt owed by any country in the world and led former Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers to say, "[t]here is something odd about the world's greatest power being the greatest debtor" (2004, p.48).

deficits is the United States. Meanwhile, the following regions—Asia/Pacific, Africa/Middle East, and the Commonwealth of Independent States (the former Soviet Union) plus Mongolia—have consistently run current account surpluses since at least 2000.

An important question is why do these regions spend less than they earn? One answer already suggested is that they are dependent on the U.S. market for their exports—whether it is manufactured goods from Asia/Pacific or oil from Africa/Middle East and the CIS/Mongolia—and therefore need excess saving to provide vendor financing to the United States. Another answer suggests that these developing regions simply do not have enough domestic investment opportunities given their saving preferences, and so end up with a saving glut. Since this saving glut has to go somewhere, why not send it to the United States given its huge capital markets? This viewpoint regards the U.S. not so much as a global demand engine by choice, but by default.¹

Another important question is why does the United States spend so much more than it earns? The first answer is that American consumers take economic prosperity for granted and therefore see little need to cut consumption and save. This belief is understandable given the past two and half decades of remarkable economic growth in the U.S., growth that has been interrupted by only mild downturns. This economic confidence has been manifested in a net negative saving rate—net saving divided by GDP—for households.

The other big dissaver in the United States is the federal government. Here the negative saving rate reflects the series

of federal budget deficits that have arisen from increased federal spending coinciding with a series of tax cuts. Since households and the federal government are the biggest dissavers they are the main beneficiaries of the foreign saving subsidy. Foreigners, therefore, are not only helping to fund bigger homes and better cars for American consumers, they are also helping to fund federal government spending including the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Unwinding the Global Imbalances

These global economic imbalances at some point must unwind. The United States cannot indefinitely run trade deficits and incur foreign debt. Similarly, the developing world will not hold U.S. debt forever, effectively subsidizing the American dream. There is an endgame and it can take two forms. The first form is a “soft landing” where the United States begins to voluntarily balance its government budget and foreigners begin to gradually allow their currencies to appreciate and the dollar to depreciate. Both of these developments would nudge up the U.S. saving rate and reduce the dependence on, and availability of, foreign saving. Foreigners would gradually consume more of their income. Over time, this process would restore balance to the global economy.

The second form is a “hard landing” that would occur if no changes were made and the global imbalances were allowed to keep growing until they burst. Under this scenario, foreigners at some point in the future would begin to question the credit worthiness of the U.S. economy.

Eventually, some trigger would cause other nations to start dumping their dollar asset holdings en masse and begin cutting off their line of credit to the United States. Here, the dollar would quickly plunge, U.S. interest rates would spike, and the U.S. economy would go into a recession with potential negative spillovers for the world economy.² Whether the unwinding ultimately turns out to be orderly or disorderly depends on how serious the world is about getting its economic house in order.

But for now, it appears to be business as usual.

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Footnotes

- ¹ Under this view, it is as if the United States is saving the day by providing the missing consumption needed in the global economy. For more on this perspective, see Bernanke (2005).
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What Does All of This Mean for Andrews Alumni?

For Andrews alumni living in the United States, the most important implication of the global economic imbalance story is that at some point in the future they may face a period of significantly higher interest rates and slower economic growth. In real terms, such a development would mean higher interest rates on credit cards, car loans, and mortgages and an accompanying decline

in personal spending. If the “hard landing” scenario outlined above were to unfold, then U.S. alumni could also see their personal incomes fall and even face a bout of unemployment.

International alumni most likely would also suffer under the “hard landing” scenario, as the spillover effect from a decline in economic activity in the United

States—the world’s largest economy—should adversely affect incomes and spending in their own domestic economies. However, under the more benign “soft landing” scenario international alums should actually fare better as their home countries would see an increase in domestic consumption that provides a stimulus to economic activity.



Media with a Mission

A behind-the-scenes look at two Andrews television productions, *Circle of Faith* and *Scriptural Pursuit*, that are making a difference worldwide.

By Beverly Stout

Fans of the Hope Channel, the Adventist Church's official television network, probably have seen an episode or two of *Scriptural Pursuit* or *Circle of Faith*. These two faith-building, thirty-minute programs have been ministering to Christians and non-Christians alike around the world.

The programs have been on the air for the past couple of years, thanks to the hard work and dedication of a group of Andrews University students and faculty. But little known by those outside of Andrews' Department of Communication, is the amazing story of faith that lies behind each episode.

It's a story that has given Andrews students the opportunity to go on to careers in broadcasting with major television network, thanks to the vision of Melchizedek Ponniah, assistant professor of communication.

Ponniah joined the Communication Department faculty in the fall of 2003, he made a very specific request to be allowed to do some "real world" work in communication, desiring to give students the opportunity to gain hands-on experience. Ponniah wanted to start a television program. He thought the long-running, weekly radio show, *Scriptural Pursuit*, which followed the theme of the

Sabbath School Quarterly, was a great place to start. Founded by Robert McIver, who is currently a theology professor at Avondale College in Australia, *Scriptural Pursuit* hit the radio airwaves in the 1980s.

Ponniah approached the show's host, Glenn Russell, assistant professor of religion, and convinced him that the program could be adapted to suit a television audience.

But there was a problem. Andrews did not, and still does not have, a degree program in broadcast journalism; therefore, there was no equipment or funding available to make a television show. All the department had was a couple of outdated amateur cameras, not suitable for filming a television show.

But Ponniah wasn't going to let that stop him. He knew that there were a number of organizations in the area that did have television equipment, one of which was right on campus. He contacted International Learning System (ILS), a private, nonprofit media production

company housed at, but not owned by, Andrews University. Among many other things, ILS is responsible for filming the service each week at Pioneer Memorial Church (PMC). Ponniah negotiated with ILS and the church, and got permission to use the PMC cameras and the church's youth chapel as studio space.

And so production of *Scriptural Pursuit*, the television show, began in the spring of 2004. The program first aired on the low-powered, local station, WYGN, Good News Television.

However, conditions were not exactly ideal. The youth chapel was a far cry from a professional studio, resulting in poor recording quality and the inconvenience of a temporary set.

"We used to build the set every Thursday in the youth chapel," Ponniah recounts. "It was a laborious, time-consuming job. I remember carrying the heavy, wooden background from downstairs [in the communication department]. Oh, I used to dread carrying those things!"

But moving wasn't an option without

a new studio or new cameras, since they couldn't move the ones they were currently using out of PMC. So Ponniah did what he would do many times: he called his student crew together and said, "Let's pray; God will provide a way."

And, as He would prove to do many times, God did. Things began falling into place. WYGN, the station which was airing *Scriptural Pursuit*, purchased new cameras and allowed Dr. Ponniah and his students to use them. ILS agreed to let the students build a simple set in their studio, and fundraising efforts brought in a little bit of money from local community members. However, the bulk of the initial funding would come directly from Ponniah's own pockets. Something he would do many times throughout production.

But even though they now had studio space and cameras, the students didn't have the required editing equipment to do postproduction work. So once more, they prayed, and again God answered with a special grant from a local organization.

"Let's pray, God will provide a way."

Now that the crew had their own studio and proper equipment, they could focus on reaching their real target audience—non-Christians and non-Adventists. But WYGN didn't have broadcasting power outside the local Michiana region. So Ponniah made contact with the Hope Channel, which was very willing to



broadcast *Scriptural Pursuit*. Ever since, the program has been reaching Christian and non-Christian audiences around the world.

Next, Ponniah began phase two of his plan. He wanted to provide his

students with an opportunity for hands-on experience in news-gathering and reporting. So he came up with the idea for *Circle of Faith (COF)*, a thirty-minute news program, in the style of *20/20* or *60 Minutes*, that highlights Adventism in action, profiling Adventists who provide a better quality of life for others in their community.

However, there was no funding to purchase the portable cameras they would need to do the on-location filming the program required. Ponniah and his students prayed, and again God answered. Ponniah wrote a proposal to the same local organization that had helped with the purchase of editing equipment, and once again, their request was approved. Work on *Circle of Faith* began in 2005, and a pilot of six episodes has since been broadcast on the Hope Channel. *COF* also reaches beyond the Department of Communication and involves students from the College of Technology.

"Circle of Faith continues to provide journalism experience for students, doing camera work, sharpening audio skills, directing, producing, editing, using

graphics, etc..." Ponniah notes. "Many of the students who have trained under me are using their skills in many parts of the world." Three of Ponniah's students have gone on to work for ABC, PBS, and FOX television networks.

