

in focus

Like "Wildfire"

Money is like manure; it's not worth a thing unless it's spread around encouraging young things to grow.—Thornton Wilder (from *The Matchmaker*)

I remember getting one particular Christmas gift during my childhood because of how badly I wanted it (think *A Christmas Story* and the lead character's obsession with a Red Rider BB Gun). Not terribly impressive sounding now, 10 year-old me wished for a "Wildfire" electronic pinball game.

This was the era of handhelds more like the iconic "Pong" than today's Gameboys. I don't know what the attraction to the pinball game was. I hadn't played much real pinball. It was more my style to be interested in some kind of electronic sports game—the handheld football games with the blinking lights for both offense and defense, and the "beep, beep, beep-ing" of monotonous-sounding play. Like I said, this was light years before Xbox.

But for whatever reason, I begged and pleaded for this Wildfire electronic game. My Granny bought it for me, and unwrapping it that Christmas was probably more exciting than opening any gift I've ever received.

Sadly, the game had the shelf-life of Billy Ray Cyrus' career (he of "Achy Breaky Heart" fame and one of Granny's favorites)—I may have been done with it before noon.

But I've held onto that game—tucked it in a cardboard box with other "treasures"—for years as a sort of memento. Ultimately, I think the game's value lay in the fact that Granny rewarded my begging and pleading. Not the greatest lesson I suppose, but every kid probably deserves to get something they really want at some point in their life.

And other than offering me this pearl of wisdom, "Always put a little jam on your toast," Granny's gift never became a pattern of indulgences.

So when I think of generous gifts, the Wildfire game always comes to mind.

The most recent and wildly generous gift to the university of \$8.5 million speaks to a wonderfully bighearted person, and to someone who clearly believes in the mission of this institution.

And like Thornton Wilder, our recent donor probably believed money doesn't mean a whole lot unless it helps young things grow. In this issue, Dr. Andreasen tells us what great things this large gift is earmarked to do at the university, while highlighting the philosophical vision that characterizes the relationship between funding and operating the university.

In our second feature, graduate student Gillian Sanner highlights one of the campus programs capitalizing on the university's rich diversity—the monthly FUSION vespers. Inspirational, energetic and spiritually satisfying, this program merges cultures, music, praise and worship styles from all across campus and across the world.

Finally, Beverly Stout profiles three of our recent May graduates in an article we're calling "Unbounded." Each of these grads traveled very different paths to come to Andrews and to complete their degrees while here; similarly, each of them has a limitless future and represents just three of the amazing stories from the graduating class of 2007.



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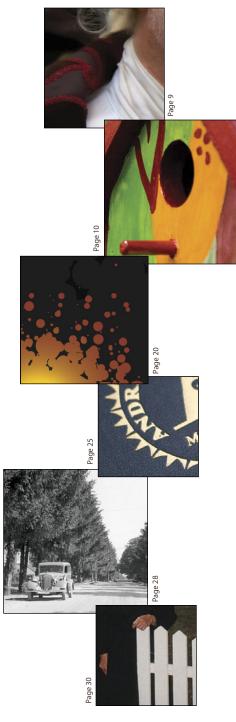
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by Beverly Stout

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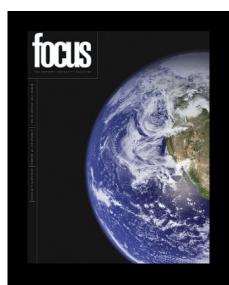
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We are the World

We were surprised that the "Weather Edition" of the Campus Craze (our thumbs-down on "Global warming,") prompted one reader to suggest we abandon "pop culture science." Assistant Professor of Economics, David Beckworth's article on the growing global economic imbalance ("A World Out of Balance) elicited largely positive feedback from readers. Sadly, since the last issue, we've learned David has taken a faculty position at Texas State University—San Marcos, where he will continue to share his expertise and research interests with his new students and colleagues. We wish David all the best!....And finally, what is the correct name of the Institute of Archaeology's ongoing project in Jordan? Read on....

Don't forget to write

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Quality qualified

With reference to Johnnson Christian's letter in the Winter Focus, it has always been my understanding that a university has an obligation to pick the most qualified for the board—not whether the person is black, Hispanic, etc. But then in this crazy, mixed-up world, it seems standards and values have changed or disappeared. Too much emphasis is placed on gender, race, and ethnic origin, with too little attention to qualification, honesty and integrity. This is so evident in life today, especially in politics!

Marvin Hainer (BA '50)

Beckworth Buzz

David Beckworth's article, "A World Out of Balance," provides the clearest layman-friendly analysis of the world economy I've read. Is it possible to get reprints of the article for distribution to my cabinet and board? Including articles of this type and caliber in the alumni magazine is a wise move from several perspectives.

Dean Hubbard, PhD (BA '61, MA '62) President, Northwest Missouri State University

Pop-Culture Science

In response to Campus Craze in the Winter 2007 issue of Focus: The jury is still out on the cause of Global Warming. Many reputable scientists reject the idea that man is responsible for any warming trend, and believe the data reflect a natural heating and cooling of the earth's atmosphere (*Newsweek* warned of a "Cooling World" in their April 28, 1975 issue).

Regardless of who gets the blame, upon this all Adventists can agree: the earth will not last forever. The earth will be destroyed by a sudden and catastrophic event. However, neither SUVs nor CFCs will be the cause. The earth and its sin-caused blemishes will be destroyed and recreated anew by the hand of God (Rev 20:7-9).

In the meantime, my focus will be to live by wise stewardship principles which include caring for the environment but exclude pop-culture science (Eph 4:14). But most importantly, I will prepare for the coming heat wave, by maintaining a vibrant relationship with Christ. What about you? In Christ, we will be prepared for anything.

Eric Bates (MDiv '01)

Incorrection

We received the Winter 2007 Focus yesterday, and read the Letters section, especially noting the "Correction" where a family name [in a photo caption] was corrected. But [an article on] page seven, "Lost tomb of Jesus," indicated that names of places can still be a problem. The last sentence begins: "The Institute's Hisban Project..." Really? I remember Dr. Horn telling about excavations in "Heshbon in Jordan." Thought you would like to know that we do read what is printed.

Julian P. Ulloth (BA '48)

Editor's Note: While the original expedition was titled after (and concerned with locating) biblical "Heshbon," the actual site is called Hisban (or Hesban). Thus, the project's current leaders prefer Hisban, the name employed by the Jordanian government and its people today.

Alumni Calendar

In response to "Unnoticed?" from Winter 2007: I am delighted to hear of your interest in attending alumni events in the Maryland area, and truly sorry we missed you this last time. To date, we have relied primarily on email invitations and postcard mailings to announce these events. In an effort to communicate in a timelier manner, we are happy to announce a new calendar feature in FOCUS that will include regional alumni gatherings. Also, plans are in place to develop an online community to our website this summer. This will vastly improve our ability to remain connected. Please stay tuned for more information in the next FOCUS on how to update your profile. This will help your Alumni Association communicate more effectively with you, and will also enable you to connect with one another.

Tami Condon (BS '91)
Alumni Director

Assault prompts emergency preparedness review

At approximately 9:15 am Monday, April 16—the same day the nation learned of the mass killings at Virginia Tech University—Seminary student Adelin Romana Baciu assaulted Seminary professor Russell Burrill in his office at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. No weapon was involved in the assault.

Office staff who heard the struggle and calls for help went to Burrill's aid and called Public Safety and the police. Baciu later assaulted a police officer and medic personnel.

Following the assault, Burrill sought medical attention, was released, and returned to the classroom that same afternoon.

Baciu was arraigned Wednesday, April 18, on charges of assault with attempt to murder and assaulting a police officer. He remains in police custody in St. Joseph, Michigan, on a \$250,000 cash bond. A trial date will not be set until results from medical evaluations are received.

In a move to formalize the campus response to this assault and to the horrific tragedy at Virginia Tech, Dr. Andreasen chaired a joint meeting of the Public Safety Committee and the Risk Management Committee on April 19. The committees reviewed the assault incident response actions of Public Safety, University Relations, Student Life, and the Seminary. The committees also received a review of our campus Emergency Preparedness Drills and Plans.

Much of the meeting was spent in discussion of the following: a review of disaster plans, including lockdown procedures; emergency notification and communication procedures; mental health intervention protocols; and a Christian response to violent behavior. Administration will also be making subcommittee assignments to the joint committee, including completion timeline expectations for the four areas mentioned above.

At the joint meeting, it was reported that Seminary faculty and staff would participate in a Safety Awareness meeting, and that Provost Knight will work campus-wide with the deans and department directors to determine needs and plans for Safety Awareness meetings with the entire university in the near future.

Dr. Andreasen has assured faculty, staff and students that the university has clearly defined procedures and processes and trained, responsible individuals tasked to carry out those procedures in case of emergency. There is a functional Emergency Operations Center protocol in place. Although the university has prepared as best it can, the events of April make clear that no plan can provide a guarantee against tragedy. Andrews University is committed to giving its best efforts to safeguard the precious human resources on our campus.

Pedersen papers donated

The Center for Adventist Research, housed in the James White Library, recently received the personal papers of early Seventh-day Adventist missionary Emmanuel Pedersen. The papers were presented by Børge Schantz, a retired professor of religion and specialist in Islamic relations, who was a personal friend of Pedersen, as well as members of the Pedersen family, during a regularly scheduled chapel service at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary on April 17.

Pedersen was born in Odense, Denmark in 1904, and served the Adventist Church in Denmark in many capacities throughout his life, including stints as a literature evangelist, teacher, pastor and missionary. In 1937, he and his wife, Esther, went to Uganda as missionaries, where they helped establish Bugema University. From 1943-53, the couple served as missionaries in Kenya.

Even in retirement, Pedersen served as an advisor to the president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and





Above left: Borge Schantz, who facilitated the donation of the Pedersen papers, provided insights into the life of his friend at a Seminary chapel service. **Above right:** Kirsten Hills (nee Pedersen) and Glenn Pedersen present the papers to Merlin Burt and President Andreasen.

in 1971, he traveled to Iran as a guest for the 2,500th anniversary of the founding of the Persian Empire by Cyrus the Great.

The collection contains official correspondence, personal letters, sermons, personal mementos, photographs, books and other items. "This collection is particularly valuable because it provides information on early mission work in Africa," commented Merlin Burt, director of the Center for

Adventist Research. "Many records and much information have been lost to the ravages of time. Dr. Pedersen's materials help us preserve important documentation on how people interacted on important projects." The Pedersen Collection will be housed in the Center for Adventist Research and will be a great resource for researchers.

campus update

Spring graduates number 457

On Sunday, May 6, 457 graduates were added to the worldwide list of Andrews alumni.

The weekend began with a consecration service by David S. Hall, Sr., enrollment coordinator at Andrews, who spoke on "Those Who are With Us." Jon Dybdahl, professor of world mission, presented "Going Home for the Holidays?" at both the graduate and undergraduate baccalaureates. Several campus departments also held pinning and dedication services on Sabbath afternoon. The graduation vespers service was followed by a reception for graduates and their families, hosted by President Andreasen.

During this year's graduate commencement ceremony, Roy Gane received the J.N. Andrews Medallion, the highest award Andrews gives to its scholars. Gane is professor of Bible and ancient Near Eastern languages. He is also director of the PhD, ThD, and MTh programs in the Seminary and a member of the exclusive interdisciplinary honor society, Phi Kappa Phi. In 2005, he received the Daniel A. Augsburger Excellence in Teaching Award.

