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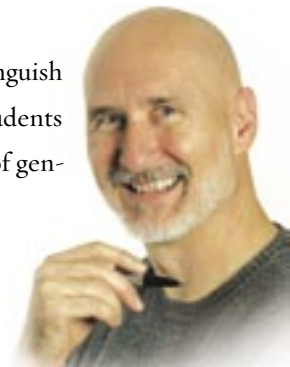
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**W**e are very fortunate to have a premier Adventist institution of higher learning as a member of our Lake Union family. With deep roots in our Adventist history, Andrews University continues to adjust to the needs of today's students by providing people and resources to help balance the unique pressures of student life.

This issue highlights some of the people and features that distinguish Andrews University as a school that is dedicated to helping students successfully balance their lives while preparing them for a life of generous service to the world.

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# PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

BY WALTER L. WRIGHT, LAKE UNION CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

## Is There Really a DIFFERENCE?

**I**f you haven't experienced both sides, you wouldn't know. You hear horror stories, but is it reality?

I enrolled at The Ohio State University with 7,000 other entering freshmen. Our opening convocation was held in the 105,000-seat Ohio Stadium. I lived in the stadium dormitories, Buckeye 3-North, with 17 other guys. My chemistry lecture came from a professor in an amphitheater way down front speaking into a lapel mic.

They tried to force me to take military training; Ohio State is a land-grant college where ROTC training is mandatory. The lights were turned out at midnight each night, but we did not have to be in our rooms. It was different in the ladies' dorm. They had to be in by 11:00 p.m.

Guys came home late with noise and rowdiness due to the beer-drinking contests they participated in at the North or South Heidelberg taverns. If you had prayer before leaving your room, that was the only prayer on campus. If you came back to your room on Sabbath afternoons, there might be a Big Ten Conference football game going on over your head in the stadium. Cool? Nope! I dropped out before finishing my first year.

Years later, after completing a bachelor's degree, I entered the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University. Tom Blincoe, associate dean of the Seminary, took me into his office, knelt down, and prayed for me. I lived in Garland Apartments, 3-C, where it was quiet and conducive for study. Every class began with prayer.

Fellow seminarians gathered in my apartment to eat beans and cornbread; we discussed how to make a church board agenda and how to make proper visits in hospitals. The Sabbath was truly a delight because everybody went to church—well, almost everybody. There was no mandatory military training because we were all conscientious objectors, or more correctly, non-combatants willing to save lives, but not take lives.

Oh, yes! There was football on Sundays. It was flag football, played on the field across from Lamson Hall. You could focus on studies because no one was aspiring to make the team and one day become a pro in the National Football League.

Yes, there is a tremendous difference in these fine universities. I later studied at the University of Pittsburgh, University of Kentucky, and I returned to The Ohio State University to finish what I had started 30 years before. My grandson, Walter Wright III, was there with me to collect my diploma, along with 1,700 others in my social and behavioral science class.

What do I remember most about Ohio State? Wishing I could see the Buckeyes play on Saturday. What do I remember most about Andrews? I recall with great gratitude a godly dean who prayed for me with great tears running down his cheeks. He was pleading with God to direct my path and one day make me useful in His service. Guess who won that one!

# Welcome NEW MEMBERS

**Indiana** **Terri McDonald** was experiencing a low point in her life with many personal issues and was becoming depressed. “My spiritual life was at a low ebb, since I had not attended any church for about four years,” she lamented. Wanting to give her some spiritual encouragement, her sister, Linda Zschiedrich, gave her a Bible to read.



Terri McDonald

“I was blessed as I read,” recalls Terri. “I also began spending time in prayer each morning and evening. These new spiritual activities brought peace and hope into my life.”

A year later, in August 1999, her ten-year-old nephew died from bacterial meningitis. “I was very upset with God and did not understand why He allowed his death,” she remembers. “I questioned God’s character and ultimately stopped praying, though I still believed in God.” She discussed her doubts with Linda. Her sister’s understanding responses to her emotions and questions became a godly influence.

Toward the end of 2003, Terri was assigned to a different job. It became apparent that God guided in this change. Assigned to the same section was Jon Forss, an Adventist co-worker. “We frequently talked about the Bible,” she said. “He encouraged me to visit his church. I was leaning toward joining a different denomination at the time, so I didn’t accept his invitation right away. Jon did not give up on me. Every workday, for three months, Jon and I talked as friends about Christ’s teachings.”

One day, Jon announced to Terri that he was presenting the sermon the following Saturday at his church. She informed him that her sister, Linda, also attended the Adventist church. To her surprise, Jon said he knew her. With his encouragement, Terri went for the first time to the Lafayette (Ind.) Church to hear Jon speak. She’s been attending ever since. “Jon’s message spoke to my heart,” she said, “and the members were friendly and made me feel comfortable. It was as if I belonged there.”

Before she started attending the Adventist church, Terri worked every Saturday ... but not anymore. “My whole life has changed,” she observed.

She began studying the Bible with Throstr Thor-darson, Lafayette Church pastor, in the spring of 2004.

Through this experience she came to understand how Christ’s sacrifice atoned for her past life, and she learned to understand the teachings necessary for eternal life. She was baptized on October 16, 2004, and now rejoices in a new walk with Jesus and His followers.

Terri McDonald, as shared with Becky Pfeifle, Lafayette Church communication leader

**Michigan** **Ken Spurbeck** remembers as a young man discussing questions about the Sabbath with his pastor-teacher. He asked why the church he attended met on Sunday when the Bible said Saturday was the Sabbath. The Sabbath question remained unsettled in his mind until eleven years ago when he received an announcement in the mail for a Bible prophecy seminar being offered in St. Charles by Ron Feeley, former Michigan Conference evangelist.

Ken couldn’t attend the seminar because of work conflicts, but was interested and asked his daughter, Brenda, if she would attend for him and learn what was being presented. She agreed.

The meetings were so dynamic and Bible centered that soon Brenda became a member of the St. Charles Seventh-day Adventist Church. Her decision challenged Ken, and he began reading literature and books she brought home. As he studied, he was convinced of the Bible truths he found, but dragged his feet about joining her new church family.

Later, his younger son, Scott, become convinced and joined Brenda as a member of the Adventist church. Over the years, Ken continued to read books loaned by his daughter, while he and his wife faithfully continued to attend their church.

At Christmas, Brenda gave him a set of prophecy videos by Walter Vieth. He watched them and was deeply impressed with the messages. He began attending the



From left: Robert Quillin, pastor, and Ken Spurbeck on the day of his baptism

St. Charles Adventist Church and became acquainted with Robert Quillin, pastor, who suggested they begin Bible studies.

After a few weeks, Ken made an appointment to meet Quillin at his Saginaw church office. His first question was, "Where is your baptismal tank?" Quillin replied, "Come, I'll show you." The tour gave him an opportunity to settle the physical aspects of a baptism.

Ken studied the *Stories of Prophecy* Bible studies with Quillin and together they watched the entire series of videos. He soon made his decision and was baptized in the Saginaw church, becoming a member at St. Charles.

When asked by a family member why he didn't counsel with his former pastor before becoming a Sabbath-keeper, Ken replied, "He's had fifty years to explain it to me. What more could he tell me?"

Since joining the church, Ken has had a burden for his former pastor. He meets with him periodically to watch the prophecy videos together, and discusses them afterward. He is also sharing videos with several friends.

He is looking forward to what God is going to accomplish in their lives, "confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:6).

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Bruce Babienco, *Lake Union Herald* volunteer correspondent, adapted from a 2004 Michigan Camp Meeting testimony.

**Michigan** **Barbara Read**, a Berrien Springs Village Church member, first learned about Adventists in 1992. As a single mother living in Elkhart, Indiana, a co-worker's friend told her about GENESIS Project, an Andrews University single parent program developed to encourage those seeking an undergraduate degree, and to help them support themselves. Excited about its prospects, she moved to Berrien Springs and began classwork at Andrews University.

Looking back, Barbara remembers growing up in a home with no religious affiliation. She did attend a handful of Vacation Bible School programs with her paternal grandparents. But since her parents did not attend church, Barbara's commitment to a church was not strong.

While at Andrews University, she attended an evangelistic service on campus one evening in 1996, when Doug Batchelor was the speaker. At that service, she was challenged by what she heard.

Later, an Adventist neighbor invited Barbara to her home to watch a series of evangelistic messages presented by Kenneth Cox, entitled, "The Midnight Cry." In 1999, she



Barbara Read (left) studied the Bible with Stephanie Wines (right), Village Church Bible worker, before she was baptized.

also went to the Berrien Springs Village Church to watch Doug Batchelor's *New Millennium* series via satellite, but her schedule only allowed her to attend half the meetings.

By the following year, her exposure to Adventist preaching began to stir her thinking. She realized that all of those presentations of Bible truths were real and correct. After graduating from Andrews University, she was providentially employed as a social worker and her boss happened to be the Village Church head elder.

He invited Barbara to attend his church's *Hope for the Homeland* meetings conducted by Larry Lichtenwalter, senior pastor. Although life's demands with work and two children made it impossible for her to attend every meeting, she sensed the Holy Spirit once again speaking to her through the Bible truths that were presented. As Barbara continued to study with Stephanie Wines, she became convinced she needed to completely surrender her life to Jesus and to the truths she found in His Word. Following an eleven-year quest for God, she was baptized and joined the Village Church.

Barbara's experience is a beautiful example of the gentle and patient way God works in the lives of His people. He provides a variety of people, circumstances, and even institutions to meet the needs in our lives. We may not always understand His leading or His timing, but looking back we can see His faithful providence.

The journey has been long, but God has blessed with many opportunities, including the opportunity for Barbara's children to learn of God's personal care for them, and His purpose for them to enjoy eternal life. Barbara and her children praise God for His goodness, patience, and love.

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# MOSAIC:

*Worshiping God Through Creativity*

BY BEVERLY STOUT



Richard Parke, Mosaic director

Laura Whidden Wetterlin, a local Christian artist, performs during Fusion at the Howard Performing Arts Center.

It's 9 o'clock on a Friday night—where are you going to be? If you're a student at Andrews, there's a good chance the answer will be "at *Mosaic*."

What is *Mosaic*? It's student testimony; it's contemporary praise and worship; it's being creative through art; it's fellowshiping with friends in a café setting. "*Mosaic* is a way students can express themselves through worship," says Richard Parke, senior business major and *Mosaic's* current director. "It's not about providing an activity, as much as it is providing a place for that activity. Wherever you bring God in, He'll be there."

The idea for *Mosaic* arose about five years ago when Nick Zork approached Steve Yeagley, *Mosaic's* faculty sponsor, with a burden for an after-vepers activity. "Vespers was out by nine, and there was an empty couple of hours before curfew," says Steve. "Friday night is a time when students are looking to be together in a Christian environment. They want to honor the Sabbath, but be together, letting go, relaxing."

Under Nick and Steve's leadership, *Mosaic* has morphed through a variety of stages and names. First known as *Second Story Café*, and then *Glo*, both were a combined café and worship program held in the cafeteria. In its third year, Nick and Steve split it into two parts and renamed it *Mosaic*.

The *Mosaic* experience began with a café setting held in the Chan Shun Hall lobby, then an hour-long praise and worship program in the Seminary Chapel, ending with the opportunity for students to return to the café. This turned out to be a success, with students filling up both venues.

Richard became *Mosaic's* director after Nick graduated. Being involved and taking a leadership position on campus

is not new to Richard, who had a key role in the development of Andrews' college Sabbath school, *Higher Ground*.

Richard has been involved at church and in ministry as long as he can remember. As a child, growing up in a small church in Buchanan, Michigan, Richard remembers helping out in Sabbath school and taking up the offering. "I've never really been a pew sitter," he explains, and says he came to Andrews because "it was easy to get involved here."

*Mosaic* continues to evolve under Richard's leadership and is now a weekly program. This year, Richard also added the Christian Concert Series, featuring independent Christian artists monthly. "It's been an eye-opening experience," says Richard.

*Fusion*, a popular student-led monthly Friday evening program combining *Mosaic*, the *Black Student Christian Forum*, vespers, and other programs, grew out of *Mosaic* last year. *Fusion* promotes campus unity and has become its own entity, normally replacing the regular 7:30 p.m. vespers once a month. An average of 600–700 students fill the Johnson Gym each time it's held. "People really enjoy coming together," says Steve. "At *Fusion*, it's not unusual to hear gospel, Spanish, and contemporary praise songs in the same evening."

As Steve explains, "*Mosaic* is meant to be a place for creative Christian expression, it's diverse. Just like Andrews University, *Mosaic* is a picture made out of a lot of pieces."

Beverly Stout is the University Relations *Lake Union Herald* correspondent.

# BEYOND *our* BORDERS

## From Michigan to MOSCOW

A FIRST STEP IN A LIFE OF MISSION WORK

BY WENDY MANN



The idea of going as a student missionary had been floating around in my head, but I had lots of concerns. I was only a year away from graduation. My grandfather was seriously ill, and I didn't want to leave the country with his condition unsure. But there was something inside me telling me to go for it, and I decided I would at least ask for more information.

My decision was reinforced in the annual mission emphasis chapel the next day. I knew then this was something I had to do and made a mental note to stop by campus ministries the next day. I received a call from my sister letting me know my grandfather had passed away and while I was terribly sad, it became clear to me the time for being a student missionary was now.

Over the next couple of months, I completed all the necessary paperwork and prayerfully made the decision to go to Moscow, Russia. My family and friends were supportive, but most really didn't understand why I would choose to spend a year in Russia. They said I would freeze to death or starve because I would get sick of eating potatoes and cabbage. Some of my friends said I'd be home after a couple of months, but I knew God had a great experience ahead for me.



Wendy Mann

When I finally arrived in Moscow, everything was surreal. It was quite difficult at times. At first I couldn't understand anyone. I didn't know where I was going. I didn't know anyone, and I felt sick much of the time. Plus, I absolutely hated my volunteer vocation for the year—teaching English as

a foreign language. I dreaded it every day. I felt completely untrained, unqualified, and unprofessional.

