

AA Weekly

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Leadership Retreat



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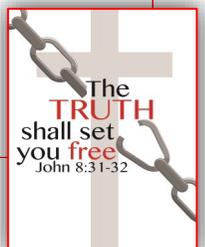
Traditionally the Andrews Academy experience has been known for strong student leadership resulting from student participation in its curricular and co-curricular experiences. To help develop Christian leadership qualities of current student leaders, AA sent 15 student leaders to a leadership retreat at Camp Au Sable Oct. 1 - 4, 2015. The retreat, hosted by the Lake Union Conference, gave student leaders an opportunity to share ideas and experiences with leaders from all of the other Lake Union schools in a spiritually-charged environment.

The structure of the weekend includes a keynote speaker who focuses on several aspects of Christian leadership. Several of the breakout sessions give opportunities to meet with and glean ideas from students from the other schools who hold the same office. Additionally, each academy has time to talk and brainstorm ideas specific to their local situations. And, as with all good retreats, there is social and recreational time.

Above and beyond the organized program, Andrews Academy adds a few of their own activities to develop prayerful, thoughtful leadership. Leaders gather aboard the bus and pray that God will prepare their hearts and minds for the Holy Spirit's leading. Built into the schedule is opportunity for significant group sharing, which is used to give students time to commit to being used by the Lord as leaders, to make a stand as moral leaders, and to bond through prayer and singing. Additionally, a late Saturday evening group bonding activity caps the weekend.

Leadership Conference remains an invigorating and spiritually refreshing experience for AA leaders as they return home with a renewed commitment to their offices and their God.

Please continue to pray for AA and to pray prayers of blessing on the student leadership as they lead throughout this school year.



AA Highlights

Children's Church

Andrews Academy's commons and chapel was transformed into a spaceship for a Children's Worship event entitled "Discovery Space Lab: Exploring God's Universe" (Oct. 3, 2015). Over 165 children from K - 5th grade participated in an evening learning about Jesus.

Smiles could be seen and screams of delight heard, as the K-5th graders enjoyed the spaceflight as they explored the Heaven's which declare the glory of God. We are thankful to the leaders for providing this wonderful opportunity for Academy students to spread the joy of Jesus' love to community members of Berrien Springs. This Children's Worship event is produced by a local non-profit ministry called One Mustard Seed which is led by Richard Aguilera.



AA Highlights

ASSIST

Andrews Academy participates in the **Academy Student Service Initiative Stipend for Tuition Program (ASSIST)**. This program is part of a nationwide project originating from Southern Adventist University. A major donor funded a grant to hire academy students to assist elderly adults in their community. Students participating in this grant-funded program perform light housecleaning and/or yard work, visit, read, and assist with many other responsibilities. These activities benefit the older adults with daily living and quality of life while also providing students an excellent opportunity to appreciate the value of service, relationships with the elderly and help with financing their Christian education. Andrews Academy students assist numerous individuals in the Berrien Springs community, most are located in the nearby Timberidge Retirement Center. The ASSIST program is being coordinated by Matthew Johnson.



Chapel

This week Pastor Glassford, AA Bible teacher, presented a series of chapel talks on addictions. It was a dialog on how individuals may become addicted and ways to avoid addictions. The best way to not have addictions is to avoid addictions in the first place, to never start because once you do it is so hard to stop. When someone begins an addiction too often individuals experience the “slippery stop” of becoming more heavily involved.

He concluded the series by providing a summative list of avoidance strategies from a christian perspective: Surrender your life to God. Stay surrendered to God. Make sure your best friends are fight with God too. Be Content!!! And to remember Philippians 4:12, 13. “ I know what it is to be in need, and to know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation,.... I can do everything through Him who gives me strength.”



AA Highlights

Mr. & Mrs. Graves

This past week the students of Andrews Academy wanted to honor Byron and his wife Jenni Graves with their own version of a baby shower. Several students got up in front of chapel to wish the Graves all the best in the arrival of their new baby boy. The students then presented the Graves a few gifts as a token of their well wishes. Baby Graves, as he has been affectionately called, is expected to arrive October 14. Please join us in prayer for a healthy baby for the Graves.