William G. Johnsson, assistant to the president for interfaith relations at the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, was the graduate commencement speaker. He challenged the students to "Embrace the Impossible." During that

service, Johnsson also received a Doctor of Divinity, honoris causa. Johnsson is the former editor-in-chief of Adventist Review and founding editor of Adventist World. He is the third-longest continuous editor of the official magazine of the Adventist Church, having worked there for 24 years. Johnsson has authored 20 books and more than 1000 articles. He received his doctorate for his contributions and lifelong commitment to the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

The undergraduate commencement speaker was Dick DeVos, president of The Windquest Group and 2006 Michigan gubernatorial candidate. His talk, "Will You Hear Him Knocking? Putting Your Faith to Work in the World," was well received.

Dolores and Leon Slikkers, philanthropists and entrepreneurs, received Doctors of Law, *honoris causa*. The Slikkers are widely known for their contributions to the pleasure boating industy. Inside the Christian church, however, they are known for establishing Maranatha Volunteer International, with John Freeman



Professor of Hebrew Bible and ancient Near Eastern languages, Roy Gane was awarded the J.N. Andrews Medallion during the graduate commencement ceremony. Pictured, I-r: Richard and Virginia Clark, Roy and Connie Gane, and their daughter Sarah

Maranatha is a nonprofit Christian organization which mobilizes volunteers to build schools, churches, orphanages, clinics, and houses around the world. Since its foundation, Maranatha has constructed nearly 3000 buildings and sent over 45,000 volunteers to 61 countries.

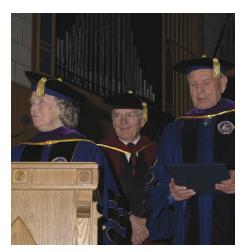
Dolores and Leon Slikkers received their doctorates for their dedication and commitment to improving the quality of life of those around them, their generosity to worthy causes, and their encouragement of others to serve.



William G. Johnsson



Dick DeVos



Dolores & Leon Slikkers

SIFE team named regional champions

The Andrews University Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) club were named regional champions at the competition held in Cleveland, Ohio on Wednesday, March 28. As winners of the regional competition, the Andrews SIFE team will be competing at the national competition in Dallas, Tex. on May 6–8.

Led by Jason Webster, a senior marketing major and president of Andrews' SIFE chapter, the team presented their annual report and a 24-minute overview of this year's projects to a panel of over a dozen corporate judges. This year's SIFE projects included: Teach a Child about Business, a program involving Ruth Murdoch Elementary School students; computer literacy training for students and their families as part of the Bridges to Digital Excellence program in Benton Harbor; a business analysis of the campus recreation center; a personal finance seminar for Andrews students, and an upcoming business ethics seminar, which will be held in Garber Auditorium in Chan Shun Hall on April 9.



The 2007 SIFE team

Presenters at this year's competition also included Lauren Nembhard, junior accounting major and vice president of Andrews' SIFE chapter, Gabriel Montes, senior accounting major and recreation center manager, and Kira Finnegan, senior information systems major and assistant recreation center manager. Lizzy Salazar, junior management major, developed the PowerPoint presentation and assisted with technical support during the presentation. Other SIFE members who participated at the competition included: David Freedman, Crystal Giem, Justin Meseraull, Myrtha

Noel, David Roe, Cherise Sandy, and Ryan Thornhill.

Dr. Ann Gibson, faculty sponsor of the SIFE team, was honored as a Sam Walton Fellow in recognition of her role in advising the Andrews SIFE program.

SIFE is an international organization of university and college students involving more than 800 colleges in the United States. Students in each club are challenged to develop outreach programs that allow them to practice skills learned in the classroom with focus on market economics, success skills, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and business ethics. Although part of the School of Business Administration, membership in the SIFE program is open to any Andrews student interested in service and outreach programs.

Physical Therapy reaccreditated to 2016

The quality of the Andrews University Physical Therapy Department was recently affirmed through its renewal of accreditation for the next ten years. On April 20, the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) voted to reaffirm the department's accreditation through 2016.

In a phone call to Wayne Perry, department chair, Ellen Price, associate director of CAPTE, commended Andrews, stating that the Andrews PT program is the first in the nation to successfully complete the accreditation process under the current requirements without having to write a single progress report.

Perry noted that Andrews has been blessed to have a dedicated, well-qualified team of faculty, staff and clinicians working together to provide the highest quality educational experience for its physical therapy students. And he is particularly grateful for his team's effots toward accreditation. "We all worked hard to receive this honor" says Perry. "The Lord has truly blessed us and [we] thank Him for it."



The Andrews University Airpark held an open house in honor of the opening of their brand-new flight simulations building on Sunday, May 6. The building, which was built entirely through donations from community members and friends of the airpark, was designed specifically to house the flight simulators the university received this past fall from Alsim Inc. Jean-Paul Monnin, president of Alsim Inc., and Verlyn Benson, dean of the College of Technology, are pictured addressing the crowd at the special dedication/opening ceremony.

Racial integration in the 19th century

On April 19, Andrews University's James White Library hosted author Anna-Lisa Cox. Cox was on campus to discuss her book, *A Stronger Kinship: One Town's Extraordinary Story of Hope and Faith*, which tells the story of racial integration in Covert, Mich.

Since the 19th Century, in an era and country roiled with racial tensions, Covert has been a place where "blacks and whites lived peacefully and equally with shared political power, integrated schools and interracial marriage." Over ten years, Cox culled research from local newspapers, personal diaries, and first-hand reminiscences depicting a town that was and still is racially integrated.

An historian, writer and lecturer, Cox is a recipient of numerous research awards, including the National Endowment for the Humanities Younger Scholars Award and the Pew Younger Scholars Fellowship. Currently, she is a scholar in residence at the Newberry Library in Chicago, Ill.

A Stronger Kinship has been selected for Michigan's Notable Books Program. Every year, the Library of Michigan acknowledges 20 of the previous year's best books that were either written by a Michigan author or contain Michigan or the Great Lakes as subject matter. The James White Library is one of 65 libraries in the state to participate in the Notable Books Program tour of libraries.



Anna-Lisa Cox autographs her book for Larry Onsager, dean of libraries.

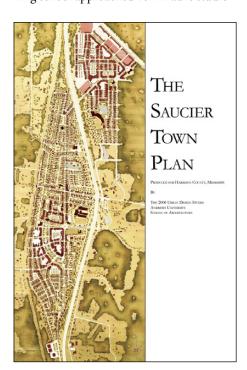
Architecture design studio receives Charter Award

The Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU) recently gave a Charter Award to the Division of Architecture's fall 2006 Design Studio, under the guidance of Andrew von Maur, for their project, "The Saucier Town Plan." Of 130 projects submitted, Andrews University was one of only five academic and 20 professional projects that were recognized as outstanding. Previous studios have submitted projects, but this marks the first year that Architecture has been recognized with an award, which adds to the division's growing reputation.

CNU is an organization that promotes neighborhood-based development instead of sprawl. It believes in an active, multidisciplinary approach to restoring communities damaged by adverse conditions or isolation. The Charter Awards recognize the year's best submissions for planning projects. Most of the awardees focused their projects on restoring communities in the Gulf Coast, targeting the Katrina victims.

Saucier, Miss., is an unincorporated rural community of about 200 residents, located about 20 miles north of Gulfport. Lying along a major U.S. highway, Saucier stands

to sprawl, because it could receive displaced victims of Hurricane Katrina, as well as county-wide sewer service in the next five years. Ohio State University's urban planning school approached von Maur's studio



about a plan for Saucier, providing the group with the right contacts.

In preparation for the population increase, the students and von Maur decided on certain strategies to keep the town compact. They wanted to preserve much of the rural land in the area, so they used SmartCode-based sector planning tools. In order to channel significant future growth into the town, they provided a proposal of urban design to place the town at or near the former lumber town. Additionally, they started by planning a town center on a specific piece of property. Michael Blackburn, a student in von Maur's studio and a 2007 master of architecture graduate, noted, "There's more to architecture than just buildings. There's also the environment the buildings are in, and that is also designed." The Saucier Town Plan recognizes this and allows development in the town to mesh with the outlying area.

Acrofest 2007 to be held at Andrews

After 10 years, Acrofest will finally return to Andrews University! Founded in 1991, by Coach Kalua and the Gymnics, Acrofest now involves more than 1200 athletes and coaches. The festival invariably provides an example of Christ-centered acrosports programs working, witnessing and worshipping together.

This year has marked a new beginning for the Gymnics with Christian Lighthall as the new coach and renewed support from the administration and student body. Hosting Acrofest 2007 will continue the program's resurgence.

In an effort to maintain the high quality of Acrofest clinics established by SAU, CUC, Union and Southwestern, Coach Lighthall is planning a diverse, educational and spiritually uplifting clinic. Various professional coaches will offer athletes of all ages



The AU Gymnics worked hard this past year on revamping their program and preparing new routines. Their home show weekend took place April 14-16 and included two Monday morning performances for 2,000 area school children.

the opportunity to learn and perfect new skills.

The Acrofest 2007 theme is "The Power of One." And since the basis of Acrofest is Christ-centered acrosports' witnessing power, worship programming for the event will be dynamic and thought-provoking, keeping all participants focused on the "Power of One" to change a life.

Southwest Michigan Symphony performs at Howard

On Sunday, April 15, the Southwest Michigan Symphony Orchestra held its debut performance at the Howard Performing Arts Center.

The concert was a feast of "Mozart, Mozart and More Mozart," and featured performances by the Lake Michigan Youth Orchestra, under the direction of Steve Reed, and violinist and Andrews faculty member, Carla Trynchuk. Maestro Barry Ross of the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra served as conductor for the evening.

Complete with musicians in period costumes, audience members enjoyed listening to pieces such as Mozart's *The Abduction from the Seraglio Overture, Violin Concerto #5* and *The Jupiter Symphony*.





New curriculum offered

Andrews University recently announced a new curriculum in Emergency Preparedness. Within the Master of Social Work (MSW) degree and the Master of Science in Administration (MSA) in Community Development, special tracks in Emergency Preparedness are now available.

The new tracks include such courses as Introduction to Emergency Preparedness, Emergency Planning, Emergency Management, Disaster Response & Emergency Operations and others. Individuals who complete 18-19 semester credits in this field are eligible for a Certificate in Emergency Preparedness from Andrews University.

The first course in the tracks, *Introduction to Emergency Preparedness*, was offered in May as part of the new May Express program, which included a significant tuition discount. Satisfactory completion of this course was recognized by a FEMA Professional Development Series Certificate of Completion.

"This emphasis in Emergency Preparedness links closely with the mission of Andrews University—to educate students for generous service to society," said Patricia Mutch, curriculum coordinator for the program. Mutch pointed to recent disasters such as Hurricane Katrina, tsunamis, tornadoes, and other crises as impetus for a flurry of training opportunities now being offered.

"FEMA has a Higher Education Initiative," according to Mutch, "which is actively seeking institutions now training in the helping professions, business, and public policy, who are willing to offer programs in Emergency Management or Homeland Security. Andrews seemed well-positioned to undertake this challenge."

The Departments of Behavioral Sciences, Social Work, Communication, Management & Marketing, and the interschool MSA program are collaborating to sponsor this curriculum, which has been benchmarked with programs elsewhere and aligns with FEMA's recommendations.

campus update

10th annual birdhouse auction

The Division of Architecture held their 10th Annual Birdhouse Auction on Sunday, April 1, in the architecture amphitheater. The annual auction and competition, which supports the Center for the Recuperation of Children at Risk of Drug Addiction (CERENID) in Bolivia, began in 1998 with 12 entries and has grown to include as many as 48.