Soon, though, I started to make some great friends. I realized I knew my language well enough. I liked people



Wendy Mann (front row, third from left) poses with student missionaries at the student missions retreat held before she left for Moscow.

and cared about trying to do a good job. I realized those were really the only qualifications needed. I can't say I ever want to teach English again, but I'm learning to like it a little more week by week. I've even admitted to my class that I enjoy teaching.

I can't say I know exactly why God sent me here, but I can say I'm here because this is where He wants me. I've been having a great year, despite small hardships. The Russian people are wonderful! Once you get to know them, they are the most authentic people you'll ever meet. They are not afraid to tell you how they feel and what they think ... and I like that.

I'm learning a lot about myself and about who I want to be when I leave. I don't know if this is the "mission" God had planned for me, or if this is only a preparation, but I like to think it's a first step in a life of mission work. I realize I'm far from perfect. I have down days when I feel like I'm the one who needs to be drawn closer to the Savior. But then I remember God doesn't call perfect people. He calls those who are willing to tell others about His love and mercy.

Wendy Mann is a senior photographic imaging major at Andrews University.



## Getting Ready for COLLEGE

BY SUSAN E. MURRAY



**B**eginning when Donnie was eight or ten, Joe and Beth visited the nearby Seventh-day Adventist college for special programs. Beth would say to him, “This is where you will come to college someday. This will be your school.” That began a love affair with Walla Walla College, which became Donnie’s alma mater for both his undergraduate and master’s degrees.

Getting a child ready for college begins early and in small ways. Let’s consider what to do and what not to do to ready a child for college.

First of all, don’t give your baby a career. While you may fully desire to have your child attend and complete college, the important thing in infancy is to meet the real needs of your child, providing her with a consistent, loving environment. Focus on learning who this little individual is and how to nurture her in ways in which she responds best.

Well-meaning parents often push their children to learn the alphabet and count to 100 before they go to preschool. Knowing those things may be fine, but what a child really needs to be ready for school is to understand how to get along with others, how to focus on an activity, how to follow directions, and how to handle their emotions. Keep in mind that counting to 100 and knowing what one, two, or five really means is quite another thing. Understanding the concept of numbers is much more useful than counting to 100.

In elementary years, it is helpful when parents provide an environment of consistency and one that is the least stress-filled as possible. The idea that if a child gets punished at school, he gets punished at home is based on faulty reasoning. Those at school, although well-meaning, may sometimes make mistakes resulting in an unfair punishment. Home should be the place where children are safe to learn how to handle the unfair situations—the place where they know they are respected and honored. Then, they are ready to learn.

Parents have the responsibility of providing an environment where children can enhance their understanding of the world outside the school classroom. This is also an opportunity to acquaint your child with the concept of college. Explore different professional opportunities during family worship. Pray for those you know in college and pray for our educational institutions.

If your child has been educated in a church school, he will know that academy, and perhaps college, are the next steps. Providing your child with a Christian education takes commitment. That commitment sets up an expectation for continuing with Christian education.

I have known too many college students whose parents have said upon completion of academy, “You are on your own for college.” These young people know in their hearts that they should be in a Christian college, but the only way is to borrow, borrow, borrow. In my experience, many students are over-burdened by these financial concerns. It is reflected in their inability to focus, concentrate, earn the grades they desire, and enjoy college-life.

Avoid planning your child’s future career while planning early how to meet your child’s educational needs throughout life. Be committed to substantially assisting your child when she’s ready for college, always praying that she will experience the joy of discovering God’s will for her life.

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Susan Murray is an associate professor of behavioral science and social work at Andrews University.





## Take a TIME-OUT

BY WINSTON J. CRAIG

**Periods of rest are essential to health of body and mind.**

**T**he human body is not powered like the Energizer Bunny. Any system of the human body that is overworked or excessively stressed without appropriate rest will soon fatigue. A muscle used excessively can cramp and lose function, just like a computer crashing. The brain that is constantly working without rest and with no time to recharge its batteries will soon fatigue and lose full power.

Fatigue limits the ability of our brain to think clearly, make accurate judgments, be creative, and plan effectively. People experiencing fatigue are more likely to express negative attitudes, and are more prone to anger and depression. Fatigue increases your risk of accidents and mistakes, and decreases your level of efficiency.

During World War II, the British sped up production of war materials. Factories went to a 74-hour work week. However, because the factory workers were not properly rested, their morale fell and accidents increased. Records revealed they actually worked only 66 hours per week.

The factory owners decided to reduce work hours to 48 hours a week with a mandatory one-day rest weekly. To their surprise, production went up 15 percent even though they worked fewer hours. Furthermore, morale improved, absenteeism dropped, spoiled work decreased, and there were fewer accidents. Regular rest and eliminating fatigue made the difference.

Some professional sports have a number of time-outs during the game so players can regroup and plan a new game strategy. In like manner, we all need to regularly take

a break, regain our focus, and revise our life strategy. The time-out can be short periods during the day, an annual vacation, or one day weekly for reflection. The rhythmic pattern of resting one day a week is an ancient idea. The Sabbath was God's gift to the human race to preserve life and promote spiritual, mental, physical, and emotional health.

A regular period of rest and relaxation ensures freshness and vitality. Periods of rest are actually essential to the health of the body and mind (see *Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. 7, p. 247). In our stress-filled, busy lives we really need some downtime. Christ recommended we regularly take a time-out (Mark 6:31). Those bearing heavy loads are invited to experience true rest by spending some quality time with Him (Matt 11:28-30).

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**Regular rest ensures freshness and vitality.**





# EXTREME GRACE

## BEWARE the "Good Cigar"

BY DICK DUERKSEN

**A**lthough I was on my way to Portland, United Airlines sent me to Denver. I love Colorado, but an hour is not nearly enough time to rent a car, drive to the mountains, and breathe thin air. So I located the Portland departure gate, and began wandering through the shops.

"Hey Dick!" I looked up and saw Roland Hegstad, *Religious Liberty* former editor, careening down the corridor with his luggage in tow. "What are you doing here?" he asked, beginning a 20-minute conversation about the world, the church, football, family, chance meetings, and cigars. (He brought up the cigars.)



*These cooperative pelicans posed for this photo as the "snowbirds" struck up a conversation with the author.*

"Seems like everywhere I go, I meet another Adventist." He chuckled, and then sped off to the punch line. "Remember this, Dick. There's no place in the world where an Adventist can smoke a good cigar!"

We both laughed heartily as we dashed to our planes.

Now, please understand me. I have no desire to smoke any kind of cigar. The Devil knows where to tempt me, and the cigar option's not on the list. But, I have thought about Roland's warning thousands of times. He's right!

If I were to light up a cigar in the most foreign of foreign places, I would immediately be greeted by someone I knew in academy, or discover the saleslady in the cigar store is my pastor's mother-in-law!

Last month I was in Fort Worth, Texas, for a couple days. Hoping for some good bird photographs, I added a few hours at Padre Island National Seashore where I found two successful fishermen, fifteen white pelicans, and perfect sunlight. Just the eighteen of us. No one else around. One fisherman was putting the boat away and the other was cleaning the catch. I was behind my tripod, training a 300mm lens on the greedy birds, who were pushing and shoving in hope of some free fish.

About that time a car drove up and two "snowbirds" ambled over to watch the show.

"Are you taking pictures for a magazine?" a lady asked.

"No, for hospitals," I answered, without taking my eye from the camera.

"What hospitals?" she pressed.

Realizing she had more questions than I had patience,

I looked her in the eye and said something about using the photographs to improve the "healing environment" in the hospitals and doctors' offices of the Adventist Health System.

"So then you're Dick Duerksen," she said victoriously.

How was I to know I would find a *Herald* reader on an island in Texas! As we talked, I kept hearing Roland. "Remember this, Dick. There's no place in the world where an Adventist can smoke a good cigar!"

When Jesus asks us to be His witnesses, He means all of the time, everywhere, regardless. No exceptions. Then He reminds us He'll come along to provide whatever will power we need to escape the Devil's temptations. If we trust Him, we can be like Him!

King David describes how God helps us trust Him. "You know me inside and out, you hold me together," David says about God, "you never fail to stand me tall in your presence so I can look you in the eye" (Psalm 41:12, *The Message*).

When I'm eye to eye with God, no "cigar" is attractive!

Dick Duerksen is an assistant vice president for mission development at Florida Hospital.



# Nothing to Fear

BY ANN FISHER

A brief history of Adventist pioneers would not be complete without mentioning the names of Hiram Edson and John Byington. Hiram Edson is remembered in Adventist history because he was the first person to offer a biblical explanation of The Great Disappointment. John Byington is best known as the first General Conference president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

**Hiram Edson**, a Methodist layman from Port Gibson, New York, joined the Millerites in 1839 and waited with the believers for Jesus to come on October 22, 1844. Hiram said, “We looked for our coming Lord until the clock tolled twelve at midnight. The day had then passed, and our disappointment became a certainty. Our fondest hopes and expectations were blasted.”

While many Advent believers waited and wept until dawn, Hiram suggested they go to the barn and pray. They prayed until convinced God had heard their prayers and He would give them light to understand where they had misinterpreted Scripture.

Later, Hiram suggested to his friend that they go visit and encourage other Advent believers. To prevent being mocked, they avoided the road and crossed through Hiram’s fields, where corn was still on the stalks and pumpkins still on the vines. The Advent believers didn’t harvest their crops since they didn’t expect to need them.

As they walked through the cornfield, Hiram stopped as an overwhelming conviction came over him that the “cleansing of the sanctuary” (Daniel 8:14) was not a reference to Christ’s second coming, but that Christ had started His final phase of judgment in the most holy place of the heavenly sanctuary.

As early Adventists prayerfully studied the Scriptures, they became convinced God had raised up the Millerites to call attention to a special gospel message—the three angels’ messages of Revelation 14—to be delivered at the end of time. Hiram sold his farms and donated the profits to help spread this end-time message.

**John Byington**, affectionately known as “Father Byington,” was the oldest of the early Adventist pioneers. The son of a prominent Methodist preacher, he read a copy of the *Review and Herald* in 1852 and began keeping the Sabbath.

He conducted Sabbath meetings in his own home for three years, then donated the land and erected the first Adventist church building. His daughter, Martha, taught the first Adventist elementary school (1853). One of the first Sabbath schools was conducted in Byington’s home.

John was a friend to the friendless, a man who cared for the poor. He regularly entertained Native Americans and Blacks in his home and operated a station of the Underground Railroad for runaway slaves at Buck’s Bridge, New York, where he lived on a farm. He was a man of integrity who stood for principle, even when it called for personal risk or civil disobedience.

Ellen White reminds us we have nothing to fear for the future unless we forget how God led us in our past history. Early Adventists were bound together by a common experience, guided by the Holy Spirit. Out of that experience, our pioneers developed character traits we would do well to emulate today. They were honest, independent, humble, Spirit-filled, youthful, multi-cultural, faithful, reform-minded, self-sacrificing, and mission-oriented. These roots of your new family tree, grounded in the Word of God, have sustained the branches that have grown and now extend to all parts of the world, bearing fruit for God’s kingdom.

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## “Praise Is What We Do!”

SINGING AND SIGNING THE GOSPEL

BY DIANE THURBER AS SHARED BY KIM LOGAN-NOWLIN



Kim Logan-Nowlin,  
God's Hands of Praise  
director and founder

On December 18, 2004, the *God's Hands of Praise* (GHOP) gospel sign language choir celebrated ten years of ministry at the City Temple Church in Detroit, Michigan. The unique ministry of this dedicated choir provides a worship experience incorporating American Sign Language (ASL), under the leadership of Kim Logan-Nowlin, director and founder. With this resolve, they have impacted the deaf and hearing-challenged community throughout this country and around the world, with over 300 presentations.

Kim began the choir ten years ago with just eight members. Since then, 101 members, ages 5–69, have been a part of this marvelous ministry. GHOP was the first gospel sign language choir to travel to Bermuda and to tour across Europe. They have traveled throughout Michigan, Illinois, Canada, and many other parts of the country, ministering to both deaf and hearing-challenged individuals. They have sung and signed at churches, camp meetings, revivals, retreats, nursing homes, schools, radio interviews, and cable television programs.

“I believe every Christian can do something, with the gifts and talents God gives each one, to bring individuals to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and to help build up His church,” Kim said with conviction. Her experiences have convinced her that individuals of all ages need to learn a second language to empower themselves to communicate with others and to enhance employability skills.

As other individuals, groups, and choirs witnessed God at work through *God's Hands of Praise*, they also desired to be used in a sign language ministry. God has used Kim and the choir to help start over 12 new ministries since its inception.

Thousands of individuals of all ages are fascinated with learning sign language. ASL is one of the most complete sign systems in the world and is used throughout North America. Sign language is a beautiful and expressive way to

communicate. It not only ministers to the deaf and hearing-challenged, but many hearing audiences have also seen God's invitation and have responded to His call.



God's Hands of Praise choir celebrates ten years of ministry.

For the past ten years, GHOP has been planting seeds for the harvest and will continue to do so. Their desire is to invite others to come to Christ, looking forward to the day when together they can go to Heaven when Jesus comes.

In addition to her career as a family therapist and communication professional, Kim Logan-Nowlin, a certified ASL instructor, also serves the deaf and hearing-challenged as interpreter. She is involved in training other City Temple members to use ASL to help spread the gospel.

As GHOP members become interpreters and teachers for church services, concerts, television ministry, and other programs, they truly enjoy their outreach ministry. GHOP members say they look forward to sharing their ministry because “praise is what we do.”

“Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men!” (Psalms 108:8)

For more information about this ministry, contact Kim Logan-Nowlin at (313) 898-8200, or visit [www.kimlogancommunications.com](http://www.kimlogancommunications.com).

