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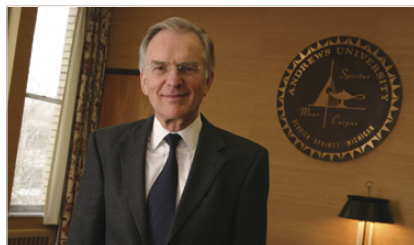
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Niels-Erik Andreassen  
President



The economy continues to occupy our attention both here and abroad with its concerns over growing unemployment, instability in the financial markets, deep declines in the Gross National Product, and general uncertainty about what

the future may bring. College and university presidents find themselves in the grip of these developments. What will they mean for education in general and for Andrews?

It is sometimes said that declining employment opportunities mean growing college enrollments. Students who cannot easily find jobs may attend college or stay on for a master's degree while waiting for better times. Andrews University has, in fact, enjoyed five years of enrollment growth for a total of 400 additional students. The greatest increase occurred in the fall of 2008 with nearly 200 additional students joining the University. That increase has continued into the spring of 2009. In short, Andrews has been blessed with a very good enrollment during this time of uncertainty and my colleagues and associates—members of the faculties and staff persons who serve our students—are to be thanked for their very good work.

So far, our students have been able to find the resources needed to pay their tuition and fees, of course, with the help of scholarships, grants, loans, work and family support. But an Andrews education is costly and we should expect the economic downturn will put additional financial pressure on many of our students and their families. It is likely institutional financial aid will have to increase as we go forward.

The scholarships we provide for students are funded, in part, from our industries, principally the farm and dairy. Its profit is declining significantly with the drop in milk prices. Further, support from our sponsoring church family (the Lake Union Conference, the North American Division and the General Conference) enables us to assist students financially, and we expect this support which comes from tithe and offerings will not increase much if at all in the short term. The scholarships coming from our endowment have already felt the drop in the markets, and support from alumni and friends of the University is slowing down noticeably. In short, despite our very good enrollment, Andrews is also feeling the consequences of the economic downturn, making it more difficult to build our annual budget.

What are we doing in response to these developments? We are slowing down or delaying those capital projects that can wait; we are budgeting conservatively on both the expense and the revenue side; and reducing new hires to what is essential to deliver the quality education for which Andrews is justly so well known. There is no doubt in my mind Andrews will weather this economic storm, even though we, too, will feel its pressures.

It is important that we move forward, for Andrews has an essential role to play in Adventist higher education around the world. What is more, we need to teach the next generations of our young people to be wiser and more responsible than their parents' generation. If the politicians and economists are right that greed, covetousness and taking from others what is not ours are the principal causes for this economic crisis, we need to teach responsibility. Who can do that better than Christian educators whose faith is rooted in the Ten Commandments and the teachings of Jesus in his sermon on the mount?

These educational principles undergirding an Andrews education will be the next trademark of a quality education. Thank you for helping us to keep the educational beacon of Andrews bright in these dark times.

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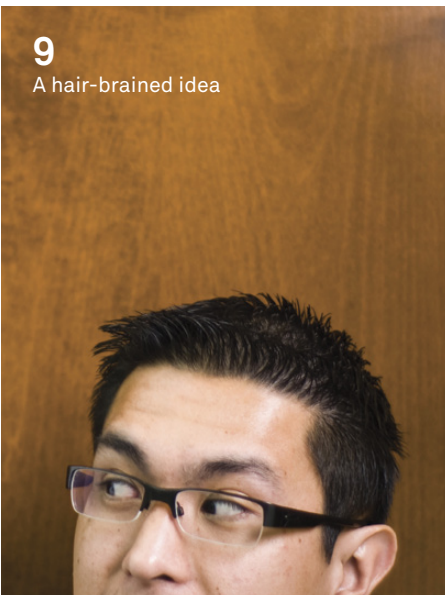
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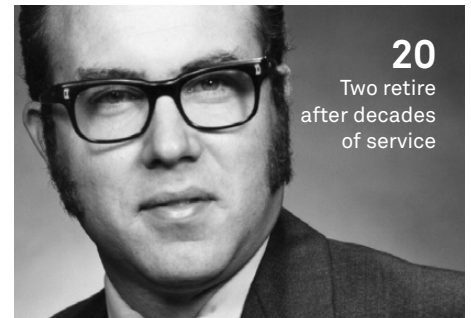
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after decades  
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**The feature on Stella Greig elicited dozens of phone calls, e-mails and letters—to Stella! FOCUS would like to hear your memories, too. Comments on the magazine redesign are also welcome. What do you like? Is there something you'd like to change? In the next issue we'll be asking for further feedback when we solicit participation in an online magazine survey.**

## Correction

I was sorry to read that Virgil Bartlett passed away. I would like to make one correction to the obituary. He was not the founder of Mountain View College [in the Philippines]. Rather, my father, Andrew N. Nelson, founded it after studying the E.G. White books on education. The Lord led him to the right location. Soon after it was purchased Virgil Bartlett became president. The Lord has blessed MVC ever since.

**Dorothy Nelson Oster**  
(BA '45, MA '66, MMus '71)

## Remembering Virgil Bartlett

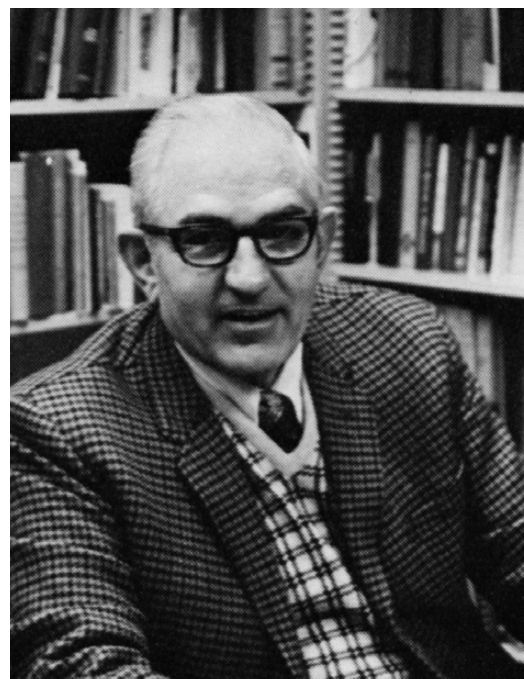
Thank you for the fall 2008 edition of FOCUS. I look forward to receiving each edition. I was saddened to read of the death of Virgil Bartlett. I came from Australia and obtained a master's in Educational Administration in the early 80s.

Dr. Bartlett's class, "Supervision of Instruction," was one of the first classes I attended at Andrews. One of the salient points I've remembered from that class all these years, is that when supervising teachers all communication, even the negative, should be delivered in a positive manner for the professional development of the teacher. This has been a wonderful principle that has carried me through some difficult situations over the years.

Since graduating from Andrews, I have served the Seventh-day Adventist school system in Australia as a school principal and educational superintendent at both the Conference and Union Conference levels. I am now enjoying the privilege of serving as principal of Noosa Christian College on the beautiful Sunshine Coast (north of Brisbane) in sunny Queensland, Australia.

Thank you, Dr. Bartlett, for the many gems from so long ago. You have long been remembered and will continue to be remembered, particularly for your warm, Christian approach to managing people. I did not know his family but my thoughts and prayers are with them. Thank you Andrews for a wonderful 1982!

**Ross Reid** (MA '83)



Virgil Bartlett

## Keeping up with the news

My husband, two daughters and I are missionaries with Adventist Frontier Missions in Papua New Guinea.

We enjoy reading FOCUS when it comes in the mail. It's good to know what is happening at Andrews University while living on the other side of the world.

Thanks for all you do to put a nice magazine together.

**Laurie Erickson** (BS '83)

Thank you for regularly sending me the FOCUS magazine. It is very informative. As always, it is a blessing to read about the various accomplishments by former students, as well as stories from various departments on campus. May God continue to bless Andrews University.

**Sandra Kerlyne Patterson** (att.)



## Thanks for writing

**Letters to FOCUS are always welcome.** To ensure a range of viewpoints, we encourage letters of fewer than 300 words. Letters may be edited for content, style and space.

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## The New Face of Poverty

*Martin Luther King Day celebration raises awareness*

In an effort to bring identity and understanding to a growing global crisis, Andrews University faculty, staff and students honored the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with “The New Face of Poverty”: a week-long event from Jan. 17–23, 2009. With over 1.4 billion people living in extreme poverty according to a 2005 World Bank estimate, the week raised awareness for victims of poverty, both globally and locally.

An eye-opening highlight of the week was Hope for Hunger, a campus-wide option to sign a subsistence eating pledge: participants reduced food intake for five days and donated the money normally spent on additional food to replenish two food banks in need. In the end, Hope for Hunger raised more than \$6,000 for The Soup Kitchen in Benton Harbor, Mich. and The Better Living Center in Detroit, Mich.

The week kicked off on Sabbath, Jan. 17, with a special New Life Fellowship service. June Madrigal, associate dean of women, presented “Loving Your Enemies,” a sermon first delivered by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Nov. 17, 1957.

At the Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation held Monday, Jan. 19, guest speaker Gary Miller, from Trinity Lutheran Church in Berrien Springs, presented “The Face of Poverty.” Quoting King, “The evil which plagues the modern world is that of poverty,” Miller said, “With that statement, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. described the



Organizers of the week-long event with the students who won awards at the MLK Arts Exposition, held Thursday, Jan. 22, at the Howard Performing Arts Center.

familiar face of poverty. It is a base which includes 25,000 to 30,000 deaths per day of hunger-related causes.”

During the convocation, individuals or organizations who exemplify King’s values of civility and equality are recognized with a Freedom Award. This year’s recipients were Bridgman Family Dental Center, the Second Baptist Church of Benton Harbor and the Benton Harbor Soup Kitchen.

The poster exhibit “What the World Eats” was on display in the Campus Center, featuring photographs from Peter Menzel’s book, *Hungry Planet*, depicting what’s on family dinner tables in 15 different homes around the globe.

**“The evil which plagues the modern world is that of Poverty.”** ~ Martin Luther King Jr.

As the week came to a close, the Martin Luther King Jr. Arts Exposition brought hundreds of area students and their families to the Howard Performing Arts Center. A special program with several performances by area public, private and home-school children was followed by an awards ceremony for the projects best highlighting the week’s theme.



## From the Hood to the Hill

*Barry Black speaks about his book*

Rear Admiral Barry C. Black (Ret.), chaplain for the United States Senate and alumnus of Andrews University, was a guest speaker at Andrews University in honor of Black History Month, sponsored by the Office of the Provost. Chaplain Black presented “From the Hood to the Hill,” at Pioneer Memorial Church on Saturday, Feb. 21, 2009. Upon his election as the 62nd chaplain of the United States Senate in 2003, Black achieved three unique distinctions: he became the first African-American, the first Seventh-day Adventist and the first military chaplain to hold the office. Black also had the honor of giving the invocation for President Barack Obama’s inaugural luncheon on Jan. 20, 2009. Prior to his move to Capitol Hill, he served in the U.S. Navy for over 27 years, ending his career as the Chief of Navy Chaplains. Chaplain Black earned a Master of Divinity in 1973 from the Andrews University Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary.

## Andrews students Change the World for a Honduran girl

Physical therapy students raise money for a young girl's leg surgery



Students and staff from the Department of Physical Therapy who participated in a mission trip to Honduras

“Change the world” is not just a coined phrase at Andrews—it’s a way of life. The last couple of years the Department of Physical Therapy has been working with REACH International (Render Effective Aid to Children) by taking students on short-term missions to an orphanage in

**“I had no idea when I put my sign-up list on the door that so many would come forward.”**

Honduras. The idea first surfaced when a physical-therapy student approached Kimberly Coleman, clinical education coordinator, and said, “You know, there are dental, vision and medical mission trips; why don’t we do something?”

From that spark, a 2008 physical therapy mission trip, including 21 Andrews University students and five physical therapists, was launched. Coleman was impressed with the turnout for the effort. “I had no idea when I put a sign-up list on the door that so many would come forward.”

In Honduras, the group made home visits to those in need and took trips to the nearby mountain ranges and villages. They also assisted in the education of the

Santa Barbara hospital staff and joined the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) on a mission.

Yet the highlight of their trip, interestingly, did not happen in Honduras. Back at Andrews, a couple of members of the class of 2008 stood up at a banquet and challenged their classmates to send funds back to Honduras to pay for the corrective surgery of a young girl they had met. The child, who is afflicted with osteoporosis, needed rods removed from her legs. When she was younger, rods were inserted by doctors to stabilize her weakened legs. The price tag of the surgery, which also included the reconstruction of her feet, amounted to \$1,300. The Andrews students rallied together and were able to completely fund the surgery out of their own pockets.

Coleman was impressed with their actions, especially in light of the student-loan debt many new graduates are already locked into. “To see the response of the students was just amazing” she said.

Princess Williams, a graduate student on the trip, said, “The trip to Honduras made me open to doing mission work in the future. I learned that I can use whatever talents God has given me to do His work no matter how insignificant they might seem.”

## European Tours

Alumni and friends of Andrews University are invited to join one of the following 2009 European tours offered by Merlene Ogden, dean emerita of Andrews University:

### Christmas Markets Cruise

December 7–15, 2009

Cruise on the Danube River from Nuremberg, Germany to Vienna, Austria, with stops at Regensburg, Passau, Linz, and Durnstein. City tours, Christmas markets, and concerts.

### Optional Pre-Cruise Extension to Prague, Czech Republic

December 4–7, 2009

### Post-Cruise Extension in Turkey

June 28–July 2, 2009

Visit Troy, the Seven Churches of Revelation, and the Isle of Patmos.

### Springtime in the Netherlands, Belgium and France

April 18–May 5, 2010

Includes tulip-time in Holland; historic Brugge, Belgium; the French Normandy Coast, Mont-St.-Michel, and Paris.

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## Service in a suitcase

*University students use and improve portable laboratory equipment for mission trips*

“Seek Knowledge. Affirm Faith. Change the World.” A Christian perspective for affecting positive change in the world is a big reason why many students come to study at Andrews University. Over the last couple of years, the Andrews University Department of Clinical and Laboratory Sciences (CLS) has become especially dedicated to this credo by focusing their students’ career plans toward mission-oriented service.

Marcia Kilsby, associate professor of clinical laboratory sciences and department chair, expressed concern with past trends indicating CLS students were unlikely to return to their home countries after completing their education to work in the developing world. “For years I have been frustrated. My faculty were frustrated,” she says. “We’ve had students graduate from 64 different birth countries over the past 20 years, but we’ve only had a few return home to work in a developing country. We want to keep a sense of mission before our students.”