Working with these productions has provided unparalleled opportunities for their future careers. "Through [*COF* and *Scriptural Pursuit*], I have had the opportunity to talk with former president of the United States Jimmy Carter, CNN anchor Paula Zahn, and Academy Award-nominated documentarians," notes Rich Beckermeyer, senior journalism major. "By connecting with these people, I've been able to cement what I want to do as a career."

"It's an opportunity for our students to get hands-on experience, and at the same time we've considered it as the media ministry program, our outreach program of the department," states Department of Communication Chair Delyse Steyn. "One of our department's ethical statements is we want to make sure the media broadcasts good news. And so much of what the media feeds on, makes its money on, is bad news. We want our students to realize there's so much good news they can build on."

"We believe cocurricular programs are important, because they teach [students] an ethical service," Steyn continues. "The students go [to the studio] and everything they do there is voluntary. They know they can make a contribution. They have products, and they're excited about the fact that they are actually broadcasting their stuff."



Left: Patrice Jones, graduate communication student, operates a camera on the set of *Scriptural Pursuit*.

Opposite top: Glenn Russell, host of *Scriptural Pursuit*, chats with his guests during a recent filming.

Opposite bottom: Rich Beckermeyer, senior journalism major

But hands-on experience in producing a television program isn't the only thing students are gaining from this experience. Because of the many little miracles experienced on a regular basis, students' lives are being impacted in a much greater way.

"There are so many outcomes that we didn't even expect," says Ponniah. "Students have told me that their own faith has been strengthened." He shares a story about a time when they lost an expensive tripod. "I said, 'let's pray about it,' and so we prayed, as we do every Thursday before filming *Scriptural Pursuit*, for the Lord to help us find [the tripod]. The very next day the dean of the School of Education found the tripod right outside the steps as he came into the office early in the morning. So, all of a sudden, students who were not really interested in spiritual things were like, 'Wow, God is really answering prayer.' I know of at least one [student] that got rebaptized, and another that started coming back to church. This is part of the holistic nature of Adventist

"We've done amazing things, not we, God has done amazing things with nothing."

education. It's not just classroom training, but it transcends the theoretical instruction that the teacher enforces in the classroom context to pervade into the spiritual areas, and this is where it gets so exciting to see lives changing and transforming."

Dr. Ponniah calls communication graduate student Patrice Jones his "right hand." Patrice's life has been particularly impacted as a result of these ventures in television production. She is so passionate about the work they are doing, that she volunteered an entire year to production. "Media workers are very well-paid," Ponniah comments. "If she were to go work elsewhere, I know with her skills and expertise that she developed working with me and in practicum here, she would be earning a lot of money, but instead, she gave that time."

This year, Patrice works as a graduate assistant, training all of the students how to edit, run cameras, and many of the other skills needed to put the shows together, as well as working in production and postproduction herself. She is a driven individual, eager to learn. If she doesn't know how to do something, she'll find a way to teach herself. Patrice also works with ILS. Her official title is COO of the Media Education Center, which is a new venture combining the efforts and resources of WYGN, ILS, and the departments in Andrews' Bachelor of Fine Arts program. This job provides her opportunities to work on many other projects.

Why is Patrice so dedicated? "I have absolutely no idea," Patrice says, smiling. "It has to do with God. I tell people, if it was up to me, I wouldn't be here. I wouldn't be here, cause that's just who I am...It's so not me, but anyway, I'm here."

Last March, God expanded Patrice's horizons even further, taking her and student Adam Kotanko to film in war-torn Liberia for a project the Division of Architecture is working on, as well as for a documentary they are doing on their own and for the Media Education Center.

Junior journalism major Joyce Taylor found herself putting down the pen and picking up a paint brush to help with the department's production ventures. Joyce has played a large role in set construction, drawing inspiration from her love of

woodwork and time spent helping her mom be creative around the house. One day, she discovered the crew struggling with the set and decided to lend a hand.

"It's good to be well-rounded," Joyce says in explanation. "You never know where you'll end up and where someone will need help. It's good to know little things here and there...I just like woodwork and stuff like that."

And there are many other students like Patrice, Joyce, and Rich, who have found their education enriched and their lives blessed through their experiences working on the production of these two programs. Currently the Department of Communication offers degree emphases in journalism, public relations, communication, and media studies, but, in the future, Ponniah hopes to be able to offer more courses in broadcasting, and maybe even, if funding allowed, a major in broadcast journalism.

Funding remains a constant problem, and the programs are surviving on random donations and little miracles. There's strong evidence that God has His hand in the work of these dedicated students and faculty members.

"We've done amazing things, not we, God has done amazing things with nothing," says Patrice.

Dr. Ponniah continues, "One day Dr. Ponniah was saying he didn't have postage to send *Scriptural Pursuit* to the Hope Channel, and the next time, he came to me and said, 'I've just gotten the postage; it's going.' It's one story after the next. The students often stand here and pray, 'God, now we can't do the next thing because we have no money,' and they've seen miracles and evidence of God, and it's important that we have no money in a way. Then we can see the miracles of God and know that He is behind this."

Beverly Stout is media relations coordinator for Andrews University. She is passionate about all things German, international travel and a well-written memoir.

Regional alumni gatherings

Redlands, California
Sunday, February 4, 2007



Alums **Ernie Medina Jr.** (BS '89) and **Kim** (BS '88, MS '89) & **Corey** (BS '93) **Knowlton** hosted a great event at their new Family Fun and Wellness Center, XRtainment Zone. We kicked-off this Superbowl XLI party with many fun door prizes, gourmet pizzas and specialty smoothies. It was the healthiest fun we'd had in a long time! Attendees enjoyed a campus update from President Niels-Erik Andreasen and the opportunity to visit with several members of AU's Advancement team. Visit www.xrtainmentzone.com to find out more about this alumni-owned business that specializes in family-fun exercise. We're proud of our alums!

Roseville, California
Monday, February 5, 2007



Alumni from the Sacramento area gathered at the lovely Adventist Health facility in Roseville for what has become a much-anticipated tradition. We always appreciate the warm hospitality and obvious love for Andrews extended by University Trustee Paul Stokstad and his wife, Shelly, who generously coordinated and hosted the gathering. We enjoyed visiting together over a wonderful meal as Dr. Andreasen shared his dream for the university.

Napa Valley, California
Tuesday, February 6, 2007



Napa Valley concluded our California tour and signaled the perfect end to a wonderful week of visiting with many dear alumni. We gathered at Marie Callender's restaurant, where we enjoyed our meal, including their signature corn bread and yummy pie. But best of all, we treasured the time spent in the relaxing company of friends and alums.

Apopka, Florida
Sunday, February 11, 2007



Captain and the
Cowboy Restaurant
Apopka, Fl.

This was our first event at the Captain and the Cowboy restaurant and we really enjoyed the lovely atmosphere of this historical location. Especially exciting this year, was the attendance of several prospective students from Forest Lake Academy. They attended with **Betty Nugent** (MA '86), whom we honored for her dedication to young people and her loyal support of Andrews University. Thank you, Betty!

*South Bend, Indiana
Saturday night, February 24, 2007*



Everyone had a blast at our annual alumni vs. Cardinals hockey game, at the South Bend Ice Box Arena. Local alumni enjoyed the chance to reconnect with friends, and students enjoyed cheering for their winning team. Arguably, the best moments were enjoyed when both groups mingled at the open skate. It was a delight to see our AU students reaching out to help the small children of AU alums.

Thank-you!

A huge "thank-you" to our Andrews University alumni all over the globe, who consistently help pull these great events together. If you, too, would like to get involved, please don't hesitate to email the Alumni Association at alumni@andrews.edu or call Tami Condon at 269-471-3591.



HOW TO CONNECT WITH ANDREWS:

One of the best ways to connect with a university and figure out if it's right for you is to check it out in person. We'd like to invite you to visit Andrews University.

GENERAL PREVIEW EVENTS

September 23 & 24, 2007
December 2 & 3, 2007
February 10 & 11, 2008
April 13 & 14, 2008

JUNIOR PREVIEW EVENT

March 9 & 10, 2008 (Lake Union Juniors)

STANDOUT Spiritual Retreat

Spring 2008. For more information, visit standout.andrews.edu

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Alumni calendar of events

For more information and to register for events, visit us at http://www.andrews.edu/alumni/connected/alumni_gatherings.html or contact the Alumni Services Office at 269-471-3591 or alumni@andrews.edu.

May

Thursday, May 3 **Campus**

Graduating students are invited to a picnic behind the Alumni House (rain location: Chan Shun Hall). Alumni volunteers are encouraged to contact our office if they would like to help serve this group of new alums.

Sunday, May 6 **Pioneer Memorial Church**

Graduates are officially welcomed into the Alumni Association during the Commencement service.