CERENID, which was started in 1994 by the Adventist Development and Relief Agency in Bolivia in cooperation with the Division of Architecture, initially provided for a handful of children, but presently cares for 40 youngsters. Students from the Division of Architecture make annual trips to Bolivia to continue the design and construction of the facilities, having built houses, a church, an administration/clinic building, and water, sewer, and electrical infrastructure.

The auction, which features a wide variety of birdhouses designed by students, faculty, and friends—with Carey Carscallen,



director of the Division of Architecture serving as the event's auctioneer—typically brings in \$2,500 each year.

Passion Play 2007

The morning of Saturday, April 7, dawned gray and bitterly cold, with almost two inches of snow on the ground. Yet Andrews University still bustled with over 500 volunteers, for it was the first day of the annual Passion Play. The play directors stayed up late Friday night and were up before dawn strategizing how to transform the open-air walking tours into an almost-entirely-indoor



event. Their final plan went into action early Saturday morning. The guests were greeted with a small marketplace outside the Howard Performing Arts Center. Musicians played Hebrew melodies while volunteers in biblical costume showed visitors traditional Jewish circle dancing. Visitors entered the darkened Howard seating area and witnessed the Last Supper and the ensuing events in the Garden of Gethsemane. After Jesus' arrest, the audience was led through a Roman encampment to the Johnson Gymnasium, where they saw Jesus' trial before Pilate, crucifixion, and resurrection. Between 5000 and 5500 people attended the Passion Play this year in spite of the weather challenges.

The Easter Passion Play is a nonprofit event, and was supported by donations from such organizations as Apple Valley, Buchanan Family Medical Center, Pioneer Memorial Church, Pulse FM and WAUS.







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NAD finals of Adventist Robotics Challenge

On May 14, elementary and high school age science enthusiasts from across the country gathered in the Howard Performing Arts Center for the Adventist Robotics League's second annual Adventist Robotics Challenge.

Teams came from as far as Georgia and Washington to compete in the North American Division final. Andrews coordinator and engineering professor Bill Wolfer said, "These are the best of the best."

Teams were judged on robot performance, teamwork, technical precision, and a research project based on this year's theme: Nanoquest. The objective of the robotics component was to design and program robots to navigate through an obstacle course, engaging various Lego contraptions, such as a car crane and "space elevator." Although technical difficulties were few, Wolfer insisted that "These robots are not as easy as they look."

The members of Cloud Nine, from Lansing, Mich., were excited about the opportunity to put their scientific skills to use on their research project. "We are working on a device that could cure cancer" said eleventh-grader Tamara Naja. While the project is still in development, Naja offered that "we have worked on the areas where scientists went wrong."

Cloud Nine team coach Chad Bernard, who was also coaching another team from Lansing, was positive about his involvement with the program. He said, "These kids have been highly motivated, and working with them has been a real blessing."

The excitement reached its peak at 4:00 pm, as the contestants awaited the grand prize presentation of the Lego Cup. ARL director Mal Wade explained that due to the heated nature of the competition, three teams, including Cloud Nine, would be awarded the prize.

Wade expressed his satisfaction with the event: "It's fun watching kids come together to get real life experiences—experiences you can't get out of a book."





Teams from across the nation gathered for the Adventist Robotics Challenge held at Andrews on May 14. The event included a "playing field" on which robots had to navigate obstacles while completing various missions.

East meets West

Three years ago, Stella Greig started a process that Jeanette Bryson helped bring to a signed agreement on April 12 between Andrews University and SDA Samyook Language School located in Korea. The Language School has 39 sites throughout Korea with approximately 55,000 students and several hundred teachers. Jeanette Bryson, Stella Greig and Dianne Staples conducted an intensive training session in Korea, beginning in May, for 40 language teachers.



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faculty & staff

Recognition and awards forum honors faculty and students

This year's University Forum for recognition and awards was ushered in with a fanfare played by the Wind Symphony. Students received such awards and scholarships as the Wall Street Journal Award, the Brent Bills Pat on the Back Award, and the Veda Lesher Scholarship, and over 140 students became part of Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. Seven

teachers: Jacques Doukhan, Rhonda Root, Leonard Gashugi, Shirley Freed, Stanley Beikmann, Janice Wrenn, and Arlene Saliba received the Daniel Augsburger Excellence in Teaching Award. The Teacher of the Year Award went to Pastor Glenn Russell, assistant professor of the Religion Department. He has led hundreds of students on mission trips across the globe and takes great pleasure in teaching his students by example as well as instruction. David Steen won the Advisor of the Year Award. He views "academic advising as a crucial component of the college experience," and he "praise[s] God that he can use [him], on occasion, to help students in their preparation for service to others."





Far left: Kris Knutson, advising services, congratulates David Steen, professor of biology, who was selected as Advisor of the Year

Left: Glenn Russell, assistant professor of religion, was chosen as 2007 Teacher of the Year

Stembridge appointed dean of the School of Business Administration

Andrews University recently named Dr. Allen Stembridge the new dean of the School of Business of Administration (SBA). Stembridge will be taking the position over from interim dean Charles Tidwell, who took on the role when former dean Annetta Gibson made the decision to return to teaching full-time last year.

Stembridge, however, is not new to Andrews or to the School of

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Business Administration. He served as a faculty member from 1988–1999, including nine years as the Management and Marketing Department chair, and five years as the school's assistant dean. Stembridge then went overseas where he served as a professor of management and



Allen Stembridge

Business Department chair at Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies in the Philippines. In 2002, he returned to the States where he began in his current position as Business Department chair and professor of business administration at Southwestern Adventist University in Keene, Tex. Stembridge has also taught at Helderberg College in South Africa and Solusi College in Zimbabwe.

Stembridge is a double graduate of Andrews, having received his MBA in

management in 1982 and his Ed.D. in Administration in Leadership in 1984. He also holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of South Africa, and a business diploma from Helderberg College.

"I am honored to accept the position of Dean of the School of Business

Administration at Andrews University," states Stembridge. "My vision is for the SBA to be recognized as the worldwide leader in quality Adventist business education, to be recognized by the Adventist Church and the business community as a supplier of competent, ethical, creative and productive full-time employees, supportive alumni, as well as volunteer contributors of their expertise and means in serving the Church and their community," Stembridge states. "Recognizing the investment that parents and students make in their education, the SBA will provide the best opportunity for students to develop their strengths and God-given talents as they prepare for their careers and witness in the Church, the community and the business world."

Stembridge will officially begin in his role as dean on August 1, 2007, but will teach an MBA course in Strategic Management in July.

Esther Tyler retires after nearly 42 years of loyal service

On January 1, 2006, Esther Tyler retired from Andrews University after nearly 42 years of service. During her tenure, she worked as a cataloguing librarian and assistant professor of library science.

In 1960, Tyler graduated from Southern Missionary College with a bachelor's in home economics and religion. She then proceeded to Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tenn., where she received a master's degree in library science in 1964.

Over the course of her career, Tyler witnessed dramatic changes in the library profession. The James White Library went from using the Dewey Decimal System to the Library of Congress Classification standards. She also saw the end of the card catalog, as the library transitioned to the use of on-line databases. Although coworkers remember her as slightly "computer-phobic," they quickly point out that in most respects, Tyler adapted to the changes very well.

Tyler is also remembered by coworkers for her outstanding memory and comprehensive knowledge of the library. "Esther had one of the most phenomenal memories for detail," says Sallie Alger, head of bibliographic services. "Her love for attention to detail inspired her in the cataloguing field." Interlibrary loan associate Sandra White adds that "Esther knew where everything was

in the library. If you wanted to find something, you talked to Esther."

With the aid of her memory and interest in library history, Tyler was even able to help identify "The Grand Canyon of the



Esther Tyler

Yellowstone," by Lucien Powell (1846–1930) —an undocumented painting which had been a gift to the Battle Creek Sanatorium.

Although she eventually became senior cataloguer and head of the cataloguing department, Tyler maintained a comfortable working environment with her colleagues. Cataloguing associate Norma Greenidge remembers that, "She didn't want to be called 'The Boss.' She insisted that people worked with her, not for her."

Having settled down in Georgia, Tyler now enjoys walking, and looks forward to the prospect of vacationing along the east coast—particularly Williamsburg, Va.

Sharon Gillespie retires from Department of Behavioral Sciences

After twenty years of service, Sharon Gillespie is saying goodbye to Andrews University. Gillespie joined the Department of Behavioral Sciences in 1987, bringing with her an expertise in the areas of human development and community health and wellness. As an associate professor of psychology, she taught such classes as Human Development, Gender Roles, and Medical Sociology.

Born in Berrien Springs, Mich., Gillespie obtained a bachelor's degree in social science from Pacific Union College, Angwin, Calif., in 1967. She received a master's degree in educational psychology in 1981 from Andrews University. In 1997, she earned her master's of public health from Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, Calif.

Before coming to Andrews, Gillespie served as placement officer for Pacific Union College and as an instructor at Lake Michigan College, Benton Harbor, Mich. She has also served as director of market research for the Adventist Health System and NEMA—New Day Centers Division.

During her tenure at Andrews, Gillespie made several presentations on addictions, substance abuse and AIDS at both local and national conferences. In 1999, she and three of her colleagues published "AIDS Susceptibility in a Migrant Population: Perception and Behavior," in Substance Use and Misuse.

Gillespie is a member of the Psi Chi Psychology Honors Society and the American Public Health Association, and is also a Fellow in the Royal Institute of Public Health of England.

Looking back on her time at Andrews, Gillespie cherishes most the memories of her interaction with students. She says, "The richest part of the experience was to



Sharon Gillespie

be a part of the learning process by exploring ideas and issues with students."

In her retirement, Gillespie plans to continue volunteering at Polly's Place, a center for victims of domestic abuse, in addition to accepting commissions for her work in iconography. She will also be sure to make some time for relaxing, and enjoying her grandchildren.

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by Niels-Erik Andreasen

hilanthropy is a business decision of grace. It involves free gifts, given in love, generally not deserved and it is life-changing. That characterizes the recent very large gift to Andrews University from William Colson and his wife, Bonnie. The couple has a passion for Christian education, and the university is deeply grateful.

The Colsons and I became acquainted nearly a decade ago and a relationship developed, a bit timid and tentative at first, but growing stronger by the year. We would talk, sometimes for hours, have dinner and dream about great things. But we always came back to these themes: God's work on earth, Christian education, and being brave and bold in our service.

checks, culminating in an \$8.5 million check in April 2007, for a total of \$10.6 million.

It was the Colsons' wish to accomplish certain goals on the campus quickly, but with lasting and transforming impact on the university. The largest part of the money, \$4.3 million, will be used to renovate and update our campus food service and dining areas on the top floor of the Campus Center. The new dining areas are planned to give students a contemporary and attractive place to eat, meet and connect with each other.

The second part of these gifts, \$3.3

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million, will fund three endowed chairs, two in the area of business and one in theology. Endowed chairs help the university recruit, attract and support a strong faculty, always a priority on campus.

The next part of the gift, around \$2 million, will fund a new entrance to the campus. Some additional smaller gifts will be added to complete the job. This campus has long needed a "front door," a good, safe, and direct way to connect the campus with the community in which we live, and a new entrance will bring dignity to the campus.