Another frustration has been the lack of usable laboratory equipment for students who do go on short-term mission trips. “Our CLS students are going out and they’re doing blood pressures; they’re pulling teeth; they’re fitting eyeglasses; but there [hasn’t been] a lab for them to go to for the testing they know how to do because there was no lab there,” Kilsby says.

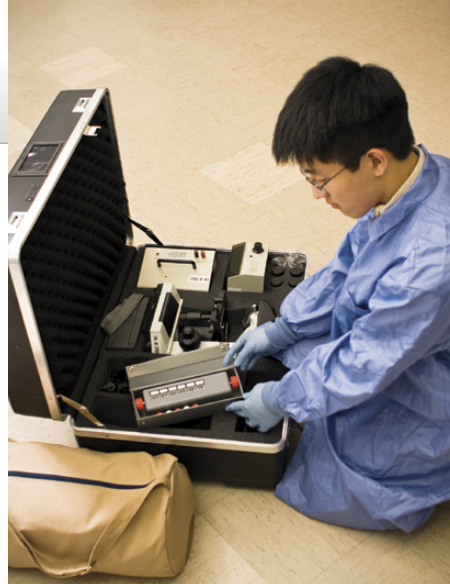
Then, CLS faculty learned about International Aid’s Lab-In-A-Suitcase® (LIS): portable laboratory capable of diagnostic testing, all run from a battery unit. The battery can be recharged either by electricity or a solar panel. All contained within the

space of a suitcase, it seemed like the perfect solution. Kilsby contacted International Aid and they realized the department’s goals were in line with their organization’s mission. As a result, she along with Richard Show, associate professor of clinical laboratory science, were invited to sit on International Aid’s international advisory board. Kilsby and Show have worked with the organization to improve the Lab-In-A-Suitcase® equipment.

Andrews University students have assisted as well. Two years ago, CLS students were assigned the task of identifying the key diseases in each country of the world and to determine whether or not LIS could support the testing to diagnose those diseases. Following that research, Kilsby wrote a letter to International Aid recommending equipment improvements. Changes were made to Lab-In-A-Suitcase®, altering the contents of the portable laboratory. Andrews CLS faculty took on the task of rewriting the laboratory’s old manual to relate to the new contents.

In order to keep the new manual usable on an international level, CLS had to tap into one of Andrews University’s strongest assets—diversity. The department didn’t have to look far.

“In our CLS senior class from last year, I had students who collectively spoke 21 languages. And I said, ‘Okay: it’s time for you with your red pens. I want you to rip the manual draft apart. I want you to edit it. Is there jargon in there? If it was translated into your language, would it come across in a strange way? What would make this as user-friendly as possible in as many cultures



Ji-Ming Yune, a senior clinical laboratory science student, repacks Lab-In-A-Suitcase equipment.

and languages as possible?” says Kilsby. “The support of the students and the activity of the faculty: those two things together came together to produce a very nice, quality manual to accompany the Lab in a Suitcase®.”

In October 2008, Kilsby went to the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (North Korea) and presented a week-long training session on use of Lab-In-A-Suitcase® to the laboratory personal of four hospitals. There she was able to see and experience the results of the department’s faculty and student’s commitment and work on the Lab-In-A-Suitcase®. She says, “Diagnostic testing is vital to providing quality healthcare. It has been a privilege for the Department of Clinical Laboratory Science to be engaged in work that can help save lives and improve quality of life.”

Currently, Andrews University CLS seniors are aiding the faculty in the effort to have Lab-In-A-Suitcase® receive endorsement from the World Health Organization.



## E.E. Cleveland exhibit installed

*View memorabilia from the career of this leading evangelist*

A new E.E. Cleveland exhibit has been installed in the hallway on the lower level of the James White Library. E.E. Cleveland is one of the leading evangelists in the Adventist Church, bringing thousands of souls to Christ around the world. He has had a stellar career as a preacher, teacher and administrator. The list of his journeys is impressive: he’s visited nearly 70 countries, preached on six

continents, served 23 years as the associate editor of *Ministry*, written 15 books and was the first African-American man elected to a departmental position at the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. In 2007, Cleveland donated his personal papers and memorabilia to the Andrews University Center for Adventist Research.

## Pioneer Memorial Church commemorates 50 years

Church members celebrate and remember Pioneer's first Sabbath

Sabbath morning, Feb. 14, 2009, dawned cold and cloudy, exactly as it was Feb. 14, 1959, 50 years earlier, on the first Sabbath services in Pioneer Memorial Church. But the excitement and warmth of fellowship dissipated any chill, as the church filled twice for commemorative worship services, and again in the afternoon for "Pioneer Hope," a program of music and a multimedia retrospective of the congregation's 50-year history.

The worship services included recorded greetings from Don Schneider, former member and elder at PMC and current president of the NAD, as well as greetings from Elder Jan Paulsen, president of the General Conference. "Today is not just a celebration of a building or an individual, or history," said Paulsen. "But it is a celebration of a mission to grow together spiritually. Pioneer has been a spiritual home for generations of faculty and students, who have grown in faith and commitment, who are given an opportunity to exercise spiritual gifts, and go from this place to serve God in every imaginable sphere of church activity around the world. The congregation here is connected by cords of spiritual kinship with a vast multitude of men and women on every continent, whose contribution to God's work is immeasurable. I challenge you on this day of celebration to remain faithful." Pastor John Kroncke and his wife, Peggy, also shared highlights from their years of ministry via video from their home in Las Vegas, Nev.

Approximately 40 people who had attended the first service 50 years ago were seated on the platform during the worship service. Among them were Jim Garber and Perry Nelson who were baptized as 12-year-olds on that first Sabbath. Charlotte Groff and Ray Roberts shared anecdotes about their experience as wide-eyed college students worshipping in the new sanctuary.

Pastor Dwight Nelson, who has served as senior pastor of the congregation for half of the church's 50-year history, opened his homily with a humorous quote from Abraham Lincoln; "People who boast about their ancestors are like a field of potatoes—the best part is underground." Pastor Nelson quickly followed up with "the pearl of the messianic psalms," Psalm 110, which encourages



Dwight Nelson interviewed Betty Garber, PMC charter member, along with Jim Garber and Perry Nelson (far right) who were baptized as 12-year-olds during the first Sabbath services held Feb. 14, 1959.

believers with the promise that "the young will come pouring into His camp, heralding a future as copious as the dew." "The mission for the future of Pioneer Memorial Church is to pour everything into transforming and equipping young adults to serve Christ wherever God leads them," said Nelson. "Pouring everything into this mission will fulfill our highest calling, our final, strategic, global objective."

James Hanson, retired music faculty, directed the 50th anniversary choir in performing Johannes Brahms' *How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place*, which was sung 50 years ago. The worship service concluded, as it did 50 years ago, with the congregation singing The Lord's Prayer.

A large heated tent provided ample seating for the nearly 1,000 members who stayed by for the 50th birthday potluck dinner following the second service.

Today the 3,500-member congregation gathers throughout each week in worship and ministry. There are two worship services every Sabbath morning and approximately 50 different Bible study classes for children



Charlotte Groff (left) and Ray Roberts shared anecdotes about their experience as college students worshipping in the new sanctuary.

and adults. Pioneer has an active Family Life ministry which provides Bible-based resources, training and fellowship designed to protect and encourage families. Small-group ministries meet through the week and prayer meeting is held every Wednesday. Pioneer also serves the under-resourced in our community through Neighbor-to-Neighbor, and has an active social-work consulting team. The pastoral staff of eight pastors and chaplains is active in the local ministerial association for the Adventist Church and Berrien County Association of Churches.



## Gabriel Perea

MDiv student

**Where did the idea to grow your hair for “Locks of Love” come from?**

Never in my life had I ever had a desire to grow out my hair for any purpose. This whole idea occurred while I was pastoring in Texas. Several church members had passed away from cancer, and others had overcome cancer or were currently fighting it. When the mother of one of my youth members passed away from cancer, I just wished I could do more. Soon after, as I was visiting another church member in the hospital, I noticed a “Locks of Love” kiosk in the foyer. I took a brochure and some handouts and shared them with my youth group. Twelve of us (10 girls and one other young man) decided to grow our hair and donate it for “Locks of Love.”

**Did people react differently to you when your hair started getting long?**

People who knew I was a pastor, especially at the church where my parents live and people who saw me grow up, were a little,

how would you say, shaken up/judgmental? They said, “Pastors need to be well-groomed and have a decent appearance.” Some changed their mind after I explained the situation, but it was still difficult for them to accept. The length of my hair has also drawn a lot of attention while I’ve been here at the Seminary. When I’m invited to preach at different churches in the area, people are shocked to see the pastor has long hair—“like a girl.” (That’s what they say!) So I find myself having to explain the reason for my long hair in the first two to three minutes of every sermon I preach so they won’t be distracted throughout the entire message.

**How long did you grow your hair?**

I began growing my hair on January 6, 2006, and I cut it November 14, 2008, for the first time in about two years. It grew to an amazing length (for a pastor, at least) of 11½ inches.

**What advice do you have for Andrews students to help those in need?**

It takes a strong will and Godly desire to help others who are less fortunate. I would encourage them to find ways to help others in their community, their church and here at Andrews. This can be done through sincere outreach efforts, church visits, Bible studies or other essential ways in which Jesus may be made known through their lives. The greatest reward I received is knowing that whoever received my hair is also receiving my prayers, and that I will hopefully meet them with Jesus in perfect health in heaven.

**What goals do you have when you finish your studies at Andrews?**

I plan to graduate December 2009 with a Master of Divinity and return to the Texas Conference. My greatest goal in ministry, here and wherever I go, is to instill passion and love for others in the hearts of my church members, especially the young people!



## A busy season

From classical to modern, vocal to instrumental, and academic to spiritual, the Howard Performing Arts Center is enjoying a very diverse and busy season. It's a hub of activity on campus, filled with the sounds of students coming and going on a near-daily basis for a variety of rehearsals, concerts and events. The pictorial overview below highlights just a few of the exciting events happening at the Howard Performing Arts Center this season.



Clockwise from top left: The King's Singers from England performed with the University Singers on President's Day, Feb. 16. ■ The Andrews University Graduate Student Association held their Valentine's Banquet in the lobby. ■ Kaestner Robertson, pianist, performed at the Feb. 8 Second Sunday concert. ■ Feb. 6 Fusion vespers. ■ Mark Lowry and Lordsong brought their mix of comedy and Christian ministry to a packed house on Jan. 31. ■ The annual Health Careers Fair brought employers from across the region. ■ Student Life sponsored "46" on Jan. 20, broadcasting Barack Obama's inauguration live. ■ The Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra concert featured the world premiere of a Kenji Bunch piece, Jan. 18.



## Calendar

Visit [howard.andrews.edu](http://howard.andrews.edu) for an updated schedule of upcoming events. Schedule is subject to change.

### Music & Worship Conference

March 26–28

Seminars, concerts and worship.  
[www.auworshipconference.org](http://www.auworshipconference.org)

### Fusion

Friday, April 3, 8 p.m.

Final Fusion of the 2008–09 school year.

### Dept of Music Opera Production

Saturday, April 4, 9 p.m.

L'amico Fritz, an Italian comedic opera in three parts.

### Easter Celebration

Friday, April 10, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 11, 7:30 p.m.

University choral groups portray the ministry and sacrifice of Christ.

### Wind Symphony Spring Concert

Sunday, April 19, 4 p.m.

### SR Rewind Show

Tuesday, April 21, 11:30 a.m.

The year in review. Sponsored by the Office of Social Recreation & Athletics.

### Sinfonietta Spring Concert

Saturday, April 25, 8:30 p.m.

### Opening Night 2009!

Sunday, August 23, 7 p.m.

Lake Effect Jazz will once again start the season off with their crowd-pleasing big band sound. Reception following.

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## New associate dean for Student Life

"I'm passionate about students," states Paul M. Buckley. "It is the core of my reason for working in higher education." Buckley, the new associate dean of Student Life, comes to Andrews University from Syracuse, N.Y., where he is working on a doctorate in Cultural Foundations of Education. He made the transition from New York to Berrien Springs in late November 2008. Even though Andrews brings him to the smallest campus of his career, Buckley is open to the transition and says, "I think that perhaps it allows me to get to know more students."

Buckley is a 1995 graduate of the University at Albany, State University of New York, where he obtained a Bachelor of Business Administration. He went on to earn a master's in Educational Administration and Policy Studies in 1998.

Buckley's wealth of experience includes time as an assistant residence-hall director, a diversity-education specialist and many

positions in the Office of Multicultural Affairs at Syracuse University. He brings to Andrews a rich background in dealing with a broad diversity of student issues from promoting campus culture to creating minority initiatives.

Frances Faehner, vice president for Student Life, expressed excitement over Buckley's arrival. "We were thrilled to have Paul Buckley join our Student Life team," she said. "Our intensive search process over the summer assured us that we had a candidate with a resume that included a rich depth and breadth of Student Affairs responsibilities."



Paul Buckley

Buckley says getting to know the students is very important to him. He says he'd like to "really begin to know what their experience is; what is really good about Andrews for them, what perhaps may not be as good, what's missing and what's present from

their perspective." Buckley wants students to know that he is approachable. "My office is inviting. I hope people get the very clear sense that interacting with students is what I do and there is a science to the complete and wholistic development of students... My office door is open."

## LaBianca elected to position at ASOR

Øystein S. LaBianca, professor of anthropology in the Department of Behavioral Sciences and associate director of the Institute of Archaeology at Andrews University, was recently elected to serve as vice president for Archaeological Research and Policy (CAP) at the American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR).

ASOR is a non-profit organization dedicated to the archaeology and history of the Near East.

It is one of the world's largest scholarly associations serving anthropologists, archaeologists, epigraphers and historians doing research on the history of cultures and civilizations of present-day Cyprus, Egypt, Iraq, Israel, Lebanon, Jordan, Palestinian Authority, Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Syria. Its membership is made up of 1300 individual programs and exhibits, as well as three overseas research institutes. Founded in 1900, the organization's



Øystein LaBianca

mission is to initiate, encourage and support research and public understanding of the peoples and cultures of the Near East from the earliest times to the present.

Andrews University's Institute of Archaeology is a long-standing institutional member of ASOR. LaBianca, who became a professor at Andrews in 1980, has devoted his career as an anthropological archaeologist to

developing study methods of long-term changes in the lives of the inhabitants of Jordan. He is currently senior director of the Tall Hisban Excavations, co-director of the Madaba Plains Project, Jordan, and a member of the Board of Trustees of ASOR and the American Center for Oriental Research in Amman (ACOR). His research has been financially supported by Andrews University's College of Arts and Sciences, the National

Geographic Society, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Norwegian Research Council.