AA Highlights

Community Service Day Update

Village of Eau Claire

6625 E. Main Street
P.O. Box 338
Eau Claire, MI 49111
Phone: (269) 461-6173 Fax: (269) 461-6813

October 6, 2015

Andrews Academy
Ms. Jeannie Leiteman
8833 Garland Avenue
Berrien Springs, MI 49104

Re: Community Service in the Village of Eau Claire

Dear Ms. Gina Pellegrini,

We would like to thank the following students for taking part in the Community Service Day they participated in with the Village of Eau Claire. They did a wonderful job in both the parks and cleaning up on several streets. Each and every one of these students took pride in their projects they were working on and it was easy to see the work ethics which have been instilled in them. The Village appreciated having them assist with the projects and would like to say they are welcome back any time. It is truly a pleasure to see young people give of their time to the community.

Dronen, Ben
Johnsen, Erik
Lee, Yechije
Swerdlow, Jonathan
Moore, Jamison
Proctor, Nick
Rishaug, Kiersten
Zhao, Zihan
Menani, Mujuni

Sincerely,

The Eau Claire Village Council

Virginia Gonzalez, Village President
Ken Karn, President Pro Tem
Tom Baker, Trustee
Jeff Rice, Trustee
Robert Stanczyk, Trustee



Announcements

NO SCHOOL

There will be no school on Monday, October 12th.

SA SENIOR SPIRIT WEEK

October 13 – Fake an injury day

October 14 – Cowboy/Cowgirl day

October 15 – Nerd day

October 16 – Dress up day

If you are not planning to participate in spirit “dress” days, please remember to wear your AA uniform. If you choose to wear a dress or skirt please remember that it must reach the top of your knee when you are either standing or seated.

SENIOR PORTFOLIO HELP SESSION

Seniors, during this long weekend please look for any items you may need to be scanned for your portfolio so they are ready to bring in Wednesday morning. Wednesday morning is when the items can be scanned for free. Please prepare your portfolio so you can bring it in on Wednesday so Mr. Atkins can make suggestions on how to improve it.

LIFETOUCH CLASS COMPOSITE

Order forms for class composites were placed in the student lockers on October 7th. If you would like to order a class composite from Lifetouch please turn in the completed order form by October 30th to the office.

PSAT

All Freshmen, Sophomore, and Junior students will be taking a grade appropriate version of PSAT on October 14. All classes resume at 12:05 pm. There will be no fees for AA students to take the PSAT.

AA REC NIGHT

On Tuesday, October 13, Andrews Academy will be hosting its first Rec Night for AA students only. The game choice will be basketball and volleyball. Plan to attend from 6:30-8:00 pm. Make sure to arrange for pickup no later than 8:00 pm. Please come and enjoy some team playing with your friends from school.

Announcements

RESEARCH SURVEY

Volunteers are invited to participate in a research survey being conducted by Christine Rorabeck as part of her MA English (TESOL emphasis) studies. The study will require participants to participate in a written survey and a focus group discussion with a moderator in one session. All personal data will be kept confidential. Volunteer participants must meet the following criteria: ages 14 to 19 at the time of the research project; self-identify as coming from an Asian country; have a minimum of one year of schooling in said Asian country at the middle school level or above. Participants will receive lunch during the focus group session as a token of appreciation for their participation in the study. Please contact Mrs. Rorabeck at rorabec@andrews.edu, telephone 269-471-6190, or in her office at Andrews Academy to discuss your potential participation in this study.

YEARBOOK: SENIOR PICTURE DEADLINE

Your 2015- 2016 yearbook photo is due NO LATER than Friday, October 30 at 12pm. We are taking BOTH Senior and baby pictures on this date. Submit Digital pictures ONLY by email or you can share my contact info with your photographer. In the subject please write: SENIOR PIC and YOUR NAME. Please email Mrs. Sanchez at ksanchez@andrews.edu

SENIOR AU COLLEGE PREVIEW

Andrews University Student Visits would like to invite all Andrews Academy Seniors to attend our October Preview on the 18-19. Students will be able to stay overnight in our residence halls, visit academic departments, attend a class, learn about scholarships and financial aid, and hear from current Andrews students. Please register online at andrews.edu/visit. This is optional for Seniors to attend because you went to a similar weekend as a junior last year.

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