June

Sabbath, June 16	Indiana Campmeeting
Sabbath, June 16	Wisconsin Campmeeting
Sabbath, June 23	Michigan Campmeeting
Sabbath, June 23	Lake Region Campmeeting

Join alumni, families and friends for strawberry shortcake at the above Campmeeting gatherings.

July

July 8–15 **Jamaica**

We are looking forward to hosting alumni gatherings for the first time in Jamaica. Events will be held in both the Mandeville and Kingston areas.

August

August 1–5 **Louisville, Kentucky**

Join us for an alumni gathering during this year's ASI Conference.

Thursday, August 2 **Campus**

Graduating students are invited to a picnic behind the Alumni House (rain location: Chan Shun Hall). Once again, Alumni

volunteers are encouraged to contact our office if they would like to help serve these new alums.

Sunday, August 5 **Pioneer Memorial Church**

Graduates are officially welcomed into the Alumni Association during the Commencement service.

Sunday, August 19 **Campus Residence Halls**

Calling all local alumni—please join us in welcoming this year's freshmen by offering your assistance during this official "Move-In" day. Alumni volunteers will be coordinated through the Alumni Office and will each receive a free t-shirt. This has become a heartwarming annual experience, remembered fondly by both students and alums for years to come.

Sunday, August 26 **Campus**

Join us for another great Alumni Association tradition—the Freshmen Barbeque. We are looking for alumni to help serve our freshmen during this festive picnic behind the Alumni House. This annual event signals the close of the memorable freshmen orientation week, "All Fired Up."

September

September 27–30 **Campus**

Plan now to join us for Homecoming 2007. Several great things are happening this year, including a BSCF reunion, the celebration of 40 years of both the Honors Program and ITS/Computer Services, as well as 20 years of Homecoming parades. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to visit campus and mingle with classmates, friends, students and professors. Honor classes: 1937, 1947, 1957, 1967, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1997.

October

Tuesday, October 30 **Maryland/DC area**

Join fellow AU alumni, families and friends with President Niels-Erik Andreasen for an evening gathering at a restaurant in your area.

November

Sunday, November 4 **Bermuda**

Join fellow AU alumni, families and friends for brunch at a local church on the island.

December

December 2–5 **Huntsville, Alabama**

Join us on the campus of Oakwood for an alumni gathering during the annual Pastoral and Evangelism Council.

December 16–23 **Cruise with a Mission**

Young alumni between the ages of 18-35 are invited to participate in a Caribbean cruise + mission trip + spiritual retreat. This first-ever young alumni event will be an experience of a lifetime; you won't want to miss it! Join us

for an alumni gathering on the boat. Call 1-800-968-8428 or visit www.cruisewithamission.org for more information or to register.

Date and Location Coming Soon!

Toronto, Canada
Collegedale, Tennessee
Fletcher, North Carolina
Kettering, Ohio
Hinsdale, Illinois
Walla Walla/Seattle, Washington
Portland, Oregon

If you would like to help organize and/or sponsor an event in one of these or other cities, contact **Tami Condon** (BS '91) in the Alumni Office at alumni@andrews.edu or 269-471-3591. We couldn't do this much without your generous support—thank you!



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ANDREWS CELEBRATES

- > 40 years—Honors Program
- > 40 years—Information Technology
- > The Black Student Christian Forum Reunion

Alumni Homecoming

September 27–30, 2007

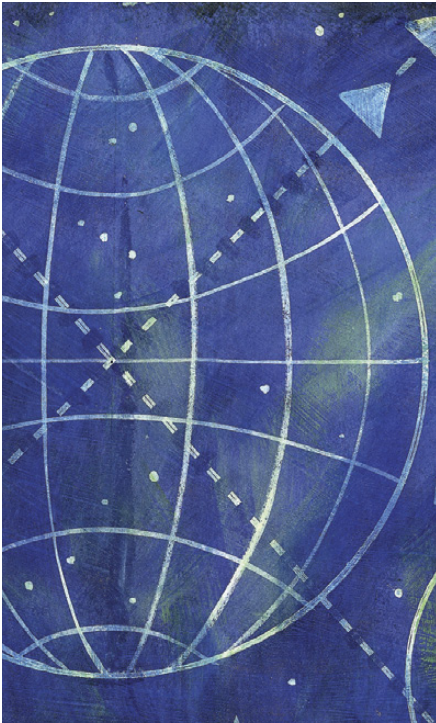
HONOR CLASSES:

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If you would like more information about Andrews University Alumni Homecoming, please phone **269.471.3591** or send an email to alumni@andrews.edu.

For up-to-date information and schedule of events, please visit our website at www.andrews.edu/alumni.

To make arrangements for lodging, contact Guest Services at **269.471.3295**.



Interactive Online Missions Display

Campus Ministries (Missions) is proud to announce the upcoming development of an interactive online missions display that will:

- enable users to locate both past and present student missionaries around the world
- serve as an honor roll highlighting the part Andrews University students have played in world-wide missions

If you have previously served as an AU student missionary, please contact the missions office to make sure your name is included in the display.

We are still in need of donors to make this project a reality. Please label your donation "Interactive Missions Display."

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1940s

Howard Welklin (BA '46) is retired in Spring Valley, Calif., with his wife **Margaret (Slough)** (DIP2YR '46). Howard spent his career as a pastor, serving for over 42 years in that capacity. He now enjoys working part-time for *It is Written*. The couple has one daughter, Kandy Jo.

1950s

James Grove (BA '56) retired from Post Cereals as the chief chemist of their Analytical Services Department and makes his home in Battle Creek, Mich. During his time at Post, he established and managed the Instrumental Methods section of Analytical Services. James served for 40 years as a member of the Battle Creek Academy board, primarily as finance and board chairperson. He remains actively involved in the life of the Urbandale Adventist church, serving in many different capacities. James counts among his blessings "a supportive wife, **Donna (Ramsdell)** (att.), who spent many evenings alone with the boys, **Kevin** (BIT '82) and **Norman** (AS '80), while I was at meetings."

Maurice Hoppe (BA '56, MA '58) and his wife, **Blythe (Bissell)** (att.), are retired and live in Derby, Kan. In 1994, the couple started Revelation Ministry, whose goal is "to reveal the love, mercy and justice of God as explained in the biblical prophecies of Daniel and Revelation." Maurice has written three books which have been sent all around the world and is currently directing a ministerial training program for ministers and church leaders. Prior to retirement he worked in education as a teacher and principal of Adventist schools in Illinois and Wisconsin. He also worked in healthcare at Hinsdale Hospital and the Forest Glen Senior Residence. Maurice says that the wonderful blessings in his life include his grandchildren, and the "opportunity to still be involved in the Lord's work."

Marion Kidder (BA '56, MA '59) and his wife **Mary Lou (Cole)** (att.) make their home in Zellwood, Fla. Marion served as pastor for 37 years and taught for over 16 years in the religion department of Atlantic Union College. While at AUC, he was able to develop and direct the only professional degree for Bible instructors in a North American Adventist college. A highlight for Marion in ministry came in 1964 at the end of a series of evangelistic meetings in Norwich, Conn., when he baptized Mark Finley. In 1979–80, Marion teamed up with Mark to establish the North American Division Evangelism Institute (NADEI). Currently, he remains active in church work by conducting training seminars in personal evangelism. The couple celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary last year and are the proud parents of three children including **Lawrence** (MA '88).

Since retirement, **James Kubecka** (BA '56) has been called back to teach full-time three different times. Teaching has been a big part of his life, as well as in the life of his wife, **Betty (Sanger)** (BS '56). In consecutive years ('89 & '90), James and Betty received the Zapara Teacher of Excellence Award for their work in the Hawaii Conference. These days, the couple makes their home in Nine Mile Falls, Wash. They love to travel and have been able to help with a lot of mission projects including the funding of mission work in Jim's native country, the Czech Republic. Among their many blessings, having "all three of our children as active SDA members in their home churches" ranks at the top.

Charles LaCount (DIP2YR '51, BS '56) describes his family as a "family of teachers," including his wife **Ruth (Schroeder)** (BS '56) and daughter, **Suzanne Hayford** (BS '79, MA '83). Charles taught for 37 years, and Ruth taught for 35 years, respectively. The couple loves to travel and has been to all fifty states, as well as most of the Canadian



Penny Shell

provinces. One of Charles' most memorable travel experiences came when he was "camping with grizzly bears in the Yukon territory." Church activities have kept Charles busy through the years, serving as an elder, deacon, educational secretary, and on numerous committees. Ruth has also been involved in the life of their local churches from helping in the music department to working for 20 years in the Sabbath school divisions at the Pioneer Memorial Church.

