

# Principal's

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## Principal's Message

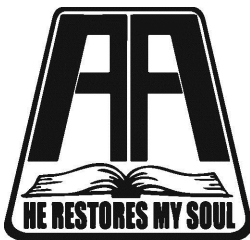
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### Upcoming Events:

- 8/7 ACT Registration Deadline
- 8/12 TUITION #1 DUE
- 8/17 1pm ESL Testing
- 8/19 Registration Day
  - 2pm M-R
  - 3pm S-Z
  - 4pm A-F
  - 5pm G-L
- 8/24 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
- 8/24 Hodge Podge @ 6pm
- 8/29 Dedication/Convocation



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I want to take a moment to welcome each of you. For some of you, this might be the beginning of your academy journey and for another group of you, you are taking the last steps. Where ever you are in the journey, I want to know that we are on this journey together.

This is my third year at Andrews Academy and I must say, every year is better than the last. I don't say that because I have to; I truly mean it! I am so proud of how awesome our AA family is. While I do recognize there are many things we can always be doing better, I am extremely proud to be repping AA wherever I go.

At the end of last year, the teachers began brainstorming on a theme for this 2015-16 school year. Picking a theme creates a focus for the year. This year's theme is, "The truth shall set you free" based on John 8:31-32. I can't wait to see how we begin to unpack this verse this year.

There's a story I once heard about a man who lived in Florida. He ordered a barometer and it came some days later. When the package arrived he opened it up and the arrow was pointed towards tornadoes and hurricanes. He tried to shake the barometer but the arrow refused to move. So he went back to the post office and sent back the barometer. A day later his

house was gone with several other people's homes. A hurricane had swept through the area that night. If he had only accepted the TRUTH that the barometer gave him, he could still have had a house and saved many people from a great dilemma. But he refused to take heed to the barometer so he paid the consequences and took many others with him. It is just like us. Some people receive the TRUTH with great joy while others just ignore it.

I look forward to spending a great year with you and focusing towards Jesus. My hope is that each of you will personalize John 8:31-32 to your own experience and walk.

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Please note that this will be the only time that the weekly newsletter will be printed and mailed home. So please look for this newsletter, daily announcements, financial statements, and classroom attendance reports by email. Please look regularly for these emails and if you are not receiving them to check your spam settings. If you are still not receiving them then please contact the school at 471-3138 or [satkins@andrews.edu](mailto:satkins@andrews.edu) to let us know of your correct email address.

Looking forward,

*Jeannie Leiterman*  
Interim Principal

# AA Highlights

## Introducing New Members to the AA Faculty and Staff

### Harper Hazen

I'm currently studying Fine Art for my third and final year at Andrews University. My parents have been the strongest influences towards the arts in the best ways. I consider myself lucky to be able to watch my dad design and draw every day for hours. Design is my favorite topic because it covers more areas other than art alone. I focus primarily drawing, illustration, and various forms of sculpture as well as digital drawing & painting. Another side of me is collaborating with people to accomplish goals. Whether it's brainstorming ideas for new inventions or a one-on-one critique, I love talking about art with others and solving design problems with them. I believe my students will be surprised that they'll have portfolio pieces while having fun too. Besides art, my favorite things to do are bicycling, music, racquet sports, soccer, and mountain climbing.



### Girlie Zuñega-Aguilar

My name is Girlie Zunega-Aguilar, and I am currently working on my PhD program at Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies and working on my second Master's degree in Religious Education at Andrews University. I will be joining AA family this fall of 2015 as the new Computer Instructor.

I have been in the teaching career for more than 13 years now. I've served in Saipan, Northern Marianas Island for seven and a half years. I've worked as an English teacher in South Korea for three years.

I am married to Antonee Leo G. Aguilar. He is pursuing his MDiv.

As a teacher, I am very accommodating and flexible to help students develop inspiring hands-on lessons using our technology. This year's program will help your child capture their imagination using technology and enhance their basic skills and recognize God's purpose in the dynamics of computer technology.



