Beginnings. Yesterday I met my first classes of the semester, and from the looks on student faces, they’re excited to be at Andrews. But they’re also a little nervous, bewildered, tired, homesick, shy, and maybe just a bit hungry (OK, one of my classes meets just before the lunch hour).

It’s not always easy to make a new start. As new and returning students quilt themselves into the fabric of our university life, it reminds me of those awkward moments of newness: new to a place, new to a job, new to a culture, new to an experience. Challenging to those of us who like familiarity and the routine, “newness” inevitably promises something more; it raises our hopes and a desire for something better.

And as with any new year, the returning campus congestion—deep bass vibrations from (mostly) student-driven vehicles, drifts of fine scholars “sidewalking” between classes, longer lines in the cafeteria and at the local Baguette de France—holds a lot of promise. But this year, perhaps more than others, inspires our hopes, especially when we look at the world around us and the crises that testify to the biblical truth: the wisdom of men is foolishness to God. Can we admit our own foolishness?

So, for me, it is inspiring to think of our students as catalysts for change in our world. No one said life on the farm was easy, but the Andrews University dairy farm is hoping to make it easier in the 21st century. And researchers at the farm think the secret may be in the barn; the barn structure, that is. On her short trek down to the dairy this summer, our new FOCUS intern, Lynnette Struntz, discovered an experimental “solar barn” might just mean an increase in milk production. Lynnette also found out that in spite of all the technological advances at the dairy over the past 100 years, the mission remains the same: provide AU students with hands-on experience and a learning environment that will prepare them for service to the community and employment in agriculture.

As we all look forward to the opening of the Howard Performing Arts Center in October, it’s good to take time to remember (and appreciate) some of the older buildings on campus. In Time Pieces, Meredith Jones Gray pays tribute to old Science Hall (more recently, the former Art building). A unique structure on campus, the building came into existence because of the determination of students and faculty alike, and their shared desire for improved facilities for education in the sciences.

Our Aluminati features Robert Slaughter, a 1970 graduate and the artist behind one of our campus sculptures. In the Student Spotlight, music major Jonathan Wall shares his joy for music and music education at Andrews University. I hope you’ll also take time to be part of our FOCUS Reader Survey, which is available at: www.andrews.edu/PR/focus/

This short survey will allow you to share your opinions, views and suggestions with the FOCUS staff as we continue to try to provide you with the AU news and information you value most.

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A very big “boat”

The Spring 2003 FOCUS is the most meaningful I’ve seen, with the mature nonpartisan approach to the international situation and, although not stated, our leadership “speaking as a lion,” perhaps reminding us of the imminent return of Jesus.

I’m slightly embarrassed by the nomenclature “boat” used in my letter quoted in “Those Marching Men.” In reality, it was the first “Queen Elizabeth,” the largest ship afloat, a luxurious adapted passenger liner on its first trip as a troop ship nearly sixty years ago with almost 14,000 troops aboard. The mail censor must have been responsible for the “boat” terminology. I boarded the QE with the Headquarters Company of the 78th Fighter Group just after it docked in New York, between the “Queen Mary” and the “Normandie,” half sunken on its side, and was assigned the duty of setting up the ship’s hospital. Fortunately, an Army Hospital Group came aboard later, and we handed the hospital operation over to them.

We zig-zagged every seven minutes across the turbulent Atlantic, firing depth charges twice from the huge cannon mounted on the deck probably held over from WWI. It was made by the Miehle Company, a company I was familiar with, which also manufactured printing presses. Later some of our Fighter Group found how close the U-boats came to launching a torpedo in our direction.

It was during basic training at Camp Lee, Va., as we stood before sunrise, in our underwear, in subfreezing temperatures doing calisthenics, that I looked up at the moon. The comforting thought came that no matter where I was sent, the moon would always be there and how much more would God’s presence be available. From that time on I left everything with our Lord, and no fear for the future remained.

After three years with 78th Fighter Group, 8th Air Force, in England, serving as a Flight Surgeon’s Assistant, I safely returned on the last troop ship, the SS Aquitania, from the ETO. God has been so good and we all have so much to look forward to, if that has been our choice. Let’s have a real celebration of EMC and AU the first Saturday night in Heaven!

Noble Vining (BA ’41)

Hand delivery?

My issue of FOCUS arrived today. As I looked through it, I was disgusted at the forum for anti-Americanism that I found there. Since you have given a platform for this sad and destructive attitude, I no longer wish to see your publication in my mailbox again. Instead of the stuff you put in it, why couldn’t you show something of the horrible atrocities done by the Iraqi regime? How about supporting our country instead of being so negative about it?

If this reflects the attitude of the students and teachers there, I’m ashamed of you. Leave me off all your mailing lists.

Byron Faber (att.)

Formative years

I recall that day in the Post Chapel at Fort Benning like it was yesterday. I spent two Sabbaths there before I got a pass to attend church in Columbus, Ga. The church made all us G.I.’s family—boy did we eat! My singing never was on tune, but my songs were all on message: “Jesus Loves Me, This I Know!” Sixty years later I still believe it. I hate war and I despise preemptive war, but I love this country and the freedom of conscience it has afforded me. I returned to Benning with my wife, Betty, about 14 years ago. The deserted chapel was still there and an incredibly lonely feeling came over me, not to leave for about four days. Yet I count my army years as man-making in every respect.

Thanks for the memories.

Tom Zwemer (att.)

Politically incorrect

The latest edition of FOCUS arrived last week. What a surprise!

Scanning through the pages I discovered articles on “America’s Troubled Image Abroad,” “Whatever Happened To Palestine?” and (my favorite) “An Educated Activism.” Page 33 also included some insightful political quotes from the Student Movement and mentioned the look of “Shock and awe” on the faces of the U.S. taxpayer’s face (regarding the cost of ousting Saddam Hussein’s regime).

Dare I say it—FOCUS appears to have lost its focus? When did this magazine change direction to become involved in world events? Furthermore, why so clearly biased? After reading the magazine, I looked up the AU website to review the mission statement. No, it was still the same mission statement that I remembered. However, the political content of FOCUS seemed to indicate that Andrews’ students and faculty have become misdirected from this mission. I read about how the war stimulated campus debate, how money was granted to protest the war efforts, how the world views America and how students/faculty formed a peace club, joining protests in three states. The articles, quotes and “student spotlight” were very much opinion pieces.

For an institution that aspires to educate its students “for generous service to the church and society in keeping with a faithful witness to Christ and the worldwide mission of the SDA church,” there was minimal mention of Christ in your last publication. Over the past year, the war has taken a dominant place in many of our lives. Wouldn’t it have been wonderful to read about how the faculty and students were placing a renewed focus on Christ and developing a closer relationship, particularly during such a time as this? How much better could the Andrews community have been served if the money and efforts used for war protesting had been directed toward needy families, worthy students or outreach ministries?

Dr. Mattingly’s piece was an excellent example of reflection that kept Christ at the center and was neutral regarding war politics. Thank you for including it. I was disappointed, however, that you chose to spotlight a religion major who elaborated solely upon his peace-activist views instead of how his relationship with Christ has matured secondary to his experience at Andrews. Actually that’s not entirely true, he also took issue with the “millions of painful deaths caused each year by tobacco corporations around the world.” I wonder if Professor Land would agree with his critical reasoning? I tend to believe the notion that people make choices and those choices have consequences (i.e. people cause their own painful deaths, not the tobacco corporations).
I doubt that you agree with the above logic, but I think that my point has been made. By their very nature, worldview opinion pieces will stir up feelings and encourage debate. This is not necessarily a bad thing when held to the proper forum. Andrews is the Mecca of Seventh-day Adventist training and founded upon the premise of helping students develop a closer relationship with Christ and to faithfully witness our faith to both our church and community. Is it not better to have the reader open an issue of Focus and feel the spiritual connection with our Creator (through Christ-centered pieces) as opposed to being pulled into the urge to debate politics?

Tony M. Krause (BS ’91, MSPT ’92)

A relative discovery

I just received my latest Focus magazine. On page 10 of the Spring 2003 issue, I noticed a picture of my uncle, John Lundquist! I am sure he has died since. He was my father’s brother. My Dad’s name was Harry B. Lundquist. He graduated in 1917 and put in over 50 years in service to the Lord’s work in South America, Cuba and Puerto Rico. Also, he taught at Southern Adventist University at Collegedale, Tenn.

Our family is so proud of the school at Berrien. We all enjoyed our days there. Also, my Uncle Walter E. Murray and his entire family attended there. As we look back, those were the greatest days of our lives. Thanks for the memories!