Diane Thurber, *Lake Union Herald* managing editor, as shared by Kim Logan-Nowlin, *God's Hands of Praise* director and founder



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## La semilla dará sus frutos

POR CARMELO MERCADO

*El que da semilla al que siembra y pan para comer, proveerá y multiplicará vuestra semilla y aumentará los frutos de vuestra justicia (2 Cor. 9:10).*

**E**l 15 de enero de este año ocurrió algo especial en una de las iglesias de nuestra Unión. La iglesia de East Chicago, Indiana, vio reunidas a más de 200 personas para celebrar dos grandes bendiciones. Primero, celebraron el cincuenta aniversario de su establecimiento como iglesia. Segundo, tuvieron el gozo de tener su celebración en un nuevo templo en Hammond, Indiana, que pudieron obtener sin incurrir en ninguna deuda. En esta ocasión se pudo reflexionar sobre la historia de la iglesia y de cómo el Señor dirigió en su establecimiento. Sucedió de la siguiente manera. Una hermana llamada Agnes Matuzik comenzó a hacer visitas misioneras y a distribuir literatura en Gary, Indiana. En su trabajo se encontró con dos ex-adventistas procedentes de Puerto Rico. A pesar de que ellos hablaban poco inglés y ella nada de español, pudo animarlos a volver a la Iglesia Adventista. Estas personas pronto se rebautizaron y comenzaron a testificar a otros hispanos en la comunidad. En 1952 un pequeño grupo se organizó como una escuela sabática filial y dos años más tarde como iglesia: la primera iglesia hispana en Indiana.

Recuerdo bien haber comenzado mi trabajo ministerial en esa iglesia, primero en 1976 como estudiante del seminario, y luego como su pastor. Aprendí mucho esos primeros años acerca de cómo trabajar para el Señor.

En el año 1984 conduje una campaña evangelística en Hammond y llegué a conocer a un señor llamado Alfredo López. El señor López era muy fiel en su asistencia a las reuniones, pero por varias razones nunca hizo la decisión en



*El pastor Mercado y Alfredo López en el día de su bautismo.*

unirse a la iglesia. Sin embargo, varios hermanos y pastores siguieron manteniendo contacto con él, aún después de mi salida del distrito.

En la celebración que acabamos de tener en enero un hermano de la iglesia se acercó a mí en la hora del almuerzo. Me dijo que estaba presente un hombre que había asistido a la campaña que yo había tenido hacía más de veinte años y que ahora quería que yo lo bautizara. Imagínense mi gran sorpresa al ver que ese señor era el hermano López, y que tenía en sus manos la misma Biblia que le habíamos regalado entonces.

La lección que aprendí de esto es que debemos seguir siendo fieles en la labor de esparcir la semilla del evangelio.

No siempre vemos inmediatamente el fruto, pero si somos fieles y hacemos nuestra parte, el Señor se encargará de los resultados.

### FUTUROS EVENTOS, NOTICIAS, NOTICIERO

Deseo informarles que el programa **"SIETE SEÑALES"** será televisado vía satélite del **1° al 7 de abril** por el canal hispano adventista Esperanza. Invitamos a todos, y especialmente a los jóvenes, que no se pierdan ni una noche de esta serie. Además, el **23 de abril** tendremos un entrenamiento en español de cómo alcanzar a ex-adventistas en la iglesia americana de South Bend. Hable con su pastor o llame a mi oficina para obtener más información.

Que Dios nos guíe para seguir sembrando la semilla de su Palabra.

Carmelo Mercado es el vice presidente general de la Unión del Lago.



# THE SCIENCE OF ADDICTION

BY KARL BAILEY

For many years, our understanding of addiction and the brain emphasized the brain's so-called pleasure or reward circuits: Drugs made people feel good so people took drugs. Over time, addicts' brains developed tolerance to their drug of choice so more and more of that drug was needed to get the same pleasurable effect. Eventually the brain could not function without the drug, leading to addiction.

However, in recent years researchers have been rethinking the role of pleasure in the formation of long-term addictions. The pathways believed to control pleasure and reward involve a particular signaling chemical called dopamine.

It has long been known that rats with damaged dopamine circuits will not voluntarily eat. In fact, when the rats are forced a tasty treat, their faces show clear signs of pleasure.

It appears that what prevents the rats from eating is a lack of desire to eat, not an inability to enjoy food. Likewise, addicts do not report the pleasure of taking drugs increases as they become more and more addicted, but rather that cravings get more and more intense. Thus, many scientists now believe dopamine circuits control desire or craving, rather than pleasure.

Drugs, of course, aren't the only thing that can induce desire or cravings. Hunger, wanting to do well on a test, and planning for a vacation all involve desire of some sort. Resolving any of these will involve a feeling of satisfaction. The desire and pleasure pathways are closely linked in the brain.

Humans are created for action and need some way to decide what, among dozens of options, to do next. When planning for a vacation weeks away, you are still able to take

care of your immediate needs because your brain's desire circuits are able to properly rank all your desires at any given time.

The addicted brain cannot properly perform this ranking. No matter what other desires an addict has, the desire to obtain the source of the addiction will always be paramount. This is a slightly different description of addiction than the pleasure principle given earlier. Addiction is driven by what occurs in the brain before the drug is taken (a craving), rather than what occurs after the drug has been taken (a flood of pleasure).

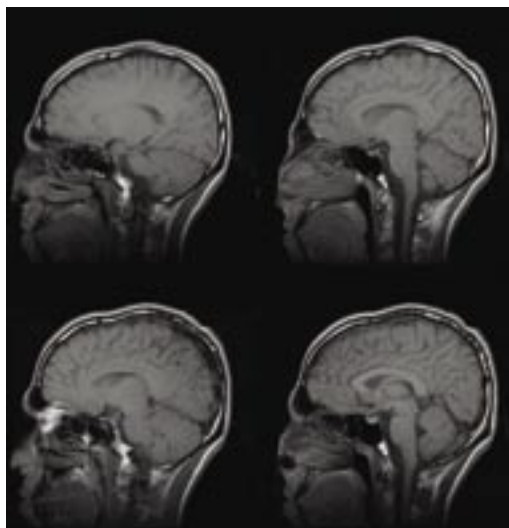
But why would such a reordering take place? The answer appears to lie with the brain's ability to learn to associate initially unrelated contexts with the anticipation of events. This sort of learning happens all the time. Experienced drivers learn to anticipate what other drivers will do on the road.

Addicts' brains learn certain contexts mean an influx of alien chemicals is about to occur. Just as Pavlov's dogs responded to a learned context by salivating, addicts respond to certain contexts by preparing for the drug to enter the body. This is one reason heroin addicts tend to suffer severe reactions (sometimes leading to death) when taking their normal dose of heroin in unfamiliar circumstances.

One of the side effects of heroin use is reduced respiration. When heroin is taken in familiar circumstances, the body can anticipate, and will counteract, the heroin's effects on breathing. In unfamiliar circumstances, this anticipation does not occur, and breathing may be interrupted.

The same mechanism may also account for why addicts who have been drug free for many years may suddenly develop cravings. These cravings may themselves lead to relapse into addictive behavior. Not surprisingly, they tend to occur when addicts find themselves in similar situations to those in which they purchased or used drugs. Simply showing an addict pictures of people using drugs will cause their dopamine circuits to activate, even years after they last used drugs.

This long-lasting connection between drug use and motivation may be the result of the way the brain stores information. The brain learns by developing and strengthening connections between brain cells. These are physical changes;



*Structures in the lower and frontal parts of the brain make up the dopamine pathways. Magnetic resonance imaging, used to take these pictures in a normal subject, can be used to assess how these structures respond to various contexts.*

brain cells can be seen sending out new fibers to connect to surrounding cells in response to a stimulating environment. Being conscious of a relationship is not necessary, as the brain is able to automatically identify and store important patterns in the environment.

Drugs of abuse (such as amphetamines) have been shown to cause the same kinds of changes in brain cells as those that occur during normal memory storage. This may indicate the development of memories that link the context of drug use to anticipation of the drug itself. Over time, these links

will get stronger and stronger, further tying the drug and surrounding environment together, while at the same time reducing the ability to do anything unrelated to obtaining and taking the drug.

Simple principles of learning, memory, and motivation give us a powerful understanding of the way addiction develops and continues to hold an addict in its bonds. Because drugs are foreign substances, they are able to take over these processes and upset the balance of normal learning and motivation.

Looking at addiction from this perspective tells us we can't just understand addiction by looking at chemicals in the brain. Instead, it is important to understand the entire addictive situation, from the level of the physiological effects of the drugs to daily behavior patterns, social circumstances, and future plans. Moreover, a learning perspective suggests freedom from addiction is not a cure for a disease, but rather a developmental process, where the addict is constantly aware of the possibility of relapse, and is alert to those circumstances which might induce cravings.

At the Andrews University Summer School of Addictions, our goal is to examine addictions from all of these directions. This year's workshop will be held May 2-5, 2005, and will cover the topic of drug and alcohol addiction in relation to causes, rates, and treatments. For more information, contact Derri Hanson at the Institute for the Prevention of Addiction at (269) 471-3558.

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# BALANCED ADVENTISTS

BY KERMIT NETTEBURG



**T**he trial of Marcus Wesson began in March in Fresno, California. Adventist members may face questions about the trial from friends and co-workers. Marcus is the man accused of murdering nine family members last year.

At least one family member identified Marcus in the media as a Seventh-day Adventist. In fact, Marcus appears to have been reared in a Seventh-day Adventist home, attending church often with his parents.

However, as an adult, Marcus had few contacts with the Adventist church. He purchased food and books at an Adventist Book Center. He worked as a janitor during an Adventist campmeeting. But he rarely, if ever, attended an Adventist church service or fellowshipped with a local Adventist community. His name has not been found on any church membership list. While he apparently urged some family members to be baptized in Adventist churches, he never encouraged them to participate in local congregations.

He preferred, instead, to live in isolation with his family, where his own unique views would not be challenged by the counsel of others. This allowed Marcus to misuse Scripture, Ellen White, and a mixed bag of teachings from other denominations to justify his own actions, including “marrying” several women, even some of his own children. His unbalanced life reflected “pick and choose” Christianity. Create your own religion, but wrap it in a Christian shroud.

What’s an Adventist to think? Perhaps the most appropriate response is that the Adventist life, like any Christian life, needs to be characterized by balance.

- ▶ We read the *Adventist Review*, and *Newsweek*.
- ▶ We go to church, and to community softball games.
- ▶ We believe Jesus is coming very soon, and we believe we should help provide pure water to people in isolated Sarawak’s longhouses.

- ▶ We believe God loves us no matter how we behave, and we believe our behavior matters.
- ▶ We believe in careful stewardship, and profligate generosity.

Those are not contradictions; they are the balance of Adventist life. So how does balance reflect itself in your life? What produces balance?

## Try three things:

**Attend church regularly.** Marcus virtually never was part of the fellowship of Adventist believers. Hebrews tells us not to “forsake the assembling of ourselves together.” The community of Adventists keeps us from jumping into the ditches on either side of the road.

**Share your faith.** Talking with non-members reminds us what is important. Arguments over interpretations of Daniel 11 won’t be as important to us when telling non-members God has a plan for their lives. Nothing keeps us more balanced than active faith-sharing.

**Learn the value of diversity in thinking.** Read the Bible every day, and read a newspaper. Talk with Adventists and Hindus. Talk with Adventists from California and Indonesia. Balance your insider’s viewpoints with regular contact with other’s thoughts. Then test things by Scripture, and hold fast to that which is true.

That balance was missing from Marcus’ life, and a horrible tragedy followed. As you hear news of the trial and of possible connections to the Adventist Church, recall the importance of balance in your relationships with God and the church.

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Atilio Dupertuis is honored to teach at the institution named after the Adventist pioneer who introduced his family to Adventism and set such a positive example, advancing the worldwide mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. When he visits the James White Library, he makes a special point to see the J.N. Andrews chest to remember the sacrifices Andrews made.

# Thank You, J.N. Andrews!

BY BJORN KARLMAN

Shortly before John Nevins Andrews, the first official Seventh-day Adventist missionary, left with his children from Boston Harbor to reach the Old World with the Gospel of Christ in 1874, Jules Dupertuis left Switzerland with his family to start life in the New World. They headed for South America, settling in Argentina.

Along with adjusting to a new country, culture, and way of life, young Jules had other things on his mind. He was interested in some of the deeper questions that troubled him. Specifically, he was interested in which day of the week God set aside as holy. Why did he and other Christians worship on Sunday when the Bible clearly stated the seventh day was the real day of rest? He didn't have any answers.

Among those who also left Switzerland with Jules was a Baptist minister. Jules decided to ask the minister if he knew any Christians who worshiped on Saturday. Surprisingly, he did. They were in Switzerland. The pastor told Jules this little group published a magazine called *Les Signes des Temps* (*The Signs of the Times*). Jules wasted no time writing a letter to the magazine.

It takes little imagination to guess who received the letter. The ministry of J.N. Andrews and his family had crossed the Atlantic and now touched the lives of Jules and his family. Through *Signs of the Times*, Jules found the address for the Seventh-day Adventist Church headquarters in Battle Creek, Michigan.

On November 12, 1889, the Review and Herald published a letter from Jules. In it, he stated he had kept the Sabbath for

four years. He asked for missionaries to be sent to reach the people in his new country, Argentina. "We greatly desire that a laborer may come to take the word from house to house," he wrote. The missionaries arrived, and so began the work of the Adventist church in Argentina.

Jules was the great-grandfather of Atilio Dupertuis, Institute of Hispanic Ministry director and theology professor at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University. Atilio is honored to teach at the institution named after the Adventist pioneer who introduced his family to Adventism and set such a positive example, advancing the worldwide mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. "He's one of my heroes," said Atilio.