The next part, \$1 million, is earmarked

That got it started. Several smaller gifts Enolosed \$ 8,500,000. arrived, then some larger ones, and finally during the last twelve months or so three \$ 1,600000 (new ENTrance) \$ 2,200,000 Pwo Endowed egot Mulson Five Hard than milking Parloz Campus Center # 4,000,000 16



THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY RECENTLY CELEBRATED THE LARGEST GIFT ANDREWS HAS EVER RECEIVED, COURTESY OF WILLIAM AND BONNIE COLSON. THE COUPLE'S GENEROSITY WILL TRULY CHANGE THE FACE OF OUR CAMPUS.

for a new milking parlor at the farm. The Colsons own a farm too and are impressed by the fact that Andrews University has successfully established a high-yielding, model farm in Southwestern Michigan.

What is the importance to Andrews University of such significant gifts as the Colsons'? Let me review a few trends in Adventist higher education in recent decades.

At the beginning, Adventist colleges, including Andrews, operated almost as a department of first the Lake Union Conference and later of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, in terms of its program offerings, faculty, students and financial support. Our landmark building, Nethery Hall, is named after a Lake Union Conference president who helped provide that facility in 1942. The Seminary, library and administration buildings were provided by the General

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Conference after the college became a university.

Such support fueled the plant fund in those days, and significant monthly church subsidies helped fund the operations and enabled Andrews to make a Christian education affordable to its students. In return for such a high level of support, Andrews did not seek independent funding and did not build an endowment.

But things change. During recent decades our world church has grown almost exponentially in the former "mission fields" and become nearly static in the developed countries. This has changed the way money flows in our world church, and our colleges and universities, including Andrews, must supplement the church support it receives with other sources of revenue.

This change might appear frightening to some who have come to expect that loyalty to our church is secured by financial support. I do not believe that our loyalty as educators is secured that way, and I certainly do not believe that it should be bought in any way.

The commitment of Andrews to Adventist education is a matter of faith, not of money. We believe that the principles of Adventist education are a treasure that must be preserved and hold answers to many of the troubles facing higher education in our world today. We at Andrews



Top: President Andreasen announces the Colsons' \$8.5 million gift at a special university chapel service held on Thursday, April 12.

Above: During chapel, hundreds of students, faculty and staff took the opportunity to personally thank the Colsons for their gift, and following the service, Vice President David Faehner and Andreasen traveled to the West Coast to share these notes of gratitude (along with a DVD recording of the chapel announcement) with the Colsons.

like these principles, appreciate them, and want to keep them, explore them and develop them further in the future.

As we face the future it seems clear to me that a three-way partnership is emerging in the delivery of Adventist education here: Our church, our alumni and friends, and Andrews. Church leaders have long expressed the desire to involve "lay persons" in the mission and ministry of the church. I agree with that. It is not an unfortunate regression from something

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Above: An artist's rendering of the proposed new entrance to campus. Construction is scheduled to begin August 1.

Right: The proposed renovation to the cafeteria will provide a completely new configuration for patrons. Work will begin in January '08.



better, but a recovery of something fundamental to our church mission.

The same applies to Andrews. It enjoys a partnership of support from our alumni, friends, parents, church organizations and those who carry on the daily task of educating our students. As a result of that partnership, the Andrews endowment has grown from a mere \$3 million to over \$30 million during the past decade and a half. And we are in a major fundraising drive to which the Colsons' recent gift is a major contributor.

Moreover, thanks to this very large gift, along with others, this year's donor support to Andrews will exceed church support by 50 or even 100 percent. That will not happen every year, but it may be increasingly common and eventually may become the norm at some future time. But let me assure you that every benefactor, whether lay or church, supports Andrews because it is committed to a first-class Christian education.

Accordingly, Andrews University is

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strengthening its resolve to deliver the most distinctive Adventist education we can provide, from the freshman year to graduation. The key concept is: an education that transforms lives. We call it the Andrews Experience, beginning with General Education, moving on to a major and perhaps ending with graduate studies. It includes life on a diverse campus, a vibrant religious environment of faith and service, social relationships, health and beauty, in a safe campus environment—all these components contribute to the Andrews Experience.

Indications are already emerging that these efforts are succeeding. Not long ago a national survey observed that an Andrews education is a good deal for all, whether majority or minority students, even those who are not born brilliant. We have found a way to teach them here so that they make greater progress in their learning than one might normally expect.

You see, it is not just how much a student knows when entering college nor how much that student knows when graduating that matters, it is the amount of progress a student makes in college that determines the quality of the educational experience. It gives every student who comes here the very best chances in life, and that is our goal.

One of our benefactors once told me that he supports Andrews University because he wants to be able to promise his great-grandchildren that they will be able to attend an exceptionally good Christian college up there in Berrien Springs. "Will you help me keep that promise?" he asked. "I promise," was my reply. But it is up to you and others like us to band together to help make that happen.

That is how the future of Andrews University will be shaped, by bands of brothers and sisters for whom the transforming Christian education at Andrews is as important to them as their own children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren—for as long as God gives us time.

The ability of Andrews University to transform the lives of our students through an exceptional Christian education has been materially advanced by the Colsons' generous gift. Not only will it improve our facilities, strengthen our faculty and give a sense of presence and dignity to our campus, it will also help to propel the Legacy of Leadership campaign for Andrews forward. "A New Andrews for a New Century" is emerging or, as our provost likes to say, "Christian education at Andrews is moving from good to great!"

It is a genuine pleasure for me, representing all the educators at Andrews, to thank our most generous partners in this important venture.

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Above: Because of their background in farming, the Colsons had a particular affinity for the milking parlor project. Still in the design phase, the Andrews parlor will enable more efficient production and computerized data tracking at the dairy. The university is considering vendors and designs (like the one above) as it finalizes plans for the new facility.

REMEMBERING WILLIAM COLSON

William Colson, successful businessman and philanthropist, and the man responsible for the recent \$8.5 million donation to Andrews University, died May 20, following a long battle with cancer.

A long-time resident of Salem, Ore., Colson built the world's largest retirement home empire, having only recently sold his Holiday Retirement Corporation for \$7.5 billion to a New York investment firm. Colson began building housing for seniors in 1963, and over the years, Holiday Retirement Corp. eventually became one of the state's great business success stories.

Colson was a member of the East Salem Adventist Church for 40 years and had served the local congregation as a church elder. According to Pastor Ewart Brown, Colson "was a very spiritual man," and someone "who made everybody around him feel important."

Pictured here receiving an honorary doctorate during the spring commencement of 2002, William Colson was an enthusiastic supporter of the spirit and mission of Andrews University.

Those in the Salem business community remember Colson as down-to-earth and unassuming—someone who

was principled and particularly dedicated to his religious faith throughout his career.

Colson's success with Holiday Retirement Corp. was the result of hard work and perseverance over many years. In a 2004 interview, the businessman stated, "I don't feel rich. I couldn't pay the bills until I was 50, and it was a strain on all of us."

In 1999, Colson received a lifetime achievement award from the United Nations for his work with senior citizens throughout the world.

Pastor Brown remembers Colson for his humility and the ability to really tune-in to others. "When you walked into his office, you'd get the feeling that you were the only person in the world. I've never met a person like him in my life."

Compiled from an article (""Visionary' retirement-home pioneer dies at 66") appearing in the May 22, 2007 issue of the Salem, Ore., Statesman Journal.

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WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A BUNCH OF AU STUDENTS THINK VESPER SERVICES HAVE BECOME TOO ISOLATED ALONG ETHNIC LINES? THEY FUSE AND THEN GOD LIGHTS A FIRE.

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BY GILLIAN VARGAS SANNER

"I am from a non-Christian family," Risa Maeda says. "Sometimes I feel alone going to church and reading my Bible." Risa, an elementary education major from Japan, attends every FUSION. At FUSION, she no longer feels alone.

"It's so cool to see people praising. FUSION is one of the best places to see our faith," Risa says. "I realize I'm not the only one—there are many praising the same God. That's encouraging."

About a year ago Etienne Similien's twenty-year-old brother passed away. "We come from the hood," Etienne, an architecture major from Lake Worth, Florida, says, where in just one month he also lost three of his friends. After his brother's death, Etienne realized that it could have been he who died along with any one of his friends. And he wondered, "Why am I still here?"

In April, Etienne, as usual, attended the Friday night FUSION worship at Andrews University. The speaker told the story of Samson and Delilah, of how Samson was arrogant and didn't listen to anybody. Of how, for Samson, it was his way or no way.

Etienne could relate. When the pastor made a call to all the Samsons and Delilahs in the building, Etienne walked onto the stage.

He realized that God had something for him—could use him—and, he says, "I felt it was the time for change."

Raewyn Hankins, studying for her master's of divinity in the Seminary, works at Adventist Information Ministry. As a shift leader, Raewyn covers the phones several Friday nights each semester. In scheduling her Friday nights, though, Raewyn makes sure to leave FUSION nights open.

"FUSION is so rejuvenating to me spiritually," she says. "There is a sense of community—of a diverse body coming together. It's designed to take you into God's presence through both celebration and quiet reflection. It's coming together in order to worship, then being inspired to go out and make a difference."

The Concept

FUSION is a worship service that takes place on the second Friday evening of each month. "It is," says David Franklin, Seminary student and FUSION director for the 2007–2008 school year, "about oneness. In John 17, Jesus prays for believers to be 'brought to complete unity.' FUSION is what God would have us do as Christians—come together."

Each Friday night, vespers groups divide, basically, by ethnicities. But a few years ago some worship leaders on campus merged their programs. United Vespers, Mosaic, and Impact combined, once a month, to form FUSION. Now all vespers programs across the Andrews University campus shut down and come together for FUSION.

FUSION has moved from the Johnson Gym to the Howard Performing Arts Center, which seats around 850 people. On FUSION nights, though, about one thousand people come through. Attendees are not only students but administrators, faculty, staff, and community members, as well.

Allan Martin, associate professor of discipleship and family ministry, says, "It has been awesome to find a space here on campus where there is freedom to have a GODencounter so fresh and unscripted. I sense spiritual community happening in those few





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short hours each month and hope that God continues to foster the growth of FUSION for the sake of the Kingdom."

FUSION programs include many styles of music: Christian contemporary, gospel, folk, hymns, bluegrass, and classical. Speakers of all ages and experiences present the messages—some speakers are still in the Seminary, some have completed their doctorates. FUSION is a very diverse program for very diverse people—but it's about more than that.

Enoc Lopez, a Spanish/religion/business major who has ministered through music at FUSION for several years and served as FUSION director for the 2006-2007 year, explains, "Lots of people ask me what FUSION is. We describe it by all the cultures. And that's nice. But it makes the entire thing about how we are different. The only reason this comes close to working is because we are really the same in a lot of ways. I can praise God completely differently from the guy next to me. But if we're both citizens of heaven, both Christians, that binds us closer than our differences separate us."

Louise Albert, a Seminary student and former FUSION director who has been heavily involved in FUSION music for several years, sums it up: "FUSION is a once-a-month family reunion!" And FUSION has been a huge blessing to not only its attendees but also to those who participate in the programs.

Part of a Team

A large number of people—including band members, singers, sound and video technicians, photographers, ushers, and stage hands—volunteer their talents for FUSION.









The Leaders

The leaders of FUSION have also grown in their spiritual walks because of the program. Enoc Lopez remembers, "We came up with a team that ended up teaching me and leading me. I learned so much about myself. God revealed to me my strengths and weaknesses. I have a better sense of who I am and who I'm supposed to be."

Louise Albert found incredible relationships. "I made such great connections that I would never have made without FUSION. FUSION has given me a family too large to number, and I'm thankful for that."