As the new vice president of CAP, LaBianca will be responsible for convening and administering the work of a committee of 16 senior ASOR scholars who annually review and approve nearly 60 ASOR affiliated archaeological research projects. His goal is to bring coordination and cooperation among projects to a new level on four closely related fronts, including: 1) development and testing of theoretical frameworks that bridge disciplinary, temporal and national boundaries in order to gain understanding and facilitate cooperative research on long-term historical processes in the Ancient Near East; 2) development and testing of cyber technologies for field-based and laboratory-based data acquisition, recording, quality control, analysis and dissemination; 3) development and dissemination of best practices for sustainable site management, preservation and presentation; and 4) development of capacity within ASOR field projects for successful competition for funding of large-scale international research projects.

# caring ignites action

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By Andre Weston

In the Andrews University tripod motto, “Seek Knowledge, Affirm Faith and Change the World,” the leg that often stands the most visibly is the last one—“Change the World.” Investing in changing the world around you—both locally and globally—is a strong indicator that an institution views the planet as a community that should be cared for. Andrews has demonstrated heightened awareness over the past few years with a notable response among students and faculty concerning issues of social awareness and environmental consciousness. The University has promoted student efforts to care for the environment and supported discussion and action targeted at increasing civic engagement on local and international levels.

Action, which largely connects students and administration to earth-friendly projects, is a strong catalyst of Andrews’ strengthening sense of social responsibility and awareness. The group was formed in 2006 by Andrew Gerard, a behavioral sciences major at Andrews University. Action seeks to “educate students on social issues and give new meaningful avenues to create real change.” Action has mobilized students to involvement with the crisis in Darfur, Sudan, and connected them with organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, Invisible Children and Amnesty International. The group has taken students to Washington D.C., where they demonstrated against U.S. human rights violations at Guantanamo Bay, and to Chicago, where they protested at the Chinese Consulate because of China’s funding of the Sudanese government’s actions in Darfur. Action is currently led by Krystal Smith, freshman photography major.

Another student-led organization on campus has mobilized young energy by transforming eager volunteerism into active engagement. A strong force behind the heightened student participation in the now university-wide campaign for a cleaner planet is the Village Green Preservation Society (VGPS). The Village Green Preservation Society was created in 2007 by its parental student group, Action.

VGPS functions on campus in order “to educate, promote and participate in an environmentally positive activity that seeks to change the status quo for the better on campus and in the greater community at



Photo by Dennis Woodland

**Left:** Dennis Woodland's Environmental Science class members pick up trash along a three-mile stretch of M-139.

**Below:** E-books, the new online textbooks being offered at the Andrews University Bookstore, will reduce shipping costs, printing charges and students' expenses.



large.” The group drew its name from 60s English rock group, The Kinks, who stated in a song, “preserving the old ways from being abused/protecting the new ways for me and you/what more can we do/God save the village green.” One of the organization’s premier events included an Earth Day Eco-Concert and rally which took place April 22, 2008. The event was co-hosted by Action, the Student Senate, the University Senate, and several faculty and staff.

The rally served as an encouragement for Andrews University as well the surrounding community to “go green.” It also opened up public discussions about how the University could become more environmentally-friendly. These conversations led to a campus statement of intent, signed by 464 individuals, wherein Andrews pledged to pursue the cause of an environmental effort on campus “with dedication and seriousness, in order to fulfill God’s calling to be stewards of his earth.”

One University change connected to the new commitment includes the promotion of alternatives to Styrofoam dinnerware in the cafeteria. Students can avoid a take-out charge by opting not to select Styrofoam food containers. This cuts back on waste and reduces the University’s usage of non-biodegradable material. Dining Services Director Bennett Chilson indicates his department has also installed a large recycling bin which will allow for the reuse of glass and cardboard.

Members of VGPS got the local county government involved in promoting Andrews’ care for the earth.

In December 2008, the group secured a \$1,815 grant from the Berrien County Resource Recovery to provide recycling containers for the campus residence halls.

Other examples of the University’s new dedication to the environment include an E-cycling collaborative effort between Andrews and Berrien County which united students, faculty and community in a project which diverted over 56,700 lbs of electronic waste from going to landfills, and instead sent them to recycling centers. In addition, the University print shop, LithoTech, announced an initiative in spring 2008 to become the main paper recycling collection center on campus. Thus far, LithoTech has collected 8.7 tons of paper for recycling.

Another way of saving paper comes by avoiding it altogether. Beginning fall semester 2009, students will have the option of purchasing some required textbooks

## connecting students and administration to earth-friendly projects

in digital form. The “e-books” or Universal Digital Textbooks (UDTs) are a concept spearheaded by the Andrews University Bookstore textbook manager, Cindy Swanson. She was introduced to the idea of UDTs at a recent training seminar. The UDTs can help save student money, avoid \$25,000 in shipping costs, and reduce the institution’s “tree consumption.” The Office of Integrated Marketing & Communication also produced a “green” calendar for the 2008–2009 academic year which included monthly examples of a green Andrews as well as tips for a greener lifestyle.

Top: Earth Day eco-concert and rally, April 22, 2008

Bottom: Members of the Village Green Preservation Society (VGPS) pose with the new recycling bins to be placed in the residence hall trash rooms.



Photo by Jeff Habenict

All of these efforts reflect an increased awareness among both students and faculty of the need for a greener earth. In its curriculum, Andrews offers courses which allow students to develop an appreciation for nature through interaction with the outdoors. The Department of Nutrition & Wellness course, “Wilderness Living,” is popular among students. Dennis Woodland, professor of botany in the Department of Biology, teaches the general-elective class “Principles of Environmental Science.” He says the students who take the class “have their eyes opened to nature and how the natural world functions. The students become more aware of how humans are influencing the environment and wish to live a greener lifestyle. Some have told me they are incorporating ecology into their new home and life.” Woodland also reiterates he would like to see the Adventist Church make “environmental stewardship a priority and part of the Christ-centered message.”

With administrative support, students and faculty have increasingly united to change the world in and outside of Andrews. ■

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Andre Weston graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in December 2008. He plans to pursue his graduate studies at the American University School of Communication in Washington, D.C. this fall.

## Students lead grass-roots movement

By Andy Gerard

Action began as I would guess most activist groups begin: a small group of friends with common beliefs and shared goals who wanted to change the situation they perceived around them. The founders of Action wanted to see the students at Andrews University move toward a more human-rights and earth-friendly perspective. Since “faith without works is dead,” we called our group Action.

We believed if students were confronted with stark reminders of the hunger, poverty, hopelessness, power and solidarity which exist in humanity they would be inspired to become involved. Believing the biggest culprit in students’ lack of involvement was ignorance rather than apathy, we endeavored to bring discussions to the students’ space. We would find concrete ways for students to make a difference in the local and world community, and would support students who had ideas they wanted to pursue.

Since our name was Action, we hoped to ensure any laziness on our part would be rebuked with, “but your name is...”

A serious grass-roots movement has begun at Andrews University. I like to think Action may have helped to get that ball rolling. Our environmental work and subcommittee meetings spawned The Village Green Preservation Society (VGPS). It has grown faster and more efficiently than I could have imagined, and I’m proud to have been involved with this. Also, Action members have gone on to be active in political campaigns, specifically in the 2008 presidential campaign, where at least three Action members were interns for a presidential candidate.

I believe Andrews University can have an important place in activism. Its diverse student body (many of whom have experienced human rights abuses, poverty and injustice firsthand) is uniquely qualified to effect meaningful change. My only fear is, faced with innumerable complicated and frankly depressing issues on one side, and the comforts (and challenges) of college life on the other side, will result in disengaged students who will insulate themselves and take the easy road. You cannot get a recycling bin for genocide. You cannot have “Five easy ways to prevent exploitation of the poor and defenseless.” Issues of human rights and injustice are very complex—but they are equally important. I pray students will not shy away from complexity, but will embrace it, because it is the nature of life.

As I write this, I am in Madaba, Jordan, working on a feasibility study for the restoration of cisterns for more sustainable water use for Project Rainkeep, based out of the Institute of Archaeology at Andrews University. ■

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Andrew Gerard graduated with a Bachelor of Science in December 2008. He cofounded Action in the fall of 2006.



# family tree

Gregory started having spirited discussions with his son almost since the day Andrew started to talk. While they don't always agree, and the miles between them make dinner conversations rare these days, they still enjoy sharpening wits on a variety of topics, be it via the internet or cell-phone conversations. Andrew's essay was written from Jordan. Greg's was written from a hotel in England.

## Hope and audacity

By Greg Gerard

Recently I toured England with a group of students from the school where I work. While speaking with a local man, the conversation turned to the subject of young people. He uttered a low opinion of the morals and training of today's youth. I have heard similar sentiments from people much closer to home. While I certainly have concerns about the values of many young people, I must say on the whole I am greatly encouraged. In fact, I have more hope for the future now than at any time of my life.

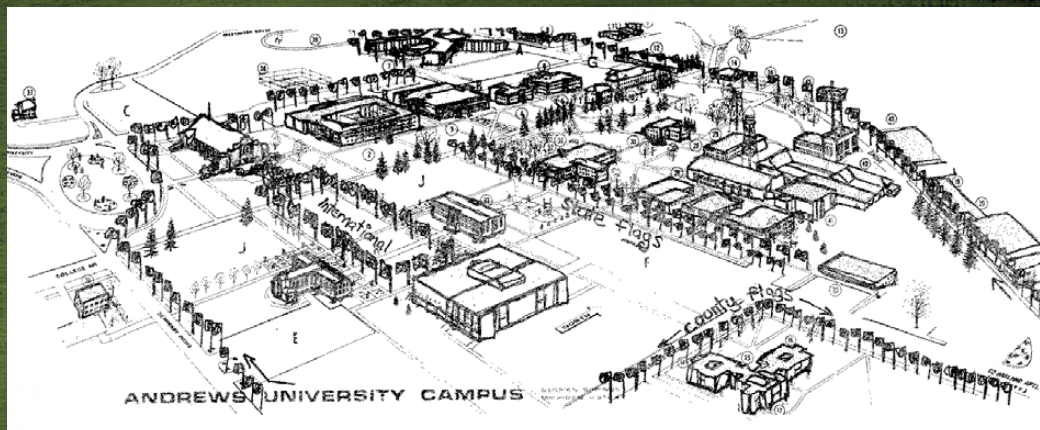
I graduated from Andrews University in 1977. Though I think Andrews was an outstanding university at that time, I don't think my generation had as much commitment to improving the world as current or recent graduates have. What did we care about? The biggest protest I remember from our day was regarding the flag walk. Students became upset because the University was going to spend \$22,000 for flags and flag poles, when the cost for tuition had just exceeded \$2,000 per year and students were being forced from college because of excessive cost. Though some students became involved with bigger issues, our world pretty much revolved around whatever happened on the campus. We couldn't even get our heads around the idea that providing a modest way of acknowledging and honoring different ethnicities and cultures was important.

The flag walk protest did anger University administration. They knew the money for the flags was coming from a donation specifically restricted for that purpose. As students we didn't care—we just wanted cheaper tuition. Articles and letters to the editor filled the *Student Movement*. It all came to an end after Dave Fishell produced a hilarious cartoon drawing of the campus with the flags of all the states and counties of the United States (pictured above). He envisioned employment for many students in the industry of repairing, raising and lowering flags and predicted the flapping noise of hundreds of flags would keep students awake during boring lectures. At that point, President Hammill called the Student Association office and told us the campus had heard enough on the subject. End of protest.

I recall a few people wondering how the General Conference was investing funds and wanting them to divest of investments in the defense industry. The Vietnam War was finally drawing to a close. It had brought some noise to Adventist campuses, but nothing like the activities at secular campuses. I don't remember civil rights issues being front and center. Maybe there were others who were active in societal issues beyond life at Andrews. If so, they ran in other crowds. The harsh truth was that for most of us, it all came down to, "What is in this for me?"

Young people at Andrews in recent years seem to have a much broader focus. My son, Andrew Gerard (see sidebar) was very active during his time at Andrews. Many graduates of the academy where I work, and from other Adventist colleges, are more interested in

pursuing careers that assist people and impact society. They don't particularly wish to be destitute while working to improve the lives of other people, but they are willing to dedicate their lives to making a difference. Others choose to work for non-profits that address human suffering and help those in developing countries. I find this very encouraging. In fact, it makes me downright hopeful.



Adventists from my generation aren't quite sure what to do with the fact that many young people are concerned with feeding the hungry, clothing the naked and visiting those in prison. Some feel they are redefining the core mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. My contemporaries talk about how we need to make sure young people know what is important about last-day events, church history and lifestyle issues. Talk all you want, but unless the concept is deeply rooted in Scripture, makes sense in practical ways and addresses current social issues; I'm not sure they will care. If older people like me think we can stop the changes young people will bring to our church, dream on. They will either change the church or leave it. They are doing both.

The Adventist Church started as an audacious undertaking. In its early history the Church was radical for its day, but its message and actions were relevant to society and the culture of the United States. For it to continue to be a force in the communication of the gospel and the announcement of the coming kingdom of God, it will require those who are, like our church founders, not tied to the way we have done things in the past. We need present truth and new methods—and I think there are those coming up through the ranks who can bring it. These individuals are concerned about the same issues Jesus talks about when he makes reference to the type of people who have passed through the judgment and will stand with him on the sea of glass. I know there are serious issues with post-modern approaches to personal standards, but many young people are coming out of college with a strong desire to make a difference. I pray they will find ways to work for the good of others from the context of their relationship with Jesus. ■

**Greg Gerard** (BA '77, MA '81) is principal of Georgia-Cumberland Academy. He served as director of development at Andrews from 1994–1996. He was president of the Andrews University Student Association in 1976.