Russell Staples (MA '56, BD '58) and his wife Phyllis make their home in Berrien Springs. After attending the Seminary in Takoma Park, Russell and Phyllis served at Solusi College in Zimbabwe, Africa for ten years. While there Russell was principal, taught theology, and was able to conduct evangelistic meetings with students. Afterwards he received his doctorate at Princeton Theological Seminary and joined the faculty of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. He served as chair of the Department of World Mission and the Mission Institute in his time there. Russell and Phyllis have two daughters, **Jillian Hamer** (MAT '75) and **Dianne** (BA '75, MAT '76).

1960s

Ron Myers (att.) has been a self-supporting missionary in France for the past 25 years, following five years as manager of Adventist World Radio in Lisbon, Portugal. Beginning on the floor of a spare bedroom in a teacher's home on the campus of Seminaire Adventiste du Salève at Collonges, France—the transmitting antenna temporarily attached to a lightning rod on the slippery slanted roof—Ron has built a worldwide network of radio stations. This ministry, RADIO 74 Internationale, with such humble beginnings, is now transmitted via satellite around the world. It is heard across North America on the AMC-4 satellite and is part of the Hope Channel package. While he attended EMC, and in subsequent years, Ron was involved in the creation and development of EMC's first FM channel. Ron and his wife, Sefora, continue to live near Collonges, France, where he does the programming for RADIO 74 Internationale and oversees European operations. They have two grown children.

Albert Ellis (MA '61) makes his home in sunny Apopka, Fla. Albert retired in 1998 and since then has been doing interim ministries from the Florida Conference. He and his wife, Elaine, have two children, including **Gregory** (MDiv '87).

After 14 years as English teacher, 16 years as hospital chaplain, and over six years as a director of the La Sierra University Women's Resource Center, **Penny Shell** (MA '66, MA '79, EdD '84) has retired to a two- and a-half-acre ranch in Oregon. Here, she herds two cats, who came with her farm, and uses clippers, tractor mower and chain saw to push back the weed-and-limb growth in this fertile valley just south of Walla Walla, Wash.

Minoru Inada (MA '66) is retired in Mountain Ranch, Calif., where he lives with his wife, Mitsuko. Minoru had a long career in church service, working as the director of several departments at the former Far Eastern Division (now called Asia Pacific Division), director of education at the Japan Union Conference, and editor-in-chief at the Japan Publishing House. In 2004, he was able to publish a book in Japanese which he writes is an "outreach book in disguise of an essay comparing American and Japanese cultures." Minoru and his wife are blessed to have three children.

Robert Johnston (MA '55, BD '66) and his wife **Madeline (Steele)** (MA '77) are retired, living in Berrien Center, Mich. Robert continues to teach part-time at Andrews. In 2003, he received the Andrews Medallion and in 2005, he was awarded the Weniger



Leo Mathewson

Award. Previously, he served as chair of the New Testament Department. Robert had the opportunity to serve 12 years in the Far East, and also to study in Israel. Church involvement remains important to him and he is presently associate head elder and a Sabbath school teacher for the Pioneer Memorial Church. Among his many blessings he counts his “children [**Paul** (BMUS ’80), **Robert** (BS ’81), **Elizabeth Taylor** (BS ’84), and **Margaret Brown** (BS ’85)], students worldwide and good health.”

Donald Lewis (BA ’66, MDiv ’76) refers to himself as a “retired pastor” after serving in that capacity for 30 years in Illinois. Besides pastoring he also worked for seven years as the Trust Service director for his conference. He and his wife, **Lorain (Elmendorf)** (att.) make their home in Rock Falls, Ill., and are the proud parents of three children, including **Dawn** (att.). Don writes, “We are very grateful for the time spent at Andrews, especially the opportunity to serve the Lord and His people.”

For the 2005–06 school year, **Leo Mathewson** (BA ’66) received the “Teacher of the Year” award from Wisconsin Academy. He has taught there since retiring from the Singer Sewing Company. Leo feels very grateful to have survived two heart attacks without having to have bypass surgery. He is immensely proud of his two children, including **Leslie** (att.), five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. Leo is actively involved in his local church where he serves as an elder and personal ministries leader.

John Mendel (BA ’61, MA ’66) resides with his wife Marian in Berrien Springs. For much of his career John worked as a teacher in both public and SDA schools. Besides teaching John has worked as the police commissioner in Graysville, Tenn., and in the U.S. Army as an X-ray technician. Currently John is working as a home health aide for Lakeland Health. His wife Marian has worked as a secretary and holds the distinction of typing doctoral dissertations for six different people. A highlight for John was being the class coordinator and producing the 50th-year reunion book for his high-school class from Broadview Academy. He is thankful for a “Christian wife, and two adopted daughters.”

Since retirement **Donald Siewert** (BA ’66) has had the privilege of serving as interim pastor for 22 churches. He and his wife **Myrtle (Brueggeman)** (att.) write that one of their great blessings is “seeing our young people we’ve pastored and taught grown up and faithful to the Lord.” The couple has three children. This summer Donald and Myrtle will celebrate their 57th wedding anniversary.

Merle Whitney (BD ’66) has served continuously as an Adventist pastor since graduating from Andrews. His responsibilities have been in many different avenues of ministry including serving on the SDA hymnal committee, working in the summers as a youth-camp associate director, church-building planning, and serving as president for several community ministerial associations. Currently Merle is the senior pastor of the Anaheim Adventist Church. One of the greatest joys for him has been the opportunity to be involved in “The Journey,” which is a task force to reach the next generation and functions as a support group for pastors. Merle and his wife **Alice (Cartwright)** (att.), have three children including **Karen Borton** (BA ’93).

1970s

Merideth Trott (BA ’70) of Dinsmore and Shohl LLP was among those who have been recently selected by their peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America 2007*, an honor universally regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence in the U.S.

Janet (Prouty) Brock (BA '71, MA '75) and her husband **Lawrence** (BA '69, MAT '75) are “happy to be both living and working together again.” Two years ago Janet worked at Ekamai International School in Bangkok as a literacy coordinator, and last year she filled an interim position as principal of Las Vegas Junior Academy. Meanwhile Lawrence continued teaching at Okanagan Adventist Academy in Kelowna, British Columbia. Janet writes that “despite the length of our marriage, we still like being together!” The couple determined to go this year wherever they could both get jobs, which brought them to Fraser Valley Adventist Academy in Aldergrove, BC. Janet works as the alumni/development director and Lawrence is teaching senior math, physics and chemistry.

Melodie (Hall) Lopez (BA '75) recently located to Collegedale, Tenn., where she is working to help establish the new Graduate Studies Office at Southern Adventist University, and at the same time pursuing her master's degree. Melodie's husband **Vincent** (BA '86) is teaching science to 9th-grade students at a public high school, as well as fund-raising for a local business. Their son, Chad, is completing a degree in Construction Management from Florida International University, and their daughter, Amber-Tiana, is about to begin work on a second bachelor's degree—an accelerated nursing program at East Tennessee State University. Melodie writes that “we are still adjusting to what has been a major move for us at this stage of life. Leaving Florida was not an easy decision, after living there since 1975. I miss the ocean, but we continue to trust in the Lord's guidance as we join a new community of faith and see the continued beauty of His handiwork through the majestic hills and mountains of Tennessee.”

Deborah A. Yancer (BS '75) has been named chief executive officer of Enloe Medical Center in Chico, Calif. Yancer has more than 25 years of executive management experience in hospital administration and clinical operations. Prior to coming to Enloe, she served as President of Shady Grove Adventist Hospital, a 268-bed acute-care hospital in Montgomery County, Md., just outside of Washington, D.C.

At Shady Grove, Yancer led in transforming the culture and improving the hospital's performance, resulting in local and national awards for quality of care. In 2005, the hospital received the Joint Commission's Ernest Armory Codman Award for excellence in the use of outcome measurements to improve the quality and safety of clinical care. Shady Grove also received the National Work Life Alliance Best Place to Work for four consecutive years, from 2003 through 2006.

Among her many personal awards, Yancer has been recognized as one of the Top 100 Women in Maryland and one of the 100 Most Powerful Women of Washington.

Karl Kellawan (BA '76) lives in Springboro, Ohio, where he is “happily married after 29 years” to his wife **Diana (Patterson)** (BSW '78). Karl, a dermatologist, is currently working in private practice, and is an assistant clinical professor at Wright State University. Karl remains active in his church by serving as an elder, Sabbath-school teacher, and men's ministry leader. He has also had the opportunity to do some mission relief work in Okinawa, Japan. The couple has two children, Karl III and Amber.