David Franklin says that the biggest blessing—already—from FUSION has been the personal transformation in his life. "FUSION pushes us all—stretches everybody—to really live the concept of oneness. In attending, planning, and now directing FUSION, I have seen the progression in my own spiritual development—and I attribute this in part to the FUSION family."

Leadership of course is not without its challenges. FUSION is largely student-led, and juggling school, work, and ministry is not easy. Pastor Timothy Nixon, the campus chaplain for inreach who oversees FUSION, remarks, "FUSION demonstrates the tenacity our students have to ministry and service. They receive no breaks from teachers, yet they find the time and energy to present quality, spiritually uplifting worship services."

There are financial challenges to overcome as well. When left

"FUSION reaches a group of people who aren't touched by anything else. People choose to be there, and I think that makes them more open."

without a keyboard of their own last year, the FUSION team asked for donations, and by the end of the year they were able to purchase the needed equipment.

Despite the difficulties, God keeps working. In everything, "On Friday afternoons, when the band and singers get together for one last practice, it seems like they just can't get the music right." Shaunielle Abreu, English major and FUSION general manager, laughs. "Everybody forgets their parts. They're off-key. It used to scare me. But now I know that by Friday night, miracles happen."

The Plan

Already FUSION is broadcast live on the Andrews University television station and on the Internet. With a new year in front of them, the FUSION team has extended the reach of their program. They categorize their work under FUSION worship, FUSION inreach, and FUSION outreach.

Shaunielle Abreu says, "FUSION worship is our Friday night worship experience. Inreach involves getting involved with campus clubs and chapels. We have several big ideas for outreach, such as partnering with a Christian school in the area for a night of worship and partnering with another Adventist college or university for a night of worship." The FUSION team is also planning an international mission trip, a FUSION CD, and a FUSION tour to other SDA colleges and universities to share this ministry.

Through all of this, the objective of FUSION remains the same. Shaunielle explains, "There is this FUSION mentality—when people walk into FUSION, they are very open-minded." David Franklin says, "We want to see the oneness at FUSION lived out in people's lives."

Work on this objective has already begun.

Risa, who wants to be a missionary someday, was especially touched by the March 2007 FUSION that focused on world

awareness and profiled two Andrews University students, one from Sudan, one from China.

After hearing the stories of people in need world wide, Risa picked up an ADRA catalog. "I have saved my money to send in. I still keep the catalog," she says.

"Where I grew up there was a lot of racism. When I first came to Andrews, I couldn't vibe with white people," Etienne says. He told God, "You've gotta do something for me here."

At the monthly FUSION worship services, Etienne saw people of every race worshipping together—all appreciating different styles of music and different cultures. He recognized the commonality: "We're all praising the same God!"

That insight changed the way Etienne relates to people. "Now," he says, "I want to know about everybody. I'm like, 'Tell me about your culture—your background.' FUSION put me in a different circle. Once you're in a different circle you don't want to live the same way anymore."

Raewyn first heard about FUSION from her friends in Berrien Springs, Michigan, while she worked as an associate pastor in San Diego. "FUSION has a really good buzz about it," Raewyn remarks. And she doesn't hesitate to pass the word about FUSION herself. She's invited her hairdresser. Raewyn's mom has invited a friend, too.

Raewyn continues, "FUSION is something happening on campus that I feel comfortable inviting people from the community to. It's a high-quality program that I'm proud of."

Gillian Sanner is a 2006 graduate with a BA in English and a minor in journalism. She is currently at Andrews pursuing her master's degree in Communication with a Media Studies emphasis—her goal is to edit a magazine someday. In her free time, she enjoys sunshine, reading, playing the piano, pictures and catching up with friends.

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Every May at commencement, hundreds of Andrews graduates cross the PMC platform to receive their diplomas from President Andreasen. Those few steps signal the celebratory end of one life stage and the beginning of a new one, and each grad taking that walk represents a distinct story—stories that when taken together write our institutional narrative. Most of these are untold stories bound tightly as that new sheepskin. And some, like those that follow, are truly unbounded. Stories of hope, triumph and God's leading.

-by Beverly Stout

Garnett Cross

Garnett Brendan Cross, or Brendan as he's known by most, just can't seem to get enough of science, math, or school for that matter. Finished in 2006 with his bachelor of science degree in engineering with a concentration in mechanical engineering, Brendan decided that he "didn't want to be done yet." So, he added a second major in physics and mathematical studies and stayed a fifth year (a first in the department) and walked down the aisle of Pioneer Memorial Church in full graduation regalia this past May, cum laude.

A self-described problem-solver, Brendan has been constructing things since he was a boy in love with Legos in his native South Africa. His dad, a computer programmer, always encouraged hands-on projects, even helping Brendan construct a sunlight-activated alarm clock.

In 2000, when Brendan was 15, he and his parents, and younger sister and brother (who is also an Andrews student), made what Brendan describes as a "hard but good change" and moved to the United States. In South Africa, Brendan attended the small Adventist, Patterson

Park Primary School and later the

local public high school. There
he quickly made friends and
jumped to the head of his
class, despite the shock
of going from a school
with a class-size
of 14 to one of

300. "They'd

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me well,"

Once in the States, Brendan attended Broadview Academy.

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Brendan comments about Patterson Park.

After graduation in 2002, Brendan decided to enter Andrews' young engineering department and promptly fell in love with his studies. Chemistry with Dr. Mutch, engineering with Dr. Ng, and physics with Dr. Burdick and Dr. Mattingly—all ignited a passion for learning. "The teachers helped me fall in love with the subjects," Brendan explains.

During his time as a student, Brendan has helped problem-solve for the company that makes side windows for Subaru, coauthored a paper with his professor, Mickey Kutzner, that got published in Physical Review, and worked with Margarita Mattingly on ceramic dating using a 3-D optical scanner and mathematical modeling for the Institute of Archaeology's Madaba Plains Project. He's also been a physics tutor for Student Success and is working currently at the Math and Science Center, a program for high school students in the surrounding community. All of this was accomplished while taking an average of more than 17 credits each semester.

Brendan's affection for his professors is mutual. Dr. Ng praises Brendan for his "sharp mind and great initiatives." Bill Wolfer, Engineering Department chair, says "Brendan has been a wonderful student who works hard, who leads out, and who reaches out to help others. We are very proud of him and all that he has been able to accomplish."

As for the future, Brendan will be entering an elite program in the fall at Notre Dame University, where he'll be working toward a PhD in Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering. The opportunity evolved in a highly unusual way.



Originally, Brendan planned to work before going on to grad school, so he applied for several jobs, but nothing was panning out. Near the end of April, Dr. Ng asked Brendan for a copy of his résumé, then a few days later he asked for his GPA. Unbeknown to Brendan, Dr. Ng talked about him with a professor at Notre Dame, who passed the information on to the head of the engineering department, who then circulated it. As a result, a professor who was in need of a graduate assistant heard about Brendan and offered him an assistantship and a spot in the PhD program. Thanks to Dr. Ng's persistence, Brendan has both a job and a spot in graduate school.

Also in Brendan's near future is his upcoming wedding to fiancée, Rebecca Prouty. The two started dating during Brendan's fourth year and will marry this June. Rebecca, a recent Andrews alum, is office manager at the Center for Youth Evangelism.

Ideally, Brendan thinks it would be great to one day work with NASA. But ultimately, he'd love to one day return to Andrews as an engineering professor, inspiring other students to strive for their best, just as his professors did for him.



Most students at Andrews have trials they must go through during their college years, and newly pinned nursing graduate, Vanessa Pinnix, is certainly no exception.

Vanessa's Andrews journey is steeped deeply in her faith in God and complete trust in His will for her life. When Vanessa came to Andrews in 2001, she wasn't the typical incoming freshman, straight from high school and ready to explore life in the "real world." Vanessa already had quite a bit of "real-world living."

Though a native of North Carolina, Vanessa and her seven siblings spent most of their lives in Cleveland, Ohio. Her father, Calvin, had moved the family there when he struggled to find work after WWII. Vanessa married in 1985 at the age of 29, and by 33 had given birth to her two children, Barry II and Brittni Brooks. A few years after her divorce in 1993, while working as a Certified Nursing Assistant, Vanessa became very ill. She suffered from back pain so severe that work became impossible, sending her into a bout of serious financial troubles. She was forced to call her family for help, and they asked her to move back to North Carolina, which she did in 1998.

Back in North Carolina, Vanessa began working part-time as a Literature Evangelist and a data entry clerk. The following year she decided to work as an LE full-time, but returned to her data entry

Vanessa Pinnix

position in 2000. On her first day of orientation, Vanessa went to get her photo taken for her ID. When the photographer asked her to smile, only half of her face went up. Her immediate thought was "I'm having a stroke!"

Vanessa kept her facial paralysis a secret from her family, and after a week, took herself to the doctor. The doctor diagnosed Vanessa with partial facial numbness and referred her to a neurologist. After performing several tests, he diagnosed her with Bell's palsy and referred her to a second neurologist at Duke Medical Center. Ten minutes into her examination at Duke, the doctor told her he wanted to test her for Multiple Sclerosis.

"I was choked up; I couldn't say another word," Vanessa remembers. "I got back to my car and sobbed and sobbed." She cried the entire hour-and-a-half ride home, thinking about her children and her future and asking God for guidance.

God didn't answer Vanessa right away, but when He did, it was very special. One morning on her way to work, Vanessa heard a clear, distinct voice tell her to "Go to Andrews."

"I said, Andrews? That's in Michigan," Vanessa recalls. At the time, Vanessa's son, Barry, was graduating from the eighth grade. Not ready to send him off to academy, she hadn't been sure what she was going to do. It was at that time that God impressed her to go to Andrews, a place where both she and her children would be able to attend school.

Though not excited about moving north and returning to colder weather, Vanessa made an Abraham-like move, packed up her belongings and her children, and made the drive to Berrien Springs. And God has been with her every step of the way.

It wouldn't be until 2005 that Vanessa would have her first real MS experience. When she came to Andrews, Vanessa could walk normally. But with the stress of simultaneously keeping up with her

classes, working full time and

running a household, the disease started to take its toll. But Vanessa wouldn't let it get her down. "I trusted in God in a way I have never trusted in Him before," says Vanessa. "And Andrews University has come to my aide financially, spiritually, and academically in ways that I never thought could be done. I'm a blessed woman. With the MS, with the cane, I am blessed, and I thank God for this experience."

Her professors in the Nursing Department have been very supportive of Vanessa. When her health didn't enable her to graduate on time, the department made a special exception and allowed Vanessa to take a sixth year to finish. But their care goes beyond academics. The Department decided to provide Vanessa with her glyconutrients, which help her with her MS, through the month of June.

"Vanessa came to this program very spiritual and has really leaned on that spirituality to get her through," shares Karen Allen, Nursing Department chair. "God has worked a miracle in her life, for her disease to be as progressed as it is, and [yet] she still completed the requirements of a rigorous nursing program such as ours. [It] shows God answering prayers. Vanessa was a good student, and when she did clinicals, nurses and patients at the sites she went to sent us letters of commendation regarding her care. I believe God has a special work for Vanessa and know that she will fulfill her calling."

Vanessa is a woman of faith who is anxious to share the love of Christ with others. She believes strongly in the importance of human touch and tender, loving care in the healing process. Vanessa would like to be a nurse chaplain, ministering to her patients' spiritual needs as well as their physical ones. "I'm looking forward to being able to walk into the room as a nurse and introduce them to Christ or talk to them about Christ. I want to be able to help these people realize that there's no fear in death...I want to be able to touch people. If I only touch one, only one, then praise God. It's for Jesus. He's been so good to me and my children. I can do nothing else."