Gordon Lundquist (premed ’43)

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The Center for Youth Evangelism—25th Anniversary

The Center for Youth Evangelism will celebrate 25 years of youth ministry on March 8, 2004. Join us from 6-8 pm for a special anniversary presentation followed by an open-house tour. More info: 1-800-YOUTH-2-U or drane@andrews.edu.
Summer graduation nets 214 new alumni

Sunday, August 3, Andrews University added 214 undergraduates and graduates to its thousands of alumni worldwide. Students, their families and community members had the opportunity to take part in not just commencement exercises on the Berrien Springs campus, but also many other activities.

Friday, August 1, Dr. Delyse Steyn, chair of the Communication Department at Andrews University, spoke for the consecration service at 8 p.m. in the Pioneer Memorial Church. The title of her presentation was “No Backpacks Beyond This Point.”

The baccalaureate service for graduate and undergraduate students took place Saturday, August 2, at 11:20 a.m., in the Pioneer Memorial Church. John Nixon, pastor of the Oakwood Seventh-day Adventist Church, Huntsville, Ala., spoke on “The Knowledge Supreme.” Several campus departments held their pinning and dedication services Saturday afternoon, including: Seminary Dedication at 4 p.m. in the Seminary Chapel, and Clinical Laboratory Science certificate ceremony at 5 p.m. in the Castelbuono Youth Chapel, Pioneer Memorial Church. A vespers service was held at 8:30 p.m. in Pioneer Memorial Church and a reception hosted by President and Mrs. Andreasen followed for the graduates and their families in the Campus Center.

Commencement for graduate and undergraduate students took place Sunday, August 3, at 9 a.m. in Pioneer Memorial Church. David Whitwam, CEO, Whirlpool Corporation, addressed the graduates with his presentation titled “The Road to Success Passes Through Communities.” John and Dede Howard were given the President’s Medallion for their generosity in giving funds for the new Howard Performing Arts Center. Dr. C. William Habenicht, former chair of the physical therapy department, was given the J. N. Andrews Medallion. Drs. Walter and Memory Lewis were both given honorary Doctor of Science degrees for their work in botany. They are co-authors of Medical Botany: Plants Affecting Human Health, now in its second edition.

Howard inaugural

The inaugural season of the Howard Performing Arts Center kicks off the weekend of October 18-19, 2003. A number of festive programs are planned to celebrate the completion of the building, including an inaugural gala, an open house, a special opening for AU students, and a week-long series of midday concerts.

The first inaugural program, scheduled for Saturday evening, October 18 at 8:00, will include a dedication of the building, as well as performances from Andrews University music ensembles and community musicians. There will be a reception in the lobby following the program.

Admission is by ticket only. Although tickets are free, there will be a very limited number available on a first-come-first-served basis. At press time, the expectation is that the Box Office will open in September.

The second inaugural program, scheduled for Sunday evening, October 19 at 8:00, will be a repeat of Saturday’s program, with the exception of the building dedication. There will be a reception in the lobby following the program.

Like the first program, admission is by ticket only. There will be a limited number available on a first-come-first-served basis.

An open house is slated for Sunday, October 19, from 2-6 p.m., and should appeal to all ages. Visitors to the open house can take a tour of the facility, attend a mini-seminar on concert etiquette, listen to a variety of musical performances from area musicians, enjoy light refreshments and take home a giveaway. Admission is free and open to the public.

The 2003-2004 season will include a number of programs of superior quality in the intimate and acoustically perfect environment of the Howard Performing Arts Center. Two highlights of the season are a Nov. 11 performance by Massenkoff Russian Folk Festival and a Dec. 14 Christmas concert by Steve Darmody and Friends.

For more information, call the Howard Performing Arts Center Box Office at (269) 471-3560 or visit www.andrews.edu/HPAC.
Giving the gift of music

World-renowned violinist and Andrews University Associate Professor of Music, Carla Trynchuk, has a burden to give of her talents to the Benton Harbor community. In conjunction with Benton Harbor Street Ministries and Andrews-based outreach team, AU out-REACH, children starting between the ages of 8 and 10 will have private instruction for free in violin, viola and cello Saturday afternoons. As the director of the string program at Andrews, Trynchuk plans to utilize her string majors and graduate students to teach the string instruments using the Suzuki method.

Trynchuk was inspired to begin this program several years ago after she read a story about a plumber who would spend Saturday afternoons offering his services to families in poor neighborhoods as an outreach. Adapting the idea to fit her skills and expertise, Trynchuk will visit several Benton Harbor schools with some of her students in the fall in order to get the kids interested. The Benton Harbor area schools’ magnet program no longer has a string program, and Trynchuk is doing her part to make sure that the opportunity to learn a string instrument is still an option.

A native of Canada, Trynchuk began piano lessons at the age of four and violin lessons at the age of 6. She earned her bachelor’s and master’s degrees from The Juilliard School, New York City, and studied violin with Dorothy DeLay, a foremost violin instructor whose students have included Itzhak Perlman, Sarah Chang, Gil Shaham and Midori. Trynchuk studied under Louise Behrend in New York City to become Suzuki-certified and will use this as her primary teaching method with the Benton Harbor children. She has performed as soloist with numerous orchestras and as a recitalist throughout Europe, Asia and North America. In November 2003, Trynchuk will collaborate with Maestro Paul Freeman and the Czech National Philharmonic Orchestra in the world premiere recording of Tibor Serly’s Concerto for Violin for distribution on the Albany label.

String lessons will not begin in Benton Harbor until fall; however, assistance from the community is needed now to make this program successful. Donations of instruments (violins, violas and cellos—one-fourth size to full size), shoulder rests, and Suzuki books, CDs and tapes are needed. To make a contribution, please call WAUS 90.7 FM at 800-553-9287. All donations are tax-deductible. In addition to collecting string instruments for this outreach program, WAUS also accepts donations of any kind of instrument for children who can’t afford to buy their own.

Trynchuk believes strongly in the power of music. “It has been proven that students that play the violin score significantly higher on standardized tests,” she said. Through this program, she hopes to help students gain discipline and add another dimension to their lives.

Andrews University hosts public high school band camps

It’s not summer at Andrews University without the low, rhythmic sounds of bass drums pulsating across the campus from the general direction of the playing fields. For twenty years, Andrews has been host to one or more public high school bands each summer. Derek Bradfield, manager of convention services at Andrews, arranges for accommodations and meals for the groups each summer. This year, the campus hosted two schools, both from central Michigan, during late July. The Fremont High School band camp from Fremont, Mich., under the direction of Mark Breza, has been coming to Andrews each summer for the past twenty years. Both the Fremont band camp and the Wyoming, Mich., band camp directors have expressed to Bradfield their appreciation of Andrews’ facilities and location. Both Fremont and Wyoming are bigger cities, and they enjoy the small-town atmosphere.

Nicole Bier, assistant band director for Wyoming High School, came to Andrews to lead the camp this year without pay. The regular director quit several weeks before the band camp was scheduled, and because of budget cutbacks the school was going to pull the plug on the band camp program. Not wanting this to happen, Bier volunteered to spend the week teaching with no remuneration.

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Andrews was privileged to host not just the band camps this year but also the NAD Retirees Convention, the 2003 Korean Camp Meeting and the Hispanic Youth Congress, to name just a few. If you are interested in hosting a convention at Andrews, please call Derek Bradfield at (269) 471-3360.
Physical Therapy students conduct falls screening

Most everyone is familiar with the story of Humpty Dumpty, the egg who takes a tragic fall. All the king’s horses and all the king’s men tried, but unfortunately, there was no one who could put him back together again and so his story ends.

What many people don’t realize is that each year, Humpty Dumpty’s story is repeated many times by others who also take a fall. According to David Village, associate professor of physical therapy, approximately 300,000 hip fractures happen each year because of a fall, and treatment related to those fractures costs $7.3 billion annually.

On Wednesday, July 16, twenty-two residents of Harbor Towers in Benton Harbor attended a falls screening session conducted by Andrews University physical therapy students. This screening session, provided by the students as a service-learning project, offered residents the chance to learn more about their risk of falling and to gain helpful tips to prevent those falls from happening. Patricia Hurst, elderly/disabled services coordinator for the Benton Harbor housing commission, said, “We were really happy to have the class come. This service is a great precautionary measure for our residents.”

Students and residents began the screening by sitting down for a short one-on-one interview. After learning about residents’ history of falls and various comfort levels while standing alone or walking, students then conducted a few simple tests. The main test performed was the extensively researched Berg Balance Test. This 14-item scale measured how well participants performed various balance activities, such as placing one foot in front of the other and stepping up. Their independence or dependence while completing the various activities gave a good indication of their risk of falling.

The screening session was no hard task. In fact, many who participated not only found themselves learning but enjoying it, too. “This was a lot of fun. We were able to find out things to help us that we might not have known about,” said resident James Paige, after completing the exercises.

Students administering the screening enjoyed getting to know the people they were working with and gaining the much-needed experience. “I really liked the interactions we got to have here. The more we work with people, the more comfortable we are and the more we understand where other people are coming from,” said PT student, Gaelan Katz.