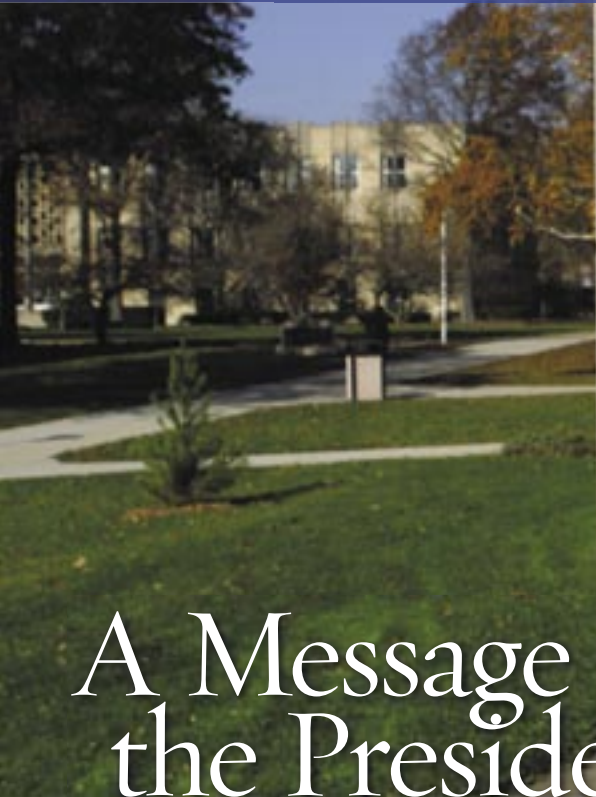
In the Center for Adventist Research, in the James White Library at Andrews University, sits the chest J.N. Andrews and his children used to stow their belongings on their trip from Boston to Europe. Often, when Atilio visits the James White Library, he makes a special point to see the chest to remember J.N. Andrews' sacrifice. "He felt the Lord was calling him," Atilio said.

The fact that J.N. Andrews was considered the preeminent scholar of the Seventh-day Adventist Church means much to Atilio. He feels the pioneer set the perfect example for Andrews University by fusing quality scholarship and deep spirituality. "It's a perfect match," he said, "we study here not just to become intellectuals but to go and share."

Bjorn Karlman is a University Relations student newswriter.



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## A Message from the President

BY NIELS-ERIK ANDREASEN

It has been a distinct pleasure to serve as president of Andrews University for more than a decade. It is rewarding to be an advocate for faith-based education, for it seems so right in our secular and materialistic age. I will never tire of seeking new ways to advance that goal. I will never tire of encouraging students to let their minds soar as they collide with the minds of good teachers at Andrews University. And I am daily inspired by the leadership our students demonstrate in their studies, in their faith, and in their service to God and man.

Through the pages of this issue of the *Lake Union Herald*, we're pleased to give you a glimpse of the people and places of Andrews University, and some of the ways we measure success. But we only begin to tell the story here. I wish you would come by for a visit in person—we're right close by, in the heart of the Lake Union.

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Niels-Erik Andreassen is the Andrews University president.



# Balanced for Success

BY BEVERLY STOUT

Success is a word that walks down the aisle with us at graduation, follows us to work, and whispers in our ears as we spend time with those we love. We long for it, make plans and sacrifices in order to achieve it, and get depressed when we don't have it. But what is success, and how does one go about achieving it? Is success just getting good grades in school, earning lots of money, driving a fancy car, or being married to a beautiful woman or handsome man? What makes one successful in life, and how does one measure success—by the clothes we wear, the car we drive, the people we spend our time with?

While Andrews University (Andrews) is an educational institution, a good grade point average is not the only way we measure success. An education at Andrews helps students become well-rounded individuals who strive to do their best, not just for themselves, but for the glory of God, whether that means doing well academically, building good relationships with others, or getting to know Jesus a little better each day.

The Andrews motto, *Corpus, Mens, Spiritus* (Body, Mind, Spirit), represents the school's belief that success is about

leading well-rounded and balanced lives. If one part of the triangle is weak, the other sides are effected and cannot function at their highest level, which is why Andrews strives to provide programming and assistance in areas beyond academics. All over campus the attitude of body, mind, and spirit is evident in the caring, spiritual nature of professors, the helpful guidance of staff and academic support, and



One hundred fifty to 200 students receive assistance from trained tutors each semester.



Karen Tilstra, advisor coordinator, and Carletta Witzel, student intervention coordinator, speak with student tutor Mark Castillo.

the opportunities given to build lasting relationships with friends from around the world, and above all, with their Savior, Jesus Christ.

### Supporting

The motto for the support team at Andrews University's Student Success Center is "Success for All." Their basic goal is to help students, all students, get the assistance needed to be successful.

"We help students open the door to being successful," states Karen Tilstra, the Center's advising coordinator. "We're about success via collaboration and connection. When students need help, we can help them personally or put them in touch with people who can."

Between 800 and 1,000 students seek help with a variety of challenges each semester. Those who haven't declared a major get help with career counseling. Over 500 students get help through the process of changing their major each semester.

The Student Success team assists students who have academic questions, need extra tutoring in a specific subject, are struggling in their classes, have a conflict with a teacher or advisor, or face specific challenges related to a disability. The team also gives support to parents and fellow students who seek to be a part of the student's success formula.

Counselors at the Center connect 150–200 students with 60–70 trained tutors in English, math, chemistry, and many other subjects each semester. Those seeking help with job placement are connected with someone who can help them write an impressive résumé and practice how to go through the interview process. Students with worries beyond school work are connected with counselors in the Counseling and Testing Center.

The Student Success team strongly believes advisors are a key element in the academic success of a college student. According to Ron Whitehead, assistant to the president for spiritual life, advisors at Andrews University do more than help students prepare for academic life. "Advisors help students catch a vision for life as soon as possible and get them involved in spiritual life on campus. They advise them not just to make a career, but a ministry out of a career."

The Student Success team works closely with advisors as a source of support and training. Because a balance between body, mind, and spirit is just as important for the faculty and staff as it is for the students, they help advisors *be* a good support system by providing *them* with a good support system. The Advisor's Breakfast and Advisor's Prayer Lunch are examples of two encouraging programs where advisors can eat, fellowship, and pray with campus spiritual leaders.

"Next to the fine members of my two academic departments, the Student Success Center folks do more to make me feel valued and appreciated than any other entity on campus," comments Beverly Matiko, associate professor of



Ron Whitehead, assistant to the president for spiritual life, shares a devotional with faculty at the advisor's prayer lunch.



Susan Zork, assistant professor of religion, encourages her class in their personal walk with Christ.

communication and English. “They generously offer praise, encouragement, and all manner of nourishment. They go out of their way to say ‘thank-you,’ not stopping at preaching partnership, but practicing it.”

Integrating faith and learning is really the key to success. This principle, demonstrated by the Student Success team, is evident in classrooms all over the campus.

### **Mentoring**

“Andrews University is here for the sole purpose of fostering the reality of Christian life and its premise of a viable relationship with God,” explains Susan Zork, assistant professor of religion. “Specifically, we teach and underscore this reality within the context of higher education, career choices, and at a time when our students are making some of life’s most profound and impacting decisions ... it’s why we exist.”

A beloved professor, Susan provides students in her classes with the opportunity to experience God in a hands-on, practical way, particularly evident in her “Personal Faith and Spirituality” class. “It’s a class on pursuing God, helping Him to be a real and tangible entity in their lives,” explains Susan.

Students have the opportunity to experience a variety of spiritual disciplines in a lab-oriented class style. Each week students practice a different discipline, journaling about their experience. On Friday, they meet together in small groups to share their process.

For the discipline of fasting, Susan and her students set aside one day to fast and pray. At the end of the fast the

group comes together in “potluck” fashion, with each student bringing a small offering of fruit, muffins, or cereal. As they eat together, students share their experiences. For some, there is a new awareness of God’s personal involvement in helping them meet the challenges of life. For others, the experience is a realization of the mechanical nature of their daily habits.

“Honestly, I want everyone to leave my class a changed person, period. Either in being more sure than they have ever been before regarding the realness and personal nature of Jesus and His intention to know us and save us, or with new conviction of this precious truth for the first time,” says Susan.

### **Caring**

The connection between faith and learning is not only evident in the religion department, but is experienced by students all over campus. Ellen Hwangbo, sophomore piano performance major, credits her decision to be baptized last



Ellen Hwangbo, sophomore piano performance major

year, as well as her love of music, to the influence of her piano teacher and mentor, Peter Cooper, music department chair.

Ellen likes to tell the story of her audition for Peter almost seven years ago. Having just moved to the United States from Seoul, South Korea, with her family, Ellen hated the idea of breaking her three-year hiatus from all things involving music. Still reeling from the harsh words of former teachers, she had come to hate playing the piano and was only picking it up again at the encouragement of her parents.

At her audition, Peter asked young Ellen if she liked playing the piano, a question answered with silence and a “look” that said louder than words, “No!” To see and hear her play now, you would never know it.

“I have studied piano for 13 years, six and a half with Dr. Cooper,” says Ellen. “Before, I played piano but didn’t love it. He taught me to love the music.”

“At other schools, teachers are more concerned with their own names,” Ellen explains. “Dr. Cooper sits for hours with students who can’t even play a scale. He believes in all his students. He first taught me music, and then how to be a better person.”

Ellen compares the department of music to a family who truly cares about each other and their success. In a field as competitive as music, this is a rare trait. Ellen has had the opportunity to play across the country, spending several summers studying at a variety of prestigious music festivals. But, no matter where she goes, she’s always ready to return to Andrews.

“I always want to come back here. There’s so much competition in other places. It’s hard to love what you’re doing

and worry about beating the other person. Friends here really care for you. At other places, it’s hard to find those who like you as a person because there is just so much competition. Here, if you’re having a bad day, friends drop everything to be with you. We care about each other, encourage each other—even those working in the office and music library.”

Ellen loves to share her music and can see herself traveling with other Christian musicians, such as her sister, Sheryl, who plays the violin. But, she knows music isn’t everything. “You can’t live with just music. It’s something God has given me to do in life, but it’s not my life.”

### Invigorating

Because studying and work isn’t everything, Dave Jardine, social recreation and athletics director, works hard to provide a balance for students, giving them the opportunity to relax, have fun, and fellowship with others.

“At Social Recreation, we create opportunities for students to build relationships, find new friends, and therefore connect with Andrews University,” says Dave.

It’s the relationships built and the memories made that people carry with them when graduation is over. It’s why people want to come back to visit on alumni weekends. Ten or more years after college, people will most likely not remember what they learned in their human development and statistics classes, but will remember the fun times shared with friends while sliding down the tubing hill or at basketball games in the gym. It’s the relationships built while in college that go beyond the classroom.

A variety of programs are planned throughout the year to give students that social and physical outlet, whether

it’s through fun events like the annual *Fall Barn Party*, *Almost Anything Goes*, *Splash for Cash*, the *Beach 2 Bank Race*, or through a variety of sports programs.

Intramurals, a program growing in numbers, gives students and faculty the chance to play together, building relationships outside the classroom.



Students pray together before an intramural floor hockey game.

Friendship games in basketball, soccer, and ice hockey allow students to interact with teams from other schools. Students may take leadership positions in the planning and carrying out of all the events organized by the Social Recreation department. Dave works with a leadership team of around 20 students.

“It’s incredible to have that amount of talent on campus,” says Dave. “We have a team that meets on a regular basis to plan events. Students come with great ideas; we build on it together, and go from there.”

Dave plans to organize more trips to take students off campus. This year, students had the opportunity to travel to Steamboat Springs, Colorado, on the annual skiing trip, as well as a spring break trip to Orlando, Florida.

“On the bus ride or traveling, there is a great chance to build relationships,” explains Dave. “Oftentimes, the traveling is just as much fun as the trip itself.”

“It’s a complete package here at Andrews,” says Dave. “Social Recreation is here to help fill in the gaps, providing healthy choices to fill in some of the downtime.”

If students don’t have a strong social support system, they are less likely to do well academically. “When one aspect suffers—social, spiritual, or academic—it’s a struggle for the others as well,” explains Dave.

### Challenging

What gives Andrews a unique edge is that students have the opportunity to build relationships with people from all around the globe, broadening their perspective and helping them learn how to be citizens of the world. With a student body representing 90 different countries, a walk through campus can take you from Berrien Springs, Michigan, to Kenya, Taiwan, Germany, or Australia.

A senior French and international public relations major, Bjorn Karlman, “world citizen,” is a perfect example of the international culture uniquely found at Andrews. A native of Sweden, Bjorn was raised in the Philippines, has gone to school in France and England, speaks fluent Swedish, French, and English, and is working on Spanish, his fourth language.

“I am Swedish, and I was worried I would not be able to keep my identity as a European when I came to the States,” says Bjorn. “Quite the contrary, when I came to Andrews I realized there was a European club and there were even special functions for Scandinavians. Far from losing my identity, Andrews affirms it.”

With the support of the International Student Services Office and events such as the annual International Food Fair, international students can find a home away from

home on the Andrews campus. A variety of clubs representing cultural heritages, from Romanian to Brazilian, Chinese to African, give students the opportunity to learn about cultures different than their own.

“Meeting the staff and students from all around the world and hearing their perspectives on issues is fascinating because it challenges me and helps me understand more about the world around me,” comments Bjorn.

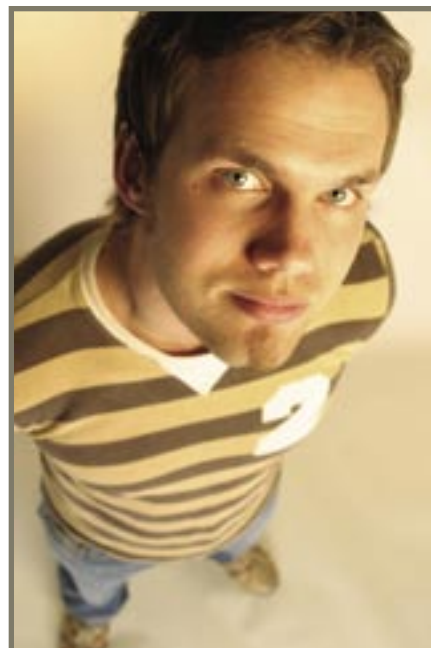
With affiliations all over the globe, students have the opportunity to receive degrees from Andrews while living in places like Thailand, India, Mexico, or England. Students in the States may also learn a second or third language while living abroad for a year in countries such as Austria, France, or Argentina.

