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AA Engages Globally

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Many of us have again contemplated our friendship with Jesus as a result of last week's Week of Prayer. You will recall that many accepted the challenge, presented at the close of the week, to step forward as a sign of wanting to be missionaries for Jesus. Not so much a future goal, but to be actively reaching out to others now. This week Pastor Reeves, from Village SDA church, has been sharing with the AA family helping us visualize the vast "universe" of possibilities God has for us as we let our light shine for Him.

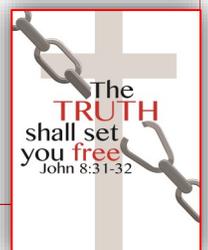
As I've been contemplating how our influences affects people, I was rather impressed with the extent Andrews Academy's influence has been on people not only here in Berrien Springs but also people around the world. I was amazed with how

far reaching our influence can be.

Ms. Chao shared these pictures from a SDA church youth group in China. This summer a group of Chinese pastors toured Andrews University and Andrews Academy while en route to the GC in Texas. As a result, two of the families are hoping to send their children to AA next school year. Ms. Chao has been emailing the school newsletters and updates to the families, and now their church in 浙江 (Zhejiang), China can get to know AA more. They've enjoyed "seeing" what we do here and have started to do some of the activities we enjoy at AA. They look forward to receiving more emails and to learn of new things.



It is a small world after all. We often do not know how far reaching our influence may be. Please be praying that each student and faculty will be a shining light for Jesus.



AA Highlights

AA Silhouettes

AA's Silhouettes shared Jesus through music this past Sabbath (Oct. 25) at PMC during both church services. Thank you Mr. Flores and all the Andrews Academy students who are taking music classes for their many hours of practice and the performances you do. These songs do indeed draw us closer to God during our worship experiences.



RINGFEST

Andrews Academy Handbell Ensemble is currently in Toledo, Ohio for the annual Ringfest event. It is a three-day handbell clinic with 14 SDA academy bell choirs conducted by renowned handbell composers Kevin McChesney and Timothy Waugh. You won't want to miss the final concert which features over 1000 bells being rung. Please go to the following link to watch the livestream of the concert on Friday night, Oct. 30 at 7:30pm: <http://www.toledofirstadventist.org>



AA Highlights

Andrews Academy Class of 2022 Visits AA

Thirty-four Ruth Murdoch Elementary School sixth graders visited the science classroom to do an experiment with cells. They were currently studying cells in their classroom, so while visiting AA they learned the parts of the microscope and how to use it. They then used their cheek cells to prepare a specimen and looked at their cells under the microscope. Students used their phones to take pictures of their cells under the microscope. Students used their phones to take pictures of their cells and some posted "cellfies" on Instagram and Facebook.



AA Highlights

Chapel

Pastor Joe Reeves, Youth Pastor from the Village SDA church presented worships most of this week. When he was young he lived out in the country in an area with many hippies. He retold the story of their neighbor who's favorite enjoyment in life was to sit on the front porch and smoke. At some point the individual developed a cancer and he tried to stop smoking, but eventually resumed, saying that it was his favorite thing to do in life. The neighbor said he would rather die than stop smoking.

Pastor Reeves told of the neighbor's wife calling their family to help lift the husband from the floor back into bed. He had fallen out of bed and couldn't get back in. Eventually the gentleman died and once again Pastor Reeves family was called upon again to help lift the body into the gurney.

Early in his life Pastor Reeves understood Luke 12:48, that God has so much for us to live for, this in contrast to his neighbor who's major enjoyment in life was to smoke which eventually lead to his death. God wants us to live a happy, meaningful life and share the Light with others. Pastor Reeve's concluding prayer Monday morning was that God would work in our lives so we can see the future and hope He has planned for us. To use this blessing to be a light for those around us.

It's always so interesting when recent graduates return to AA to share during chapel. Alayna Rishaug, from last year's graduating class, retold the story of the Samaritan woman by the well talking with Jesus. Jesus went out of his way to reach this woman. Jesus is going out his way to reach each of you because He loves each of us so much. I appreciate her insight into this story and the depth of the prayers she prays. Thank you for sharing Thursday.



AA Highlights

Junior Senior Banquet

This year's Junior - Senior Banquet occurred Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015, at The Howard Performing Arts Center on the campus of Andrews University. Each year the Junior class host's the Senior class for this banquet. The evening's theme was a "Back to the 50's" which included a beautiful backdrop to take pictures together as well as a live band.