Following a full evaluation of the tests, residents received their score of low, moderate or high risk for falling. Those who showed a high risk for falling received a letter to take to their doctor explaining the testing that had been done and requesting further follow-up. Being high-risk doesn’t mean the end to activity, reminded student Kazuko Sukigara. “We can teach residents how to cope with being high-risk so that they can feel confident enough to still get out there to enjoy life and minimize their risk for falling.”

With the education and preventive measures offered by screening sessions such as these, more people will be able to stand firmly and avoid ending up like Humpty Dumpty.

Physics hosts SmartLabs workshop

The department of physics at Andrews University put on its first SmartLabs workshop for 34 participants from high schools in the local area, as well as other parts of Michigan, Indiana, California and Washington State. From June 10-13, alcohol rockets, singing rods and Karo syrup competed with high-tech probeware measuring magnetic forces and nuclear decay rates. Seventeen secondary-school teachers, paired with 17 students, worked through an intense program of laboratory exercises to enrich their physics classes with computer-assisted data acquisition. The students were hand-picked by their teachers for their scientific potential and with the anticipation that they would function as laboratory assistants for them.

Each day, the students and teachers initially attended separate sessions based on different laboratory techniques and then taught each other the labs they had mastered. This team approach constituted the core of the SmartLabs program and was supplemented by inexpensive but insightful demonstrations, lectures that supported the understanding of phenomena observed in the labs, and hands-on crafting of labs that teachers could easily put together and take back home.

SmartLabs was sponsored by the department of physics, in conjunction with the Lake Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and the Berrien County Intermediate School District Math and Science Center. The presentations and lab instruction were provided by the entire six-person faculty of the physics department, and assisted by four of their university students.
Lofthouse and Clouten retire

Murray Lofthouse retired in July after serving for 27 years as associate professor of technology education and as mechanics instructor for Andrews Auto Tech. A native of Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, Lofthouse holds two degrees in industrial education from Andrews University and Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo. Before coming to Andrews, he taught at Battle Creek Academy for fifteen years.

“He will be greatly missed,” said Laun Reinholtz, chair of the imaging and applied technology department, who hired Lofthouse in 1976. “His skills and knowledge of automotive technology have been a great asset.”

Harry Olson worked with Lofthouse for seventeen years at Auto Tech. Lofthouse did the mechanic work, and Olson did the auto body work. Olson remembers that Lofthouse never got upset about anything during the many years they worked together. “Murray and I had a great relationship,” Olson said. “We could depend on each other.” Lofthouse would make a trip to used-car auctions each Thursday to pick up cars that clients specifically ordered. He would also buy cars for the students to fix up and put out on the car-sales lot at Auto Tech. “Murray and I made sure that each car was running perfectly before it ever got placed out on the lot,” Olson recalled.

In his retirement, Lofthouse plans to travel to Canada to visit his parents; help his sons in Berrien Springs and Walla Walla, Wash.; build their houses; and tap his maple trees for syrup.

Keith Clouten retired in June as the James White Library director after ten years of service to Andrews University. A native of Australia, Clouten has three degrees in education and library science. Prior to his work at Andrews, Clouten was the library director for Canadian University College, Lacombe, Alberta. He is the author of two books, Reid’s Mistake and Hunter Valley Bushwack.

Wanda Cantrell, James White Library office manager, worked with Clouten for eight years. During that time, she especially appreciated the way he took special interest in her staff and the things that were important to them. As a member of the Andrews choir, Cantrell always felt supported by Clouten when she needed to attend a mid-day rehearsal. “He was excellent to work for,” she said. “He always tried to deal fairly with all faculty and staff.”

Clouten and his wife, Ngaire, have two adult daughters and have chosen to retire in Lacombe, Alberta, Canada. In his retirement Clouten will continue traveling to different libraries in the United States and Canada, helping them to learn to be more efficient in their processes. The Cloutens have directed tours all over the world to such places as Alaska, South America, Scandinavia and Russia, and will continue directing them.

New marketing director at WAUS

Sarah K. Asaftei has been hired as the marketing director and host of Michiana Morning for WAUS, 90.7 FM, replacing Paul Vetne. Vetne and his wife, Leah, have moved to central Michigan, after working with WAUS for four years.

Born in Killeen, Texas, Asaftei is an alumna of the class of 2003 at Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, Tenn. She earned her bachelor of arts in English, with an emphasis in writing and editing. She graduated cum laude and was the secretary of her senior class.

Asaftei has a varied media background, which includes hosting the 3ABN series Witnesses for Jesus and appearing as a guest on several other 3ABN programs. She has worked in the recruiting department of Weimar College, Weimar, Calif., and was the SIFE (Students in Free Enterprise) team president and director of SIFE development at Southern Adventist University.

Asaftei, formerly Sarah Matthews, is glad to be a part of the radio staff at Andrews University. The marketing position provides a venue to interact with people she would not otherwise have the opportunity to meet.

“I’m eager to get better acquainted with the Andrews area, and I’m excited about the opportunities that lie before WAUS, especially as we move into the Howard Performing Arts Center in the near future,” Asaftei said.

Asaftei recently married Marius R. Asaftei, a 2003 theology graduate of Southern hired by the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. His education in the Seminary brought them to the Andrews area, where they are also helping to pastor in the St. Joseph Seventh-day Adventist church.
"$20,000 in Six Weeks"

or How to Fund a Science Building, circa 1931

So if you have the inspiration to delve into the wonders of nature and the marvels of this scientific age, come to E. M. C. and study, free from evolutionary and atheistic theories of modernism," the college advertised in the Student Movement of June 6, 1929. The "school family" of Emmanuel Missionary College boasted 10 pre-med graduates and six other science graduates in the class of 1929 (7). The following school year of 1929–30, enthusiastic students formed yet another campus club: Scientia, the new science club, "to foster the interest of the study of natural science among students; to keep it on a high cultural plane with other branches of learning; to encourage a greater interest in spiritual matters; and to promote the improvement of equipment and facilities in the Science Department."1

The science facilities certainly needed a boost. They suffered from "scattered equipment, widely separated laboratories, and make-shift classrooms."2 The chemistry department resided in the basement of the music building. Those who shared the building with the laboratories below remembered that "For years H₂S gas and other characteristic odors were wafted up to the practice rooms, filling the air with their peculiar fragrance."3 The rest of the science department remained in the basement of the original, onion-domed administration building. The Student Movement opined that "science has literally been 'run into the ground' at E.M.C."4

Professor Reu Hoen, in 1931, described the chemistry labs in dire terms: "We are just getting by until next year by patching up the old sinks, drains, and so forth. Our situation is very adverse to the conduct of the type of efficiency which we wish to see."5

The dream for new science quarters began in earnest in 1929, along with the new science club. Every edition of the Student Movement published "The Movement's Platform," or a list of goals for the school, under its masthead. "A new science building" made the list every time.6 In the spring of 1930, the school paper reported that Professor F. W. Griffin, the architectural drawing and woodcraft teacher, was working on plans for the "proposed" science building.7 The school also began to salt away money for the badly needed facility, banking the profits from selling radio station WEMC to fund a science hall.8

The new president, Lynn H. Wood, himself a science teacher, arrived on campus and added new impetus to the plans. Perhaps because of financial exigencies, Wood floated the idea of an addition to the administration building that would house the science department rather than a separate structure. Trained in architectural engineering at the University of Michigan, the president brought a sketch of his idea to the board.9 But after carefully examining the pros and cons of the various proposals, the board opted to build "a modest science building . . . separate from the administration building."10

The new structure would be "modest" out of necessity. The Depression had struck, and EMC was cutting corners and counting pennies. Located between Maple Hall (the men’s dormitory—later Burman Hall) and the music building, the science hall would be 40 feet by 66 feet, three stories tall and would house "three laboratories for biology, physics, and chemistry, respectively; several stock rooms for supplies and equipment; two lecture rooms; lavatories, work rooms, and offices."11

Student enthusiasm took over as soon as the board made its decision. Always thrilled by a cause and a campaign, the EMC students held one of their famous chapel rallies. The Student Movement reported, "'$20,000 in six weeks' was the slogan of every student, as he left the chapel Wednesday morning after the conclusion of a program that launched the campaign for the Science building (23 April 1931, 1). The administration actually expected the students to raise only $6,500 of the estimated $20,000 in construction costs, but the slogan certainly sounded impressive. Even $6,500, however, was a monumental sum in an era when
tuition for a full load cost $14 a month. The students were undaunted. Breaking into bands according to their home conferences, they launched a letter-writing campaign during chapel the very next day, attacking the pile of 8,000 letterheads and envelopes that had been printed.