### Samantha Mills

My name is Samantha Mills and I will be joining AA as the new Physical Education Instructor. I am coming to AA from Battle Creek Academy. Besides teaching, I have experience in curriculum and grant writing, department chair, trained in Adventure Based Counseling, mentoring new teachers and student teachers, water-based instruction including Lifeguard Training, coaching, advising the district on health issues, and a presenter to other professionals. I am currently in the final phase of my graduate work in Physical Education Pedagogy from Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI. I am passionate about my subject matter and its contribution to the whole education of a child.

I have been married to a wonderful man named Mark since December of 1998.

The Lord has truly blessed me with a supportive, loving and caring man. We have two children, David who is 7 and Jonathan who is 5. Some of my interests include running, a variety of sports, reading, working in the yard, and most of all spending time with my family. I am looking forward to meeting and working with all of my students, parents, and staff at Andrews Academy.



# AA Highlights

## AA Christmas in July

It's always fun unwrapping Christmas gifts! It seemed like it was Christmas for numerous days this July as 33 new computers were unwrapped for the computer room and library. These new and much faster computers should make research and projects should be a lot more efficient this school year.



## AA Renovations

Installing new carpet in the four classrooms on the parameter of the library is one of the numerous renovations projects of this summer. You will recall a few years ago a HVAC pipe broke pouring gallons of rusty water in some of these classrooms. Professional cleaners were hired to restore that carpet, but it was never the same. This summer the old carpet was removed and new carpet installed.



# Announcements

## SCHOOL UNIFORM SALES

Gently used school uniforms are available at the academy this summer. If interested, please stop by the school office. Shirt prices start at \$5. They will be available on a first come first serve basis.

In addition to running a bookstore, SA has expanded their "store" to include uniforms. Currently, they will be offering only short sleeve polo shirts but will be looking into expanding as they see how the "market" does. Shirts will sell for \$25. Please bear in mind that this store is for "convenience" purposes. Shirts may still be purchased from the Lands' End website and during a good sale, the website may be able to offer a better deal. The SA Bookstore will not be able to price-match. Returns will still need to be done through the Lands' End website. Students at school during school hours who are not uniform compliant, will be asked to either get a shirt brought in or to buy a shirt from the bookstore.

## REGISTRATION DAY AUG. 19

Please remember registration day is Aug. 19. The majority of you completed the pre-registration paperwork. A few more items need to be completed on registration day, such as purchasing book and uniforms, enrolling in the lunch program, etc. Please come to registration times by last name 2:00 pm M-R, 3:00 pm S-Z, 4:00 pm A-F, 5:00 pm G-L. In a few days you will receive a registration packet in the mail with important information to be filled out by you and your parents prior to registration day. Please have these filled out and signed when you come to registration.

Keep in mind that you must have your Andrews Academy ID card for registration. If you are a new student, you must come to the office by August 14 to get a Request for ID Card form. First day of classes is Monday, Aug. 24.

## SMALL ENGINES CLASS NOW OFFERED AT 8AM

During the summer months it was decided to add another technology class to the schedule. A small engine class will be offered at 8am. Students will learn to properly maintain small engines and learn how to repair them. If you are interested in taking this class and can fit it into your schedule please contact the registrar to make this change to your schedule. Miss Ivonne can be reached at 269-471-3138 or by email [seguiwei@andrews.edu](mailto:seguiwei@andrews.edu).

## DEDICATION/CONVOCATION POTLUCK

Our Dedication/Convocation is August 29 in the AA Chapel. Families of Freshman & Juniors, please bring an ENTRÉE and VEGETABLES for 12 people. Families of Sophomores & Seniors, please bring a SALAD and DESSERT for 12 people. The family potluck will be at 1pm in the Commons.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS INSURANCE TRUST

Enclosed you will find a brochure for Christian Educators Insurance Trust. This is to be treated as secondary insurance. If your child was to be injured, your primary insurance will be billed first and then Christian Educators Insurance Trust will then be billed for any remaining amount. All questions should be directed to them.