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Elaina Vazquez

"God brought me out here," Elaina Vazquez explains when asked about her journey to Andrews. Elaina left her parents and four siblings in Middletown, New York and made the journey west to Michigan's rural, southwest corner in 2000. Her first year in the area, she studied at Lake Michigan College, a local community college, where she took several general education courses.

When Elaina enrolled in Andrews in the fall of 2001, she had only recently been introduced to the world of Adventism and wasn't quite used to the culture. Adjusting to dorm rules and curfew, veggie meat in the cafeteria, and mandatory chapels was no easy task. But there were other aspects that made the Sam's chicken a little more palatable.

Having gone to public school her whole life, she wasn't used to having teachers really care about the individual success of their students. "Teachers in secular schools don't care if you pass or fail," Elaina explains. "Here, they look you in the face; they address you and really care. That's a big difference."

Her first year at Andrews she enrolled in the Social Work Department, but soon realized that wasn't the major for her. "I knew I wanted to do a service job, wanted to work with kids, but when I learned about social work, it was too painful. It was hard to deal with the classes, and I wasn't sure if I could do it as a career," she explains. Elaina then decided to do education.

"Teaching was my passion as a kid," Elaina shares. "I used to make my siblings play school. I used to write on my mirrors with markers. My mother loved that."

So Elaina became a double major in education and Spanish, with a minor in science. Her Spanish major allowed her the opportunity to become a world traveler, taking her to Argentina, where she studied a year at River Plate University. She also traveled with her department one summer to Spain and Morocco.

Elaina got baptized the year before she traveled to Argentina. "I still consider

myself a new Christian, finding things out slowly, but surely," Elaina says. "I'm glad I came [to Andrews]...I've learned so much about God."

Elaina is a very driven individual and has worn many hats in her 24 years of life. When she arrived at Andrews, Elaina was already a licensed cosmetologist back in New York. While attending classes full-time, Elaina worked late hours in the hospital as a Certified Nurse's Aide. On top of her roles as a student and CNA, she became the guardian for her then 15 yearold brother the year after returning from Argentina. Her brother's life was in danger back in New York, so Elaina begged her parents to let him live with her in Berrien Springs. Despite her parents' concern that the extra responsibility would be too much for her, Elaina wouldn't take no for an



answer. She took on all of these responsibilities with little or no assistance before she had even turned 20 years old.

"I wouldn't say this change made my life harder than any other student's, but I'll say it was a unique situation," Elaina explains. "I was the sole provider for my brother and myself. We moved into an apartment together and I had to immediately begin working. Adjusting to life in Berrien Springs was extremely difficult for my brother. It took some time for him to get used to it, but now he has graduated from

high school, has his own apartment, and has started his family in Berrien Springs."

Elaina's last semester of school, during her student-teaching internship, proved to be one of her most challenging, yet faithbuilding. One thing after another kept happening to make life more difficult. Her car broke down, which meant she couldn't drive to her student-teaching job in Benton Harbor. She got sick with the flu and was out of commission for two weeks. The student-teaching prevented her from being able to work, therefore leaving her with no income. But it was during these times that God showed His hand in Elaina's life. She was always able to catch rides to school with friends who also worked in Benton Harbor. She was assigned to an amazing mentor teacher, who was very understanding when Elaina fell ill. And money just kept finding its way to Elaina when she needed it most. She was even able to sell her broken-down car for \$1,000.

"Elaina is a diligent and hard-working student who sacrifices herself for her family and students," says Michelle Bacchiocchi, an assistant professor in the Teaching, Learning and Curriculum Department. "She is a powerhouse in the classroom and meets the needs of her students, by whom she is appreciated. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to instruct and acquaint myself with Elaina."

While at Andrews, Elaina met her fiancé, architecture major Michael Rivera. They plan to marry this September and then head off to South Korea, where they will spend two years teaching English as a Second Language. They also would like to spend a year working at an orphanage in the Dominican Republic before returning to the United States. Elaina hopes to eventually be able to work in an inner-city public-school system, perhaps even Benton Harbor.

"The inner city is my passion, where I feel most comfortable. I feel God can really use me [there]."

Beverly Stout (MA '06) is the media relations coordinator at University Relations

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alumni news

Alumni picnic for May grads

More than 300 graduates and their families turned out to enjoy a picnic sponsored by the Alumni Office. Alumni Board members, President Andreasen and faculty members also celebrated with the graduates and all seemed to enjoy the festive atmosphere of the Mexicanthemed music and meal, enhanced by the blessing of the beautiful spring day.

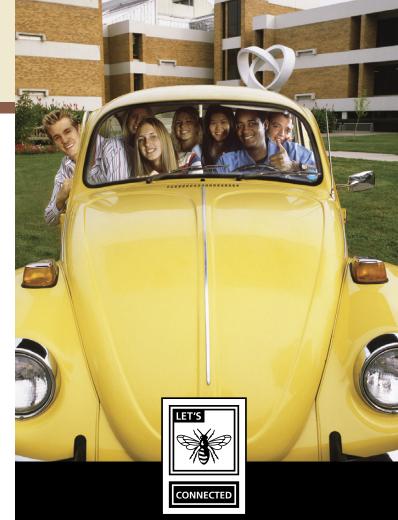




Alumni events in Asia



David Faehner, vice president for university advancement, and President Andreasen visited Asia from March 16–30. They hosted alumni events in Korea, Tokyo, Hong Kong and Singapore. The above photo was taken at the alumni gathering held at the Lotus Vegetarian Restaurant in Singapore.



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Al & Jerry Hess

1950s

Al Hess (BA '50) is retired living in Apopka, Fla., with his wife **Jerry (Thompson)** (PRE NURSE '46). The couple is blessed to have two sons. Before Al retired he served as a minister, and manager of the Heritage Shoppe at the William Miller Home in Low Hampton, N.Y. William Miller's home and chapel are part of the Adventist Heritage Ministry.

1960s

David Evans (BA '69) was selected as the 2006 Emergency Department Nurse of the Year for the entire State of Alaska at a recent awards ceremony in Anchorage. Prior to becoming a nurse and a pediatric nurse practitioner, Evans was an assistant professor of English at Loma Linda University and also taught English at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles; he holds graduate degrees from each of these schools, as well an MSN from Yale University. For the past nine years, Evans has worked in the Western Bush of Alaska for the Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation and now devotes himself entirely to emergency department nursing.

Dan Knauft (BD '69) and his wife Ann reside in Fall City, Wash. Dan entered the business world in 1999, after thirty years of pastoral ministry. A highlight for Dan came when he served from 1988–1994 as the associate director of the Northwest Evangelism Institute, which is located in the Seattle, Wash. area. He has recently published a book, *Search for the Immortal Soul*, which deals with the state of the dead. The book has had good success with young people, with several indicating that the most meaningful chapter to them was "Answering the Fear of Dying," where the gospel presentation is made. In 2006, Dan began a website torchlightintel.com which is targeted at reaching people who show a "hunger to acquire a biblical worldview of the climatic issues and play-makers of the end times." Dan and his wife have four children.

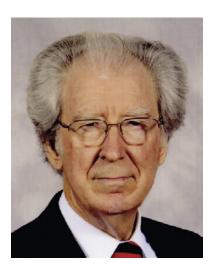
Phillip (BA '61) and Gladys Lewis have been central in helping the Peebles Mission Church develop into a recognized and endorsed "mission" church by the Ohio Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. In 1998, Phil and Gladys began a personal Bible study ministry in the small, rural community in Southwest Ohio. In December 2005, the Hillsboro church purchased a building in Peebles to house the growing congregation. The Lewises continue to provide lay leadership to this growing church.

Mary McNeilus (BA '66) is a retired physician who has been able to teach natural remedies in the USA and Southeast Asia to pastors and lay people from 1993–2006. Mary has also been able to help the Amish people in her local communities by working with the midwives in home births. She and her husband Marnelle make their home in Lanesboro, Minn., and are the proud parents of three children, including Meric (BA '01).

Anita (Middaugh-Barnett) Reed (BS '66, MA '75) is retired after teaching grades 1–8 for 35 years. She has served as Sabbath school leader in her local church and "helps out wherever needed." Anita counts among her blessings good health, and a wonderful family including six children, seven grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. She and her husband James (att.), make their home in Oak Harbor on Whidbey Island, Wash.

Elaine Trumbo-Roberts (BA '66) makes her home with her husband Paul in Sikeston, Mo. For the past 20 years Elaine has written many of the "Your Story Hour" radio programs. She serves as vice president and creative director for "Your Story Hour," and has enjoyed getting to make a difference in the lives of the listeners. She is privileged to have two children, Jon and Sheri Meseraull.

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Rex Edwards



Steve Case

1970s

Roger Dudley (MA '59, EDD '77) and his wife Peggy (Goronzy) (BS '81, MA '83, PhD '88) reside in Berrien Springs. They are the parents of one daughter and have one grandson. Roger has served with the Institute of Church Ministry at Andrews Theological Seminary for the past 27 years with 23 of those years as director. He has taught in this department in the fields of youth ministry, family life, pastoral psychology, and research in religion. Besides teaching Roger has authored a number of books and published over 150 articles in journals. Peggy is retired after serving a licensed professional counselor in the state of Michigan. In 2000, she was presented with the Excellence in Service Award by the Adventist Student Personnel Association. The couple has coauthored two books, *Married and Glad of It*, and *Maximum Marriage: 28 Couples Share Their Secrets for a Happy Marriage.* They have conducted many marriage enrichment seminars in addition to their presentations on various family-life topics at churches, retreats and places abroad. For their work they have received several distinguished awards including the "Arthur and Maud Spaulding Award for Distinguished Service in Family Ministries."

Rex D. Edwards (MA '70, MDiv '72) has retired after 52 years of ministry on three continents (Australia, Europe and North America). Ordained in 1963, Edwards ministered as a pastor-evangelist, college professor, author of five books and numerous articles for professional journals, editor, video producer, and university administrator. He received a DMin from Vanderbilt University in 1973 and was a professor of applied theology at Columbia Union College for six years. In 1981 he was called to the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists Ministerial Association, where, during his 18 years of service, he was editor of Ministry Tape of the Month; director of the Program Reaching Every Active Clergy Home (P.R.E.A.C.H.) project; director of ministerial continuing education, producing self-study courses, formalizing continuing-education credit (CEUs) for the Adventist clergy, and producing a series of 36 Seminar-in-a-Box "How-To" videos. In 1999, Edwards became Associate Vice President and Dean of Religious Studies at Griggs University. He continues to offer professional growth experiences for clergy, lecturing on Ecclesiology, Preaching, and Pastoral Leadership. He has three children, Janelle (MAT '83), Paul, and Shane (BS '86).

Shirley Javor (MA '76) and her husband George, are retired living in New Leipzig, N.D. The couple spent 26 years working at Loma Linda University, Shirley taught at Loma Linda Academy and George taught in the School of Medicine. Prior to teaching in the biochemistry department at Loma Linda George taught in the chemistry department at Andrews from 1969–1980.

1980s

Steve Case (MDiv '85, PhD '87) is President of Involve Youth (formerly Piece of the Pie Ministries). Among his many ventures, Case speaks at youth events, conducts training seminars for youth leaders, regularly leads mission trips for Maranatha, and creates resources for youth and youth leaders. He recently published *What About...? Q &A with Young People about God and Life* (2007).