“If I want to learn a different language, chances are Andrews is affiliated with a school in a country that speaks the language,” states Bjorn. “If I want to work in another country, there is a strong possibility a professor or student here has contacts in the country I am interested in.”

With degrees in international development, international public relations, international business, and languages like French and Spanish, Andrews is preparing students to cross borders and work all over the world.

“As an international public relations and French double major, I see Andrews as great preparation for the globalized working world,” states Bjorn. “The diversity at Andrews opens doors for students to truly follow the Great Commission, ‘Go ye therefore into all the world.’”

As Dave stated, Andrews is “a complete package.” Students have the opportunity to be successful in all areas of life, maintaining balance—*Corpus, Mens, Spiritus*. And success at Andrews doesn’t come in one shape, size, or color. It is as unique as the individuals who walk this campus.



Bjorn Karlman, senior French and international public relations major

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## One God— Many Faiths

Hansa Patel, a woman of Hindu faith, experienced a miracle at Adventist GlenOaks Hospital. She survived an amniotic fluid embolism that occurred as she was about to deliver her second child by cesarean section (C-section). Her story highlights “interfaith action” at the hospital in Glendale Heights, Ill.

The 40-year-old was a high-risk patient who had experienced a former C-section delivery, a history of hypertension, and a tendency for fibroids to form in the uterus. Her obstetrician put her on anti-hypertension medicine and monitored her blood pressure regularly. He ordered repetitive ultrasounds to monitor the baby’s growth as well as any fibroid action. When her pregnancy reached 30 weeks, he began weekly fetal monitoring.

During her office visit in her 34th week, her obstetrician, Jeffrey Lerch, saw a “non-reassuring” reading on the fetal monitor and sent her to Adventist GlenOaks Hospital for further monitoring. This led to the decision to proceed with a repeat C-section.

“It was late in the evening and we called in the operating room (OR) staff, an anesthesiologist, a neonatologist, and a surgical assistant,” said Lerch, who recalled his patient was “her usual self, smiling and joking with the nurses” as he entered the OR.

Suddenly, she complained of shortness of breath and gasped for air. The patient was going into cardiac arrest. In the briefest time, Abdel Anwar



*Hansa Patel and her husband, Shashi, update Lee Davis and Delora Hagen, chaplains, about their family while at Adventist GlenOaks Hospital. Davis supported and prayed with Shashi the night Hansa experienced a life-threatening embolism as she was about to give birth by cesarean section. Both chaplains were supportive of the family during the 23 days the Patels’ son Kris was hospitalized. From left: Lee Davis, Shashi and Hansa Patel, and Delora Hagen*

administered anesthesia, and as Lerch performed an emergency C-section, another medical team worked feverishly to save the life of the mother, who experienced an embolism.

If this crisis had transpired at home, it is doubtful the patient would have survived. Its occurrence in the OR probably saved her life.

After the patient regained consciousness, she further recovered in the intensive care unit; however, her son Kris needed to be on a ventilator and spent a week in the Level III intensive care nursery at Adventist Hinsdale Hospital. He later returned to Adventist GlenOaks for another two weeks of care.

When his parents returned to Adventist GlenOaks to visit him, Delora Hagen, a GlenOaks chaplain, told Hansa, “You are a living miracle.”

Hansa replied, “God has been so good to me. God gave me a miracle.

There is a God above all gods and He gave me the miracle.”

And so it was that a Hindu woman, a Jewish obstetrics/gynecology specialist, a Muslim anesthesiologist, a Seventh-day Adventist chaplain, and healthcare associates from a variety of religious confessions at Adventist GlenOaks Hospital came together to witness a miracle. During Nursing Grand Rounds, in which “CPR of the Pregnant Patient” was discussed, this miracle was further noted.

“People of all faiths regarded this as a miraculous situation. We felt the hand of God was in that OR,” stated Lerch.

In Adventist Midwest Health, we too believe there is one God who is above all others, and to Him we give thanks and glory for this miracle.

Lynn Larson, Adventist Midwest Health,  
Lake Union Herald correspondent



## Tami Condon Appointed New Alumni Director

What do Muhammad Ali and the inventor of kitty litter have in common? Both have previously employed Tami Condon, Andrews' newly-appointed alumni



Tami Condon is the newly-appointed alumni director for Andrews University.

director, as an interior design consultant. It would be fair to say that, since graduating from Andrews University in 1991 with a B.S. in Interior Design, Condon has worn many "hats," working variously in design, management, marketing, and development. In the process, she has honed the rare ability to connect with people, making her a valuable asset to the Andrews Alumni House.

Condon put this ability to good use as director of guest relations on the Andrews enrollment management team. During her five years at the guest relations desk, she helped revamp university recruitment protocol, acted as liaison to prospective students during their Andrews preview visits, and pioneered the successful *Student Ambassadors* program, which pairs prospective students with current student mentors.

For her post as alumni director, Condon's invaluable connecting abilities will merely shift their focus from future students to former students. "I'd like to look for creative ways to communicate and keep our alumni connected," she explains. "I'm anxious to hear what their hopes and dreams and expectations are because I'm here to serve them—that's my job."

In her first month on the job, Condon has already begun devising

new ways to achieve this sense of community within the Andrews family. The new alumni director plans to initiate a mentoring program in which established alumni work with graduating seniors as they transition into the workforce, providing career advice and even posting job opportunities on the website, which Condon also plans to update.

Condon looks forward to the challenge of keeping 28,000 worldwide Andrews alumni connected to each other. "Andrews has always been a passion of mine, and I just think this is the greatest honor," Condon states. "I have a passion for people, for making a difference, and this is a great way to make a difference."

Aaron Beaumont, University Relations  
student newswriter

## Seminary Celebrates 70th Anniversary

A milestone in Adventist history, the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary is celebrating its 70th anniversary this year. The first of the commemorative events took place on Oct. 14, 2004, during a special celebratory session at the Women and the Word Conference. John McVay, Seminary dean, gave a presentation on the history of the Seminary and Beverly Stout of the Office of University Relations provided a biographical history of women faculty of the Seminary. Jane Thayer, assistant professor of religious education, presented statistics on current women Seminary students. Following the session was a birthday cake reception.

Other events throughout the year have included mounting a time-line highlighting key events in the Semi-



John McVay, Seminary dean, presents a historical overview of the Seminary at the 70th anniversary kickoff celebration held in Oct. 2004.

nary's history on the first floor of the building, as well as a second presentation titled "The Seminary at Three-score and Ten: A Lifetime of Mission" delivered by McVay at the year-end meetings for the North American Division on Oct. 29, 2004.

A Seminary Fellowship on Feb. 7, 2004, titled "Bringing the Past to Life" featured presentations by Russell Staples, World Mission professor emeritus, Leona Running (via an audio recording), Biblical Languages professor emerita, and Robert Johnston, New Testament and Christian Origins professor emeritus.

Still to come this year is a Seminary student event commemorating the last 70 years, organized by Jennifer Sutton, Seminary student forum president. Also, a Seminary chapel aimed at students is scheduled to take place later this year and will feature a presentation on the history of the Seminary. The anniversary will also be remembered at the pre-General Conference ministerial meetings to be held in Berrien Springs.

"It's an exciting thing to be part of a seminary that is 70 years old," said McVay. Although he said the Seminary is focused on the work still to be done, "we do that better with a sense of what God has done for us in the past."

Bjorn Karlman, University Relations  
student newswriter

## [ LOCAL CHURCH NEWS ]

### God Answers Prayers for New Hammond Hispanic Church

**Indiana**—For many years, the East Chicago Spanish Church members desired to relocate to a more suitable location to fulfill their mission. They tried to sell their church for several years, but received no offers to purchase it.

Then suddenly, within just a few short weeks, there were three interests to buy their church! The price agreed upon for the sale of their church was \$115,000. At the same time, a Presbyterian church was disbanding about seven miles away in the city of Hammond, Ind. It was appraised for \$165,000. Although it was more money than the East Chicago Spanish members had, the Presbyterian church would meet the congregation's needs very well.

Anxious to secure the property, Luis Beltre Sr., East Chicago Spanish Church pastor, wrote to the Presbyterian church trustees, saying, "...we want to buy your church building." The English-speaking trustees took the words "church building" literally, because when they accepted the \$115,000 offer, they announced that the contents of the church would be removed and sold: pulpit furniture, tables, chairs throughout, three refrigerators, all kitchenware, children's division furnishings, a baby grand piano, plus other pianos, an organ, and on and on.

Now this presented a problem. The Adventist congregation needed and



*From left: Gary Case, Indiana Conference association secretary; Luis Beltre Sr., pastor; former pastors Gilberto Bahena, Ruben Rivera, and Sergio Gutierrez; and, Carmelo Mercado, Lake Union Conference vice-president and Hispanic ministries coordinator*

wanted these items and understood their offer included the contents. But the wording of the letter had said they wanted to purchase the "church building," and the trustees interpreted this to mean the Adventists wanted only the building. What a dilemma! Where could they go but to the Lord? And the Lord provided an answer!



*Hammond (Ind.) Hispanic Church members*

The Presbyterians earlier decided the money from the sale of their church was going to various charities in the community. So, the Adventists asked if they could be counted as one of those charities, and requested they donate the contents of the church to them. The trustees agreed, and the contents were all retained for the new Adventist congregation!

The most exciting part of the new church location in Hammond is that it is right across the street from a brand-new elementary school. The school has approximately 1,500 students,

with 75 percent being Hispanic! The church members see God's providence in the circumstances of providing this location for their new church at just the right time.

On Sabbath, Jan. 15, the new Hammond Hispanic Church was packed to overflowing. Over 250 people were in attendance for the all-day services celebrating the 50th anniversary of their congregation, along with the inauguration and dedication of their new church! All the Indiana Conference administration attended, as well as four of the congregation's former pastors—Gilberto Bahena, Sergio Gutierrez, Carmelo Mercado, and Ruben Rivera.

Gary Thurber, Indiana Conference president, spoke for the divine worship service in the morning. Afternoon events included a special ribbon-cutting ceremony, a music program, and an inspirational dedication service with featured speaker, Carmelo Mercado, Lake Union Conference vice president and Hispanic ministries coordinator.

The new Hammond Hispanic Church members are most grateful to their pastor and to their Lord for leading them to the wonderful new location for their church building. Members will share a message of hope and salvation with the people in their community during a big evangelistic campaign scheduled this spring.

*Judith Yeoman, Indiana Conference correspondent and Gary Case, association secretary*



*New Hammond (Ind.) Hispanic Church*



Elkhart Hispanic Church

## God Cuts the Cost

**Indiana**—The Elkhart Hispanic congregation met for nearly three years in a rented church building. For many, many months they prayed for, saved for, and searched for a church to buy for their growing membership.

At last, in February 2004, a church was placed on the market just four blocks from where they were renting. The location was wonderful! However, at the \$165,000 asking price, the 140-seat sanctuary was beyond the financial reach of the congregation.

Moving forward in faith, Luis Beltre Sr., their pastor, asked Orlando Vazquez, Indiana Conference Hispanic ministries coordinator, and Gary Case, Indiana Conference association secretary, to come assess the property. The three met with the property owner on a cold March morning. Each was impressed with the facility; it would certainly meet the needs. But the price—how could they afford it?

Standing on the walkway outside, the four men reviewed the benefits of the church property. Case addressed the owner, “Now, what do you need for this property?” With just a moment’s pause, the owner replied, “One hundred thousand dollars.” The three men could hardly contain themselves, but replied to the owner, “We’ll have to talk it over.”

After exchanging cell phone numbers, the pastors went to a restaurant to pray and have lunch. The three were convicted they should make an offer on

the property immediately. While Vazquez and Beltre stood in the parking lot praying, Case called the owner and told him, “We have been discussing and praying about this matter and want to make an offer. Would you take \$95,000, cash?” With just a little pause, the owner responded, “Yes, that is a reasonable price.”

Now the real work began. To meet Conference guidelines, fifty percent of the purchase price had to be in-hand to purchase the property. There was just over \$20,000 in the building fund. With the help of the Lake Union Conference, friends of the church, and the sacrificial giving of church members, the money came in and the church was purchased! The Elkhart Hispanic members praise God for leading and providing. They know from experience that sometimes God provides by cutting the cost instead of increasing income.

Gary Case, Indiana Conference association secretary

## Shiloh Church Honors Faithful Leader

**Lake Region**—Eldora Taylor is one of those individuals who, over the past 48 years, has fortified her mind, and the minds of hundreds, with Bible truths as a dedicated Sabbath school teacher. At 84 years of age, she is the oldest actively-functioning Sabbath school teacher (teaching every Sabbath) in the adult division at the Shiloh Church in Chicago, Ill.

Taylor was baptized by E.E. Cleveland on Aug. 3, 1956. In 1957, she was invited to work with children in the Primary division of the Sabbath school department. She served as assistant leader for three years, and continued to work with children from 1957 to 1968. In 1972, she became an assistant teacher in the adult Sabbath school

division. Taylor became a fully certified Sabbath school teacher in the adult division in 1982.

Over the past 22 years she has earned four adult division teacher certificates. She not only teaches a class each Sabbath, but is also an active member of Shiloh’s Extension Sabbath school! Taylor has taken on the responsibility of visiting several sick/shut-in Sabbath school members. She provides these members with Sabbath school lesson quarterlies and delivers their tithes to the church treasurer for them.

Recently widowed, Taylor remains active and faithful by attending Wednesday mid-day prayer services, preparing meals on a regular basis for anyone who is hungry, and serves as the chaplain of her neighborhood block club!

Taylor is a retired caterer who, when asked how she does all this at her age (she even drives her own car), states, “I must always keep the Lord before me.”



Eldora Taylor

Taylor was specially honored by her church for her faithful years of service on Mar. 5, 2005. The members recognized her contribution to her church and community and prayed for God’s special blessing on her in her continued service.

As the Shiloh Church celebrates its 100th anniversary this year, it is appropriate to spotlight a pillar of the church, the Sabbath school, and the community who has served faithfully for nearly 50 of those years!