Student Movement, April 25, 1974, p. 3  
Courtesy of the Center for Adventist Research

# FACULTY & STAFF

**T**he 2009 Faculty & Staff Service Awards Presentation took place Monday, March 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the Howard Performing Arts Center. Appetizing hors d'oeuvres were served prior to the program in the Howard Lobby graced with a six-foot ice sculpture of the Andrews University logo. Historical photos and artifacts, including a portion of the "Option



The longest-serving president: Niels-Erik and Demetra Andreassen

Elm" tree were also on display, highlighting the theme of the evening—"Celebrate God's Faithfulness." Gerry Karst, chair of the Andrews University Board of Trustees, introduced the theme by relating his personal life story of God's leading. Interspersed throughout the award presentations were vignettes on God's Guidance (Ron Knott), God's Providence (Don Murray), God's Protection (Ann-Marie Jones) and God's Support (Keith Mattingly). Following his closing thoughts, President Niels-Erik Andreassen and his wife, Demetra, were

taken by surprise as recipients of an unannounced award for reaching the milestone of "the longest-serving president" of Andrews University. They were presented with a gift certificate to the Chicago Symphony and a globe with the inscription "Andrews University congratulates Niels-Erik Andreassen as our longest-serving president. Presented March 2009." Stephen Zork led the audience in the singing of *Great is Thy Faithfulness*, followed by Don Livesay, newly elected president of the Lake Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, who concluded the program with a prayer of thanksgiving. A dessert bar capped the memorable event.

## Excellence in Service Award Recipients

**Dixie Scott** is the admissions director for the Department of Physical Therapy. Her gift for empathizing with students and helping them in an individual way takes away some of the frustration and personalizes the application process.

As senior accountant for the Office of Financial Records, **Esther Lonto** demonstrates professionalism in all the duties she performs. Her willingness to work with people and assist them in understanding complicated or difficult information has gained her a great deal of respect and appreciation.

**Rebecca May** is currently director of campus relations in the Office of Integrated Marketing & Communication. She served as director of Alumni Services for more than 18 years before transitioning to director of University Relations in 2004. May's commitment to tradition and building community at Andrews University is legendary. As Stephen Payne said in his tribute, "If she was cut she'd probably bleed Andrews."



Excellence in Service Award L-R: Dixie Scott, Esther Lonto, Rebecca May

## Daniel A. Augsburg Excellence in Teaching Award Recipients

**John Baldwin**, professor of theology, joined the Seminary faculty in 1987. Since then he has demonstrated he is a competent scholar whose teaching encourages students and colleagues to further dig for knowledge in a faith-affirming way. His teaching and scholarship show that the Seminary is truly the place where the church does its thinking, through scholars who are committed to the church's mission and to a spirit of excellence in all things.

**Elvin Gabriel**, associate professor of educational and counseling psychology in the School of Education, has been an outstanding professor since 1997. His student evaluations show that he is a teacher of substance. His colleagues love interacting and working with him, and his chair recognizes him as a person who will pitch in when something needs to be done. In addition to his teaching duties, he writes articles, mentors new professors and gives presentations at conferences.

**Ann Gibson**, professor of accounting, joined the School of Business Administration's Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance in 1992. From 1993-1995 she chaired that department, and then accepted the position



# SERVICE AWARDS

of dean from 1995–2006. She returned to full-time teaching in 2006 as professor of accounting, mentor and advisor to accounting students, and director of the off-campus MBA extension programs and the School's internship program. The awards and honors Gibson has received are many, and include the prestigious J.N. Andrews Medallion in 2007.

**H. Thomas Goodwin**, professor of paleobiology, joined Andrews University in 1994. In just 20 years of professional scientific activity, he has amassed more than 50 published contributions and served as a peer reviewer for technical articles submitted to many different professional journals. Goodwin also has a broad interest in the relationships between scientific study and Christian faith. For four years he was co-director of the AU Center for College Faith.



Daniel A. Augsburg Excellence in Teaching Award Front row, L–R: Susan Zork, Kristin von Maur, Ann Gibson. Back row, L–R: Duane Habenicht, Elvin Gabriel, John Baldwin, Tom Goodwin

**Duane Habenicht**, associate professor of aeronautical technology, has served the Department of Aeronautics since 2001. This program has the highest requirements for integrity, ethics and knowledge. An aviation instructor must not only exhibit these qualities but must be able to transmit the importance of each to his students and Habenicht possesses each of these qualities against the background of mission service for the Adventist Church.

**Kristin von Maur**, assistant professor of architecture, has been on the School of Architecture faculty since 2003. She teaches various design studio classes as well as Construction Technology class where students learn the fundamentals of materials and processes in building construction. Students in her Design and Graphics studio benefit from her incredible artistic and technical talent and receive hand-drawing skills that help them excel.

**Susan Zork**, assistant professor of religion, joined the Department of Religion & Biblical Languages in 2001. She teaches General Education religion classes to an average of 150 to 200 undergraduate students each semester. In addition to a heavy teaching load, she is actively involved in departmental activities and advising. In 2006, she received the AUSA Teacher of the Year award.

## 10 Years of Service Award Recipients



Front row, L–R: Roberto Rothermel, Annabelle Lopez, Gyl Bateman, Sylvia Gonzalez, Shirley Lehmann, Helen Susens. Back row, L–R: Timothy Nixon, Fred Guerrero, John Beal, Jiri Moskala, John Matthews, Gary Burdick, Walter Burn  
Not pictured: Karen Allen, Bradley Christensen, Samuel Kim Chuah, Marilyn Craig, Terrence Dodge, Carlos Flores, Cynthia Gammon, Betty Gibson, Robert Mason, Sharon Prest Ullom, Teresa Reeve, Mary Nell Rosenboom, Steve Sowder, Tamargo Urias, Dennis Waite, Jacquelyn Warwick, Steve Yeagley

## 15 Years of Service Award Recipients



Front row, L–R: Wayne Perry, Susan Oliver, Xiaoming Xu, Mabel Bowen, Patricia Spangler Back row, L–R: Walter Bowen, Steven Nash, Paul Ray, Denise Collard  
Not pictured: Kathleen Allen, Spencer Carter, Lillianne Doukhan, Denis Fortin, Savka Markovic, Arlene Saliba

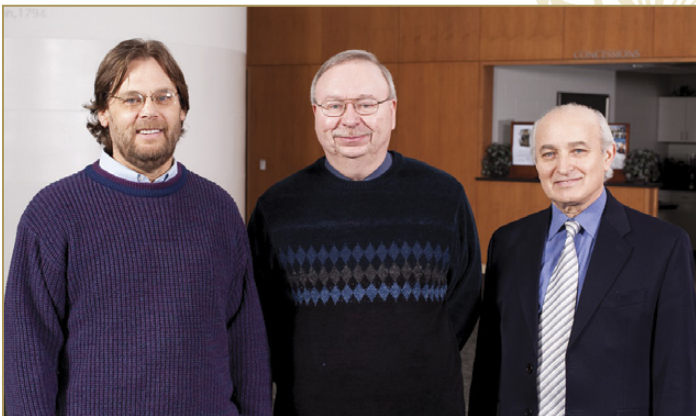
# SERVICE AWARDS *(continued)*

## 20 Years of Service Award Recipients



L-R: Thomas Chittick, James North, Scott Moncrieff, Rudolf Maier, Ronald Norton, Albert McMullen, Derri Hanson **Not pictured:** Nancy Carbonell, Ginger Ellison, Nancy Nelson, Susan Schwab, Jeff Trubey

## 25 Years of Service Award Recipients



L-R: John Banks, Gary Williams, Miroslav Kis **Not pictured:** Brian Strayer

## 30 Years of Service Award Recipients

The term “polymath” fits **Keith Calkins** quite well—a person who is very knowledgeable in a variety of subject areas. Through a continual process of education over a period of about 30 years, Calkins earned bachelor’s degrees in both mathematics and physics, four master’s degrees in computer information science, physics, interdisciplinary studies in mathematics & physics, and secondary education, and a PhD in physics. With expert engineering skills, Calkins played a big role in providing mainframe computing services to the campus for 15 years. He has applied his usual level of dedication and creativity to his teaching career and inspired some of Berrien County’s brightest high school students at the Math & Science Center.

**Bruce Closser**, associate professor of English, has occupied the same office in Nethery Hall since 1978. In

this small space, Closser has made a big difference on campus. He has held countless writing conferences with his students, answered thousands of phone calls, and planned more class presentations than can be listed. To say that Bruce Closser has worked tirelessly at—and for—Andrews University is an understatement. Closser anchors his classes in current composition theory and coaches his students’ development as capable and confident writers. He also serves as Director of the Writing Center,



30 Years of Service Award: Keith Calkins, Bruce Closser, Marge Gadway

coordinating a team of student mentors who learn from his leading. Closser is an active presenter at professional and scholarly conferences. In addition to his scholarly pursuits, he has an artistic side. Over the years he has been involved in the Early Music Ensemble, playing the bass recorder, and directing and producing several dramatic works on the Andrews stage.

**Marge Gadway**, building supervisor for the Office of Custodial Services, came to Andrews University back in 1978. She met with Bob Robinson, then director of human resources, and he told her that there would soon be an opening for a supervisor at Custodial. Gadway said she did not think that she would be able to supervise. He told her to go talk to Mr. Oetman. When Gadway told Mr. Oetman she wasn’t sure of her ability to supervise he asked if she was a mother. When she answered, “yes,” he told her she could do it. Gadway has reached retirement age and “a little beyond,” but continues to serve because she enjoys her work and all the students, faculty and staff she interacts with.

## 35 Years of Service Award Recipients

As the longest-serving professor in the School of Education’s Department of Educational and Counseling Psychology, **Rick Kosinski**, professor of educational and counseling psychology, has dedicated his time,

teaching skills and humble service to the students of Andrews University for 35 years. During this time, he has demonstrated a Christian attitude and unfailing support to students and colleagues, and faithfully guided the department through numerous counseling accreditation



35 Years of Service Award: Rick Kosinski, Bill Mutch

reviews. His experience as the president and past president of the local Berrien/Cass Counseling Association has established his reputation in counseling circles across the state. Kosinski won the coveted Augsburg Award for Teaching Excellence in 2005. Kosinski is a member of the American Counseling Association and the American Psychological Association and has written articles for multiple scholarly journals.

See **G. William Mutch** in the Retirees feature, next page.

### 40 Years of Service Award Recipients



40 Years of Service Award: Bill Chobotar  
Not pictured: Peter Wong

If one were asked to choose a model of unselfish service to Andrews University and her students, **Bill Chobotar**, professor of biology, must be at the top of the list. For 40 years he has poured himself out in unselfish Christ-like service to others on this campus. A parasitologist, Chobotar was appointed to the biology faculty in 1968 with a freshly minted PhD from Utah State University. He has authored or coauthored more than 70 professional publications in peer-reviewed journals and currently serves as editor of the international journal *Parasitology Research*,

a volunteer position he has held for almost 20 years. For all this hard work, Chobotar has received more than 30 honors and awards including a predoctoral fellowship from the National Institute of Health, being named as an Alexander von Humbolt Fellow for 14 of his 40 years here, numerous excellence-in-teaching awards including the coveted Zapara Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1989 and the John Nevins Andrews Medallion in 1996. Former students have gone on in their scientific careers and have named two newly discovered parasites in his honor: *Eimeria chobotari* and *Isospora chobotari*. For many years Chobotar has regularly served more than 100 advisees every term.

See **Peter Wong** in the Retirees feature, next page.

### Spiritual Life Award Recipient

**June Madrigal** joined the women's residence hall team as an associate dean in July 2006. Madrigal has made an indelible impact on the program of Lamson Hall. Her own personal relationship with Jesus is clearly evident as one speaks with her, as she calls those around her to live for Jesus—to walk the walk in every aspect of their lives. Madrigal started the Pray it Forward campaign and meets with students monthly in a program called Third Thursdays during which the group encourages one another to give up something that has gotten in the way of their relationship with Jesus. ■



Spiritual Life Award: June Madrigal

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# HONORED RETIREES



The contributions of **G. William Mutch** to Andrews University, the community and his church are many and they began even before he graduated from Andrews in 1966. From 1963–66 he was the chemical analyst for the USDA Human Nutrition project. He returned to Andrews University in 1973, after earning his PhD at the University of California-Davis, and began teaching General Chemistry, Physical Chemistry (later Quantum Chemistry), Glass Blowing and Quantitative Analysis. Mutch created the experiments for the lab in Quantitative Analysis in 1973 and this set of experiments is still in use today. He always pushed his students toward excellence and could often be heard to say, “We must push back the frontiers of ignorance.”

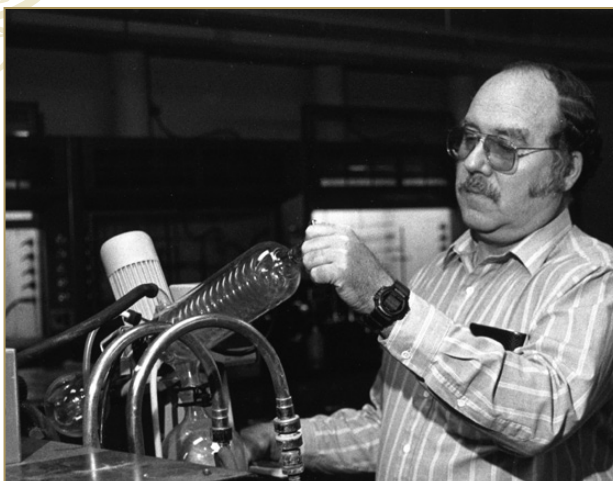
In 1992, Mutch received the Thomas and Violet Zapara Award for Excellence in Teaching Science and the AUSA recognized him as Teacher of the Year in 2000. He received the John Nevins Andrews Medallion in 2004, and acted as Grand Marshal during graduation ceremonies from 1998 to 2008.

Mutch always had time for students and colleagues. He would counsel students on any subject, science or personal matters. His “open door” policy led many to seek his advice. As a result, he was honored as Advisor of the Year in 1991.

Mutch became the AUSA faculty advisor in 1983, a position he holds to this day. In honor of his contributions, the Student Association dedicated an area in the basement of the Campus Center as the G.W. Mutch Recreation Center.

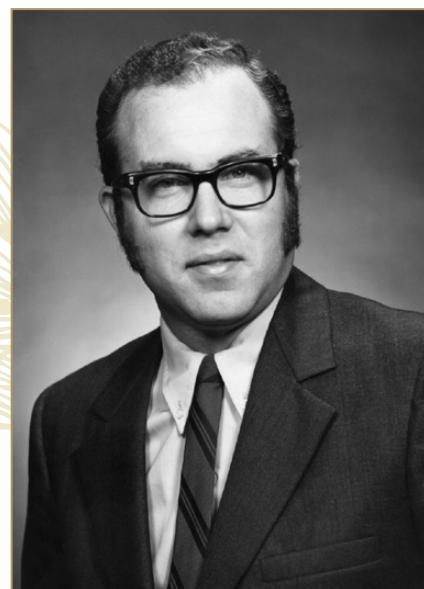
Mutch also made many contributions to the academic world outside of Andrews. From 1989 to 1991, he served as president of the Whirlpool Chapter of Sigma Xi. This relationship paved the way for students to obtain internships at Whirlpool Corporation. He was the liaison between the Berrien County Forensic Laboratory and Berrien County from 1993–2008. From 1988–2008, Mutch served as chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, where he played a major role in establishing the department’s computer system and served as a consultant in developing the 400MHz NMR system on campus.