John Josiah (MA '88) and his wife Gloria reside on the beautiful Caribbean island of St. Croix. John is a pastor in the North Caribbean Conference of SDAs. Gloria has recently written a book, *Ministry Adventures in the Caribbean*, which she dedicated to her husband. The book describes the significant experiences of their 42 years in ministry on seven different Caribbean Islands. Elder G. Ralph Thompson, former Secretary of the General Conference, has endorsed the book, whose story emerges out of a near-fatal experience that

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The Ingo Sorke Family



The Branner Family

Gloria had while in the islands. One of the chapters was written by their three children including **Avonelle Josiah Dorant** (BSMT '90) and **Cryston** (BBA '94, MDiv '00).

1990s

Robson De Oliveira (MDiv '95) makes his home in Angwin, Calif. Currently Robson is the senior pastor of the San Ramon Valley SDA church. A highlight for him occurred when he participated in a evangelistic event in Cuba resulting in many decisions for baptism.

Danilo Copiz (BA '96) and his wife **Susan (John-Baptiste)** (BA '93, BS '96) make their home in Copenhagen, Denmark. Danilo works as a vice president of international sales for Nordic Phytopharma, a company that specializes in health self-care products. Susan keeps busy as an occupational psychologist.

Peter Kaoma (MSA '96) has formed his own management consulting firm, which has given him the opportunity to work with a cross-section of businesses and merchants. In church life Peter had the privilege of being the cofounder of the Michiana African Adventist church, where he currently serves as an elder. He writes, "The Lord has blessed me and my family in so many ways." He and his wife Grace are the proud parents of three children including **Martin** (BBA '94).

Bela Kobor (MDiv '96) and his wife **Diane** (**Bloom**) (MA '96) make their home with their daughter, Joanna in Evansville, Ind. Bela is a pastor for the Indiana Conference and has made overseas evangelism a priority. He has gone to India and Romania twice, and to Hungary five times, for evangelistic purposes.

Suzanne (Rempher) Nelson (BSELED '96) and her husband **Loren** (MDiv '99) live in Elkhart, Ind. Suzanne has had the opportunity to be a principal and teacher of small schools for over eight years, while Loren works as a pastor. The couple traveled on many mission trips to places such as Mexico, Fiji, and Costa Rica. They are blessed to have "lots of health and a beautiful baby boy, Lucas!"

Deborah (Pezel) Parker (BA '96) describes herself as a "mother and army wife." Deborah has worked as a manager for a long-term-care insurance agency, and has led out in an army family readiness group. Deborah counts among her many blessings her husband **Beau** (att.), son Nathan, and twins Jacqueline and Natalie. She has enjoyed watching her children "learn to love books, nature, and people."

Ingo Sorke (MDiv '96) is currently an assistant professor of religion at Southwestern Adventist University. He makes his home in Joshua, Tex. with his wife **Nancy (Wallace)** (att.), and their two sons, Kenton and Kollin.

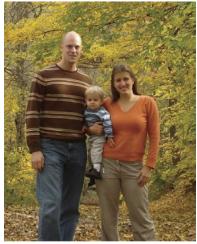
It was at Andrews that **Arthur Branner** (BA '94, MDiv '97) met his future wife **Esmie** (**Bembridge**) (BSW, MSW '97) and her five children from England. The couple married while at Andrews at the Korean SDA Church, and they currently reside in Elk Grove, Calif. Arthur had the privilege of being an associate pastor with Doug Batchelor, where he "learned a lot." Besides pastoring, Arthur is a chaplain of the U.S. National Guards and served a one-year tour of duty in Iraq in 2004–05. He has the rank of captain and was able to baptize two soldiers while in Iraq. A documentary is going to be aired about his experience on 3ABN. Arthur is currently publishing a book, and has a TV ministry, "Last Day Events," which airs in California. Esmie is a mental-heath therapist and has a private practice, "Families for Him." She wrote the bestseller, *Beyond the Veil of Darkness*, which



Jorge & Elizabeth Rico



Winston Bourne



Adam & Kristy Kiš

chronicles her amazing life story. Esmie has been able to travel worldwide in connection with her book and speaking engagements.

Darin Patzer (MBA '97) resides in Spokane, Wash., with his wife **Natalie** (**Hook**) (BS '99), and their two children. He writes that "we love the Pacific Northwest's nature, but we miss our friends and family in Michigan as well as the deciduous trees and thunderstorms." Darin works at the Upper Columbia Conference office in the communication department and also as the (KEEH-FM) Positive Life Radio manager. He writes, "We're so grateful for our King Jesus' care and blessing,"

Jorge Rico (MDiv '89, DMin '97) and his wife Elizabeth (Prado) (att.), reside in Burleson, Tex. Jorge has served in ministry for 21 years as a pastor, evangelist, ministerial director, teacher and college administrator. Currently, he is associate professor of religion at Southwestern Adventist University. Evangelism has always been a priority for Jorge and he has done it in America and abroad, including two evangelistic series in Poland with his wife and two children. He writes that one of his biggest blessings was being able to baptize several relatives "including my mother." From Jorge's time at Andrews he remembers having a final exam on the same day that his daughter was born!

Aleksandar Santrac (MA '99) along with his wife **Dragoslava** (MA '99) and daughter Nastasya Nadia make their home in Fontenay-aux-Roses, a suburb of Paris, France. They are currently serving as the pastoral family of the French Northern Conference of the Adventist church.

Winston Bourne (MA '01), who pastors the Highland Park Adventist Church of the Lake Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, delivered the invocation at the opening of another session of the State of Michigan Senate. In his prayer, Bourne asked that the dedicated senators band together to combat crime, violence and illegal drugs in the state, while imploring them to uphold the noble principles of the U.S. Constitution. The invocation is recorded in the *Journal of the Senate of the State of Michigan*.

Adam Kiš (BA '00) graduated in May with his PhD in Anthropology from the University of Florida. Adam has enjoyed getting to celebrate his school's sport achievements this past year and remains a proud Gator. Besides finishing his dissertation and consulting with his advisors via email he also completed a year of contract teaching at Andrews' behavioral sciences department. After graduating Adam left with his wife **Kristi (Doss)** (BS '00), and 21-month-old son, Zachary, for São Tomé e Príncipe—a Portuguese-speaking island nation on the equator just off the west coast of Africa near Gabon. He will be working as project director for a USAID-funded health and economic development project with ADRA.

Theron Gilliland Jr. (BS '02) resides in Sliver Spring, Md. Currently he is working as an immunology research assistant in the Enterics Department of the Infections Diseases Directorate at the Naval Medical Research Center.

Correction

We incorrectly listed the "Carbajal Family" as the one pictured on page 30 in the Class Notes section of the Winter issue. The family pictured was the Pichette family, whose Class Note could be read on page 31 of that issue. We regret the error.



life stories

Weddings

Luis O. Beltre Jr. (BA '02, MAT '07) and **Adrinna D. Weatherford** (BA '04, MA '07) were married on Dec. 17, 2006, and will reside in Taipei, Taiwan, beginning this summer.

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

Births & Adoptions

To **Jane (Stickle)** (BBA '93) and Hendrik Maritz, Idleyld Park, Ore., a girl, Esmé Elaine, April 3, 2007.

To **Dorothy (Pan)** (BS '92) and Dale Ramirez, Summerville, S.C., a girl, Mia Elena Carin, March 28, 2007.

To Carla (Baker) (BS '98) and Matthew Fortune (BS '98, MA '05), Grand Rapids, Mich., a girl, Kaitlyn Claire, March 22, 2007.

To **Sabrina (Pusey)** (BA '96) and **Stephen Riley** (BS '01), Lincoln, Neb., a boy, Asher Arthur, Feb. 24, 2007.

To **Jessica** (BSW '00, MSW '01) and Michael D. VanHart, Colorado Springs, Co., a girl, Ashlyn, Feb. 13, 2007.

To Ann (Lee) (BS '96) and Glenn delaRoca (BS '93), Loma Linda, Calif., a girl, Abigail Lee, and twin sister, Ava Haley, Jan. 13, 2007.

To **Melissa (Wood)** (BBA '96) and Jason De Leon, Tampa, Fla., a boy, Keanu Zane-Abram, Nov. 17, 2006.

To **Katina R. Curten** (BA '04) and Glen W. Curten, Niles, Mich., a boy, Logan Winfield, Aug. 5, 2006.

Deaths

Jean W. Iles (BA '47) died May 16, 2007, in Etowah, N.C. She was born Jan. 2, 1920.

Following her early education in the Tennessee public school system, she enrolled at a Presbyterian college in Memphis, Tenn., and then transferred to Andrews University prior to her senior year.

During that year Jean met William Iles, the man she would later marry. While William served in the war, Jean entered a three-year program to become a nurse. Graduating with honors, she placed first on the 1945 board exams for the state of Kentucky.

In 1946, Jean and William were married, and then moved to Orlando, Fla., where Jean worked at Florida Adventist Hospital as the director of clinical studies for the school of nursing.

The couple had two sons, Avery Dale Iles and David Walton Iles, and one daughter, Barbara (Iles) Bothe. During this period, Jean left her work at Florida Hospital and devoted her life and efforts to her children's education and nurturing of their social and spiritual lives.

Jean was committed to the needs of their schools and to the health concerns of her neighbors and church. At the Forest Lake Adventist Church, Jean led the Community Service program and was a deaconess for several years.

In the 1970s, Jean and Freda Hoover started a health food store where they shared the responsibilities of management and marketing. Jean's health-care related background, combined with her knowledge of nutrition, were significant factors in the success of the business. Twenty-five years later she sold her interest in the successful enterprise and gave the entire proceeds to the Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences. That money was used to establish the Jean W. Iles Endowed Scholarship, which has benefited almost 200 students in the six years since its inception.

C. Ray Hartlein (MAT '63) died Jan. 2, 2006, in Takoma Park, Md.

For nearly forty years, Hartlein taught Bible at various academies, including Arizona, Gem State, Oak Park, Madison, and Takoma academies. He retired from Takoma Academy in 1984, after serving as chair of the Bible Dept. for 18 years.

Hartlein is survived by his wife, Ella May; his daughter, Dennise; his son, Howard; his sister, Marion; three grand-children, and a great-grandson, as well as a neice and four nephews.

Edward Dorsey (BA '51) died Aug. 27, 2005, in Deltona, Fla. He was born May 3, 1922, in Cleveland, Ohio.

Dorsey served in WWII, and later attended Oakwood College prior to enrolling at EMC. Upon graduation, his work called him to Pine Forge Academy, followed by pastorates in Akron, Ohio, Englewood, Jersey City, and Montclair, N.J.

After returning to work at Pine Forge, Dorsey went on to serve the Alleghany East Conference of Seventh-day Adventists as the conference treasurer. Later, he was named president of the conference and remained in that position for five years. Dorsey returned to the ministry and pastored in Florida until his retirement in 1987, excepting two years spent serving in Liberia, Africa, as a mission president.

Dorsey earned his PhD at the Paine Theological Seminary.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; a daughter, Joyce; and two grandsons.

Madeline Maurine (Moore) Carpenter Grove (BA '43) died April 20, 2007. She was born April 9, 1922, in San Bernardo, São Paulo, Brazil, where her parents were serving as missionaries.

Maurine spent her childhood in Brazil and Peru, where her father tragically died when she was only 13 years old. She returned to the United States with her mother and two younger brothers, living in Angwin, Calif. for three years before moving to Berrien Springs. While she

was attending EMC, Maurine met Roy Carpenter, and they married one month after her graduation in September of 1943.