Jeewa Moses (MA '76) is currently a professor at Union College in Lincoln, Neb. Prior to working as the coordinator of secondary education at Union, Jeewa served for 11 years as principal and teacher in three junior academies in Michigan. He is quite proud of his family, including his wife **Gnani (Prasad)** (att.) and their two children, **Kenneth** (BA '92) and **Juanita Campbell** (BS '93). Kenneth cowrote *The Atlas of Clinical Gross Anatomy* which is used in several prominent medical universities throughout the world, and Juanita is a mother of two and pediatrician of many. Jeewa has remained active in church work, currently serving as a greeter and Sabbath-school teacher in his local church. He writes that “the Lord has blessed us abundantly and continues to bless us.”



Laura & Roberto Roncarolo



The Carbajal Family

Laura Roncarolo (MA '76) is currently working for the South American Division in Brasilia, Brazil. Her husband Roberto has passed away, but she has very warm memories of his life. She writes, "my husband was a very good Christian, a special pastor." Her hope and prayer is that "God [will] bless everyone and that they will be prepared to be with the Lord."

Eusebio Silva, Jr. (MDiv '76) and his wife **Delfina (Perez)** (att.) make their home in Brawley, Calif. Eusebio has had a long career including working as a chaplain, pastor, real-estate broker, convalescent-hospital admitting director, college educational counselor, and currently a caregiver. Music has been a large part of Eusebio's ministry and he has been able to lead out in some singing groups, write songs, and put together a gospel songbook. Eusebio has also been able to found some scholarship funds for his local community-college outreach program. One of his greatest achievements, he writes, was being able to "organize a church group that is now a full-size church."

Barbara-Ann (Wells) Strutt (BS '76) is a nurse in Merritt, British Columbia, where she lives with her husband Allen. They are the parents of one son, Mark. Barbara-Ann has worked in several different settings including a hospital, doctor's office, and classroom. She had the privilege of teaching anatomy and physiology, hydrotherapy, and piano at Fountain View Farms, a self-supporting academy. While at Andrews, Barbara-Ann gave a year of nursing service to the people of Bangladesh. She enjoys "writing Scripture songs for personal use" and playing the piano and organ at her local church.

A retired nurse, **Esther (Beck) Watkinson** (AA '76) makes her home in Berrien Springs with her husband **Robert Wilkins** (BA '61). Esther loves to travel, and has done some wonderful work as a volunteer in the Big Brother/Big Sister program. She has had continued studies in art, and keeps busy in the life of her local church, serving as elder and greeter. She has been involved in ADRA, REACH Building Project, Maranatha, Key Encounter, and a township beautification project. The couple is blessed to have "a great daughter and son-in-law," **Jacquelyn Hilderbrandt** (BET '77, BARCH '84) and **John Hilderbrandt** (BS '79).

1980s

Ulysses Carbajal (MTH '81) along with his wife **Jovita (Dela Cruz)** (att.) make their home in Azusa, Calif. Ulysses carries the distinction of being the first resident in Ophthalmology at UCLA. He delved into research on children's diseases, especially tumors of the eye. Among his many achievements he was elected as the first Adventist President of the Philippine Medical Association, and the first president of the Philippine Board of Medical Specialties. Later in his career he studied theology and has done research on music ministry at La Sierra, California. Every year he does medical mission work performing eye surgeries for the underprivileged. Ulysses and Jovita are blessed to have four children, **Ritchie** (MDIV '83), **Jan Carbajal-Giron** (att.), and **Eugene** (att.).

Sigrun (Sirevaag) Eckhoff (MA '81) and her husband **Finn** (MDiv '80) make their home in Norway. For 15 years Sigrun worked as a principal for two SDA schools and now works as a teacher for 16–19 year olds. While principal, with the help of Maranatha, her school in Sandefjord was able to get a new building. In fact, both of the schools she was principal of increased in enrollment by almost 200%. Finn is currently working as a pastor and union secretary for the SDA Norwegian Union. The couple has been blessed with two children. Sigrun writes, "It pays to put God first in one's life."

Klampar Lee Wai Ming (att.) is a certified public accountant living in Hong Kong,



Klampar Lee Wai Ming (left)



The Zevalkink Family



Lucille White

China. He enjoys kick boxing and got to meet the Thailand Boxing Champion. He writes that his time at Andrews “is one of the best memories of my life. It let me realize my existence in the world and [taught] me to give a helping hand to others.”

Raymond Paden (MA '81) is a HPC technical architect who makes his home in the little town of Dripping Springs, Tex. Prior to his current job he worked at Andrews as a professor of computer science for 13 years. Raymond and his wife Carol have three sons who enjoy raising goats, donkeys, and chickens on their five acres. Raymond's job involved a lot of international travel which has given him opportunities to worship with many different SDA congregations, and see church work around the world. He served for six years as his local church's Pathfinder director and it was a wonderful thrill to see his sons and many other Pathfinders baptized in June 2005.

Yvonne (Lee) Pichette (BS '81) and her husband **Ray** (BA '80, MDiv '82) reside in New Market, Va. Yvonne “loves” working as a RN with children ages 4–17 in an acute-care crisis center. Ray received his doctorate of ministry from Fuller Theological Seminary and is presently the assistant to the president of the Potomac Conference. Yvonne is actively involved in working with teenagers as the director for “Reach Our Kids” which targets 200–230 high schoolers to help them know Jesus better. The couple was recently able to travel to Korea to do a series of evangelistic meetings in Seoul which proved to be “very exciting.” They count among their blessings “three children who love Jesus.”

Debra Schell (BS '81) is an infertility specialist physician in Milwaukee, Wis. She works at a premier center for infertility providing high-tech care for her patients. Throughout her career she has been able to provide excellent education for students, and even won the “Residents Teaching Award” at the medical college of Pennsylvania. Debra and her husband James Zevalkink have two children who are both involved in playing stringed instruments. Besides her work as a physician Debra has made volunteer work a priority for herself and her children. The Waukesha SDA Church is blessed to have her as Junior Sabbath school leader, and as a worship team leader. A highlight of this past year was when the family was able to go on a Disney cruise through the Caribbean.

Mission service has played a large role in the life of **Loron Wade** (MAT '63, EDD '81). From 1963–2003 he worked in the Inter-American Division as a teacher, writer, and administrator. During that time his wife, **Ruth Ann (Hagen)** (MMus '79), was able to compose music and do some teaching at Montemorelos University in Mexico. The couple has two sons, **David** (BA '92) and **Jonathan** (BT '93). Since retirement Loron has continued to do mission work in places such as the Ukraine, Bangladesh, Romania, and China.

Lucille White (BS '73, MAT '81) makes her home in Etobicoke, Ontario, Canada. For over 33 years Lucille worked as a teacher in the Adventist school system. She taught for 12 years in Jamaica before completing the remainder of her career in Toronto. She tells us, “I have lived to see many of my students graduate, and [they] are excelling in their field of study.” Lucille keeps active in the Kingsview Village Church where she is the educational leader, an adult-Sabbath-school teacher, and pianist.

Greg Dunn (BS '85) has been named to lead the Corporate Brand Positioning offering within the U.S. Corporate/Financial Practice of Burson-Marsteller, a leading global public-relations and communications consultancy. The Corporate Brand Positioning offering assists clients in defining and communicating their corporate positioning with key stakeholders, including employees, the financial community, the marketplace, community leaders and other significant influencers. Dunn joined Burson-Marsteller in 2000, and was recently promoted to managing director with the firm and currently serves as client leader



Erica (Davidson) Daniel

for a Texas-based health and life insurer that this year rebranded itself as HealthMarkets. He recently helped launch True Partners Consulting, a tax and financial consulting company formed and led by Arthur Andersen alumni, and has worked with Kellogg Company, Rayovac and ServiceMaster, among other companies.

Erica (Davidson) Daniel (BSRT '86) is a medical missionary serving in Trinidad. In her ministry she visits homes and churches during health tours helping people seek health reform. She writes that “there is no better work and no greater enjoyment” than helping people regain both spiritual and physical health. She and her husband **Ronald** (MDiv '87) are blessed to have five children, all of whom have received tertiary education.

Elizabeth (Chapman) Hanson (BA '86) is a certified Body Talk practitioner, soon to become an instructor. With Body Talk she works as an alternative health therapist helping people's body energy systems become resynchronized so that they can function to their best capabilities. In 1999, Elizabeth was named “North Dakota's Young Mother of the Year.” She is very involved in the lives of her daughters through home school and many volunteer organizations. Elizabeth counts her husband **Scott** (BS '86) and their daughters to be her biggest blessings.

Kenneth Swanson (BA '86, MDiv '71, DMin '86) and his wife **Britt (Anderson)** (att.) make their home in Manton, Calif. Ken has served as a pastor for the last 35 years in three conferences, and is currently the pastor of the Red Bluff Adventist Church. The couple has two children.