The board had agreed the building would be constructed on a pay-as-you-go basis. The administration had some money in hand already and lost no time in getting started. The ceremonial shovel of earth was turned on May 31, 1931, and excavation began.

By the next school year the building was partially in use. On October 1 the Student Movement announced, "We are very glad to report that the new science building is being used daily and that the work on it is being rapidly carried forward to completion. The laboratories are not quite ready for use as yet but the lecture rooms are in use. This airy, well lighted structure is a wonderful improvement over the former quarters of the science department" (1).

Fattic, second-semester president, proposed to hold an open house in their still new building:

Most of our friends know little of what goes on in the Science Building. They think that the chemistry department exists solely to make foul smelling gases and materials that may blow up at any minute. And if they have never visited the biology laboratory they believe that all the students ever do is cut up pickled, formaldehyde-soaked fish.

But these ideas are entirely wrong. We want our friends to change their preconceived notions, so we have planned to open the building for their inspection....

The faculty entertainment committee, however, was alarmed and initially denied Scientia their approval for the open house. The committee members felt that there would be entirely too much time for "free association" between young men and women during the proposed evening activities. Deans Lamson and Burman were sure that such an occasion did not provide nearly enough supervision. Fattic began his careful diplomacy, visiting each member of the committee, including the deans. He negotiated a compromise: Scientia could have half the time set aside for Saturday-night entertainment. Thus, the open-house lasted all of 45 minutes, from 6:15 until 7:30. The "inspection" of the building proved a big success: "Two hundred and twenty-seven guests of the Scientia Club crowded the Science Hall on the evening of March 25...." Math, physics, biology, and chemistry teachers and students gave demonstrations in every room, showing off the wonders of science and the brand-new accommodations.

To the students of the 1930s, the new science quarters in their "modest" little building, built from scrimping, saving, sacrificing, and campaigning were, they boasted, "super-facilities."
Tiffani Clark Dillard “handles” her celebrated medical career, thanks to bedrock values cultivated at AU.

“I need a patient blood draw.” “Can you start this IV?” “Take him to radiology for me, will you?” “I need you to dress this wound.” “The nurse didn’t show up today. You’ll have to take vitals and assign your own exam rooms.” “Get her to the operating room, now!”

Cook County Hospital in Chicago, Ill., is not only the hospital that the hit TV series, ER, is modeled after; it is also where 1992 Andrews graduate, Dr. Tiffani Clark Dillard, did her obstetrics residency. Life at Cook County is fast-paced, and residents who would normally be doing only things related to their fields found themselves doing anything and everything. Because of the non-stop action, the residents decided the only way to survive was to “handle it.” This soon became their motto.

Dillard, who was chief of OB/GYN residents at Cook County, says this was a good principle not just for her four years at Cook County but also for life.

Tiffani Clark Dillard, daughter of William and Evangeline Clark, grew up in New Rochelle, N.Y., with two older brothers. Her father, a teacher, instilled in her a love of learning, and her mother, a nurse anesthetist, taught her compassion for others. After completing preschool, Tiffani’s teachers moved her directly to first grade, bypassing kindergarten. She would skip two more grades, fifth and tenth, before graduating from Garden State Academy, Tranquility, N.J., at the age of fourteen.

Tiffani then headed to Andrews University to pursue pre-med, so she moved into Lamson Hall and became a member of BSCF, the Black Students Christian Forum. She made the early morning journey to Price Hall each day at 7:30 to Dr. David Steen’s Foundations of Biology class, the first of her pre-med/biology classes. “I think they try to weed out the people that are not as serious about pursuing medicine with such an early class,” she said with a smile.

Steen recalls that Tiffani was the youngest student in the class and did well. “As time went by, she really developed into an outstanding student,” Steen said. “She had a great attitude and was very focused. I could tell she was special.” Dr. Bill Chobotar, her advisor, didn’t realize how young Tiffani was when she came to Andrews. He was amazed at her attentiveness and maturity when he found out that she was just fourteen. “She was very focused on her goals in life,” he said. “She has a rare mix of leadership and humility, which makes her a truly unique person.”

Tiffani has been featured in Jet magazine, Amsterdam News in New York, the Columbia Union Visitor, two times in the Adventist Review, Women’s News, the Recorder, Standard Star in New Rochelle, N.Y., Westchester County Press in N.Y., the Daily News and the Dayton Weekly, both in Dayton, Ohio.

Dr. Chobotar invited Tiffani to speak at a pre-med vesper last school year. In her talk, titled “God Has a Plan for Your Life,” she told about her first day as a real doctor, sitting in her office and taking time to let it all sink in. She appreciated the veteran nurses she worked with who supported her as a new physician and gave her advice on certain procedures. After she finished her talk, Chobotar said a large group of students waited to speak with her. One student asked her how to let nurses know that the doctor is the boss. Chobotar said, “I remember that she looked at the student and tactfully said, “You don’t tell them that. You listen to them because most of them know more than you.”” Chobotar attributes...
part of Tiffani’s success as a physician to the fact that she is an excellent listener.

Raised in a Seventh-day Adventist family and community, Tiffani feels that she grew up somewhat naive to the problems of the world around her. Dealing with the death of her father and brother, as well as being a physician, has helped her put things in a different perspective. She has delivered several babies with severe complications, as well as stillborn infants. “I never try to make the parents think that I understand how they’re feeling,” she said. Having never lost a child, she can’t fathom what they are going through, all she can do is pray for them. For her own sake, she has learned to separate her problems at work from her home life and "handle it." She learned a lot about God and about love as a resident at Cook County Hospital where they mainly served the underprivileged Chicago population. "When you go the extra mile for people, it’s very rewarding.”

Entering Andrews at such a young age meant that Tiffani graduated at the age of eighteen with acceptance to Wright State University, Dayton, Oh., to pursue her medical degree. “I didn’t know what kind of doctor I wanted to be,” she said, “I just knew I didn’t want to do obstetrics.” As a nurse anesthetist, Tiffani’s mother would tell her how overworked the OB doctors were and how often they were on call. By the end of her third year of medical school, Tiffani decided that the only area of medicine that truly captured her interest was obstetrics. “My OB rotations were always interesting, and I never dreaded doing research for OB-related topics,” Tiffani remembered.

Attending Andrews was easy for her, never having to explain her beliefs and why she couldn’t participate in this social activity or that study session during the Sabbath hours. But it was at Wright State University where she embraced her religion and made it her own, instead of the religion of her parents. “You have to be true to your beliefs and principles,” she said. "When you’re true to God, He’s true to you." During her four years in Ohio, she never compromised the Sabbath, even when teachers predicted failure since she chose worship over studying.

After finishing her residency at Cook County Hospital, Tiffani accepted a position with Carle Clinic in Urbana, Ill., about an hour south of Chicago, as an OB/GYN doctor. She performs complete female care including routine checkups, prenatal care, annual visits, pelvic pain and abnormal bleeding exams, family planning and contraception counseling, surgery and baby deliveries. Tiffani’s office walls are covered with pictures of her with newborn babies, and she estimates that she delivers 20-25 babies per month. Having been with Carle Clinic for two years, Tiffani is well acquainted with the facility and its inner workings.

She appreciates the good support staff and the physician network, as well as living near the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. After commuting in Chicago for four years, living in this relatively small university town with hardly any traffic is a treat. She and her husband, George, a full-time business student, enjoy concerts held at the university on a regular basis and travel to Chicago every few weeks to visit his family. "We are in a good location for entertainment, living within easy driving distance of Chicago, St. Louis and Indianapolis," she said. Tiffani enjoys bowling and belongs to a book club. She and her husband look forward to starting their own family in the future, but for now, they’re enjoying married life as a couple.

At 30, when most aspiring physicians are still in medical school or doing their residency, Tiffani is one of the youngest doctors on the Carle Clinic staff. When asked what the best piece of advice was that she received during her residency, she answered, “One attending physician told me never to say ‘oops.’” Truly a life lesson; never say “oops,” just “handle it.”

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Dr. Dillard with a neighbor whose baby she delivered

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1903 was a year full of life-changing events. Orville Wright, with his brother Wilbur, launched the first powered flight, Bob Hope was born, and the first message traveled around the world. In literature, Jack London published “The Call of the Wild,” and George Orwell, best known for his books “Animal Farm” and “1984,” was born.

It was also a monumental year in sports. It marked the first World Series, Pittsburgh and Boston (Boston won, in case you’re keeping track), and it was the inaugural year of the Tour de France.

For you entertainment buffs, the first silent movie, “The Great Train Robbery,” hit the screen, and Curly Howard of “The Three Stooges” (the one with the shaven head) was born. Windshield wipers, the electric washing machine and the electric vacuum cleaner swept onto the scene, and the Harley-Davidson motorcycle was first available for purchase—if you had an extra $200 to spend. The Ford Motor Company was also founded that year and sold its first car, a two-cylinder Model A that was assembled in nearby Detroit. And it was in this special year that the dairy at Emmanuel Missionary College birthed its legacy on the new Berrien Springs campus.