Collins J. Love, Shiloh Church general Sabbath school superintendent, Chicago, Ill.



These are some of the Burlington Church children who sing in the children's choir. From left (back): Sarah Moravetz, Tatum Shepherd, Rachel Moravetz; (middle): Nathan Moravetz, Derck Logan; (front): Lily Logan, Hanah Moravetz.

## Children's Choir Enhances Burlington Church

**Michigan**—Back in the 1960s Nedra Renshaw, now deceased, had quite an active children's choir. They practiced regularly, had choir robes, and sang special music almost every Sabbath at the small Burlington, Mich., church.

Over the years Nedra liked to talk about the choir, and ten years ago she was encouraged to begin again. Although not professionally trained herself, with help from other members, they were able to organize.

She practiced with the children in the junior Sabbath school each week, in preparation for the opening response for the call to worship at the beginning of the worship service and another musical response following the morning prayer.

In 2002, the choir was quite large. Additional practices were scheduled each Wednesday evening in conjunction with the weekly prayer meeting. This additional practice gave them opportunity to prepare a special music each Sabbath. Soon, a number of teenagers joined and the name was changed to *The Youth Choir*. During the *Hope for the Homeland* evangelistic series, the choir replaced the traditional song service each Friday night. Due to family

moves, teens going away to school, and other factors, the group was downsized to a children's choir once again. However, the children's choir continues to sing the Sabbath's call to worship and prayer response weekly.

At present, the choir has from four to eight children each week who participate in the musical responses. They still practice during junior Sabbath school and present a variety of songs. It's a credit to the congregation and their pastor who invite these young worshipers to continue to be a part of the weekly worship service. It gives them a sense of belonging and a feeling they are needed.

"When I am their guest speaker," comments Bruce Babienco, "I always look forward to hearing their sweet voices and seeing their happy smiles." Oh, that every church would recognize the desire of their children to be an active part of the Sabbath worship hour!

Glen Sauer, Burlington head elder, and Bruce Babienco, *Lake Union Herald* volunteer correspondent

## Glenwood Shares Gifts with Neighbors

**Michigan**—On Dec. 18, 2004, members of the Glenwood (Mich.) Church distributed annual Christmas gift bags to families in their church neighborhood located between Decatur and Dowagiac, Mich.

John and Alice Wagner began the tradition over ten years ago when they gave the first gifts to a few homes in the Glenwood community. The first gift bags contained a single loaf of bread and a letter from their Adventist Church neighbors. This year, the bags contained not only the letters and loaves of wheat bread, but also sweet breads, cookies, fruit, and books.

Students from the Glenwood Union



Glenwood Church neighbors look forward to the gift bags distributed by church members each Christmas. From left (back): Christien Hodet, Glenwood pastor, Mathew Oosterwal, William Crawford, Glenwood Union School teacher, and Jasmine Griggs. Andrew Roden is in the front.

Elementary School packaged a record number 175 gift bags in the church's fellowship hall on the Friday before distribution. Following the Sabbath fellowship dinner, maps identifying assigned routes were distributed to six teams made up of church members and visitors.

In addition to distributing the gifts to their community neighbors, they also delivered to the homes of former members and elderly friends of the church. As the members delivered the bags to their neighboring families, several recipients expressed their gratitude and commented that they look forward to the gift bags every year.

This annual day of giving during the hectic Christmas season unites church members and acts as a gentle reminder that the church is there to serve the community.

Doris Manly, Glenwood communication secretary



From left: Eric and Matthew Oosterwal load gift bags in their truck for distribution to the Glenwood Church community.



JoyRiders stopped to view a moose during the Labor Day Rally ride.

## JoyRiders International Hosts ADRA Charity Ride

**Michigan**—JoyRiders International, the newly-formed Adventist motorcycling association, will hold a charity ride for Adventist Development and Relief Agency, International (ADRA). Several active chapters will host the ride on May 14, 2005, the Sabbath traditionally designated for the annual development and relief offering. Participants need to bring a minimum donation of \$25 per bike, in cash or check made payable to ADRA International, to the charity ride on May 14.

While part of the organization's vision is to provide Christian association for members and non-members through local and national rallies, another integral part of its mission is to promote community-involved charity fund-raising.

Three sites have made commitments to date. In Mich., the host site will be the Warren Seventh-day Adventist Church; in Wis., the host site will be in Green Bay; and in Minn., the Twin Cities chapter will host a fund-raising rally.

Further information is available on the website, [www.joyridersinternational.com](http://www.joyridersinternational.com), or by calling Ted Toms, JoyRiders International president, at (269) 657-2390, or e-mail [tedtoms@earthlink.net](mailto:tedtoms@earthlink.net). Wis. riders may contact Green Bay chapter leaders Lyle and Terrie Fitzgerald at (920) 865-7433 or e-mail

[terrdogg@hotmail.com](mailto:terrdogg@hotmail.com). In Twin Cities, Minn., contact Keith Sopp, JoyRiders International secretary, at (651) 330-0173 or e-mail [krsopp@yahoo.com](mailto:krsopp@yahoo.com).

Ted Toms, Eau Claire (Mich.) Church pastor and JoyRiders International president

## Sabbath School Class Gives for Special Mission Projects

**Michigan**—The Sanchez/Ancel Sabbath school class in Lansing, Mich., has been collecting a special offering for missions since 1997. During those years they have raised \$6,907.85 and have enjoyed doing it.

Each Dec., at a Christmas money-counting party, they share a light potluck, enjoy one another's company, and

count what they have collected before sending it on to a mission project. Also, in June or July, monies raised to that point are accounted for and sent on rather than holding them until the end of the year.

This past July 2004, the class sent \$400 to a Russian orphanage, \$100 for a Philippine supply airdrop, and \$100 to mission teams in Ghana. In December, they sent \$183 to the Skinny African Cow project in Kenya. Kenya has an abundance of grazing land. Skinny cows are taken in and grazed for six months then sold for a 90% profit to support Christian education.

They also sent \$375 to a Russian orphanage when they learned the children were only getting warm water for supper. They have supported this orphanage since first hearing about the need in 2001.

Some of the other projects in the past included adding a children's room to a church in India; contributing to a worthy student fund in Yap; donating to special mission projects in South America and Bulgaria; sending prison postcards; supporting churches and chapels in India; donating to Adventist Frontier Missions, in support of former Lansing member, Chris Sorenson; airdropping supplies in the Philippines; and, supporting mission teams in Ghana, West Africa.

God has indeed blessed their efforts. While most of the senior class members are unable to travel to these faraway places, they want to share their blessings with those less fortunate and help those who can go abroad to spread the gospel.



Since 1997, the Sanchez/Ancel Sabbath school class at the Lansing (Mich.) Church has nearly \$7,000 for special mission projects.

Penny Ancel, Lansing (Mich.) Church Sabbath school class coordinator

## [UNION NEWS]

### Lake Region Conference in Transition

At a special meeting of the Lake Region Conference executive committee on Sunday, Mar. 6, 2005, Norman K. Miles submitted his resignation, effective May 1, 2005, after serving more than ten years as conference president. As a result, Lake Union administration is working closely with Lake Region Conference leadership through the process of choosing Miles' replacement according to Lake Region Conference bylaws.

The president of the Lake Region Conference manages a large territory with 108 churches in Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis., and parts of Minn. With 27,541 members, it is the largest conference in the Lake Union.

Gary Burns, Lake Union Conference director of communication

## [NAD NEWS]

### Who Attends General Conference Session?

More than 70,000 people will fill the Dome at the Session in St. Louis this summer. Here is a guide to help you understand who will be there:

**The Delegate.** This is the person for whom the Session is officially designed. Delegates are the only persons who can vote on the business of the church, which is why there is a Session in the first place. They will wear an official badge and be seated on the main floor, up near the front. There are only 2,000 delegates from all over the world, consisting of ministers, church employees, and lay members. The delegates will usually be attending meetings and committees.

**The Worker.** These are people employed by the church who, if they are not a delegate, will have many other things to do to help the Session run smoothly.

**The Old-Timer.** This person has been to many Sessions. If you ask, they can usually name each one. They remember when attendees were mostly North American, Caucasian, and delegates were almost all male.

**The New-Timer.** This is someone who has never been to a Session before. This could be a new member or a longtime Adventist. In either case, their eyes will be large and they will say things like, "I never knew." They usually didn't know the diversity and numbers of the church and how such a large group can feel like family.

**The Missionary.** In the old days, this was the star of the show, the person who just returned from some unimaginable place, full of unbelievable stories of some "uncivilized" people and wearing clothes normally unacceptable in a church environment. Now days, this could be anyone from anywhere. And usually is.

**The Believer.** This is the church member, the foundation of the whole organization. This person used to be readily identified, especially when out in the city population around the Session. Today's member may or may not stand out, a cause of concern for some Old-Timers. Don't worry if you can't pick them out. God can.

**The "True" Believer.** This person is drawn to Sessions like bees to honey or flies to ... ah. This well-meaning person usually has many things they have concluded are wrong with the church, all of which are written in many words in small type on pages with no margins, which they will be glad to hand to you, even if you aren't [glad]. Many hours of conversation can easily ensue with very little effort on your part. After such a litany of what's wrong, you will be thankful to go in to the Session and hear reports of what's right with the church. This encounter could be positive.

**The Attendee.** This catch-all ID covers everyone who comes in to the Session. It is possible this person could be a believer, non-believer, worker, member, casual passerby, visitor from another church, media professional, homeless person—anyone. This category is actually the most important as it mandates that you approach and treat each person the same. You never know ... and that's exciting!

For additional information about the G.C. Session, visit [www.gcsession.org](http://www.gcsession.org).

G.C. Session News, February 2005



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# MILEPOSTS

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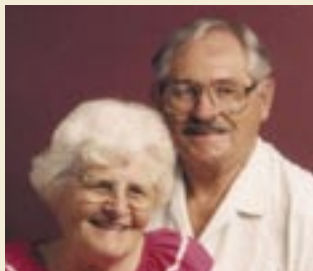
## Anniversaries



George and Shirley Baptist celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 4, 2005, by a dinner with family and friends, hosted by their son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Barbara Baptist, at Grand Mere Inn, Stevensville, Mich. They have been members of the Berrien Springs (Mich.) Village Church for 45 years.

George Baptist and Shirley McClung were married Jan. 4, 1955, in Washington, D.C., by a judge. George has been a school teacher in Niles, Mich., and for 23 years at the Berrien Springs Village Elementary School, retiring in 1982. Since retiring he has been working with his son, Robert, in rentals and construction. Shirley has been a childcare provider until 1986 and a homemaker.

The Baptist family includes Michael Baptist of Minneapolis, Minn.; Robert and Barbara Baptist of Benton Harbor, Mich.; Richard and Vickie Baptist of Memphis, Tenn.; and ten grandchildren.



Melvin and Shirley Smith celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Nov. 16, 2004, by an open house at the Urbandale Church fellowship hall. They have been members of the Urbandale (Mich.) Church for three years.

Melvin Smith and Shirley Field were married Nov. 16, 1944, in Denver, Colo., by an army chaplain. Melvin has been a salesman for Loma Linda Foods in the Lake Union then transferred to Ohio. Shirley has been a secretary and bookkeeper, and worked in the Andrews University bindery before moving to Ohio.

The Smith family includes Melvin Smith Jr.; Steve and Marti Smith; Barclay Smith, all of Battle Creek, Mich.; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

## Weddings

Janelle V. Nay and Jamison R. Bennett were married July 25, 2004, in Augusta, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Peter Braman.

Janelle is the daughter of John and Judy Nay of Vienna, Va., and Jamison is the son of Gary and Connie Bennett of Bayfield, Colo., and Deborah and John Berez of Buchanan, Mich.

The Bennets are making their home in Muncie, Ind.

Marlene A. Seitze and Ronald L. Herzhaft were married Aug. 18, 2004, in Muskegon, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Ryan Counsell.

Marlene is the daughter of Joe and Laura Seitze of Muskegon, and Ronald is the son of the late Martin and the late Viola Herzhaft of Muskegon.

The Herzhafts are making their home in Muskegon.

Cindy K. Dean and Howard L. Jones were married Dec. 25, 2004, in Edenville, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Michael Wise.

Cindy is the daughter of Dorothy and the late Floyd "Pete" Searfoss of Gladwin, Mich., and Howard is the son of the late Howard and the late Lois Jones of Houghton Lake, Mich.

The Joneses are making their home in Alger, Mich.

Sheila A. Ritter and James A. Kowalski were married Mar. 21, 2004, in Muskegon, Mich. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Ryan Counsell.

Sheila is the daughter of Jerry and Connie Ward of Apopka, Fla., and Janet McGowin of Apopka, and James is the son of Joseph and Rose Kowalski of Freesoil, Mich.

The Kowalskis are making their home in Norton Shores, Mich.

## Obituaries

BAERG, Ida M. (Wentworth), age 82; born Dec. 11, 1922, in Stites, Iowa; died Dec. 22, 2004, in Berrien Center, Mich. She was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include her son, Willard; daughter, Coral Bernese; and six grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Elder Russell Staples, and interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Berrien Springs.

BAUN, William L., age 73; born Mar. 4, 1931, in Akron, Ohio; died Dec. 12, 2004, in Marshfield, Wis. He was a member of the Bethel Church, Arpin, Wis.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley (Stephen); son, R. Terry; daughter, Kathy Zalabak; sisters, Carlene Christopher and Becky Beardsley; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Armando Camacho and Wendell Springer, and interment was in Bethel Cemetery, Arpin.

HANNAH, Harry W., age 91; born May 27, 1913, in St. Johns, Newfoundland; died June 6, 2004, in Culver City, Calif. He was a member of the Charlotte (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Gertrude (Gouch); son, Ralph; daughter, Barbara Ather-ton; sister, Bonnie Jean Hannah; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Calvin Thompson, and interment was in Montecito Memorial Park Cemetery, Loma Linda, Calif.