His remarkable intellect has graced this campus for 35 years with kindness and goodwill toward all. ■



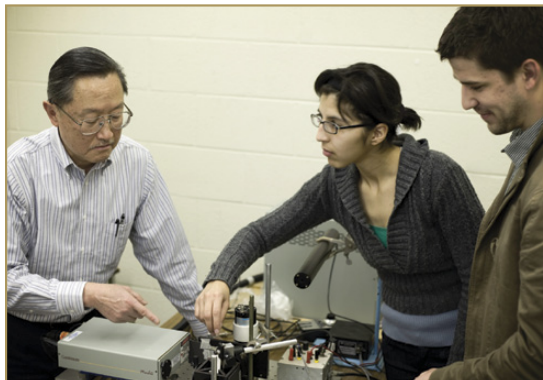
## G. William Mutch

*Retiring after 35 years of service*



Many would say that providence guided **Peter Wong** to an academic career at Andrews University. While completing his PhD at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York, a position became available in the Andrews University Department of Chemistry. In 1969, Wong was graciously invited to join the faculty. He accepted.

He began teaching Nuclear Chemistry, Physical Chemistry, Instrumental Analysis, Advanced Topics in Physical Chemistry Statistical Thermodynamics and later added Introductory Chemistry, Consumer Chemistry, and Scientific Inquiry. When he taught a



section of General Chemistry Lab, it spurred his interest in developing new experiments utilizing advanced instrumentation. Throughout these difficult classes, Wong encouraged his students and made himself available for help outside of class. He was highly respected on campus for his supportive nature and willing spirit.

Since his first year at Andrews, Wong has served as the co-sponsor and then sponsor of the Chinese Club. He loves garlic and well-seasoned food, and was a perfect fit for the oriental fares he and his wife, Dixie, helped prepare for the annual Food Fair. At Chemistry bashes, Wong was often teased because his salads were drenched with mild, spicy and flaming-hot seasonings.

Recently, Wong was able to fulfill a lifelong dream to see some WWII sites in France. He visited Normandy and attended D-Day celebrations, as well as exploring a village that protected 5,000 Jewish children during WWII. From this experience, he has made presentations to the Rotary Club, Clark Co. Retirement Group and Chemistry Club about ordinary people who did extraordinary things. He always reminds colleagues and students to remember those who fought for their freedom.

An avid lover of the sciences, Wong is a member of the American Chemical Society. Not to many years ago, a class of chemistry majors playfully gave him a nickname. It reflects the speed at which physical chemistry is presented. Known as "Wongzalez," the nickname also reflects the affection with which his students regarded their

professor. For years, Wong has made his classes bearable for students using excellent teaching methods and maintaining good spirits. No matter what the level of difficulty, his classes were always interesting and focused on the good of the students.

Peter Wong will soon be retiring from Andrews with 40 years of dedication, service and good work ethics under his belt. Whatever happens in the future, his legacy of service and excellence will endure. ■



## Peter Wong

*Retiring after 40 years of service*



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ate last year, postcards containing pictures of a butler, a detective and a story teller spread across campus. They were not a new Adventist version of Clue™, but rather were invitations for the Andrews University campus to formally meet the new team and take part in training and information seminars introducing one of the newest departments on campus—the Office of Integrated Marketing & Communication (IMC). The postcards reflected the mission and goals of the new department, which are to “effectively SERVE the campus of Andrews University and SOLVE the University’s varied marketing and communication needs while assuring the campus is prepared to tell the STORY of Andrews University consistently and powerfully, wherever and however it can be told.”

Formed out of members of the University Relations team and marketing professionals from the Division of Enrollment Management, the newly-created entity was given an administrative mandate to find new and more powerful ways to consistently tell the story of Andrews, whether it was a logo, a website, a print project or even the words we use to describe this University. That mandate included the creation of a new department which aligned resources to provide the people, tools and focused emphasis to help accomplish that task for the Andrews University campus.

This is truly a campus-wide assignment that will represent the work not only of the department itself, but effective collaboration with schools, colleges, programs, departments and even individuals to determine and shape the story that needs to be told about Andrews University. In turn, the story

(or stories!) of Andrews University will be told not only to our own campus and immediate community, but will also be shared across the nation and around the world. As we consistently tell this story, our goal will be to effectively position Andrews University as the flagship university of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, committed to helping not only its students and campus, but literally all who encounter and partner with us, to fulfill—in creative and transforming ways—the goals contained in the University’s mission statement, which are to: Seek Knowledge. Affirm Faith. Change the World.

Andrews University President Niels-Erik Andreasen introduced the new department to campus by reminding the campus community that he, along with Provost Heather Knight, “believe that the most powerful way to tell the story of Andrews University—whether it’s visually, verbally or in writing—is to do so in a way that reflects consistency and maturity.”

IMC is led by Stephen Payne, who serves as Vice President of Enrollment Management and Integrated Marketing & Communication, assisted by a full-time staff of ten, including Rebecca May, director of Campus Relations; and Nadine Nelson, director of Marketing & Communication.

Rebecca’s role is to understand the marketing and communication needs of the campus by meeting with departments and identifying projects and opportunities to tell their story. Nadine coordinates the work of the IMC staff to produce the materials, from electronic to print, that will help in accomplishing the goals of the departments.

The concept of Integrated Marketing (or Integrated



Marketing Communication) is not a new one to Andrews University. It has been developed over the last decade or more in higher education. One of its more notable proponents is Robert A. Sevier, senior vice president for Stamats, a higher education consulting company that works with a number of universities and colleges across the country to achieve their marketing objectives. Sevier defines Integrated Marketing Communication, which he sees as a subset of Integrated Marketing, as “a comprehensive, coordinated, institution-wide effort to communicate mission-critical values and messages in ways that target audiences notice, understand and respond to.”

Integrated marketing done right is similar to a slide that Nadine Nelson and Rebecca May shared in their December seminars—one developed and used by Dr. Sevier—portraying the campus as a rowboat with all departments and functions rowing together in the same direction and towards the same goal.

To help tell the story of Andrews University, IMC contains strategic marketing and communication staff and resources in the areas of web and print design, the production of *FOCUS* magazine, the *Campus Connection* newsletter and *Andrews Agenda*—an online resource that contains news, announcements and upcoming events. Additionally, the department is the media relations resource for Andrews University, helps produce academic department marketing, supports enrollment and advancement communication and marketing efforts, and more. To accompany and supplement its work, the department has developed a website which includes everything from style guides (ranging from print guidelines to

**Front row, L-R:** Matthew Park, print designer; Rebecca May, director of campus relations; Keri Suarez, media relations specialist; Patricia Spangler, editorial manager & *FOCUS* editor; Nadine Nelson, director of marketing & communication. **Back row, L-R:** Stephanie Wylie, strategic systems coordinator; Jason Webster, strategic marketing coordinator; Martin Lee, web communications manager; Stephen Payne, vice president; Justin Jeffrey, print communication manager; Andre Morgan, web designer & developer.

word and phrase usage), the steps to take to launch a project, and even an occasional blog entry about the people and work of IMC (currently authored by Stephen Payne).

One of the top priorities is to develop an online presence for *FOCUS* magazine. In the beginning it will contain archived issues in PDF format. Future goals include an expanded website with opportunities for feedback and interaction.

“This is an exciting and challenging opportunity to take on,” says Vice President Stephen Payne. “Obviously we are a campus made up of different functions, stories and people. However, our goal is to work alongside campus to assure that whatever story we tell about Andrews University, and however we tell it, there will be a clear and recognizable heartbeat that consistently and powerfully identifies and reflects the shared mission, values and strategic plan of this University and God’s will for its future.” ■

[www.andrews.edu/services/imc](http://www.andrews.edu/services/imc)

## Alumni calendar of events

For more information visit us online at [www.andrews.edu/alumni/](http://www.andrews.edu/alumni/) or contact the Alumni office at 269-471-3591 or [alumni@andrews.edu](mailto:alumni@andrews.edu).

### March

**29 Tennessee Alumni Gathering**  
6 p.m.  
*Provino's Italian Restaurant*  
5084 South Terrace Place  
Chattanooga, Tenn.

**30 Georgia Alumni Gathering**  
6 p.m.  
*Pappasito's Cantina*  
2788 Windy Hill Rd  
Marietta, Ga.

**31 North Carolina Alumni Gathering**  
6 p.m.  
*Asiana Grand Buffet*  
1968 Hendersonville Rd  
Asheville, N.C.

### April

**30 Alumni Graduation Picnic**  
6 p.m.  
*Alumni House Backyard*  
*Andrews University,*  
*Berrien Springs, Mich.*  
Just prior to graduation rehearsal, the Alumni Association will host graduates at this traditional celebration. If you're local and interested in volunteering, please contact us.

### May

**31 Washington Alumni Gathering**  
1-3 p.m.  
*The Old Spaghetti Factory*  
2801 Elliott Ave., Seattle, Wash.

### June

**2 Oregon Alumni Gathering**  
6:30 p.m.  
*The Old Spaghetti Factory*  
12725 SE 93rd Ave, Clackamas, Ore.

**13 Indiana Alumni Gathering**  
4 p.m.  
*Indiana Academy, Cicero, Ind.*

**20 Wisconsin Alumni Gathering**  
5 p.m.  
*Andrews University Cabin*  
*Camp Wakonda, Westfield, Wis.*

**20 Lake Region Alumni Gathering**  
5 p.m.  
*Camp Wagner, Cassopolis, Mich.*

**20 Southern New England Alumni Gathering**  
5 p.m.  
*Southern New England Campground*  
*South Lancaster, Mass.*

**27 Michigan Alumni Gathering**  
5 p.m.  
*Fellowship Hall, Cedar Lake Church*  
*Cedar Lake, Mich.*

### August

**1 Upper Peninsula Alumni Gathering**  
*Camp Sagola, Escanaba, Mich.*  
*Time and location yet to be confirmed.*

**Please Note:** Locations and times are subject to change. As the date of the event you're interested in gets closer, be sure to double-check the alumni website or call the office for updates.

### RSVP

RSVP for the above gatherings online at **AU&ME**, our new alumni community: [www.andrews.edu/alumni](http://www.andrews.edu/alumni)

### Am I considered an alum?

If you've attended, worked or taught at Andrews University we consider you alumni! If you're a parent or know someone who may be considering Andrews, you're invited to join us for any of the above alumni gatherings.



Would you like to share an idea? Recommend a venue for a gathering? Help host an event? We'd love to hear from you! Contact Tami Condon (BS '91) in the Office of Alumni Services at [alumni@andrews.edu](mailto:alumni@andrews.edu) or 269-471-3591. Your generous support makes these events possible.



## Alumni gatherings

### Maitland, Florida

Sunday, January 8, 2009

More than 100 people attended a dinner sponsored by the Alumni Association at Bucca Di Beppo, in Orlando, Fla. Attendees were served a delicious family-style meal in three large rooms of the restaurant, colorfully decorated with hundreds of pictures and memorabilia. President **Niels-Erik Andreasen** (MA '65, BD '66) shared stories about Andrews and plans for its future with each of the rooms separately, and all seemed to enjoy hearing him speak passionately and enthusiastically about the University.

### Arlington, Texas

Thursday, January 22, 2009

Alumni, former faculty and staff, and friends of Andrews gathered at The Spaghetti Warehouse. As reflected on our campus, those in attendance were culturally diverse and ranged in ages from the "49ers" (the Class of 1949) to recent Andrews graduates. Vice-President for Advancement, **David Faehner** (MA '72), and Senior Development Officer, **Ryan Keough** (BT'03), enjoyed a delicious meal with the group as they related recent events at Andrews, reminisced and shared news about their lives since then. A big "thank you" to those who participated. We look forward to seeing you again next year!

### Riverside, California

Sunday, February 8, 2009



More than 100 alumni came out to the Old Spaghetti Factory for dinner, served in a spacious private room filled with character. Alumni Director, **Tami Condon** (BS '91), shared pictures and updates from campus, and President **Niels-Erik Andreasen** (MA '65, BD '66) addressed the group and took questions. Local alumna **Allison Hurlow** (BBA '07) received a prize for being the first person in the group to RSVP using our new online event registration through AU&ME.

### Glendale, California

Monday, February 9, 2009

As this was a new addition to our annual California tour of events, we had a small intimate gathering, which encouraged great fellowship.

We want to thank local alumna **Catherine Lang Titus** (BA '55) for her support in getting the event started.

### San Diego, California

Tuesday, February 10, 2009

This was another new addition to our California tour of events. We met at the festive Cozymel's Mexican Restaurant, where we had a private room to visit and hear news of campus from President **Niels-Erik Andreasen** (MA '65, BD '66). We look forward to next year when we can hopefully grow the attendance.

### Roseville, California

Wednesday, February 11, 2009



We enjoyed a meal at The Old Spaghetti Factory, where we had the complete upstairs to ourselves. President **Niels-Erik Andreasen** (MA '65, BD '66) addressed the group and took questions. By request, Tami Condon also shared a presentation from the Office of Alumni Services.

### Napa, California

Tuesday, February 12, 2009



We enjoyed an authentic Mexican buffet at Compadres Rio Grille, a new location this year. As we had our roll call, it was evident we had a wonderful spectrum of alumni from all decades. They included recent graduate **Rochelle White** (BS '06, MMus '08) and **Rolland Howlett** (BA '37), who also won a prize for being from the earliest class in attendance. He recently celebrated his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. Pictured above are **Rochelle White**, **Tami Condon** (BS '91), **Doug** (MDiv '73) and **Cheryl** (BS '71) **Ammon**.



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### GENERAL PREVIEW EVENTS

October 18–19, 2009  
 November 8–9, 2009  
 (Lake Union Juniors)  
 March 7–8, 2010  
 April 11–12, 2010

### STANDOUT Spiritual Retreat

April 16–18, 2010. For more info, visit [standout.andrews.edu](http://standout.andrews.edu)

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## Alumni hockey game & open skate

Saturday, February 21, 2009



Photo by Darren Heslop

This annual tradition held at the South Bend Ice Box Arena has become a favorite for both alumni and students. School spirit was high, as students and alumni alike proudly waved their AU pennants as they cheered on their favorite team! It was a close game, with students ultimately winning five to four.