While EMC was planting its academic roots firmly on the Berrien Springs campus, the dairy and the farm were staking their own claim to the fertile land. From the very first days, the dairy’s reason for existence has been to provide a place of hands-on learning for students. Dr. Edward Sutherland, the first president of EMC, said his own goals for the new school were “to make Agriculture the A, B, and C of education, to place Bible in its proper place in the curriculum, [and] to provide work so students could earn expenses.” Sutherland envisioned teachers and students working side by side to achieve success together. In fact, the site for EMC was selected with the idea of having an agricultural program. It was on the property of three farms that the school was founded.

Students harvested fruit and processed it for the school cafeteria. Vegetable gardens were planted, and students processed and sold the produce. The dairy and farm produced milk for students and used horse-drawn wagons to deliver milk to the community.

Sutherland’s vision is still alive and well. The dairy is one of the largest employers of students at Andrews, and many of the workers are
trained from scratch. Students enrolled in the agricultural programs are paid for their work while they gain valuable on-the-job experience to help prepare them for their future careers. This holistic approach, a blending of academics with hands-on manual learning, is based on counsel Mrs. White gave in her book “Education,” published in 1903, in which she states:

“Schools should be established that, in addition to the highest mental and moral culture, shall provide the best possible facilities for physical development and industrial training. Instruction should be given in agriculture, manufactures,—covering as many as possible of the most useful trades.”

As years flew by and the dairy became electrified, the cows no longer had to be milked by hand. Machine milking made it possible for more cows to be added to the herd. A milk-processing plant was built, and the dairy was able to provide more milk to the growing student body and community.

Much has changed since the dairy’s first few decades. It started as a big enterprise with little profit and has grown into an industry with six-figure profits. Today, Andrews operates the largest dairy in southwest Michigan. Each year, the dairy plants 1,000 acres of corn to feed the growing herd. An average of 300 heifers are born each year. For their first several months they are kept at the farm in hutches and in small groups until they are taken to Indiana Academy. They stay at the academy until they are grown and ready to calve. Then they return home to Andrews to have their babies, and the cycle begins all over again. This program provides industry for both Andrews and her sister institution, Indiana Academy.

Many opportunities have arisen because of the quality of livestock that Andrews has been able to develop over the years. Annually, the dairy shows several of its animals whose genetics are some of the best in the industry. These opportunities to show the animals provide Andrews with a way to share information about the school and the programs it offers.

The amount of milk has also risen since its early days. It may have something to do with the fact that the milking herd has risen from 25 to nearly 600 cows! In all, Andrews has 1,200 head of cattle. Each day more than 4,000 gallons of Grade A milk are hauled away by a tanker to a raw milk co-op. Andrews’ dairy cows each produce approximately 27,000 pounds of milk each year—that’s 8,000 more pounds than the national average! The dairy has won numerous awards for butterfat and milk production in Berrien County.

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dairy management), ornamental horticulture (landscape management, turfgrass management, landscape design), animal science (including preveterinary medicine) and horticulture (fruit and vegetable production).

The newest addition to the agricultural curriculum is the dairy-herd management program. With fewer and fewer people wanting to live the life of a dairy farmer, there is an increasing need for men and women to manage a commercial dairy farm of 500 to 1,000 cows. This new two-year program gives students the necessary skills and detailed experiences that will enable them to handle a commercial dairy. These commercial dairies are the wave of the future.

During these two years, students have four semester-long rotations in which they are intensely focused on one of four elements: reproduction, nutrition, young-stock management and milking management.

“It’s not like a student who’s just doing a job and putting in their time,” says Dr. Kathy Koudele, associate professor of animal science. “They are looking at it through managerial eyes. To have a successful dairy all four elements also have to be successful. Through these rotations students better grasp the understanding and gain knowledge.”

Throughout the years, the agriculture department has also strongly believed in the value of community service. The faculty works hard to integrate community projects into their coursework. Landscape-design students have beautified many area parks and have been intensely involved with inner city projects, while animal-science students become involved with companion-animal therapy and education in nursing homes and children-outreach programs. This focus on the community and helping others enables students to gain a well-rounded education; it also instills in them a dedication to serve in their own communities.

Andrews is the only Adventist college or university in North America to have an agricultural program. But what really makes the department unique is the balance between academics and hands-on learning within their holistic curriculum. This has kept the agriculture department moo-ving successfully in the past, and it will enable it to put its best hoof forward in the future.

Calf suckling behavior, heat stress and nutritional trials are other areas of research presently being conducted at the dairy.

The AU dairy milks nearly 600 cows daily, making it the largest dairy in southwest Michigan. Pictured are the computerized milking machines.
April 15–17, 2004 Alumni Homecoming Weekend

It’s not too early to lay your plans to be a part of Homecoming 2004. In addition to the wonderful fellowship of reunions for the honored classes of 1994, 1984, 1979, 1974, 1964, 1954, 1944, and the Golden Hearts Club, we are planning a Grand Reunion of all Department of Music ensembles. This is planned as a part of the inaugural year of the Howard Performing Arts Center, giving our alumni opportunity to enjoy performing in this long-awaited facility. So if you are an alumnus of a choral ensemble, the orchestra, band, or Wind Symphony, spread the word and start practicing.

Andrews alum Barry Black appointed U.S. senate chaplain

BARRY C. BLACK (MDiv’73), a rear admiral and retiring chief of chaplains of the U.S. Navy, was recently appointed the 62nd chaplain of the United States Senate, the upper house of the Congress.

Pastor Black is the first military chaplain, the first African-American and the first Seventh-day Adventist pastor in the post, which has a two-year term. A graduate of Oakwood College, Huntsville, Ala., and Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Mich., Black is ending a 27-year Naval career which included three years as chief of chaplains and three years as deputy chief. From 1972 to 1976, he was a circuit-riding pastor and evangelist for 11 Adventist churches in North and South Carolina.

“It is a fitting tribute to Chaplain Black as a clergyman and [a] high honor [to] the Seventh-day Adventist Church to have him continue his chaplaincy career as he transitions into this new position,” said Richard Stenbakken, director of Adventist Chaplains Ministries.

In the Navy, Black supervised 1,000 chaplains, as well as pastoral care for Naval members from more than 190 different religious traditions and backgrounds. Black has preached around the world, as well as several times at the Presidential retreat “Camp David” in rural Maryland. He was nominated to that position in April 2000 by then-President Bill Clinton and then-Secretary of the Navy, Richard Danzig. He delivered scripture and prayers at the National Pentagon 9/11 Memorial Services in 2001 and 2002.

“Admiral Black has provided spiritual guidance to thousands of servicemen and women during his 25 years of service,” said Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist of Tennessee. “We’re honored he has offered to bring his moral leadership and counsel to the United States Senate.”

Along with his Adventist education, Black holds a master of arts degree in counseling from North Carolina Central University, a master of arts in management from Salve Regina University, a doctorate in ministry from East Baptist Seminary, and a doctorate in psychology from the United States International University.

Dr. Walter Douglas, professor of church history and history of religion at Andrews University’s Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, had the privilege of teaching Dr. Black while he was a student at Andrews. “Black is a deeply spiritual person,” Douglas said. “He is a fearless leader, a bright person and he won’t hesitate to stand up for his convictions.” Dr. Douglas was interviewed by the NBC Today show for a segment on Barry Black’s appointment.

According to the Senate Web site, “in addition to opening the Senate each day in prayer, the current Senate chaplain’s duties include spiritual care and counseling for senators, their families, and their staffs, as well as special Bible study groups, discussion sessions, and prayer meetings, including a weekly Senators’ Prayer Breakfast.”

Serendipitous reunion (or cashing in on bragging rights)

On Friday morning, May 2, the current alumni staff was cleaning up the aftermath of yet another graduation picnic held the night before. But the front door of the Alumni House kept swinging open to welcome former student workers who were coming back to campus to see their siblings graduate—and to check on the current alumni staff to make sure things were still rolling along to their established standards.

By Sunday we were able to happily reunite seven former student workers for a photo. You may have met them at the Alumni House, or, at least, enjoyed the fruits of their labors. These are some of the “kids” who have played invaluable roles in establishing and running the ‘til midnight café, organizing and running Summer Hospitality on-campus events in conjunction with the Toronto General Conference session, establishing an Alumni Web Page, compiling and creating a campus timeline for our 125th anniversary and Centennial—not to mention cheerfully loading and unloading food and decorations for countless events, and myriad other thankless...
jobs. They are (in the unbiased opinion of this veteran alumni employee) the embodiment of our best and brightest at Andrews. Keep an eye out for these wonderful, young alumni! They have already served their alma mater well—and will change our world for the better!