INGLEBY, June (Porrecca), age 95; born Apr. 7, 1908, in Abruzzi, Italy; died Dec. 26, 2003, in Gaylord, Mich. She was a member of the Gay-lord Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Lena Fought; stepdaughters, Donna Buhr, Shirley Gal-landt, and Kathi Ingleby; sisters, Norine Ansuini and Rose Johnston; one grandchild; one great-grandchild; six step-grandchildren; and seven step-great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor George Dronen, and interment was in Otsego Lake Twp. Cemetery, Gaylord.

LEAVITT Sr., Arthur E., age 83; born May 29, 1921, in Mt. Forest Twp., Mich.; died Jan. 14, 2005, in Bentley Twp., Mich. He was a member of the Estey Church, Rhodes, Mich.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn M. (McPherson); sons, Arthur Jr., Bruce, and Dennis; stepson, Larry McPherson; daughter, Doris Reeves; brother, Curtis; sister, Betty Ehler; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Michael McPherson and Gregory Leavitt, and interment was in Rhodes Cemetery.

MCCLAIN, James, age 82; born Feb. 21, 1922, in Memphis, Tenn.; died July 18, 2004, in Cassopolis, Mich. He was a member of the Philadelphia Church, Niles, Mich.

Survivors include his wife, Myrna B. (Law-rence); son, Ronald; daughter, Dowan Jones; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Donald Bedney, and interment was in Niles Cemetery.

NUTT, Charles O., age 59; born Feb. 2, 1945, in Rochester, Ind.; died Nov. 25, 2004, in Detroit, Mich. He was a member of the Niles (Mich.) Westside Church.

Survivors include his wife, Susan I. (Wagner); stepsons, Steven and Michael Minks; daughter, Laurie Thelen; mother, Bonnie (Burbon); brothers, Elroy Hunt, Bruce and Robert Nutt; sisters, Bonnie Pollett and Tana Dutton; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pas-tor John Abbott.

PACKARD, Mary C. (Ervin), age 100; born Feb. 10, 1904, in Marion, Ind.; died Nov. 27, 2004, in Riverside, Calif. She was a member of the Marion Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Marilyn Trenchard; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Conrad Reichert, and interment was in Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Huntington, Ind.

PELTON, Daniel L., age 57; born Dec. 30, 1946, in Viroqua, Wis.; died Dec. 19, 2004, in St. Joseph, Mich. He was a member of the Pio-neer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Survivors include his wife, Sauzette (Var-gus); sons, Daniel, Kris, and Geoff; brother, Dean; sisters, Dawn Conard and Tamara Lewis; and one grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Dwight Nelson and Elder David Sanner, and interment was in Fort Custer National Cemetery, Augusta, Mich.

SHAVER, Blenford, age 99; born Nov. 1, 1905, in Caro, Mich.; died Nov. 18, 2004, in Ithaca, Mich. He was a member of the Ithaca Church.

Survivors include his daughters, Virginia Pfeifle and Betty Johnson; brother Fred; sister, Maxine Prime; five grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchild-ren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rodney Davis, and interment was in Ithaca Cemetery.

SNOW, Earl W., age 81; born Mar. 3, 1923, in Belding, Mich.; died Nov. 19, 2004, in Hender-sonville, N.C. He was a member of the Houghton (Mich.) Church.

Survivors include his wife, Violet E. (Burns); sons, Dennis, Stephen, and Timothy; brothers, Sidney and Norman; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Charles Ferguson and Stephen Snow, and interment was in Western Carolina Veterans Cem-etry, Black Mountain, N.C.

STOUGHTON, Ruth J. (Hines), age 68; born Mar. 13, 1936, in Gratiot Cty., Mich.; died Jan. 18, 2005, in Carson City, Mich. She was a member of the Twin Cities Church, Alma, Mich.

Survivors include her daughters, Susie and Patricia; sisters, Gladys Thompson, Opal Brun-ner, and Linda Osborn; and four grandchildren.

Cremation committal services were conduct-ed by Pastor Jeff Freeman, and interment was in Ridgelawn Cemetery, Breckenridge, Mich.

VAN WICKLE, Max A., age 82; born Dec. 22, 1922, in Hesperia, Mich.; died Nov. 29, 2004, in Berrien Springs, Mich. He was a member of the Pioneer Memorial Church, Berrien Springs.

Survivors include his daughters, Ritha Kalka and Joyce Trail; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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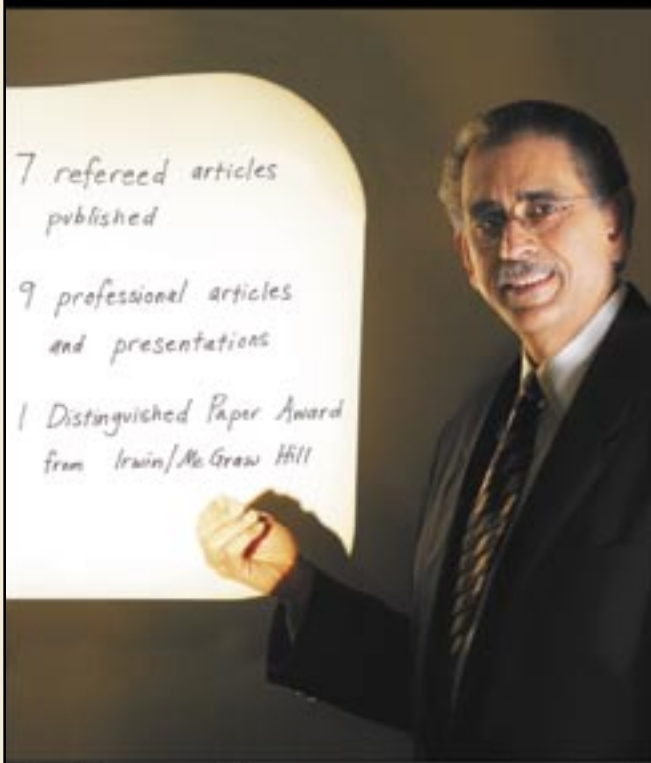
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## Andrews University

**New Post-College Young Adult Fellowship and Sabbath School Offered:** Supported by Campus Ministries, *Encounter* is a young adult-led ministry, meeting on campus in Forsythe Honors House from 9:30–11:00 a.m. **each Sabbath.** For directions or more general information, contact the Religious Education office at (269) 471-8618 or e-mail: [reled@andrews.edu](mailto:reled@andrews.edu). You may also contact faculty sponsors, Jerry and Jane Thayer at: (269) 471-6703 or [thayerja@andrews.edu](mailto:thayerja@andrews.edu) for Jane; (269) 471-6214 or [thayerj@andrews.edu](mailto:thayerj@andrews.edu) for Jerome.

## Illinois

**Broadview Academy** announces that the visitation day for prospective students will start on Fri. afternoon, **Apr. 1**, and end on Sun. morning, **Apr. 3**. Students will have the opportunity to

meet the staff, win scholarships, and make plans for the school year 2005–2006. For more details, contact Renee Baker at (630) 232-7441 or e-mail: [rbaker@broadviewacademy.org](mailto:rbaker@broadviewacademy.org).

**Hinsdale Adventist Academy Day** will be Mon., **Apr. 25**, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Come and spend the day with our students and faculty, and experience what an “Education for Life” can mean for you. All children entering grades K–12 are encouraged to attend. Lunch will be provided. For further information or to make your reservation, call (630) 323-9211.

**Broadview Academy** cordially invites all alumni and friends to Homecoming, **May 12–14**. Honor classes include: 1935, ‘45, ‘55, ‘65, ‘75, ‘80, ‘85, and ‘95. Special events include: a campus beautification project on the 12th; traditional trip to Chicago on the 13th; vespers service by

the class of ‘95; Sabbath school by the class of ‘80, worship service by the class of ‘55 (featured speaker is Art Davis, ‘61), fellowship luncheon, class photos, afternoon musical program directed by Jim Hanson and Marilyn Jorgensen, evening class reunions, and basketball game—students vs. staff. For more information or accommodations, call (630) 232-7441. Additional information is available online at [www.broadviewacademy.org](http://www.broadviewacademy.org).

## Indiana

**Women’s Ministries Spring Retreat:** It’s not too late to register for Indiana Conference’s one-day retreat to be held at Indiana Academy Sabbath, **Apr. 9**. Mayra Rodriguez will provide presentations in Spanish and Rosa T. Banks in English. For registration, call Julie at (317) 844-6201.

**A Pathfinder Fair** will be held at Timber Ridge Camp, **Apr. 30–May 1**, for all Indiana clubs. This year’s theme is “Truth or Consequences?” For further information, call Dean Whitlow at (812) 829-0625.

**Indiana Academy Days:** All students in grades 8–11 are invited to come to Indiana Academy Days, **May 1–2**. This open house gives prospective students

an opportunity to visit our campus and experience many aspects of boarding academy life. Students will have opportunity to visit classes, participate in spiritual and recreational activities, and experience dorm life. We look forward to seeing you here. For more information, contact Bill Hicks, vice principal, or Andrew Lay at (317) 984-3575 and/or e-mail: [bhicks@iasda.org](mailto:bhicks@iasda.org).

## Lake Union

### Offerings:

- Apr. 2** Local church budget
- Apr. 9** Christian Record Services
- Apr. 16** Local church budget
- Apr. 23** Local conference advance
- Apr. 30** General Conference Session Project

### Special days:

- Apr. 2** Missionary magazines  
(*Signs, Message, El Centinela, La Sentinelle*)
- Apr. 9** Stewardship Sabbath
- Apr. 16** Literature Evangelism Sabbath
- Apr. 23** Education Sabbath

**ASI Lake Union Chapter, Spring Fellowship** will be held **Apr. 22–24** at Camp Wakonda in Wis. Speakers include Eduard Schmidt, NADEI assoc. director; Joseph Kidder,

# PARTNERSHIP *with* GOD

## A Gifted Giver BY GARY BURNS



Admired by the late Chet Atkins, Doyle Dykes is considered by many to be the best finger style guitar player in the world today. A few years ago, I had the opportunity to attend one of his workshops. The class was composed of a rather interesting collection of guitar players, which made choosing a place to sit an interesting study in social acceptance.

Not long into the workshop, we began to sense something else besides playing music was going on. This acclaimed artist led us to consider the Giver of all gifts and talents, at appropriate opportunities. Rather than focusing on his awards, appearances, or achievements, he described a number of situations where he had been able to use his gift to make a difference in someone’s life. He wove these touching testimonials between renditions of popular songs and hymns.

During a question and answer session, one of the stereotypical rock guitarist attendees expressed his frustration with not yet being discovered. He asked Doyle what he could do to make it in the business.

Doyle shared his belief that if you have received a gift, it was given for one purpose—to bless others. He suggested the young guitarist do as he had done—volunteer to play at nursing homes—play for anyone who is lonely, discouraged or grieving; then, when the gift is used as it was intended, more and more opportunities will be given.

What a refreshing approach that might be applied, not only to musical talent and the entertainment industry, but to every skill, career, and vocation—to partner with God, according to His design, purpose, and agenda, to be a blessing to others.

Gary Burns is the *Lake Union Herald* editor



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Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary professor; and Danny Shelton, 3ABN founder/director. Children's services by 3ABN's *Kid's Time*. Come be blessed. For registration information, visit website: [www.asi-lakeunion.org](http://www.asi-lakeunion.org), e-mail: [ccr@assistedlivingsvcs.com](mailto:ccr@assistedlivingsvcs.com), or call: (269) 624-5888.

**All Lake Union academies** alumni, attendees, and friends are invited to the 16th annual reunion on Sabbath, **May 7**, at La Sierra Academy, Riverside, Calif., beginning at 10 a.m. For more information, call (909) 796-8593 or (909) 799-8039.

## Michigan

**Battle Creek Academy Alumni Weekend:** We would like to invite you to join us **Apr. 29-30**. Honor classes are: 1935, '45, '55, '65, '75, '80, '85, and '95. Our special guest speaker on Sabbath, Apr. 30, will be Admiral Darold Bigger, while our Sabbath evening vespers will be presented by vocalist Dan Grentz ('94). Details about this event, and speaker and participant biographies, may be found under the Alumni link on the academy's website: [www.battlecreekacademy.com](http://www.battlecreekacademy.com) For further information, you may call: (269) 965-1278, or e-mail: [BCAAlumni@aol.com](mailto:BCAAlumni@aol.com).

**"Ye Olde CLA Alumni Reunion":** All "ye olde students" in attendance at Cedar Lake Academy, 1955 and earlier, are invited to Great Lakes Adventist Academy campus (formerly CLA) **June 9-12** for a reunion where you will be warmly welcomed. Honor classes are 1935, '45, and '55. For more information, call the GLAA Alumni office at (989) 427-5181, or visit GLAA's website at [www.GLAA.net](http://www.GLAA.net). Please pass the good word!

## Wisconsin

**Wisconsin Academy Alumni Weekend** will be held **Apr. 15-16**. The theme for this year's alumni weekend is "Coming Again." The speakers will be former teachers—Oli-ver Archer, Friday evening, and Cherry Habenicht, Sabbath morning church. Come back to Wisconsin Academy and enjoy fellowship and fun with former classmates. The honored classes this year are 1935, '45, '55, '65, '75, '80, '85, and '95. If you would like more information about the weekend or to reserve a room, contact Marcia Sigler at (920) 623-3330 ext. 12, or e-mail her at [library@wisacad.org](mailto:library@wisacad.org).

**The First Annual Wisconsin Academy (WA) Golf Classic** will be held **Apr. 17** at the Kestrel Ridge Golf Course in Columbus. There is a per-player fee which includes 18 holes with golf cart, two meals, a golf shirt, and a goody bag. All money raised will go toward the WA Worthy Student Fund. If you have questions or are interested in being a sponsor, contact Michelle Shufelt at (920) 623-3300 ext. 18, or e-mail: [development@wisacad.org](mailto:development@wisacad.org). Bring your clubs and come join us for an exciting weekend at the academy! Check out our website for more information: [www.wisacadalumni.org](http://www.wisacadalumni.org).