## New alumni board of directors



Front row, L–R: Wanda Cantrell (BA '73, AS '85, MAT '93), Holly Shaffer (att.), Andriy Kharkovyy (BBA '06)

Middle row, L–R: Scott Schalk (BBA '92, MBA '93), Bob Wilkins Jr. (BA '61), Tami Condon (BS '91), executive director

Back row, L–R: Vesna Markovic (BS '83), Daniel Bacchiocchi (BArch '90), president, Chris Davisson (BSELED '89)

## Alumni spotlight

**Patrick Linton Allen** (BA '85, MA '86, PhD '98) was sworn in as Governor General of Jamaica on February 26, 2009. Allen became Jamaica's sixth Governor General since the Island's independence. The Seventh-day Adventist community in Jamaica expressed excitement about the election of one of their own into high office.

In Jamaica, the Governor General represents the Queen (Elizabeth II) on ceremonial occasions, such as the opening of Parliament, the presentation of honors and military parades. Allen becomes Jamaica's first Seventh-day Adventist Governor General and the second Adventist Governor General to take office in a Caribbean nation. According to Adventist News Network, "The other was Sir James Carlisle, a dentist and layman, who is the former governor-general of Antigua and Barbuda."

Prior to beginning his role as governor general, Allen served the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Jamaica where he held numerous positions including pastoral leadership, president of the Central Jamaica Conference, and chairman of the Board of Governors of Northern Caribbean University.

Allen received three degrees from Andrews University: a bachelor's in history and religion, a master's in systematic theology, and a doctorate in Education Administration.

Allen has good memories of his alma mater, and says, "I remember Andrews for its order, clean manicured environment, and a Christian campus that is peaceful and conducive to learning and communion with God." He goes on to say, "My time at Andrews helped me to define the level of commitment I owe to God and His service. You know Andrews is big into service and my commitment was fully shaped there."



Photo by Nigel Coke

Newly-inaugurated Governor-General of Jamaica, Patrick Allen, being invested with the Insignia of the Order of the Nation by Chief Justice and Chancellor of the Order of the Nation, Justice Zaila McCalla, during the Feb. 26 installation ceremony at King's House in Kingston, Jamaica



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THE ANDREWS ALUMNI CONNECTION



Jack Anders



Orris &amp; Rachel Keiser



Mary Alice &amp; Glenn Hill



Ardis Beckner-Eggebrecht

## 1940s

**Jack Anders** (BA '48, MA '59) celebrated his 92nd birthday in January 2008. He is still active in his local church where he serves as a door greeter on Sabbath mornings. He also volunteers as a school counselor once a week and does around 20 hours of counseling per week in his home office. Jack says although he is climbing higher in years, he is thankful that he "still has his mind." He currently shares a home with his granddaughter and great-granddaughter. His wife, Betty Jo, passed away in December 1999 and Jack is thankful for the 62 years they had together.

**Orris Sterling Keiser** (BA '49) is currently enjoying his retirement. He and his wife, Rachel, have three children: Karyn, **Terry** (att.) and **Ken** (att., deceased). Before his retirement, Orris worked as a ship physician for more than 11 years. On board, he looked after the passengers and crew and enjoyed the extraordinary opportunity which came for him and Rachel to see the world. In his time before working on the ship, Orris worked for 30 years doing medical service in DePere, Wis. He notes that he looks forward to the day when no more sickness or disasters will plague the world.

## 1950s

**Ardis Beckner-Eggebrecht** (AA '55, BS '59) volunteers as one of the National Association of Professional Ski Instructors of America (PSIA) at the Adaptive Ski School located at Big Bear Mountain, Calif. In her 20 years as a ski school trainer, Ardis has personally traversed the slopes of Big Bear ski area with people ages 5–65 on one/two skies, walkers, sit-down skis and ski boggans. She also volunteers at the Living Desert Museum and during the fire season, she and her husband, Lloyd, volunteer as fire tower "lookouts" for the San Bernardino National Forest. In March 2008, she was honored as one of the 63rd Assembly District's 2008 Women of Distinction as a "reflection of her long-standing commitment to serving the community and to helping make San Bernardino County a great place to live." Ardis is a board certified diabetes educator and acknowledged innovator in diabetic education, having co-established the outpatient clinic for pregnant diabetics at Kaiser Permanente, Fontana, where she worked as a clinical dietetics and metabolic nutritionist for 25 years. Ardis served 29 years as assistant professor of nutrition at the School of Allied Health, Loma Linda University.

**Mary Alice (Gyde) Hill** (BA '54, MA '68) is retired and makes her home in Gentry, Ark., with her husband, **Glenn Hill** (BA '54, MA '68), who has served as a pastor for nearly 50 years. They have three adult children, including **Glenn Paul Hill** (MDiv '93). Mary Alice taught at Adventist elementary schools in Indiana and Michigan for 15 years and also participated in overseas evangelism. She is proud to note that all of her children served as student missionaries during their college years.

**Al** (BA '54) and **Doralee Klein** (att.) are proud that two of their grandchildren are currently attending Andrews. Deanna Doran is a senior social work major and her sister, Darlene, is in her first year of nursing. Deanna and Darlene are the daughters of their oldest daughter, Theresa Lee, a graduate of Southern Adventist University and Loma Linda University, and Larry Doran, an executive with Archer Daniels Midland Corporation in Decatur, Ill.

**William Richardson** (BA '59, MA '60, MDiv '70) is retired and currently resides in Berrien Springs, Mich. He worked for approximately 30 years at Andrews University including 11 years as chair of the Department of Religion & Biblical Languages, eight years as the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and time as both a professor and contract teacher. William describes himself, in light of his proximity to Andrews, as "a fascinated observer of a half century of the evolution of a great institution." He and his wife, **Sandra** (DIPLOMA '60), have three children, **Cindy** (att.), who married **Roy Schmidt** (BS '80), **Cheri** (BS '85), who married **Kenneth Leffler** (CERT '82), and **Steve** (BA '96) and his wife, **Andrea Richardson** (BSD '02).



Solomon &amp; Sherry Collins



Philip &amp; JoAnne Jones



Godfrey Iheonye



Ronald &amp; Kelli Jaecks

## 1960s

**Sallie (Wheeker) Alger** (BS '68, MSA '00) makes her home in Berrien Springs, Mich., where she works at the James White Library at Andrews University. She has enjoyed travelling to Thailand to establish a missionary library for Adventist Frontier Missions, and also traveling to South Africa for the Association of SDA Librarians Conference. In February 2008, Sallie earned a Michigan Campus Compact award for volunteerism. She and her husband, **Vernon** (BA '67), have one son, **Christopher** (BFA '95), and two grandchildren.

**Sherry (Dunbar) Collins** (BA '68) makes her home in Benton Harbor, Mich., with her husband, Solomon. She is the owner of S&S Caterers in Benton Harbor and works part-time at Western Michigan University. She has taught elementary school for 11 years and served as the founder and principal of the Gifted/Talented Academy Magnet Program for the Benton Harbor Area School District. For over 40 years Sherry has been able to help children and families in Benton Harbor. She remembers Andrews in the bittersweet 60s when the campus and nation were adjusting to social change. She is one of the students who helped form the Black Choir at Andrews and the campus celebration of Black History Month.

**Philip Jay Jones** (BA '68) received his DMin from Fuller Seminary and has ministered for 42 years in the Adventist Church. He spent 10 years as a pastor; five as an overseas missionary in Indonesia, where he was director of ministerial training and pastor of the college church; and 27+ as a conference evangelist. He currently works as conference evangelist for the Southeastern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. He has conducted overseas mission campaigns in many countries, including Russia, Poland, Honduras, Argentina, India and Peru. His wife, JoAnne (Tatman) is employed as a marriage and family therapist. They have two children, Carolyn Taylor, who lives in Boulder, Colo., and Torrey Jones, who lives in Boise, Idaho. Each of them have blessed their lives with two grandchildren.

**Brian John Juriansz** (BA '68) is an auditor in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. He joined IBM after graduation, where he had a full and varied career transitioning the office products division into the PC division. He retired from IBM in December 1998. Juriansz remembers helping to elect John Waihee as president of the AUSA. He has served as treasurer for two churches and Christian schools and stays fit through good nutrition and playing sports, including hockey and racquetball. His wife, Jewel (Travis), is a registered nurse and they have three children.

**Rose (Oaks) Paden** (BS '68, MAT '84) works as a teacher and principal at Peterson Seventh-day Adventist Elementary School in Columbus, Wis. The year after finishing her undergraduate degree at Andrews, Rose was a delegate to the World Youth Conference in Zurich, Switzerland. She has been a teacher for 40 years, including 22 years at S.N.E.C. Junior Academy and over 14 years teaching in the Wisconsin Conference. Rose and her husband, **Stephen** (BA '68, MBA '68) live in Columbus, Wis.

**Dwayne Toppenberg** (BD '68, DMin '87) retired from 42 years in the ministry on Jan. 15, 2009. In 2008 he and his wife, Janet, conducted five monthly cooking classes in Columbia, Ky., a Daniel seminar and an evangelism series. They are anticipating seven baptisms, which will swell their current active membership of 35. Dwayne plans to continue having one or two evangelistic meetings each year. They also enjoyed a "rare but often desired family reunion" this past year with their two children, their two spouses and all three grandchildren.

**Joyce (Swett) Yeager** (BS '68) is a licensed professional counselor at the Child and Family Guidance Center in Dallas, Texas. Joyce is the founder of Polly's Place Southwest, Inc.; a non-profit agency dedicated to providing professional counseling services to families with a holistic and Christian perspective. Her son, Brian, was ordained into ministry by the Idaho Seventh-day Adventist Conference in 2008, and in addition, Joyce is proud to mention that her son Jeffrey is the maintenance director at Camp Wawana in California. Joyce and her husband, **Norman** (BA '67, MDiv '70, DMin '88), make their home in Wylie, Texas.



The Adeniyi Family



Evelyn &amp; Daniel Gutekunst



John Josiah



Marilyn &amp; Michael Lay

## 1970s

**Michael Cafferky** (MDiv '78), associate professor of business and management at Southern Adventist University, recently took an eight-day trip to the Russian Federation where he provided 30 hours of classroom instruction for a course on Advanced Leadership. The intensive Advanced Leadership course is one of the requirements for students enrolled in the Andrews University Theological Seminary Doctor of Ministry degree program with an emphasis in Leadership. The 23 students enrolled in the course came from all over the Russian Federation as well as some neighboring countries such as Ukraine, Moldova and Armenia. Cafferky provided instruction on the topics of organization theory and design, change leadership and time management. But he also became a learner in the process. "Exploring with them leadership theories and practices that have been developed in Western countries was an exciting educational process for me," he says. "I started the course by asking them to evaluate something that was developed in the West. They responded very well to this. It provided an opportunity for them to articulate the history of their experiences of living and working in a socialist environment."

**Godfrey Iheonye** (BS '78) currently resides in Nigeria with his wife, Nonye. They have three children: Ogzechi, Mmesoma and Ifunanya. Godfrey currently works as a teacher in both high schools and colleges in Nigeria. He is also working on a PhD in environmental health at the Federal University of Owerri. Godfrey recalls his time at Andrews as "the good old days," and says that the University prepared him very well for family and public life.

**Ronald Jaecks** (BA '78), a general surgeon at Salem Hospital, was honored recently at the Kaiser Permanente shareholders meeting in Portland, Ore. Jaecks, current chief of surgery for Salem Division of Kaiser Permanente, was selected by his peers to receive the Distinguished Physicians Service Award. The award was a double honor to the Jaecks family since Kelli, his wife, had just been inaugurated as president of the Oregon Dental Hygienist Association.

**Benjamin McArthur** (BA '73) is professor of history at Southern Adventist University, where he has taught since 1979. His wife, Callie, teaches in the School of Nursing. They have two children, Emily and Mills. In late 2007, Ben's biography of Joseph Jefferson, *The Man Who Was Rip Van Winkle*, was published by Yale University Press.

## 1980s

**Michael Adeniyi** (BA '88, MA '90, PhD '00) is the CEO/President of Wholistic Home Health & AFC Services in Niles, Mich. He resides in Granger, Ind., with his wife, Grace (Ogundiya). They have three children, Mary, Andrew and Michael. He is the author of *Effective Leadership Management; An Integration of Skills, Styles and Character for Today's CEO's*. Michael has been "used mightily" by God through helping the needy in Nigeria as well as the erection of an Adventist church there. He is very active in his home church where he serves in a variety of roles including elder.

**Daniel Gutekunst** (PhD '83) is retired and resides in Cruseilles, France. He worked for 12 years at Salève Adventist University in Collognes, France, where he trained 650 American students in the Department of French Language. Daniel has worked for the Seventh-day Adventist denomination for 41 years, including 23 years as a missionary in Africa. He says he still receives letters from his African students who are leaders in the church today. Their letters to him and his wife, Evelyn (Schwebel), usually begin, "My dear Papa and Mama..." Daniel and Evelyn have three children, including **Marc Daniel** (att.).

**John Josiah** (MA '88) is retired and resides in St. Croix, Virgin Islands. He served the Church as president of the North and East Caribbean Conferences of Seventh-day Adventists. In addition, he has held various posts throughout both conferences including evangelist and Family Life



Roy &amp; Shirley McGarrell



The Ogunwemimo Family



The Schiffbauer Family



The Smith Family

director. In total, John served the Adventist Church for 42 years and is thankful for his wife, Gloria (Murrell) Josiah, and their three children; Ronald, **Avonelle (Josiah) Dorant** (BSMT '90), and **Cryston** (BBA '94, MDiv '00).

**Michael Lay** (MAPM '88) resides in Clermont, Fla., and works for Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences as a professor. Michael served as a pastor for 36 years in 33 churches and 11 districts. He and his wife, Marilyn (Farley), have been married for nearly 48 years and have three adult children, David, Brian and Andrew. Michael remembers Andrews for its days of snow drifts, icicles and fun times taking photos.

Currently residing in Maracas, Trinidad, **Shirley (Martinborough) McGarrell** (BA '83, MA '85, PhD '00) works as vice president for general admissions at the University of the Southern Caribbean. She has also held several administrative posts at Caribbean Union College including department chair (English), dean of faculty of humanities, vice president for academic administration, and president. She is very proud of her family of Andrews degree holders: her husband, **Roy** (MA '81, PhD '90) and their three children, **Andre** (BSMT '84), **Fern McGarrell-Hudson** (BSN '87), and **Faith-Ann** (MA '95).