**Alumni gather at Hinsdale**

Andrews alumni living in the Hinsdale, Ill., area were invited for a Sabbath morning breakfast on February 22 in conjunction with the University Singers Performance for Hinsdale worship services. About 20 alumni stopped by to hear about their alma mater and enjoy breakfast.

**Retirees Convocation alumni meeting**

“How do you catch a cloud and pin it down?”—the words from a familiar song in Sound of Music. We were able to “pin down” approximately 60 alumni “clouds” Sunday morning, June 15, during the annual NAD Retirees Convocation held on the Andrews campus. This group of energetic alumni stopped long enough to hear some news about their alma mater and enjoy fresh strawberries right out of the field. They shared stories with fellow alums about their current lives, as well as favorite memories from EMC days.

**Camp meeting time**

**Florida**

Larry Schalk

(BS ’64, MBA ’71) “enlisted” to help serve lasagna to the 100 alumni who came for Sabbath lunch May 31 during Florida camp meeting. Thanks also to Richard (BS ’74, MS ’81) and Starr (BS ’75) Bender, and daughter, Sherree, for their assistance, and to the Markham Woods SDA Church for being such gracious hosts for our dinner. Thanks, too, to our “correspondent” Herb Pritchard (BA ’52) for the photograph.

**Illinois**

Alumni were bulging out of the designated meeting room at Broadview Academy on Sabbath, June 7, at Illinois camp meeting. Thanks so much to the Denslow family (Ken, Pat and Krissy) for all their work to make this first-annual dinner a success!

**Indiana**

Kurt Bandell (BS ’74) and Andrews employees Mary Nell Rosenboom and Karen Pearson gave a warm welcome to alumni who came for Sabbath lunch on June 14 at Indiana camp meeting. Kurt promises to rally an even bigger crowd at camp meeting next year!

**Michigan**

It was an exciting reunion on Sabbath, June 28, at Michigan camp meeting. More than 15 volunteers served lasagna to more than 400 alumni! But the real excitement started when the storm siren blew just as everyone was getting their food, and we rushed off to the storm shelters just as the winds began to blow and the rains came down. Unfortunately that left little time for visiting, but everyone was fed and subsequently got to the next meeting on time. Few were left to view the “grand finale” when the second storm blew through the campground, flattening the two tents which, just an hour before, sheltered our alumni family (see back cover outtake)!

**Wisconsin**

Alumni stopped by the Andrews cabin to say hello, look through a collection of Cardinals, and see the latest materials provided by Andrews representative, Tami Condon. Tami’s tradition of daily drawings in the Youth and Teen tents generates lots of excitement. “I appreciated working with leaders David Guerrero and John Glass (BA ’66, BD ’68, DMin ’92). They were very supportive and they have a passion for what they are doing. In the Youth tent Curt DeWitt (BS ’88), shared amazing stories of God’s miracles from his work at Maxwell Adventist Academy in Kenya.”
Golden Hearts Club

EDWIN (BA ’44, MA ’64) and ELISI BUCK (BA ’43, MA ’64, LHD ’91) celebrated sixty years of marriage on June 6, 2003. Edwin and Elsie were married the same day Elsie graduated from EMU. Graduation was at 11 a.m., the wedding was at 5 p.m., and they honeymooned in Detroit. They have three children and five grandchildren.

1950s

WALTER LYNN HUNT (BA ’54) is an ENT physician at Turlock Medical Clinic in Turlock, Calif. On August 27, 2003, he and his wife, MARY (att.), celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Mary is a retired teacher. They have six children, 12 grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

EARL ROBERT REYNOLDS, JR. (MA ’59) and his wife, Betty, are retired and live in Harrah, Okla. Before retirement Robert was a pastor in Central Calif., and also served as pastor/evangelist.

1960s

PHILIP LEWIS (BA ’61) and his wife, Gladys, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 26, in Harrison, Maine. They are living in Seaman, Ohio, where Philip works for Sobran Lab as a taxonomist.

1970s

GUENTER FRAATZ (MA ’73) retired in November 2002, but he continued to pastor until July 2003. He has served as a pastor, evangelist, and conference administrator in Germany during his career. Guenter’s hobbies include giving Bible studies, translating literature from English into German, traveling by travel trailer with his wife (always with the computer at hand for work!), and working with his hands to balance working with the brain. He and Helga have been happily married since 1962.

1980s

RICHARD KUYKENDALL (MDiv ’80) is a minister at the First Congregational Church in Auburn, Calif. In 1999, he completed a doctorate of ministry degree from University of Creation Spirituality in Oakland, Calif. He and his wife, Nancy, have two children, Andrew and Leah.

CLASS NOTES

Betty & Earl Reynolds

Ronald Strasdowsky

Adventist University. He and his wife, Ursula, are active in their local church.

MANUEL VELAZQUEZ (EdD ’77) and his wife, Onelia, moved to Florida in June 2002. Manuel has retired after 45 years of working with the SDA church and in the public sector. He began working in Puerto Rico as an engineer and a teacher at Antillian College. Manuel also served as a youth pastor and youth director for the Puerto Rican Conference. After graduating from Andrews, he returned to Puerto Rico to become the educational director for the Antillian Union. In 1983, Manuel became a coordinator for the Chicago Public School System, the third largest school system in the U.S. He was promoted as an administrator in personnel, and later he became assistant director for the Department of Human Resources. Manuel concluded almost 20 years with the Chicago Public School System as an executive director, where his responsibilities included overseeing 135 employees and servicing 44,000 administrators, teachers and career service employees. Now in retirement, he looks forward to relaxing, playing golf, fishing and supporting the church in many ways.

MANUEL VELAZQUEZ

Rose Kite (BS ’78, MSA ’89) is director of surgical services. She and her husband have a son, Jeffrey, and live in Orlando, Florida.

The Girardin family

is a forensic sexual assault examiner. Her latest book is “Sexual Assault—Victimization Across the Life Span: A Color Atlas.” The Girardins have two children, David and Emily, and live in Guam. The family enjoys scuba diving together around Guam and traveling to Palau and Yap. They are active in their local church, the base chapel, and with various social services.

THOMAS FAHRBACH (BA ’84) is a family-practice physician at Portland Adventist Hospital and works with his brother-in-law CURT NERNESS (BS ’85). Thomas lives in Portland, Ore.

EDWARD KUNITZ (PhD ’88) formally retired after 33 years of secondary and university teach-
ing in the sciences, specifically biology and anatomy and physiology. Currently he is on summer ACT research at Argonne National Laboratories, working with heat-shock protein enzyme isolation and identification. Ed received the Aurora/Fox Valley Researcher of the Year Award for 2002. He continues to attend the annual four-day Physics Teachers Conference in astrophysics and cosmology. Ed’s youngest daughter, Gretchen (att.), is working as a respiratory-care therapist in Redland Community Hospital in California.

Krista (Phillips) Haaney (BA ’89) and her husband, Jeffrey (BBA ’86), live in Niles, Michigan. They have two children, Jared and Jadon.

Gennelia (Gennel) C. Laluna (BBA ’92) recently joined Plunkett & Cooney, P. C. as an associate in the firm’s Kalamazoo office. She graduated from Valparaiso University Law School in 2002. Among her achievements in law school, Laluna participated in a summer law program in Cambridge, England. She also earned class and semester honors and was the recipient of the Public Service Law School Scholarship, the James Savage Endowed Scholarship, and the Federal Bar Association Western Michigan Chapter Scholarship. Gennelia is a member of the Kalamazoo County Bar Association, the Berrien County Bar Association, the State Bar of Michigan, and the American Bar Association Employment and Labor Law section and Litigation section. In addition, Gennelia was an officer in Amnesty International, Equal Justice Alliance and the Women in Law Student Association.

Glenn Poole (BSIT ’93, MDiv ’96) and his wife, Lisa (Eisele) (BS/BA ’92), have accepted a call for mission service in Guinea, West Africa, to serve as director of the Guinea-Conakry SDA Mission. For news and more details, visit the Mission’s website at www.guineasda.org. Glenn and Lisa have two children, Johanna and Isaac.

Mary D. Farah (MA ’95) lives in Palo Alto, Calif. She has started a clinical and pastoral education program and is currently working as a chaplain resident at Stanford University Hospital in oncology, and the compromised host-transplant and intermediate ICU units. “It is a very challenging job. I am always surrounded by grief and pain. God has been my constant companion and my backbone.”

Litzie (Astacio) Pinilla (MSPT ’95) and her husband, Alexander (MDiv ’94), live in Cocoa, Fla. Litzie is program manager for Port St. John Rehabilitation Center. Alexander is senior pastor of the Cocoa SDA Church, and is working on a doctor of ministry degree from Andrews. They have one child, Alexie Paulo.