## North American Division

**Southwestern Adventist University** Alumni Relations office presents Homecoming Weekend, **Apr. 7-10**. The banquet theme is "Southwestern Fiesta!" Come back home to Keene for a weekend of fun and fellowship! Make your reservations now by contacting Bev Mendenhall, Alumni Relations director, at (817) 202-6232 or e-mail: [bevm@swau.edu](mailto:bevm@swau.edu). Visit website: [www.swau.edu](http://www.swau.edu) for more details.

**ComputingAndMissions.net 2005, Apr. 15-16**, at Southern Adventist University. Learn how to share your faith using innovative computing technologies. Keynote speakers will be Robert Folkenberg, Global Evangelism director, and Daryl Gungadoo, Adventist World Radio global distribution and engineering director. Tutorials on PowerPoint, designing church audio-visual systems, security, and more. Details as they become available may be viewed at [www.computingandmissions.net](http://www.computingandmissions.net). No registration fees.

**Madison Academy Alumni Weekend:** Plan now to attend **Apr. 22-24**. Visit our website for more details. Once there, you may also update your personal information, submit a picture and bio of yourself, as well as search for classmates and faculty to e-mail! Visit website: [www.madisonacademyalumni.com](http://www.madisonacademyalumni.com).

**Glendale Adventist Academy Alumni Weekend:** Plan now to attend **Apr. 19-May 1**. Fri. p.m. at the Eagle Rock Adventist Church, 2322 Merton Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. Featuring music by the Neufeld family. All day Sabbath, beginning with registration at 9:00 a.m. and continental breakfast in the Student Center. Complimentary lunch provided. For information contact: Boni Portillo at (818) 244-8671 or e-mail: [boni1244@hotmail.com](mailto:boni1244@hotmail.com); or visit website: [www.GlendaleAcademy.org](http://www.GlendaleAcademy.org).

**Upper Columbia Academy Class of '55:** We may not have your current address or phone number, or you may have information regarding other classmates that we need. Our 50th reunion will be **Apr. 29-May 1**, so please contact one of the following immediately: David Wickward at (208) 459-3085 or e-mail: [DWickward@msn.com](mailto:DWickward@msn.com); or Jack Pester at (360) 896-1241 or e-mail: [jgpester@comcast.net](mailto:jgpester@comcast.net).

**The Rusk (Texas) school and church** are planning a reunion of all former students, teachers, and pastors, **May 20-21**. For information, contact [slark@txsda.org](mailto:slark@txsda.org).

**Plainview Academy Alumni Reunion:** Notice to the Alumni of Plainview Academy (1910-1965), formerly of Redfield, S.D. Please make plans to attend our annual Alumni Reunion get together which has been set for the weekend of **June 24-26**. It will be held on the campus of Dakota Adventist Academy in Bismarck, N.D. Honor classes are those who graduated (or attended) the classes ending in 0 or 5. A special invitation is extended to all former PVA students, faculty, staff, parents, and friends. Our "family" is getting smaller and we need you! You will receive a blessing. For information, contact PVA Alumni secretary, Charlene (Scholl) Binder at (402) 489-1702 or e-mail her at: [rbinder@juno.com](mailto:rbinder@juno.com).

**Association of Adventist Women:** Make your reservations soon for the 23rd Annual Conference of the Association of Adventist Women to be held **June 26-29** in

Adam's Mark Hotel, St. Louis, Mo. The theme of the conference will be "Love Enables Unity in Diversity: Include Me Please." The Woman-of-the-Year Banquet will be held on June 28 and the Prayer Breakfast on June 29. Early registration and reservations for the hotel are especially important. For more information and to register, go to the AAW website: [www.aaw.cc](http://www.aaw.cc).

**Pathfinder Evangelism in Africa:** The fire is still burning! Fifteen teams of Pathfinders who attended *Faith On Fire Camporee* in August 2004 will be conducting a series of evangelistic meetings from **July 22-Aug. 6** in Ghana, Africa. More than 30,000 Bibles collected at the *Faith On Fire Camporee* will be distributed during the evangelistic meetings conducted by the Pathfinders. Contact Andrews University's Center for Youth Evangelism at (800) YOUTH-2-U or at website: [www.camporee.org](http://www.camporee.org) for more information. To sponsor a Pathfinder, call (800) YOUTH-2-U ext. 7.

**Granger (Wash.) Church** is celebrating its 100th anniversary, **July 28-29, 2006**. Yakima Valley Academy and Granger Junior Academy reunion to be held in conjunction. For information, write: Granger Adventist Church, P.O. Box 460, Granger, WA 98932; phone: (509) 854-1132 or (509) 837-4092; e-mail: [patchild@aol.com](mailto:patchild@aol.com); or visit website: [www.grangersda.com](http://www.grangersda.com).

**Spokane Junior Academy Class of 1957:** Anticipating a 50-year class reunion at SJA Homecoming in **2007**, I would like to get in touch with the students who moved through the grades at SJA with us, whether they graduated with us in 1957 or not. If you have contact information for any of our classmates, please get it to Nadine Platner Dower by e-mail: [dickandnadine@comcast.net](mailto:dickandnadine@comcast.net); phone: (360) 828-7146; or write: 13000 NW 47th Ave., Vancouver, WA 98685.

## Sunset Calendar

	Apr 11	Apr 8	Apr 15	Apr 22	Apr 29	May 6
Berrien Springs, Mich.	7:11	8:19	8:26	8:34	8:41	8:50
Chicago	6:16	7:23	7:31	7:39	7:46	7:55
Detroit	6:58	8:05	8:13	8:21	8:29	8:37
Indianapolis	7:08	7:16	7:22	7:29	7:37	7:44
La Crosse, Wis.	6:31	7:40	7:48	7:56	8:05	8:14
Lansing, Mich.	7:05	8:13	8:22	8:29	8:38	8:47
Madison, Wis.	6:23	7:32	7:40	7:48	7:56	8:04
Springfield, Ill.	6:22	7:29	7:37	7:43	7:50	7:58

# FINANCIAL AID

## *How God Paid My Tuition*

BY STEPHANIE HOLTRY

“Lord,” I prayed earnestly one Sunday morning, “I’m going back out to knock on doors today. I’m asking You to give me a chance to share my faith with someone.” I’d been praying that prayer ever since the previous Wednesday, and I continued to lift my heart in prayer as I hurried between houses that afternoon. “Today, Lord! Please!”

After about an hour, a kind gentleman named Ken answered the door and politely listened to my presentation. Then he called his wife, Nancy, and I explained to her what I was doing.

“What brought you to Andrews University?” Ken asked.

“I prayed a lot about going back to school,” I explained to the couple. “Andrews was an option, but I just couldn’t afford the tuition. So I said, ‘God, if You want me to go to Andrews, you have to show me by providing a way to pay the tuition.’ And miraculously, God answered. I was awarded grants and scholarships from Andrews that covered the bulk of my fees! God provided for the rest of the bill via this Christian literature outreach program. There are matching funds towards my tuition for each dollar in Magabook donations that I put on my school bill!”

When I finished my testimony, they chose three books and made a generous \$100 donation, proving once again that the Lord was using my Magabook ministry to help pay my bills at Andrews. As I said thank you and goodbye, Ken and Nancy asked me to come back in a half hour to share my testimony with guests they were expecting.

When I returned, they quickly welcomed me in. There must have been four-

teen people gathered in the living room! Ken introduced me to them as his “long-lost niece from Pennsylvania!” I prayed with them and began to share God’s faithfulness and leading in my life regarding my education at Andrews. It was awesome!

After sharing my testimony, Ken and Nancy invited me to tell their friends about my books, and I was able to share six more. Before parting, we all gathered in a circle and prayed again. Someone took pictures, and there were hugs of encouragement. We were no longer strangers, but family.

Now I have new “aunts” and “uncles,” and they have new books illustrating God’s love. I saw God’s hand again, working to bring about wonderful answers to my prayers. God has truly used the Magabook ministry at Andrews to continue to help me with my tuition.

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Stephanie Holtry will graduate this spring with a B.B.A. in accounting—debt free! She is from Port Royal, Pennsylvania.

With an eye on medical school, **Justin Weaver** knows his grades are critical to his success as an Andrews University honors student. But he knows a balanced life must include time for fun, friends, and service. He believes God has a plan for his life.

A 2002 Great Lakes Adventist Academy graduate, Justin is now a junior biochemistry major who spends his summers working at Camp Au Sable and participates each summer in Maranatha's *Ultimate Workout* in South and Central America.

Jason has exhibited leadership in student government at Andrews, serving as senator-at-large his freshman and sophomore years, Student Association (S.A.) vice president this year, and is currently in the running for S.A. president for next year.

"Student Government is an opportunity to be the change you want to see," says Weaver. "Our S.A. wants to encourage a broad range of clubs and organizations to serve our international student population—socially and spiritually—in a smorgasbord of offerings throughout the year." Justin also enjoys working with the praise team for *Higher Ground* Sabbath school and University chapel services.

Will he be next year's S.A. president? "Whatever the Lord wants for me and for the Andrews students," he replies buoyantly. "If I don't win the election, I'm here to support and serve the next group of officers—or maybe I'll study abroad and start learning Spanish!"



Justin Weaver

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Marianne Kordas

**Marianne Kordas** is a senior honors student majoring in music with an emphasis in violin. She jokingly refers to herself as a "crazy musician." Originally from West Bend, Wis., Marianne has enjoyed finding ways to use her musical talents at Andrews University. She is currently a violinist in the Andrews University Symphony Orchestra, has sung in the University Chorale, and occasionally played with the Andrews University Early Music Ensemble. Marianne also uses her knowledge of music as an announcer for Andrews'

classical radio station, WAUS 90.7 FM, and as a student assistant in the Music Materials Center.

Marianne uses her talents to minister to others. She served as the nursing home director for *AU-outR.E.A.C.H.* for three and a half years, organizing a music and worship program at a Benton Harbor nursing home weekly.

Marianne also enjoys painting and drawing, cooking, hiking, writing, and studying history. She also enjoys studying languages; Marianne is fluent in both French and English, and is currently studying German.

In the future, Marianne hopes to complete graduate studies in musicology, where she will combine her love of music and history. She plans to eventually teach music history in a college setting.

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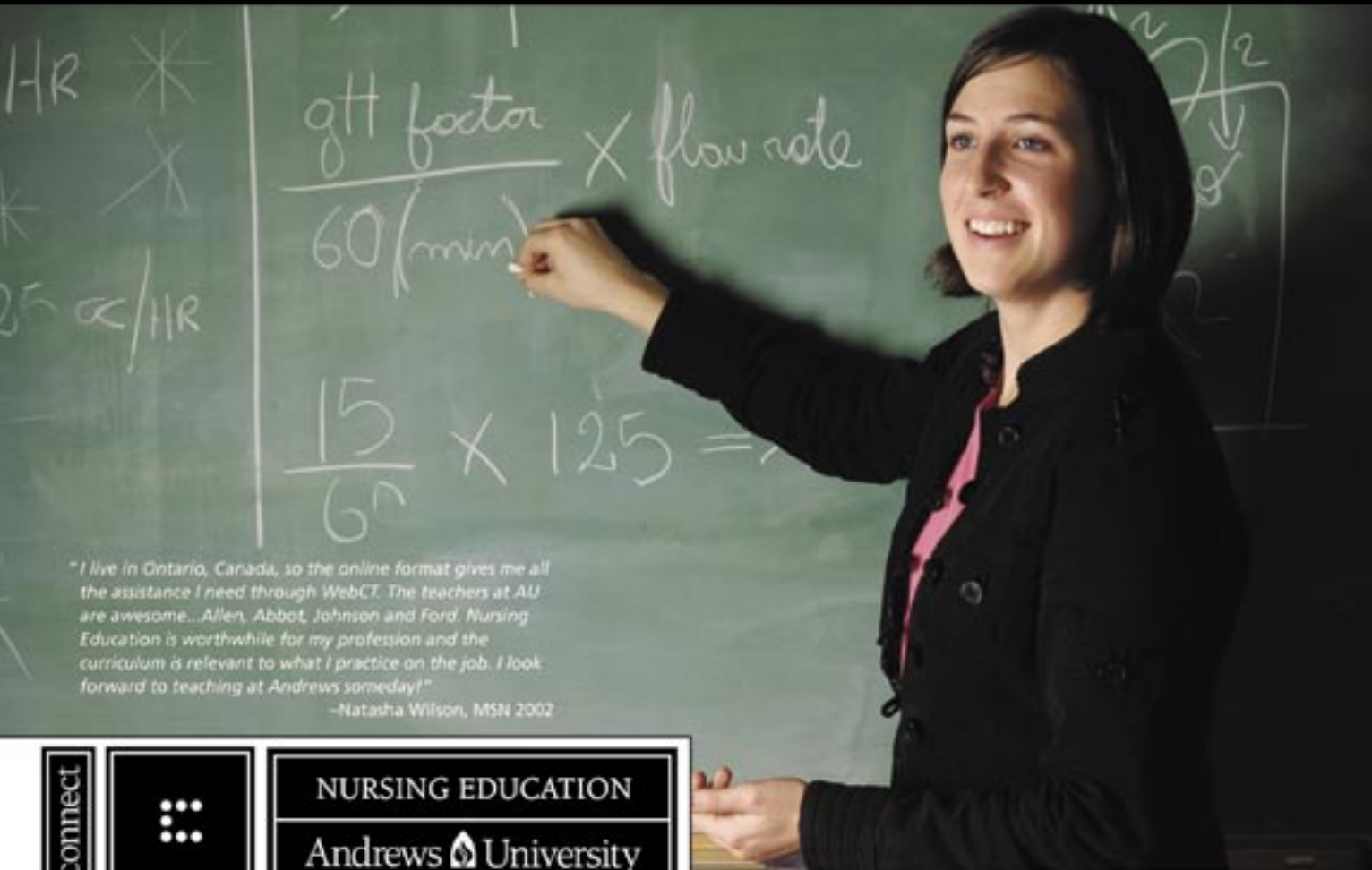
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