**Arne Nielsen** (BS '83) is an administrative superintendent for the Florida Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. He makes his home in Longwood, Fla., with his wife, Teen. They have three young adult children. Prior to his current occupation, Arne worked as a superintendent in the Idaho Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, served as a missionary to Kenya, worked as a teacher, gymnastics coach, and was the dean of boys at Maxwell Adventist Academy. He is currently working on a PhD in leadership from Andrews. His memories of Andrews include being in the Gymnics program—where he met his wife—and working at the Andrews Dairy.

**Asonye Noble Ngozi** (BA '83) lives with his wife, Regina (Kalu), and their three children in Abia State, Nigeria. Ngozi is currently a public servant for the Abia State Universal Basic Education at Abam Junior High School, where he has served as the director, posted as a duty school principal. Ngozi is a prospective FIFA referee and enjoys his service as a Sabbath-school teacher.

**Rotimi Ogunwemimo** (BA '83) is doing his graduate studies at Olabisi Onabanjo University in Nigeria where he is finishing an MEd in Social Studies Education with plans to begin a PhD. Rotimi has taught in an Adventist Seminary High School. He remembers Andrews for its educational mission, which he describes as “the best.” Rotimi and his wife have three children: Tomi, Tobi and Temi.

**Carolyn (Gregory) Scheller** (MAT '83) makes her home in Delmar, Del., where she works as a head elementary teacher for the Park Seventh-day Adventist Church. Carolyn achieved a Zapara Excellence in Teaching Award in 1991 and also served on the development committee for the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists for a Bible workbook project. In her local church, Carolyn helps with Sabbath School, Pathfinders and speaking appointments. She is also a Bible worker. Carolyn and her husband, **O. Kenneth** (MA '61), have two adult children, Michael and Kimberly.

**Christa (White) Schiffbauer** (BS '83) makes her home in Port St. Lucie, Fla., alongside her husband, **Daniel Schiffbauer Jr.** (BA '82, MDiv '87). Christa serves in her home church as treasurer. In the summer of 2007 she fulfilled a lifelong dream by recording a CD of Christian inspirational songs and hymns titled, “He Cares For You.” Christa has also enjoyed teaching. She has taught Sabbath School at her church and pre-school at White Sands Missile Range in Las Cruces, N.M., where she was given a special award from the Army for her work. Christa and Daniel have two children, Melissa and Michael.

**Annette (Palfi) Smith** (BBA '88) resides in Hamburg, Pa., with her husband, **Jerry** (BS '89). She works for the Wilson School District in Reading, Pa., as an accounts/payroll specialist. She also serves her local church as assistant treasurer and assistant head deaconess. Annette's



The Velasco Family



BeVerly &amp; Charles Zacharias



The Da Silva Family



Wendell Gaa

memories of Andrews include Thursday evening dean's worships, long lines at registration, and the people she worked with at the financial aid office. Annette and Jerry have one daughter, Cynthia, and a son, Jereme, who is currently attending Andrews.

**Jonathan Velasco** (BS '88) is serving as a vascular surgeon in Dayton, Ohio. He returned to Ohio, where he did his surgery residency, after working as a trauma surgeon in Loma Linda, Calif. Jonathan considers his wife, Janet (Wasylyshen), and their two-year-old daughter, Sophia, to be blessings in his life.

**BeVerly (Lemon) Zacharias** (MMus '83) resides in Calhoun, Ga., where she teaches at a private music studio. Over the years she has taught voice and piano for three Adventist academies, and played the organ for various churches in the Northeast and Northwest. Jeri also stays active in her home church as a women's ministry leader and Sabbath School teacher. She still recalls Sabbath walks along Lemon creek during her stay at EMC and the old Miller Organ in West Hall. Jeri's husband, **Charles** (MMus '83), also taught music at the academy level.

## 1990s

**Daniel Faakye** (BBA '98 MBA '00) and his wife, Henrietta, reside in Edgewood, Md. Daniel works as an assistant controller for The Warren Group, a real estate company in Baltimore, Md. His wife is employed as a registered nurse.

**Sandra (Ortiz) Da Silva** (BSW '96, MSW '97) and her husband, Lincoln, reside in Romeoville, Ill. with their two sons, Felipe Alexander, 2½, and Sergio André, 1. They attend the Hinsdale Adventist Church. Sandra is a stay-at-home mom and works part-time as a social worker, dealing with domestic and international adoptions. Lincoln is a senior IT auditor for Deloitte & Touche in Chicago, Ill.

**Wendell Gaa** (BS '98) has been a diplomat with the Philippine Department of Foreign Affairs in Manila for the past eight years. He's kept busy traveling around to different Asian locales for both business and pleasure. Destinations have included regions throughout the Philippines, Malaysia, China, Australia, Singapore and Thailand. At present, he is applying at universities located either in the Asia-Pacific region or Europe, with the goal of gaining a master's degree in international relations. He writes, "I will always cherish the education I received while studying at Andrews University from 1994–1998. Among my favorite classes were Substance Abuse, taught by Duane McBride, chair of the Department of Behavioral Sciences, and Curt Vanderwaal, recipient of the Zapara Excellence in Teaching Award in 1998; Persuasion taught by Luanne Bauer; and Cultural Anthropology taught by Øystein LaBianca." He misses the moving conveyer belts carrying lunch trays at the AU cafeteria, checking his e-mail at Nethery, Bell and Chan Shun Hall computer labs, and bicycling all the way to Apple Valley and Schraders just to purchase groceries.

**Rosie Hmar** (MA '98) works as a teacher in Aizawl, Mizoram in India. She has consistently worked in a mission school since she left Andrews. Rosie is active in her church, where she has served as youth leader, local fund treasurer and Sabbath School superintendent, among other posts. She has also helped with building churches during her vacations.

**Mark O'Ffill** (MDiv '98) is currently teaching at Hillop Christian School in Antioch, Calif. He made the transition to teaching after serving as a pastor for five years in Florida. Mark was ordained in 2001 and his wife, Sherilyn, was commissioned to Adventist ministry in 2005. Mark is excited to note that he and Sherilyn are one of only a few couples in a relationship where both spouses are ordained/commissioned. Mark still remembers good times at Andrews when he worked for ITS and attended small group meetings at a fellow seminarian's home.





Rosie Hmar



The O'Ffill Family



Virginia Romer



The Cauley Family

**Virginia Romer** (MA '98) currently works as the vice principal of Preston Albury Secondary School in the Bahamas. She has also served as head of the Guidance Department and contributed to the Bahamas Junior Certificate National Exam. Virginia remains active in her local church where she serves as the children's ministry director, children's choir director, and Sabbath School teacher. She is proud of the graduation of her son, Eduardo Romer-Rolle, who graduated from Tennessee State University in 2006.

**Gregory Woodard** (MS '90) writes, "The Lord has blessed me recently in my career with several honors." He teaches physical science and physics at Pasco-Hernando Community College in New Port Richey, Fla. In May 2006, he received the NISOD Excellence Award for teaching from the University of Texas at Austin. NISOD stands for the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development. In June 2008, he was awarded a faculty chair—a \$5000 teaching and research grant—from his college, to observe and study the total solar eclipse of July 22, 2009. On August 1, 2008, he flew over the Arctic and the North Pole to witness and record the total solar eclipse that occurred that day. The studies and images of both of these eclipses will be used in science classes at the college. A story he wrote about the August 1, 2008 eclipse, as well as images he took, were published in a book, *Eclipse 2008*, by TravelQuest International. The book may be viewed online at the TravelQuest International website ([www.tq-international.com](http://www.tq-international.com)). He gives the Lord all the praise for His goodness and blessings.

**Brad** (MDiv '04) and **Nellie (Das)** (BSN '94, MSN '03, ANP) **Cauley** and daughter Alexandra celebrated the birth of Bradford Jr. on July 30, 2008. The Cauleys now live in Lufkin, Texas, where they minister to a three-church district.

## Births & Adoptions

To **Cassandra (Larson)** (BS '06) and **Jason Jakobsons** (BS '04, MA '06), a girl, Isadora, Nov. 21, 2008.

To **Victoria A. (Gonzalez)** (BA '06, BS '09) and **Dane W. Sorensen** (BA, BS '06), a girl, Chloe Alexandra, Loma Linda, Calif., July 31, 2008.

To **Nanalie Solomon-Cover** (BBA '97, MBA '00) and **Patrick Cover** (BBA '96, MBA '97), a boy, Jaxon Wayne, Savannah, Grand Cayman Islands, Feb. 13, 2008.

## Deaths

**Eleanor Gene (Grubbs) Umek** (former staff) died Feb. 20, 2009, at the age of 85.

During World War II, Eleanor moved to Indiana and was one of the first female employees at the Steel Tube Mill, where she was in charge of the 15-mile narrow-gauge track which carried materials throughout the mill. At the mill, Eleanor met the sister of the man, Thomas Andrew Umek, who would become her husband. Tommy was overseas in the war and they corresponded by mail. They were married on Sept. 20, 1945.

Tommy and Eleanor made their home throughout the Midwest, relocating various times before settling in Berrien Springs, Mich., in 1960 with their four children—Tom, Mark, Phil and Dena.

In Berrien Springs, Eleanor took care of her family as a stay-at-home mom until the children were teenagers. They also opened their home to countless numbers of college students, friends and family throughout the years.

After the unexpected death of Thomas on March 14, 1947, Eleanor continued to work at the custodial department at Andrews University, where she spent the next 23 years until her retirement in 1989.

Continuing to make family and friends her priority, she loved to write and receive letters and phone calls. She was so well known as a caring mother figure in Berrien Springs, that the United States Post Office correctly delivered a letter to her home which was addressed to “Mom in Berrien Springs.”

Eleanor’s family will remember her, along with many other things, for the family reunions for which she was so passionate.

**Samuele Bacchiocchi** (MA '62, BD '64) of Berrien Springs, Mich., died on Sabbath, Dec. 20, 2008, at the age of 70. He was born in Rome, Italy, on Jan. 29, 1938, a stone’s toss away from the Vatican.

Upon studying a Bible given to his family by a Waldensian acquaintance, Sam was convicted that the Sabbath was the true day of worship. This revelation brought challenges for him, especially at school where he was ridiculed mercilessly by classmates and teachers who called him “il judeo” (the Jew) because of his refusal to attend classes on Sabbath. One teacher threatened to fail Sam if he couldn’t produce a medical note excusing his absences. His mother procured a note from a doctor indicating that Sam’s mind was “incapacitated” on the Sabbath. Ironically, the topic of the Sabbath became the subject Sam presented some of his most inspired and theologically persuasive arguments about to people around the world.

In 1960, at the age of 22, Sam earned his Bachelor of Arts from Newbold College in England. He then traveled to Andrews University in pursuit of two master’s degrees, one in church history and the other in divinity. In December 1961 he married his sweetheart, Anna Gandin. Shortly after, the newlyweds headed to Ethiopia where Sam was accepted into the Seventh-day Adventist Junior College in Kuyera. There he helped the school become debt-free by initiating a broom-making business for the college. In Ethiopia his daughter, **Loretta** (BS '86, MS '94), and son, **Daniel** (BArch '90), were born.

After Ethiopia, Sam was accepted into Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome where he became the first non-Catholic to be admitted in over 450 years. During his studies, a third child, Gianluca, was born. In 1974, Pope Paul VI awarded Sam a gold medal for his classwork and his doctoral dissertation, “From Sabbath to Sunday.” The work was translated to English in 1977 and published. After receiving his doctorate, Sam returned to Andrews University in 1974 to teach theology and church history. He taught at Andrews for 26 years. Sam authored more than 17 books and 200 *Endtime Issues* newsletters. His writings brought many to the Sabbath truth. In February 2007, Sam was diagnosed with colon cancer. He died on Dec. 20, 2008, and is survived by his wife and three children.



Until her last day, Eleanor was an active member of Pioneer Memorial Church, where she volunteered and served in various other capacities.

She is survived by her brother, **Burgess Grubbs** (BS '76); one daughter, Dena; three sons, Phil, Tom and **Mark** (BS '75); daughters-in-law Kathy and **Sandra** (BA '74), and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**Carl Fletcher** (MA '78, DMin '92) died Dec. 30, 2008, in England. He was born March 5, 1947. A celebration of his life was held at

the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Bolton on Jan. 15, 2009 and a memorial service at the Camp Hill Church, Birmingham, UK, on Sunday, Feb. 8, 2009.

Carl made many friends during his time at Andrews University and was active in ministry and freelance journalism. He led a full life occupied by his work for God and touching everyone he met with his enthusiasm for evangelism, despite bearing the pain and suffering of his illness.

Plans are underway to establish an evangelistic taskforce in his memory.

**Eric John Murray** (BBA '51, MBA '69), former president of the Caribbean Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, died peacefully on the evening of Sept. 29, 2008.

When he was appointed Secretary-Treasurer of the Caribbean Union in 1965, he achieved the distinction of becoming the first West Indian to serve as an administrator at the Maraval-based regional office. Murray, 88, had been ailing for the past four months. Bessie, his wife of 55 years, died three weeks before on Sept. 9, 2008.

Murray was born in Tobago and received his early education at Scarborough Roman Catholic Primary School where he was taught and influenced by Lionel P. Mitchell, an outstanding Tobago educator, musician and social activist. He was a twelfth-grade graduate of Caribbean Training College in 1945. An avid reader and brilliant student, Murray was among the early graduates of Caribbean Training College who traveled to Adventist institutions in the United States to pursue undergraduate studies.

He completed a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1951 from Emmanuel Missionary College. Years later in 1969, he graduated from Andrews University and became probably the first Adventist minister in the southern Caribbean to have earned a master's degree in business administration.

In 1964 he was ordained as a gospel minister in Barbados. The following year he was appointed as Secretary-Treasurer of the Caribbean Union, the first national of Trinidad and Tobago to hold that position. Previously he had served as Secretary-Treasurer in Adventist organizations with

headquarters in the Bahamas and Barbados.

In 1978, Murray was elected as president of the Caribbean Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the first Trinbagonian, and only the third West Indian to be president, a position he held until 1991, longer than anyone else. Murray was an author, editor and maintained a keen interest in public affairs. He was a student of history, and was concerned with issues such as equal opportunity, diversity, religious freedom and comparative religion.

He was devoted to his family, and leaves to mourn his passing his daughter, Arlene Murray Mixon (Toronney), his son, Hans Gordon Murray, and many other relatives and friends.

**Arthur Furman Belote** (former staff), 84, devoted husband to Winona G. Belote and retired educator at Furman University, passed away August 31, 2008.

After graduating from Newport News High School, he worked for the *Daily Press* until he proudly served his country in the U.S. Army, European Theater from 1943–1945. He was part of the allied invasion of France at Utah Beach.