Jeffrey L. Winslow (BArch ’98), passed his state licensing exams and received his architectural registration in the state of Michigan. In January of 2001, Jeffrey joined TMP Associates, Inc., in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., as a staff architect. He has been employed in various educational projects including work for Melvindale-Northern Allen Park Schools and Oxford Area Schools. He is currently involved with the design of the new Allendale Elementary School in Melvindale. Jeffrey is a member of the American Institute of Architects and a certified architect with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards.

Emilo Balay (AET ’89) is proud to report that, “Maxwell joined us March 4, 2003, at 6 lb 19 inches. Nicole is almost 3½ years old and very smart like her mother.” His wife, Cassandra Nesmith, has had a 3½ year leave of absence from paid labor to keep the children entertained. Her most recent employment was as manager at Borders and prior to that she was an editor at the Review and Herald Publishing Association. She assisted with transferring the Bible Commentary to CD. Emilo is a senior software engineer with Symago, LLC, a network, telecommunications and voice processing company. They are currently working on projects with the IRS, Accenture and other government and private clients in the Washington, D.C. area and other states.

CORRECTIONS: In the Winter 2003 issue, Mark (BIT ’80), Tim (BS ’81), Jim (BSMT ’81), and John (BA ’82) Battenburg should have been listed as the sons of Joseph R. Battenburg (BS ’54) and Mary (Antisdel) Durkin (BA ’54). In the Class Notes section of our Spring 2003 issue, Bill Griggs should have been listed as Bill Briggs in the Class of 1983 photo.
Robert Slaughter graduated from Andrews in 1970 with a BS in Art Education. Currently, he is working on his teaching certificate in Ohio.

**Focus:** Tell us about yourself.

**Robert Slaughter:** I’ve been married to Ann Slaughter for nine years and we live in Windsor, Ohio. It’s located in the fourth largest Amish community in the country, and we’ve enjoyed becoming acquainted with our Amish neighbors. We attend the First SDA Community church in Chesterland, Ohio, where I serve as an elder, teach Sabbath School class and run the audio-visual equipment and the satellite system. I am also webmaster for the church website.

For 29 years I worked for Penton Media, Inc., a large media and business publication company in Cleveland, where I was manager of Camera Services or Graphics Production Services for nearly 20 years. In April of 2001, our company was downsized and our department was eliminated, so I was let go. Since then, I’ve done some substitute teaching.

Currently, I am attending Kent State University to complete licensure to teach art at the secondary level. I eventually want to teach at the college level.

**Focus:** What do you do for fun?

**Robert Slaughter:** I’ve been involved with the Windsor Historical Society and have volunteered at the Playhouse Square Foundation in Cleveland for about 10 years. Since I was basically a “desk jockey,” I felt the need for physical exercise, so I took ballet, Spanish dance classes and learned how to do the castanets.

It’s been some of the best exercise I’ve had—even better than basketball and baseball.

I also enjoy photography, mostly nature, and enjoy keeping in touch with my family. Two of my sisters attended EMC in the late 50s.

**Focus:** What other interesting things have you done since leaving Andrews?

**Robert Slaughter:** I’ve taken art classes at the Cleveland Institute of Art as well as Hebrew and Old Testament classes at the College of Jewish Studies. I’ve also visited various art museums and galleries throughout the country.

**Focus:** Your sculpture graces the entrance of the university pool. How do you feel about having a lasting legacy at Andrews?

**Robert Slaughter:** It feels nice to have something that the people can remember me by. It’s like leaving a little piece of myself there, a little connection even though I am no longer there.

**Focus:** How did it all come about?

**Robert Slaughter:** My senior year, I took a class called Special Problems where I had to do a paper and one major project. I had done some sculpture, but I really wanted to try to do a work in stone. The problem was, where would I get the stone, what type, and where could I put the finished work?

I worked on a number of ideas with Irvin Althage, my advisor, and my first idea was to talk with the chair of the Phys Ed Department. I talked to him, and he thought it would be good to have a sculpture related to physical activity. However, he said decisions would have to come from Administration. So I worked on what I would like to do and came up with the idea of wrestling, which also has a spiritual connotation. Still, the problems of materials and location remained. I decided the best thing to do was to go to the top—Dr. Richard Hamill, president of the university. I took my model and told him exactly what I wanted to do. He was very intrigued by it. It didn’t take him very long, maybe 15 minutes, before he said, “Let’s do it.”

The stone arrived in February and weighed 1.5-2 tons. I thought, “What am I going to do now?” From the planning stage to completion took two terms. I finished it in June of 1969.

**Focus:** Did you work while you attended Andrews?

**Robert Slaughter:** I worked as the layout artist and art editor of the Student Movement for four years. I also did covers of the ’69 and ’70 Cardinal yearbooks.

I also worked in the custodial department and cleaned the library. The first year we had to get up early to clean the library before the doors opened at 8:00 a.m. Unfortunately, as the year went on it got more and more difficult for the whole cleaning crew to get there. So the next year they changed it to nights; we cleaned from 10:00 p.m. to midnight.

**Focus:** What do you miss most at Andrews?

**Robert Slaughter:** I miss hearing Dr. Becker on the organ, singing in the University Chorale and the Seminary Sabbath School class.

**Focus:** What are your fondest memories of Andrews?

**Robert Slaughter:** The fellow students, teachers, friends and acquaintances that I met and the relationships I formed during the time I was there.
**Births**

To Tina (Erhard) (MSPT ’94) and Bryan Hanson (AT ’90), a girl, Elii Irene, February 18, 2003.

To Leah (DeWind) (BS ’97) and Trent Bowen (att.), a boy, Lucas Hyko, March 19, 2003.


To Marcy (Kore) (BA ’94) and Ji Chang (BT ’94), a boy, Carson Andrew, May 4, 2003.

To Chelie (Plested) (BBA ’93) and Jason Loucks (BS ’98), a girl, Chenaniah Genevieve, May 12, 2003.

To Carla (Baker) (BS ’98) and Matthew Fortune (BSELED ’98), Grand Rapids, Mich., a boy, Colin Zachary, August 7, 2003.

**Deaths**

Wayne E. VandeVere (BA ’54) died March 24, 2003, in Chattanooga, Tenn. He was 71 years old.

After earning a master's in accounting from the University of Michigan and a PhD from Michigan State, VandeVere taught in Southern Adventist University's business department for 40 years and served most of that time as chair. He also chaired the Collegedale Credit Union Board, served as a Collegedale City Commissioner, and served six years as mayor. Dr. VandeVere was a certified public accountant and a member of the American Accounting Association and the Mutural Guaranty Corporation board, serving as board chairman from 1988-89. He returned to his alma mater in 1998 to teach as an adjunct professor in Andrews University's School of Business.

Wayne's father, Dr. Emmett K. VandeVere was a history professor at Emmanuel Missionary College for more than 30 years.

Wayne is survived by his wife of 49 years, Evelyn "Evie" Stiles VandeVere (AS '53) of Collegedale, Tenn.; daughters, Rhonda Burnham (att.) of Apopka, Fla., and Jodi Ruf (MA ’86) of Collegedale; sons, Rob VandeVere of Lexington, Ky., and David VandeVere of Maple Grove, Minn.; and nine grandchildren.

Ruby Faye Ratzlaff (MA ’66) died May 11, 2003. She was born May 7, 1938, in Watsonville, Calif., to Adam and Mary Ratzlaff.

She served as an elementary teacher in California; Karachi, Pakistan; and Beirut, Lebanon. She served as Head of Teacher Training at Kamagambo Teachers College in Kenya, and at the time of her death was Education Department Head at Weimar College in California.

During her stay in Kenya, she helped to place many unwanted babies in homes. She adopted two infants for whom she was unable to find a home, Carolyn Joy and Teresia Janelle, now ages 17 and 16.

In addition to her daughters, survivors include brother and sister-in-law, Alvin and Carol Ratzlaff; sister and brother-in-law, Evart and Eloise Tinker, and nieces and nephews.

E. Marie (Bayley) Jansen (BA ’30) died April 30, 2003, in Chattanooga, Tenn. She was born November 1, 1908, in Philadelphia, Pa.

Marie was an administrative secretary, teacher and school registrar until retiring at age 81. She began her employment in the Cumberland SDA Conference in 1931, and later worked at the Carolina, Alabama-Mississippi (now Gulf States), and Kentucky-Tennessee conferences. In 1962 she moved back to Nashville to serve as secretary to the president of Madison College. After the college closed she transferred to Madison Academy and worked until her retirement in 1989.

A member of the Collegedale, Tenn., SDA Church, and a fourth-generation Adventist, Marie had a rich heritage in the church, including her grandfather, David Lamson, an early Adventist pioneer in Nebraska and Michigan, and her aunt, Mary Elizabeth Lamson (BA ’28, former staff), for whom the women's dorm at Andrews is named.

