This morning the recipient of the John Nevins Andrews Medallion is James Lloyd Hayward, a man whose contributions and dedication to research in the field of biology has distinguished him among his colleagues.

Hayward completed a degree in biology with a minor in chemistry at then Walla Walla College in 1972 as an Outstanding Graduate in Biology. In 1975 he received his Master of Arts in Biology here at Andrews University, and went on to complete his PhD in zoology at Washington State University in 1982.

Before joining the faculty at Andrews University in 1986, Hayward taught biology at Southwestern Union College, Texas; Walla Walla College, Washington; and Union College, Nebraska. Hayward worked with the Department of Biology at Andrews as a professor of biology, then research professor, and now, professor emeritus since his retirement in 2015. Over the course of his career, Hayward has received 26 faculty research grants from Andrews, and since 2003, has attracted more than 1.2 million dollars in research funding from the National Science Foundation. He has spent 30 field seasons working on Protection Island National Wildlife Refuge in Washington State.

Hayward’s contributions to his field include the publication of his book, “The Creation/Evolution Controversy: An Annotated Bibliography,” which was selected by the American Library Association’s magazine “Choice” as one of its Outstanding Academic Titles in 1999. He has also published over 60 peer-reviewed articles, numerous non-peer-reviewed articles, encyclopedia articles (many for the new Seventh-day Adventist Encyclopedia), and a book chapter. Additionally, he has delivered more than 40 oral presentations at research conferences and has advised more than 20 master’s theses and more than 30 undergraduate researchers.

His diligence with students was recognized when Hayward won the Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1995, then again in 2002. In 2015, he won the Siegfried H. Horn Award for Excellence in Research & Creative Scholarship and two months later, he received the Undergraduate Research Mentor Award.

In addition to his academic achievements, Hayward boasts a history of service on more than 15 University committees and gives numerous talks for church groups, Sabbath schools, chapels and forums. When he isn't mentoring, researching or serving his various communities, Hayward enjoys reading, writing, walking, backpacking and exploring natural areas, especially the mountains and islands of the Pacific Northwest and the sand dunes of Lake Michigan.

For his contributions to the field of biology and the scholarly development of students and faculty, the faculty of Andrews University is proud to present James Lloyd Hayward with the John Nevins Andrews Medallion.

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