Life with Roy took her to Loma Linda, Calif., where he attended medical school, then on to Colorado where they lived for 15 years. The educational needs of their children (Trudy, Ted, Nancy and Gary) led them to move to Caldwell, Idaho for two years, then to College Place, Wash., where all four children eventually attended college.

As the children left home she became increasingly involved in community service activities. A neighbor, watching her come and go, nicknamed her "butterfly." After Roy's death in 1991, Maurine kept busy with friends, volunteer work and periodically visiting her children and six grandchildren.

In 1997, she discovered new joy in the friendship of J. Paul Grove. They married in June of 1998. Maurine's ever-present curiosity, generous spirit, zest for living, and belief in God kept her beautiful and young at heart.

To help maintain her active lifestyle, Maurine had elective knee surgery on April 13. The surgery was successful, but medical complications developed later, and she died on April 20, surrounded by loving family.

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Bernard C. Andersen (BS '53) passed away January 20, 2007, at nearly 84 years of age.

He was born on January 27, 1923, in southern Alberta, Canada. The third child of Nels and Mabel Andersen, he was the most quiet and introspective of five other siblings. Andersen grew up on a farm and drove a team of horses by age eight. During the Second World War, he worked as a farm hand near Canadian



Bernard Andersen, 1988

Union College, where he met Agnes Jones. The two were married after the war, on September 24, 1945, at CUC.

Andersen attended Emmanuel Missionary College (now Andrews University) from 1950 until 1953, and graduated with a BS in Agriculture. He went on to study at Michigan State University, E. Lansing, Mich., and received an MS in Agriculture.

Andersen began his career in 1945 as assistant farm manager for Canadian Union College, where he remained until 1950. He began working for Andrews University in 1953 in the Farm Crops Department, and in 1965, he became professor of agriculture and chair of the Agriculture Department. In addition to his duties there, he managed a dairy job training program on the Andrews cam-

pus for the State of Michigan. Andersen's wife, Agnes, also worked at Andrews University for many years as secretary to the registrar.

After Andersen completed his education, Connie, his only child, was born. Connie was married in 1976, and she and her husband Myren blessed their parents with two grandchildren.

For more than ten years of his retirement, Andersen made decorative and useful wood-turned pieces on his lathe. He also began collecting miniature John Deere tractors, and his collection numbers almost 100 replicas.

Recently, Andersen and his wife moved to Hawaii to live with their daughter as they became more dependent. Agnes passed away one month after the move, making adjustment difficult, but Andersen managed well with the help of his daughter.

He was ever faithful to his God, his church, and his friends. Andersen is remembered for his thoughtfulness and sense of humor that he shared with everyone he met.

Andersen is buried beside his beloved Agnes in Mililani Memorial Park on Oahu, Hawaii.

He is survived by his daughter, Connie Gail Severin, her husband Myren, their two children, and a sister, Leona Murray.

ALUMNI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For more information visit us online at www.andrews.edu/alumni/or contact the Alumni office at 269-471-3591 or alumni@andrews.edu.

JUNE

16 Indiana Alumni Gathering

4:00 pm Indiana Campmeeting Junior Tent

16 Wisconsin Alumni Gathering

4:00 pm Wisconsin Campmeeting Andrews University Cabin

23 Michigan Campmeeting

5:00 pm Michigan Campmeeting Cedar Lake Church

23 Lake Region Campmeeting

4:00 pm Lake Region Campmeeting

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

JULY

15 Jamaica Alumni Gathering

11:00 am
Soresen Hall (cafeteria)
Northern Caribbean University
We're looking forward to hosting an alumni gathering for the first time in Jamaica. Provost Heather Knight will be joining us. Please RSVP with the Alumni Office at alumni@andrews.edu or 269-471-3591.

AUGUST

2 Kentucky Alumni Gathering

6:00 pm

The Old Spaghetti Factory, Louisville
We encourage attendees and local
alums to join us for an alumni
gathering during this year's ASI
Conference. Please RSVP with the
Alumni Office at alumn@andrews.edu
or 269-471-3591.

2 Graduation Picnic

6:00 pm

Andrews 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

5 New Alum Welcome Address

help serve these new alums.

8:30 & 11:30

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

19 Lend a Hand

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.

26 Freshmen Barbeque

Andrews Campus, Alumni House
Join us for another great Alumni
Association tradition—volunteers
welcome. This annual event signals
the close of the memorable freshman
orientation week "All Fired UP."

SEPTEMBER

27–30 Alumni Homecoming 2007 *Andrews Campus*

Plan now to join us for Homecoming 2007. Several great things are happening this year, including a BSCF reunion,

40 years of the Honors Program and Computing@Andrews. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to visit campus and mingle with classmates, friends, students and professors. Honoring classes 1937, 1947, 1957, 1967, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1997.

OCTOBER

30 Maryland/DC area Alumni Gathering

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

NOVEMBER

4 Bermuda Alumni Gathering

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

DECEMBER

2-5 Alabama Alumni Gathering

Oakwood College

Join us for an alumni gathering during the annual Pastoral and Evangelism Council.

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. For more information or to register, visit cruisewithamission.org or call 1-800-968-8428.



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Alumni Homecoming SEPTEMBER 27–30, 2007

HONOR CLASSES: 1937, 1947, 1957, 1967, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1997

ANDREWS CELEBRATES

- > 40 years of Computing@Andrews
- > 40 years of Honors
- > The Black Student Christian Forum Reunion
- > WAUS Open House

HONORED ALUMNI:

David (MA'57, EdD'82) & Marilyn (MAT'75) Bauer, Merlene Ogden (FF/ST), David Knight (BS'81, MA'87) Paul (PhD'87) & Mei-Mei (PhD'87) Cho, Peter Jon Shuler (BS'82), David Moll (BS'77) 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**.

campus cache

reamble

One might expect the Cache to be all about the Cash. Not true. The CC is motivated by smiles and happy thoughts—à la Stuart Smalley. The CC also is a realist and recognizes that money is necessary. We need it to buy food, live in a house/apartment and drive a hybrid. Andrews University needs it, too. AU needs it to prepare cafeteria food, provide residence halls and drive a Campus Safety SUV. Most of you who receive Focus are alumni, and most of you have probably received solicitations from your alma mater. You could take the selfish route and give—give because the better Andrews University becomes the more valuable will be your degree. Or you could take the less selfish route and give—give because students need and deserve a high-quality Seventh-day Adventist education. But whether you give selfishly or selflessly, you still should give. Don't give because Andrews is perfect (it isn't); give because its mission is perfectly worthy.

The CC is good enough, it's smart enough, and doggone it, people like it!

CAMPUS CF		CASH EDITION Nearly five years ago, the Campus Craze published a "Money Edition." Don't think the CC is getting lazy and recycling material! This is the "Cash Edition." That's different. Seriously. No, really.
Defacement	P	You know that defacing U.S. currency is a violation of federal law, don't you? It is punishable by a fine of not more than \$100 or a prison sentence of not more than 6 months. The CC imagines magicians everywhere consulting their lawyers
\$8.5 Million		There is no doubt that is a lot of cash. The CC loves the understated personal check that arrived bearing AU's highest gift to date. The best and most that can be said is: "Thank you."
\$10 Million		The CC has December 14, 2008 in the pool for the date that the next "highest gift ever" will arrive. Oh, and "please."
Lincoln's Direction	(F	Abraham Lincoln's portrait on the Penny is facing a different direction from all other U.S. coin portraits. The CC sees left-facing portraits as evidence of a liberal conspiracy at the U.S. Mint.
Johnny		The Man in Black was a man of faith. Like all of us, he was flawed. Like few of us, he was gifted.
In God We Trust		all others pay cash. Yeah, we get it. Good one. This year is the Golden Anniversary of the law that requires the use of the phrase on U.S. paper currency.
\$100,000 Note	Ţ	The CC would love to see the largest denomination of American money. Can you imagine walking into a gas station, buying a pack of gum and saying: "Can you break a \$100K?" Alas, the \$100,000 note never made it into circulation and was only used in transactions between federal banks.
Petty Cash		King Richard had a lot of it. Office secretaries, too, race around to find it.
Dollar Coins		Well, O.K., this was a category five years ago. But back then we were talking about Susan B. Anthony and Sacagawea. Now it is the U.S. Mint's series on U.S. presidents. The CC is eagerly awaiting the year 2012 when it will be able to put its hands on a Chester Arthur coin

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Speaking of...

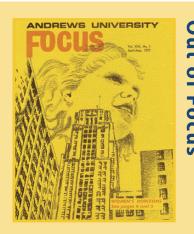
- "Congratulations!"
- "Good job!"
- "Good job—congratulations"
- "You've done well—congratulations"
- "What happened to your foot?"

—In order from most frequent to least frequent, remarks offered by Niels-Erik Andreasen during undergraduate commencement May 6, while individually presenting diplomas to 307 graduates, including one on crutches.



8.5 Reasons to be grateful for \$8.5 million

- 8 More endowed chairs means more places to sit
- New Milking Parlor replaces outdated Milking Foyer
- Rumored Food Court franchises include Olive Garden, Chilis and Krispy Kreme Donuts
- New entrance means no more subcompacts lost in cavernous University Boulevard potholes
- Over \$2,800 per student—enough for single academic course *and* a meal at new Food Court (see above)
- 3 "Coal Sons" supplants "Cardinals" as AU Nickname
- Renovated Cafeteria boasts Sam's Chicken theme park, "Splash Tarter"
- New entrance includes *only* two toll stops
- Three words: Cowpus moo dairicus



From the April/May '77 issue

Donors with allowances? The inside front-cover featured a photo of then President Joseph Smoot accepting a check for the Andrews University Worthy Student Fund from smiling three-year old Marla Regazzi. According to the article, Regazzi's parents, Mark (BA '70, MDiv '73, PhD '00, former faculty) and Lydie (BA '70), wanted to "teach their daughter about giving," so they made the long journey from Biloxi, Miss., allowing their daughter to make the contribution in person.... Additionally, the article eerily predicted Marla would "join the alumni in the family by earning her college degree—in the class of 1995!" Close. Marla graduated with a BA in 1996.

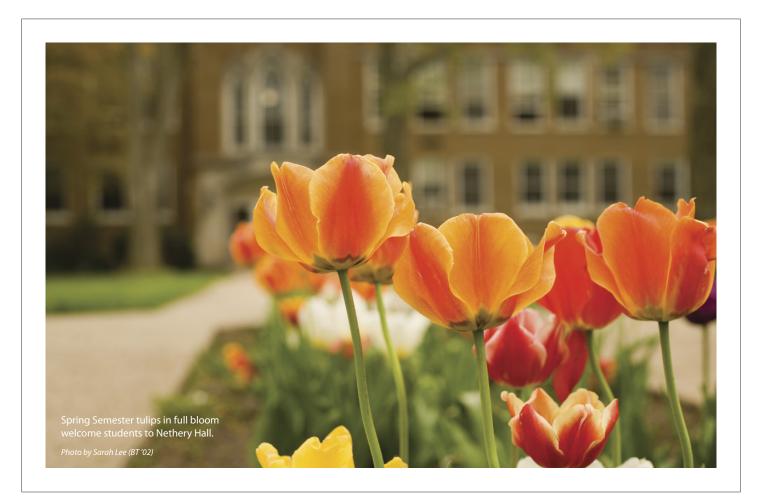
A frowsy fallacy

Inflation devalues cash.

Grade inflation is increasing.

Therefore, it takes more cash to get a good grade.

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