Ruth (Kendel) Ventura (BSD '86) and her husband Allan consider the adoption of their daughter Kaitlyn their “greatest gift from Heaven.” Although they had to be patient a long time, picking up Kaitlyn in the Philippines was worth the wait. Besides being Kaitlyn's Mom, Ruth works part-time as a dietary consultant. She enjoys travel and spending time with her family.

Vicki (Eighme) Wiley (AS '86, BA '89) worked for seven years at Adventist Frontier Missions before doing four years of church planting in Ireland with her husband **Kevin** (BS '89, MA '93). While in Ireland, Vicki was able to sing with three different choirs, volunteer at a nursing home and charity shop, and plant seeds for God's kingdom. Besides mission service in Ireland, Vicki has also served in Japan and Korea for a combined three years. The couple has now settled in Berrien Springs and they are active members in the Michiana Fil-American Adventist Church.

Scott Hanson (BS '86) and his wife **Elizabeth (Chapman)** (BA '86) reside in Rolla, N.D., where Scott is a college instructor in life sciences. Scott received both his master's and doctorate in the field of biology and has received grants for further research in biology. He writes that “living on an Indian reservation has been very enlightening” and counts his wife and three daughters to be the great blessing in his life.

1990s

John Hughson (MDiv '92) is the executive pastor of the Pacific Union College Church in Angwin, CA. He served as a US Army Chaplain for over 20 years on both active duty and in the Army reserves. He has worked as a boarding-school pastor/teacher and in both single and multipastor churches. He and his wife Joan have three grown children and have been married for almost 39 years. John enjoys tennis, gardening and travel. He is currently training to climb the Matterhorn this summer.



The Chu Family

In 2005, **Gordana Bajanski** (BA '96) received the excellence in teaching award from the Wheeling school district where she is a bilingual teacher. A great accomplishment for Gordana happened this last year when she received her master of arts in teaching elementary education from National-Louis University.

Cynthia (Arvidson) Chu (BS '96, MA '99) writes that she and her husband, Daniel, "may not have served as 'official' missionaries" but they consider their roles as directors of their church's Adventure club (ages 4–9 years) to definitely be "mission service." Before becoming a "full-time mother" to two boys, Cynthia worked as an inpatient therapist for children. The couple is happy to live in sunny Avon Park, Fla., where they have a "wonderful SDA church, thriving day academy, and an Adventist community service center."

Lisa Copenhaver (MPT '96) makes her home in Marietta, Ohio where she works as a self-employed physical therapist owning her own school-based company. She and her husband, Dave, are blessed to have three children whom Lisa homeschools. She writes that she has found the "secret for a happy long life: Read the Bible, pray, stay active mentally and physically, and laugh a lot!" In church Lisa and Dave work with high-school students, which helps her feel as if she is "still 18!"

Kimberly Crider (BSW '96, BA '97, MSW '97) is the director of the poverty reductions initiative for the Kalamazoo Regional Chamber of Commerce. In 2005, she was able to help them become a national finality for the "U.S. Community Service Award." After Andrews, Kimberly worked as a social worker and then from 2000–2003, she served in the Peace Corps in Costa Rica. While in Costa Rica she was able to work closely with the local SDA church and helped hold VBS/day camps for 200 children, some of whom were baptized as a result. Kimberly and her husband Victor are thankful to have their son Donovan alive after a health scare following his birth in 2005. She writes, "because of the prayers of family and friends the Lord intervened and healed him."

Asked to count his blessings, **Harold Gaskins** (MAPM '96) writes that being "alive at 62 years of age enjoying excellent health" and having a wife, Gloria "who likes pampering me" are two of his greatest blessings. Harold is a retired pastor who has made his home in New Bern, N.C. In his ministerial work he has been able to obtain the four units necessary of Clinical Pastoral Education to work as chaplain in health care. Harold through his work has received several awards including one for presenting "Words of Wisdom" sermonettes at the Good Shepherd nursing home. He also serves as an elder and Sabbath-school advisor.

Jennifer Gomoll (BSN '96) is a cardiac specialist nurse who gets to educate and work with open-heart patients. In 2004, Jennifer had the big responsibility of being the medical coordinator for "Faith on Fire" Pathfinder camporee. One of Jennifer's passions is being involved as event coordinator in "180 Degrees," a contemporary worship service at the Hinsdale Adventist church in Illinois.

Lisa (Habenicht) Isensee (BA '96) and her husband **Richard** (att) make their home in Blanchardville, Wis., with their two children, and a "little one on the way." Lisa is the church-planting coordinator for the Wisconsin Conference, a part-time pastor, and mother. One of her highlights is being able to plant a church in Wisconsin, and she writes that she has "so many" blessings.

Tanya (DiPietrantonio) Hagen (BBA '96) is an account manager working in radio sales in Elkhart, Ind., at NewsRadio 1340 WTRC. Her husband Josh works in heating and air conditioning in South Bend, Ind. The couple has one son, Jackson, who is 2 years old.



The Klusman Family



Andrea (Connell) and Gregory Boylan

In 2005 **Matthew Klusman** (MPT '96) became the owner and manager of a physical-therapy private practice. He writes, "I have experienced countless satisfying outcomes with my patients over the past ten years." He is very thankful for his wife Renee, and their four children. Matthew and Renee remain very involved in their children's lives by volunteering at their local parish church and school in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Andrea (Ward) Madding (BS '95, MSPT '96) and her husband **Tim** (MDiv '95), along with their son Nathan, recently made the move from Washington to Kentucky. Andrea is a physical therapist, and Tim works as a pastor. Andrea has been quite active in her husband's churches by functioning as head of the social committee, being involved in VBS, and teaching Sabbath School. Travel has been very memorable for Andrea, including a mission trip to India where she was involved in planting a church.

Nancy (Carr) Maltby (BS '96) works as a nurse at the Mayo Clinic hospital in sunny Phoenix, Ariz. Nancy is a certified gastroenterology nurse and in 2005 received the Wilson Cook educational scholarship. In 2004, she and her family made the move to the southwest after living in Louisiana. Her husband, **Stephen** (att.) works as a certified pharmacy technician. The couple is thankful for supportive family including their two daughters, Meredith and Heather.

Angela (James) White (BSELED '96) makes her home in Grants Pass, Ore., where she is a teacher at the Grants Pass Adventist school. In her work Angela has been able to publish a seventh- and eighth-grade curriculum and be a "TRIBES Trainer Brain-Compatible" education speaker. She and her husband Kelly enjoy having two children and appreciate "how incredible God is in the intricacies of our lives."

2000s

After working from 2000-2002 to help launch the AU International Development Program, **Andrea (Connell) Boylan** (BA '00), attended the Graduate School of International Studies at the University of Denver, earning a master's-degree in International Studies in 2004. A highlight of her master's degree program was a summer internship with ADRA South Sudan in 2003, which inspired her master's thesis on conflict and development in the Sudan. Andrea says, "I hope for an end to the conflict. When there is peace, people don't need as much development help. Peace brings development." Subsequently, Andrea moved to the Washington, DC area, where she met her husband, Gregory. The couple was married August 6, 2006 by her father **Gerald** (MDiv '86) and are currently preparing to move to Mexico City to serve as diplomats for the U.S. Department of State.

Brad Smith (BBA '02), **Matt Smith** (BBA '02), and **Jason Boger** (BT '00), co-founders of Coverest, a mattress manufacturing business with distribution centers in Toronto, Canada, and Johnson City, Tenn., were recently featured in an article appearing in *The Business Journal of Tri-Cities Tennessee/Virginia*. (You can view the article at <http://print2web-corp.com/news/BusinessJournal/GenerationNext/20070105/p01.asp>).

Weddings

Umberto D'Urso and **Karen Olive** (BA '98) were married October 21, 2006, in New York, N.Y.

Daniel Marin (BS '97, MDiv '00) and Maja Godina were married September 3, 2006, and reside in Maribor, Slovenia.

Gregory Boylan and **Andrea Connell** (BA '00) were married August 6, 2006, in Lincoln, Neb.

Ryan Camp and **Stephanie Smith** (MSPT '03) were married July 9, 2006, and reside in Collegedale, Tenn.

James McDonald and **Becky Edler** (BS '96) were married May 7, 2006, and reside in Dayton, Ohio.

Michele (Loomis) (BSCLS '03) and Eugene Kitney were married May 7, 2006, and reside in Charlottesville, Virg.

Births & Adoptions

To **Sherri (Temple)** (BSD '95, MS '95) and **Geoffrey Isaak** (BA '92), Berrien Springs, Mich., a girl, Aubrey Lauren, Feb. 20, 2007.