As you see the Junior class officers, thank them for their hard work for making this evening a great success. Each spent many hours preparing for this fun evening for the Seniors & Juniors.

For more pictures please go to [facebook](#).



SA Breast Cancer Awareness Week

This past week was Breast Cancer Awareness week at Andrews Academy. Very close to \$ 500 was raised to give to an organization involved in breast cancer research. If students were wearing pink or purchased a breast cancer awareness wristband or sticker they did not have to wear the AA uniform shirt. A big thank you to the many students who participated in this week.



AA Highlights

AA Students Helping in Church

At Andrews Academy we try to encourage the students to get involved in helping with church ministries. It's a great way to tell others about Jesus. This Sabbath I happened to notice numerous AA students (and recent alumni) involved in various activities. Thank you for getting involved in church ministries.

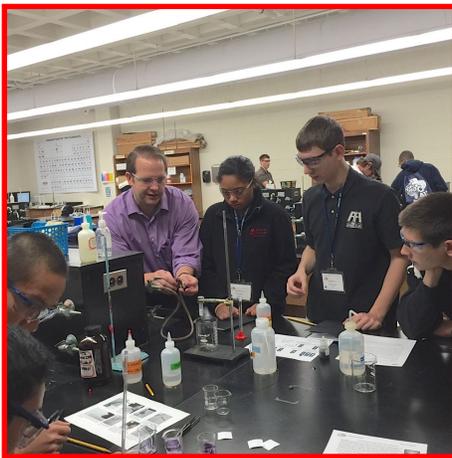


AA Highlights

Science Fest

Oct. 23 - 25, 2015 was the third annual SciFEST weekend hosted by the STEM Division (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) in the College of Arts & Sciences at Andrews University. This year six Adventist Academies visited Andrews to participate in the science related events and activities. Five Andrews Academy students participated in this event.

For more photos from this event please go to [facebook](#).



Children's Church - Discovery Space Lab

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. 24, 2015). Over 165 children from K - 5th grade participated in an evening learning about Jesus. The program began with enthusiastic singing lead by future, current, and AA alumni students. The spaceship prepared for their first launch of the year to explore how the "Heavens declare the glory of God".

Students in the Leadership Evangelism class and many other academy students volunteered to help build the set, props and helped run this program today. Thank you to the many Academy students who volunteered in many areas for this program, the first of the monthly programs entitled "The Heaven's Declare the Glory of God".



Announcements

JUNIOR AU PREVIEW

Junior Preview is on Sunday, November 8 and Monday, November 9. All juniors are expected to attend. Get time off of work. Get excuses/letters for college classes. If all Juniors attend Junior Preview, our class will be given \$700.

CONCERTO NIGHT

Andrews Academy presents its 5th *Concerto Night* program on November 1, 4:00 PM at the HPAC. This year we are featuring soloists **John Byeon, Justin Johnson, Nick Tumangday, Dominique Tan-Ng, and Jihoo Choi** from Andrews Academy, and **Sion Kim** from Ruth Murdoch Elementary School. We will play compositions by **Haydn, Mozart, d'Indy, and Kabalevsky**.

CLASS WITHDRAW DEADLINE

Last day to withdraw from a class is November 2nd.

PENNY ARCADE

Andrews Academy is inviting all eighth graders in the area to Penny Arcade, Saturday night Nov. 7, 2015. Current AA students help run the fun evening of games, activities & sell food; all for just pennies. Various school organizations will be enlisting your help to set up and run their booths. Set aside time now to help set up Friday Nov. 6, 1 - 4:30 pm, and/or Saturday evening 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Come enjoy the food and activities, and help run the booths starting at 8 pm and concluding at 10 pm. Parents can drop their Academy child(ren) off at 8 pm, (or earlier if they are helping set up) and pick up their child at 10 pm (or slightly later if they are on the clean up crew). Other school events like Shydepoke, Feast of Lights, etc are family events, while Penny Arcade is designed just for **AA students and eighth grade guests**.

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Please plan ahead for final exam week Dec. 16 - 18. Final exams play a critical role in reviewing concepts one final time before the semester ends. Please plan christmas break travel after the last exam Friday noon, Dec. 18.

BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, November 13th there will be a blood drive in AA's Chapel from 8 am-1 pm. Students must be 17 years old to donate or 16 with parental consent. Visit www.miblood.org/donating-blood/ for consent form and more info! We will be posting more info as the date approaches.