Following his retirement from a distinguished teaching career at Furman University, Belote taught a research course through Andrews University in Hong Kong and Taiwan, and then he and his wife visited Bangkok, Singapore, and the Malay Peninsula. They loved to travel and share in the experience of seeing other cultures and beautiful people.

Dr. Belote's interests and involvement were many. He was an active member of the

Spartanburg Seventh-day Adventist Church, and an avid supporter of World Christian Ministries.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his nieces, Betty Wilson of Richmond, Va., Barbara Council of Jacksonville, Fla., and Bobbi Park of Panama City, Fla.

**Edith (Louise) Reid Buelow** (BS '74), 54, was killed in a farming accident on June 30, 2008, in Bashaw, Alberta, Canada. Louise was born in Calgary, Alberta, March 18, 1954, to Ken and Thora Reid. She graduated from Wisconsin Academy in 1971 and completed teacher certification at the University of Alberta in 1975. On June 27, 1975, she married Clifford Buelow. They were married 33 years.

Louise was active in the Mirror Seventh-day Adventist Church, leading children's Sabbath Schools, organizing community service outreach and many potluck lunches that served visitors and family. Her many musical talents anchored the church services week after week. She worked with her husband on the farm, keeping the business accounts and moving cattle. For several years, she also served as a teacher's aide in the local public school.

Louise is survived by her husband, Clifford, two sons, Kelly (Christie), Phillip (Laurie) and a daughter Leanne (Troy), her mother Thora, a step-dad David, two sisters, **Barbara** (BA '68, current faculty) and Kristine, a brother, Colin, three grandchildren Hayley, Melissa, Zoryn and numerous nieces and nephews.

## Keep us informed

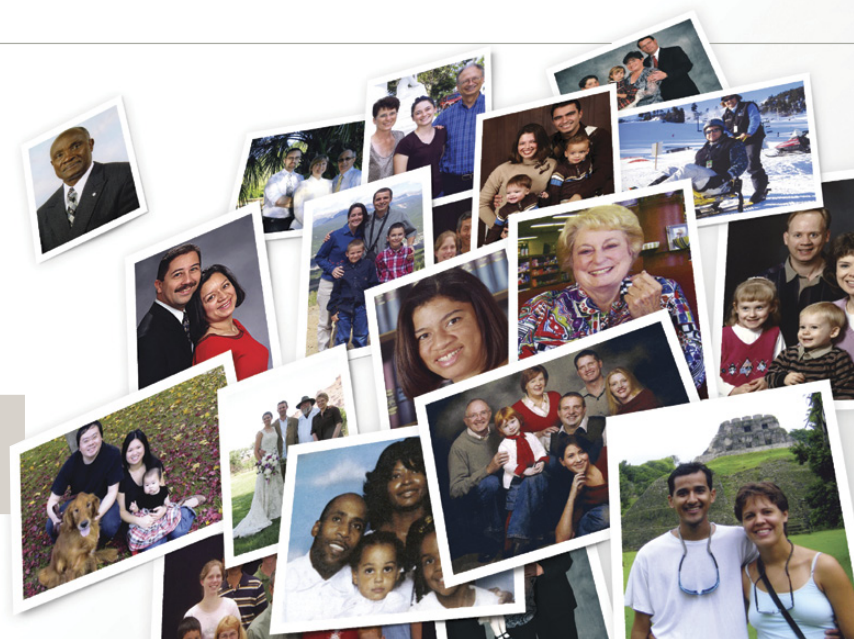
Were you recently married? Have you rejoiced in the birth of a new child? Celebrated the life of a loved one who passed away? Share your recent life stories with alumni friends. Class notes provide an opportunity to include news about achievements, professional development, additional degrees or certificates, travel, hobbies, volunteer work or anything else interesting about you, or your family. If possible, please include a high-resolution digital photo or original print for publication in class notes. Thank you for keeping your alumni family up-to-date with your life.

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Preamble

“Have you no conscience?” The CC once was asked that question. Which got the CC to thinking: Does it have a conscience?

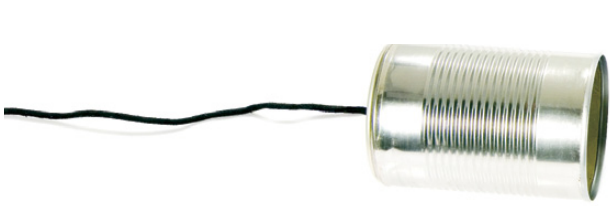
When the CC was young, it was idealistic. Now that it is...well...older, the CC considers itself to be realistic. Being realistic, however, does not mean an absence of ideals. The CC is inspired, and re-inspired, by the energy, enthusiasm and activism of Andrews students. Students are not only preparing to create a better future, they are working to usher in a better present. Not all students, of course. Some are selfish and lazy. And believe you me, the CC knows selfish and lazy. Mmmmm, doughnuts. What was the point? Oh, yes. Students are inspiring. The CC’s conscience is pricked.



# CAMPUS CRAZE

## SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY EDITION

Villages	👍	Whether they are raising children, having their greens preserved or dressing up like a cop/construction worker/cowboy/etc., its people are way cool.
Blood donation	👎	Yes, saving a life is noble and all. But the lightheadedness – oh, the lightheadedness!
Justice	👍👎	Some people wrongly think that justice means getting what you want. Even so, let it flow down as waters....
Philanthropy	👍	The CC is planning to use its money to make a difference – and quickly, before the money disappears....
Mentoring	👍👎	Give a man a fish and he eats for a day. Teach a man how to fish, and he gets up early on the weekend to spend time with his buddies.
Environmental activism	👍	Can we just get over the debate about the cause of the earth’s environmental stress? Any authentic Christian ought to be a willing steward of God’s creation.
Barbie	👎	They can make Barbie into a missionary doctor doll, but body image issues persist....
Change the World	👍	It’s not just a happenin’ marketing catch phrase, it’s one of Andrews University’s raisons d’etre.



Speaking of...

“While Susan is great at giving curriculum advice, her caring and motherly love—clearly seen with her four children—is equally clear with all her students, leading her to spend a great deal of time with them on personal and spiritual levels.”

*Keith Mattingly, dean of the College of Arts & Sciences, in the recorded tribute for Susan Zork (assistant professor of religion), recipient of the Daniel A. Augsburg Excellence in Teaching Award, March 2, 2009*

“Couple the heart of a loving father with the encyclopedic knowledge of ever-changing class schedules, professional school requirements, and admissions protocol and statistics—no wonder his advisees sing his praises.”

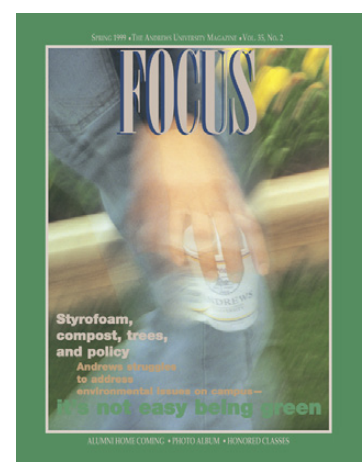
*David Steen, chair of the Department of Biology, in the recorded tribute for Bill Chobotar (professor of biology), recipient of an award for 40 years of service, March 2, 2009*

“Always retaining his teacher’s heart, Niels-Erik is quick to share publicly and privately...that the goal of our work is to provide an environment that inspires faith, learning, creativity and service in the next generation of students who will, he reminds us, someday carry the keys to our offices.”

*Gerry Karst, chair of the Board of Trustees, in his remarks during the presentation to President Niels-Erik Andreasen for reaching the milestone as the longest-serving president in the history of this institution (14 years and counting), March 2, 2009*

### Fun-da-mental facts

- According to some estimates, 250 million trees would be saved each year if all newspapers were recycled. Yes, even *The Student Movement*.
- Americans use 2.5 million bottles of water every hour. In a perhaps related item, Americans make 2.5 million hourly trips to go visit Mrs. Murphy. (Unconfirmed source: *Cheaper by the Dozen*)
- The United States generates the most trash in the world (1,609 pounds/person/year). That means 5% of the world’s people are producing 40% of the world’s waste. The CC is reminded of its grandma’s counsel: waste not, want not.



### From the Spring 1999 issue

Issues of social awareness and responsibility, including environmental concerns, are not a new topic on the Andrews University campus. Ten years ago the cover article was titled, “It’s not easy being green.” Speaking of environmental stewardship, Dennis Woodland, professor of botany, said, “We’re not going to change the mindset of a bunch of gray-hairs, of politicians or church leaders or whatever, who have already made up their minds. What I see hope in is our young people who are still open-minded, willing to think and look and reason.”

Woodland is still crusading for the environment and teaching the current generation of Andrews students to care for their planet.

It may not seem like one person can make all that much of a difference, but as the old song says, “It only takes a spark...to get a fire going.”

### A frowsy fallacy

To recycle is to be green.

Kermit is green.

Therefore, Kermit should be recycled.

## The love story of Dottie & Jimmy

Written by Andre Weston  
as told by Dorothy (Dottie) Davidson

The fall of 1946 brought a mix of new and returning students to the campus of Emmanuel Missionary College (EMC). While many of the new students were excited about the years to come, some recurring faces weren't so sure about whether or not another year in Berrien Springs, Mich., was right for them. Exemplifying such students, I had made plans to enroll elsewhere, opting for local education at a business college in my hometown of Battle Creek, Mich. However, after only one day at Battle Creek Business College, I started to reconsider. The environment was nothing like the beautiful Christian atmosphere I had experienced on the campus of EMC.

Since my parents affirmed my desire to return to EMC, I took a step of faith. It did not come without doubts and legitimate concerns. I had heard that EMC was juggling a high number of incoming students against a limited campus housing capacity. In addition, a transfer would put me behind in classes as the academic year had already begun a month earlier. Despite these obstacles, I returned to EMC.

Three hundred and fifty miles away in Athens, Ohio, another previously enrolled student was also considering a return to EMC. His name was James R. Davidson (Jimmy). Jimmy had recently completed a stint with the U.S. Army and Air Force where he acquired the rank of Corporal. Prior to his military service he had begun studying mathematics at EMC and now his options were open for a continuation of those courses. Instead, he



Dorothy (Dottie) Shasky (att.) and James R. Davidson Sr. (BA '51) on their wedding day, June 1, 1948.

began to lean towards teaching and ministry. He eventually decided to major in religion with a minor in history and education. His decision to return was welcome news to his sister, Annabelle, a current EMC student. Like me, Jimmy was merging into an EMC school year already underway.

Jimmy and I first crossed paths on a beautiful fall afternoon in October. Annabelle was enthusiastically introducing her younger brother to ten young women. Jimmy wore his Army dress uniform for the occasion. The introductions occurred near the EMC tennis

courts on a sloping green lawn. I was present among the ten women. Jimmy does not recall our initial meeting, but the occasion was of deep significance to me. It was an intense thought racing through my mind, "That is the man you are going to marry." I remember being surprised and intrigued by the notion.

After that initial encounter, Jimmy and I continued to see each other now and then. One particular day Jimmy noticed me because I was wearing a bright red raincoat which caught his attention. Other times, he would come into the snack shop where I worked



The original wedding party included, L-R: Bill Davidson (Arch. faculty), Jim Davidson (BA '51), Dottie Davidson (att.), and Marion Shertzer (Honorary LHD '99).



The Davidson family, from left to right: Jim Jr. (att.), Joni (Davidson) Picukaric (att.), Jim Sr., Dottie, Brent (att.), Bonnie (Davidson) Briggs (BBA '86) and John (att.)

and I would always make sure to give him the biggest Choplet sandwich I had. Nothing significant occurred from these encounters. Jimmy remained oblivious to my feelings for him while I remained eager to interact with him.

Spending time on campus continued to provide the best chance for connection between us. No rooms remained in the dorm for students who had enrolled late so we both settled off-campus. While waiting to get into the newly constructed Tin Town housing for married students, I lived with the soldier's family in Mishawaka, Ind. Jimmy stayed at Frontenac, a palatial home converted into a dorm for returning single soldiers on the shores of Lake Chapin.

One weekend I stayed on campus, trying to recuperate from my travels back and forth from Mishawaka to EMC every day. I decided to rest on the dorm's parlor couch instead of taking advantage of a Saturday night social taking place in the gym. I asked two friends of mine who planned on attending the social to report back to me about whether or not that cute Jimmy Davidson was there. Not only did my friends see Jimmy, they came back to the dorm and persuaded me to attend. My friends were determined and propelled me to stand next to the intriguing young man who was occupying my mind. While we stood next to each other Jimmy asked me if I would like to go to a party planned for the soldiers and their guests the following week at Frontenac. I was thrilled to accept.

After that invitation, things began to pick up. The next Sabbath we met to attend church together and then ate in the cafeteria. Afterwards Jimmy escorted me back home. On the way, we strolled up to the brow of Beaver Point to enjoy the beauty of the scenery and each other's company.

I was excited about a class I had begun called Bible Worker's Training. My teacher, George Vandeman, had a personal walk with the Lord which had a profound influence upon his students. I couldn't have been happier with my decision to return to EMC. Jim was a captive audience as I began explaining all the wonderful things I'd learned in preparing a Bible study on the millennium. We both enjoyed talking about the Lord and the Bible and our life interests seemed to mesh.

That Sabbath and the evening social at Frontenac which followed is a very special memory in both of our hearts. We had eyes for no one else from that point on. Jim and I thank the Lord daily for the life He has given us. We were married June 1, 1948, and were blessed with five wonderful children, who along with their spouses and grandchildren have made our lives full and complete.

We've had the joy of serving the Lord in many countries—Central and South America, Europe, Canada, Okinawa, Africa and the U.S. We count it a privilege and look forward to meeting those whose lives we have touched when we see them in heaven.

To this day I feel that God placed that

thought in my mind, "That is the man you are going to marry," because it was the sparkplug that began a relationship which has lasted 62½ years. We praise God for how He led us and continues to lead us day-by-day. We want to go hand and hand into the kingdom of heaven where it won't be just 60 short years but an eternity of being one together in Christ. What a glorious day that will be when we can see Jesus face-to-face and He'll say to all of us, "You are the one I am going to marry. Come to the feast I have prepared for you." "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

Jim (BA '51) and Dottie Davidson (att.) held a 60th wedding renewal ceremony in West Palm Beach, Fla. on June 14, 2008.

#### What's your story?

We'd love to hear your reflections on the time you spent at Andrews University. If you're interested in contributing, please e-mail [focus@andrews.edu](mailto:focus@andrews.edu).

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Photo by Sarah Lee (BT '02)

The promise of spring takes root across campus as random green sprouts break through the earth, reaching for the warming sun above.