To **Jeannine (Woithe)** (BS '95, MSPT '96) and **Todd Chobotar** (BBA '94), Orlando, Fla., a boy, Joshua Benjamin, and a girl, Sarah Elizabeth, Jan. 26, 2007.

To **Laura (Williams)** (BA '95, MA '97) and **Charles Castleberg** (BA '91, MA '97, BS '99, MSPT '00), Green Bay, Wis., a girl, Gwyneth Eden, Sept. 7, 2006.

To **Rebekah (Pressnitz)** (BSW '98) and Wayne Morrison, Lake Zurich, Ill., a boy, Kaden Alexander, May 5, 2005.

Deaths

Elaine Irene Baum (BA '74, MA '79) died October 10, 2006, in Orangevale, Calif.

After attending Broadview Academy, Baum completed three undergraduate majors—German, math and music—at Andrews, where she also earned a master's degree in 1979.

Baum lived and worked near Boston, Mass., up until her cancer disabled her, and she relocated to California to be near family. Her interests included playing the organ, photography and international travel.

She is survived by her parents, two sisters, and one brother.

Patricia Florence "Pat" (Clemons) Stephan (att.) died Dec. 5, 2006. She was born February 27, 1933.

Pat was a graduate of Indiana Academy, serving as vice-president of her class. She attended Emmanuel Missionary College, where she met her husband, **Jim** (BS '64). They were married August 12, 1956, in Hinsdale, Ill.

Pat and Jim lived in Marion and later Rockford, Ill., where their daughter, Melody Lynn, was born. Thirteen months later their first son, James Robert, arrived, and following a move to Madison, Wis., their second son, William Jay, was born. Shortly after this, the family moved to Lansing, Mich., where Pat was a stay-at-home mom, taking care of her family and making sure they were all well and happy. She was always a wonderful support and helper to her husband, Jim.

The Stephans served as missionaries in Beirut, Lebanon, before returning to Michigan and Southfield Junior Academy in Detroit, where Jim became principal and Pat took up the duties of school-lunch cook, serving almost two hundred individuals a day. After moving to Grand Ledge Academy in Grand Ledge, Mich., Pat worked in the bakery and wire industry. She was always there to help her family and church in any way she could, regularly serving in the children's divisions at Sabbath school, but her first calling was to be the best mother and wife to her family.

Pat loved her family very much and always wanted to make sure they were taken care of. She was a friend to many

people and wanted to let them know how much she cared about them.

She is survived by her husband of over 50 years, Jim; her mother, Florence Leavitt; daughter, **Melody Stephan** (att.); sons, **Jim** (att) and Bill; six grandchildren; and a brother, **Bill Clemons** (BA '58).

Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Koudele (BA '46) passed away unexpectedly on Sept. 8, 2006. She was 81 years old.

Betty taught English for one year at Indiana Academy, then earned her master's degree in English Literature from the University of Nebraska in 1948. In 1950, she married Charles J. Koudele. Betty taught at the academy at Southern Missionary College while Charles was finishing college after World War II. While he was in medical school at Kirksville, Mo., she taught at the church school in Kansas City and graded tests for Home Study Institute.

The couple had two daughters, **Katherine Koudele** (BA '79, MS '83, current faculty) and **Elizabeth Perkins** (BA '85). Charles passed away in 1997.

During her college years, Betty was coeditor of the *Student Movement* with **C. W. (Knobby) Mauro** (BA '48). She taught English at Andrews Academy in the early 1960s when Knobby was the principal. In the late 1960s and early 1970s, she supervised student teachers for the School of Education. Later, she served on the Parents' Advisory Board for the Academy for 15 years. The last 20 years of her career were spent teaching English composition at Southwestern Michigan College, Dowagiac, Mich.

Betty and Charles were strong supporters of Christian education and sponsored a number of students through Andrews Academy and various Adventist church schools. In her retirement, Betty volunteered at the Glenwood Union Adventist School in Dowagiac, teaching English to seventh- and eighth-graders. She was a natural teacher and few things brought her more joy than seeing the "light come on" as a young person grasped the concept she was teaching.

Henry Floyd Mattson (BA '67, MA '75) died Dec. 15, 2006. He was born July 12, 1928, in Webster, Wis.

A graduate of Rice Lake High School in 1946, Mattson attended Emmanuel Missionary College for two years before being called to military service as a medical technician during the Korean War.

Upon returning to the U.S., Mattson completed his degree in pharmacology at the University of Illinois in 1957 and spent the next 13 years working as a pharmacist at Hinsdale Hospital in Hinsdale, Ill., Branson Hospital in Willowdale, Ontario, Canada, and Ile-Ife Mission Hospital in Nigeria, West Africa.

While at Hinsdale, Mattson met **Frieda Baethke** (BS '68, MAT '78), and they married in 1956. Later in Canada, the couple's three daughters were born—Melodie in 1958, Margo in 1960, and Marlene in 1961. Their son **Morris** (BA '93), was born in Sturgis, Mich., in 1968.

When the Mattsons returned from Africa in 1964, Henry enrolled at Andrews, eventually earning undergraduate degrees in communications and religion and a master's degree in religion.

Over the next 30 years, Henry and Frieda served as a pastoral and teaching team in Michigan, Wisconsin, and California. Among his achievements, Henry was voted into *Who's Who Among American Clergy* in 1976. Mattson was always an active member of local civic organizations and ministerial groups of the area in which he served.

During his retirement, Henry enjoyed time with his grandsons, golfing, and jogging, completing a half marathon, and multiple 5K and 10K runs.

He is survived by his wife, Frieda; four children, Melodie, Margo, Marlene, and Morris; seven grandchildren; two brothers, George and Harold; and a sister, Bessie.

Marvin Byron Anderson (BSED '51) died Sept. 24, 2006, in Siloam Springs, Ark. He was born Jan. 9, 1923, in Albion, Neb.

In 1942, Marvin graduated from Platte Valley Academy, and was subsequently drafted into the United States Army, serving in WWII from 1944–46. After

being discharged from military service he attended EMC and earned a degree in agriculture. He earned a master's degree in industrial arts from the University of Nebraska, Kearney in 1966. While at EMC, Marvin met his future wife of 55 years, **Helen Przewoznik** (DIP '51).

After graduating from EMC, Marvin joined the staff at Platte Valley Academy in Shelton, Neb. Here he taught agriculture, auto mechanics, industrial arts, and driver education. He was also assistant farm manager for 36 years.

Following retirement in 1987, Marvin and Helen moved to Gentry, Ark.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; four daughters, Nadine, Gwyann, L. Melody, and LaQuita; and nine grandchildren.

Lisa Ann (Brown) Fischbacher (AS '82, BS '86) died Oct. 6, 2006, in Tucson, Ariz. She was born Nov. 1, 1958, in Loma Linda, Calif.

Lisa attended San Gabriel Elementary and graduated from Monterey Bay Academy.

Lisa's connection to Andrews was significant. Her father taught in the College of Technology. Her great-aunt, **Mildred Martin** (former faculty), was assistant dean of women. Her great-aunt, **Grace (Martin) Johnson** (DIP '28, BA '33), taught in the School of Business. Her aunt's husband, **Alvin Johnson** (BA '20), was president of EMC. Lisa also met **Henry Fischbacher** (BS '81), her husband of 23 years, at Andrews.

Lisa served as executive secretary at Hinsdale Adventist Hospital where her husband also worked. Twelve years ago, they relocated to Tucson, Ariz. At the time of her death, she was the director of human resources for M3 Mining and Engineering in Tucson.

John Leonora (att) died in Feb. 2006. Upon leaving EMC, John earned his PhD at the University of Wisconsin, and then spent his entire career at the Loma Linda University School of Medicine in the Basic Science department.

He was a popular lecturer, enthusiastic and clear, teaching over 4000 students

endocrinology in his 40-year long career.

The second major part of his career included his discovery of the parotid hormone. Prior to his passing, he realized final proof of its existence and function to emerge from modern cell and molecular technology. His discovery is finding significant interest in both the medical and dental fields.

John was profoundly dedicated to his family, his wife **Johanna Mae Zwemer** (BAA '51), their two daughters and grandchildren. He delighted in the quiet of their country home.

Stanley Alexander Blabey (BA '64) died Dec. 26, 2006. He was born July 12, 1914.

Blabey did not finish a high-school degree, however, he entered an adult education program at Canadian Union College and completed two years of schooling there prior to enrolling at Andrews. At Andrews, Blabey finished an undergraduate degree in business administration.

Following a year as pastor and colporteur in Newfoundland, Canada, he served as treasurer and accounting teacher at Kingsway College, Ontario, Canada until 1980, when he retired to the family home in Rosedale, British Columbia, Canada. During his retirement, Blabey wrote and published his memoir, *I Remember*, and two books of poetry.

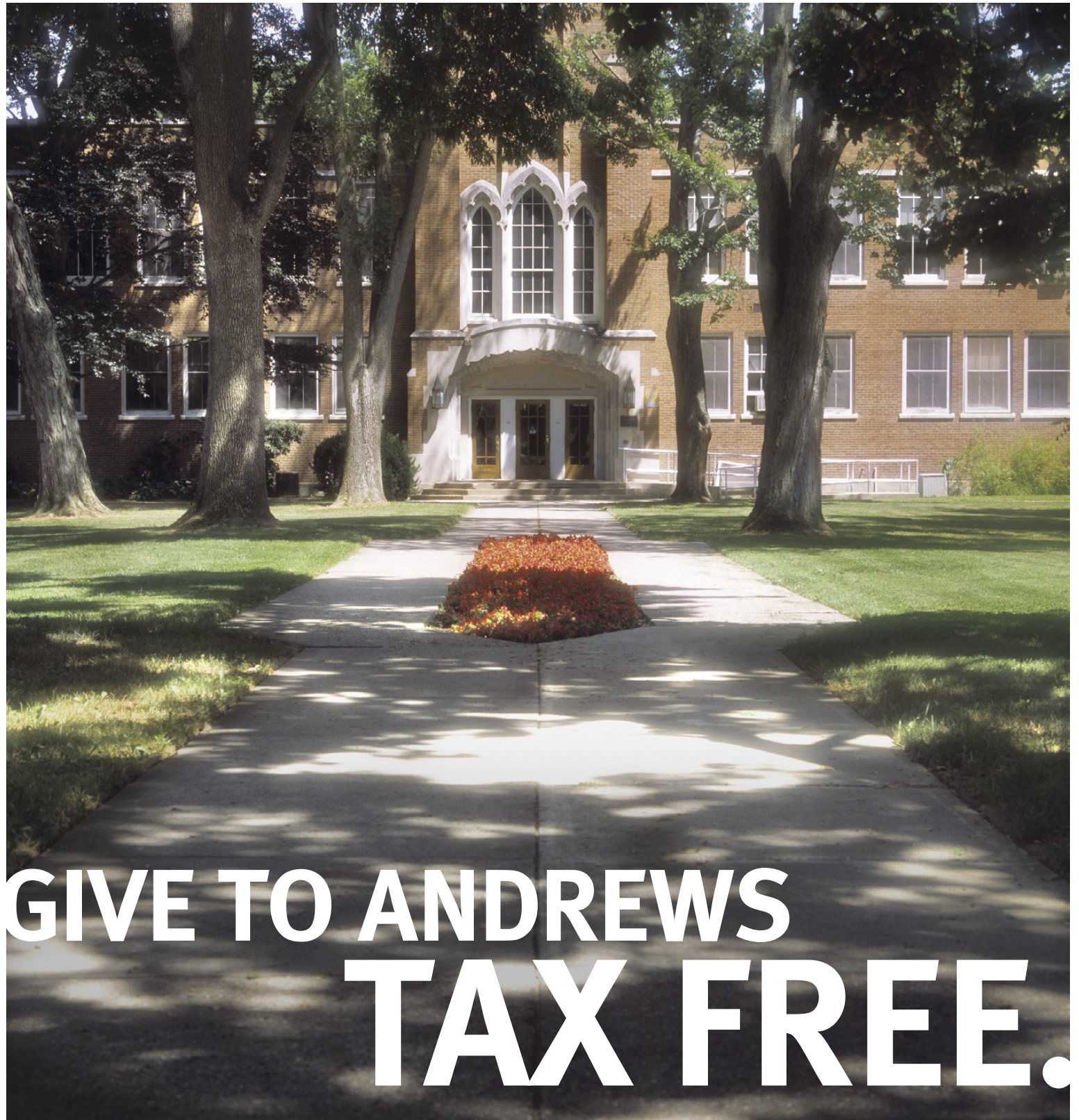
Survivors include his wife, Alva; children, Maureen, Joy, Beth, Darla, Della, Denise, and Desmond; eight grandchildren, six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Merle, daughter, Ruth, and five of his eight brothers and sisters.

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Preamble Oh, the weather outside is frightful. But the fire is so delightful. And since the CC has no place to go, let it snow, let it snow, let it snow! Andrews University has survived another winter and, if you are reading this, so have you. Of course, “survival” is not really the issue—this was the institution’s 132nd Michigan winter. But people like to make “hardy talk” about the weather, and the CC does not object.

The CC remembers when Andrews University, and the university schools, almost never closed. The CC recalls walking to school in driving snow (but not uphill, both ways). Were we tougher back in the day? Now the CC observes students driving their cars from the residence halls to the science complex—and that’s when it’s sunny. Sigh.

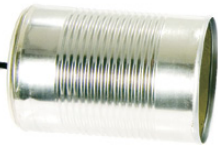
As long as you love the CC so, let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

CAMPUS CRAZE

WEATHER EDITION

They say that it always snows during the March board meeting. They are wrong, but they say it nonetheless. The CC is skeptical about who “they” are, but without question they are weather watchers/aficionados.

Snow		It is what makes winter fun.
Lake effect snow		Even better! True, it isn’t as good for snow balls, but as the CC ages, it finds itself rating snow varieties based on how comfortably it can be shoveled.
Rain		The CC’s least favorite form of precipitation. The CC would not object, however, to seeing Gene Kelly lead a Grand March in it...
Freezing rain		It can do serious damage, true, but there may be nothing more beautiful than a bright sun after a freezing rain. The trees sparkle!
Wind		The CC is sometimes accused of blowing the hot variety.
Global warming		The CC thinks that Christians ought to be out front in the campaign to finally do something about global warming. Why isn’t the religious right insisting that the Bush Administration treat God’s creation kindly? To be fair, the CC has not yet seen Dick Cheney’s slide show.
Clouds		The CC likes the cover for its sensitive skin; but everyone who has ever lived in Berrien Springs knows that there are just too many days dominated by cumulus, stratus, cirrus, and nimbus.
Climate change		The CC is all for nice, fuzzy words, but when the Cleaner Air Act permits more pollutants into the air than did the Clean Air Act, the CC thinks it’s time to stop the nonsense and call things what they are.
Snow plowing		Those transportation and grounds guys get up awfully early to make it easy for the rest of us. The CC wishes to give them mad props.
Tornados		The CC prefers its funnel in the form of cake.



Speaking of...

“It’s hard to believe that it has been a year since the last time we nearly had a board banquet.”

—Stephen Payne, serving as Master of Ceremonies at the University Banquet, March 4

“The Board will begin to meet three times per year instead of two.”

—Niels-Erik Andreassen at campus briefing following the Board meeting on March 5

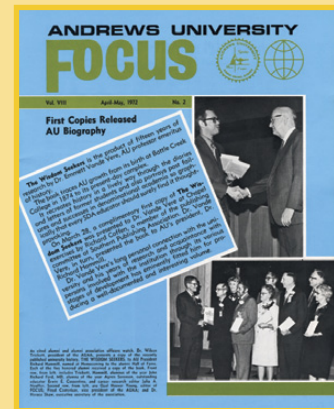
Fun-da-mental facts

The average annual snowfall for Berrien Springs, Michigan is 70 inches. The average annual snowfall for Anchorage, Alaska is 69.5 inches. Who knew?

The fastest surface wind speed ever recorded was 231 miles per hour (on April 12, 1934 at Mount Washington in New Hampshire). At that rate, the smell from the AU dairy would reach Pioneer Memorial Church in just over one second.

According to the *Dictionary of Word and Phrase Origins*, being on “cloud nine” (a euphoric state), originated from the U.S. Weather Bureau’s rating of clouds. The highest cloud rating is nine, assigned to cumulonimbus clouds that reach 40,000 feet. The CC hopes that Focus’s arrival in your mailbox transports you to cloud six or seven (the CC is nothing if not modest).

At sea level, a cubic yard of air weighs just over two pounds. At college, a cubic yard of air gains 15 pounds just like everyone else.



Out of Focus

From the April-May '72 issue

An Andrews University Film School? Perhaps not, but the communications department has a longer history of visual media instruction than you might think. In “Film-Making Techniques Offered by Communication Department,” then head of AU’s mass communication program, Dana Ulloth, claimed that the university is “anxious to encourage young film makers to find expression in the film media.” Interesting to note that the program’s production facilities were only then enabling “more advanced students” the opportunity to make “sound films as opposed to ‘silent films.’” The article does not indicate whether Buster Keaton had served the program in an advisory capacity.

A frowsy fallacy

Snow is cold.

A job is what one does to make money.

Therefore, a snow job is the best way to make cold cash.



Griggs Hall, Winter 2007
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