Marie was a longtime church clerk and not only attended a weekly Bible study group but also hosted a weekly Bible study in her home. She was an excellent seamstress, making many of her own clothes and most of those for her twin daughters from the time they were toddlers through their college years. She was a real inspiration to her family and friends. They are who they are today because of her love, wisdom, knowledge, patience and guidance.

She is survived by her sister, Elizabeth "Betty" Lust (DP ’28) of Chattanooga, Tenn.; son, John "Jack" Martin Jansen of Mt. Dora, Fla.; twin daughters, Linda J. Simmons of Spartanburg S.C., and Glenda J. Brown, Longwood, Fla.; three grandchildren, Ginnie S. Hakes of Hutchinson, Minn., Eric Jansen of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Brett Jansen of Brandon, Fla.; six great-grandchildren, and a host of nephews and nieces.

Elizabeth L. (Hilbert) Jackson (BA ’35) died on June 26, 2003, at the age of 91.

She was a secretary in several conference offices, including the Lake Union Office. She was co-founder of the Shawnee Mission Medical Center in Kansas City as well as the accountant.

Elizabeth was married to Paul T. Jackson (BA ’41) in June of 1936. In addition to the duties of a pastor’s wife, she also worked as an accountant for numerous business organizations during their several locations in denominational service.

Winton H. Beaven (former faculty) died May 12, 2003, in Kettering, Ohio. He was born on January 26, 1915, in Binghamton, New York.
LIFE STORIES

From 1956 until 1959, Beaven was the dean of the graduate school at Potomac University in Washington, D.C., forerunner to the Andrews University Theological Seminary. Besides his work at Potomac University, Beaven served the church at many other of her educational institutions as an educator, teacher and administrator, including positions as professor, academic dean or president at several schools: Madison College in Tenn., Atlantic Union College in Mass., Union College in Neb., Columbia Union College in Md., and Kettering College of Medical Arts. His career also included appointments at the University of Michigan, Wright State University in Ohio and the Virginia Theological Seminary.

As an ordained minister in the Adventist Church, Beaven was committed to truth and justice, and he dedicated himself to fighting for ethnic and gender equality. He was cocreator and cohost of Concept, a television program in Washington, D.C., that ran from 1964-1970 and addressed religious and ethical issues.

Winton’s special interest was education; particularly he was involved in substance-abuse-prevention education at both the local and international levels. Besides being active in a variety of related organizations, Winton served as president of the International Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism (I.C.P.A.), while also leading out in many institutes of scientific study and international congresses.

During his career, Winton spoke or taught in over 100 countries, allowing him to build relationships with many world leaders.

Beaven is survived by his wife, Lorraine; three sons and three daughters; 17 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

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Forty years ago, Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his "I have a dream" speech. King imagined that there would be a day when "little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls and walk together as sisters and brothers." Andrews University certainly is not a perfect place, but it is true that AU gives women and men (whether little or big) the opportunity to join hands with, to worship with, to learn with and from, as diverse a group of students as exists in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. It is an opportunity filled with wonder, challenge, satisfaction and purpose. As a new academic year begins with typical idealism, the CC hopes that the students, faculty, staff and alumni of Andrews University will never "be satisfied until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream." Dream big.

### Campus Craze—Bricks and Mortar Edition

In between the time that you receive this issue of Focus and the next, the inaugural concert will be performed in the Howard Performing Arts Center. With the Howard Center nearly built (even if not entirely paid for), the CC decided to take a look at the buildings—old, new and imagined—on campus. The CC was impressed with how nice the campus looked . . . .

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<td>As with cafeteria food, complaining about administration is part of academia. The CC is on this bandwagon.</td>
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<td>Howard Center</td>
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<td>An $8 million gift from nonalumni, non-Adventist community residents? The CC is giddy, grateful and proud.</td>
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<td>Why don’t donors get passionate about erecting academic buildings in support of general undergraduate education?</td>
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<td>It’s already yesterday’s news. The CC likes the new building’s technology, but fears it’s just going to spoil our pastors.</td>
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<td>The mens and spiritus are getting more resources than the corpus. Both Andrews Academy and Great Lakes Academy have much nicer facilities....</td>
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<td>Proposed Gymnatorium</td>
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<td>The most needed building on campus. Nevertheless, AU would get more fit if it exorcized the cheezy, immature name. Field House or Recreation Center, please.</td>
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<td>Nethery Hall</td>
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<td>Perhaps the center of learning on campus; but the hot classrooms in August leave students and faculty sweaty.</td>
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<td>Architecture Building</td>
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<td>&quot;Design&quot; apparently was not a part of the concept when they built this building. There is a groundswell of support around a proposed new building which could become the standard-bearer in function and aesthetics; the CC thinks that would be appropriate.</td>
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<td>Campus Dorms</td>
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<td>It’s hard to assess the condition of the dorms without being invited into students’ rooms…and the CC is nothing if not respectful of privacy.</td>
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<td>Science Building</td>
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<td>“Earth, wind &amp; fire” always has been a shining star (water, too, of course, but although it’s on the statue, it was left out of the group).</td>
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Fun-da-mental Facts

- The 2003–04 University Bulletin contains 368 pages—how many freshmen do you think made the Bulletin the first book they read in college?
- In April 2003, the Social Recreation Department rolled out the first, and wildly successful, "Beach to Bank" (a triathlon). The CC wonders how long before the Student Financial Services Department rolls out its "Stop by the bank on your way from the beach" initiative for students who are concluding their summer activities and getting ready to enroll in the Fall Semester....
- The 2003–04 Andrews University calendar asks: "Why be a noun when you can be a verb?" Prompting the CC to question whether there might be a more direct object?

A Frowzy Fallacy
(or a silly syllogism)

A "commencement" is a beginning.
A "commencement" marks the end of an educational program.
Therefore, a commencement is the beginning of the end.

Speaking of...

"Your education at Andrews will be incomplete if you fail to learn from the diversity that is all around you."
Frances Faehner, vice president for Student Services, in her charge to students.
(University Convocation, Pioneer Memorial Church, August 28, 2003.)

"We do not learn in order that we may earn; we learn so that we can help."
President Niels-Erik Andreasen in his keynote address.
(University Convocation, Pioneer Memorial Church, August 28, 2003.)
Bob and Harriet Gaynor* have been through a lot together. For years, they worked side by side at a trucking company Bob owned where Harriet served as receptionist. Both were widowed early, and Bob’s only son died in a traffic accident in 1961. But living with tragedy brought them closer to the Lord and to each other. They married in 1973. “Harriet is the best thing that ever happened to me,” Bob declares. And Harriet hastens to add, “Bob is the greatest blessing of my life!”

Through the years, Bob and Harriet have continued to share their joys, their sorrows and a commitment to assisting young people receive a Christian education. With assistance from planned-giving personnel, this loving couple found a way to enhance their resources and set aside assets to support worthy students. Through a series of gifts to Andrews University, the Gaynors arranged several charitable-gift annuities. These annuity agreements provide guaranteed quarterly payments from the university as long as the Gaynors live. And after they are gone, the principal portion of their gift will be used to endow a scholarship for worthy students.

“I like charitable-gift annuities,” Bob explains, “because we can earmark our gifts for the cause we want to support after we are gone, and we’re very pleased with the return. Based on our ages, more than 50 percent of the payments we receive are tax free, plus we qualify for a tax deduction each time we establish another gift annuity. And the rates of return are greater each time because we’re getting older!”

Would you like to know more about how you can enhance your future financial security, preserve assets for your family and your church and build God’s kingdom here at Andrews University by establishing one or more charitable-gift annuities? If so, please use the information below to request a brochure and a confidential proposal based on your age and the applicable federal-discount rate.

* This story is true, but the names and photo have been changed to protect privacy.
It seems that the Adventist conversation about music today inevitably concerns the bad vs. the good. We all have heard the debates and arguments that follow and the discussion never stops. I know that it isn’t likely that everyone will agree on one standard; however, I think that there is one aspect of music that we should all agree with: This is the importance of music in our schools.

Growing up and going through elementary school my music experience was minimal. We had the annual Christmas cantata, but beyond that and a spring music festival, that was it.

Then came my first year in academy. I was excited from the start. Bigger school, more friends, more opportunities, and more programs. I signed up for both the large choir and the touring choir. I hadn’t been a part of a group that practiced every day and prepared for concert tours before, so it was a great new experience.

As our choir practiced and performed throughout the first semester, we started making big plans. We started planning a tour to England and Russia. This was beyond some people’s dreams and far beyond expectations. However, the Lord blessed us in remarkable ways that led to an amazing tour that was both spiritually fulfilling and rewarding.

The tour was even more mind-boggling since it was the first time that some of the students had been out of the country, and for one or two students, it was their first time out of the state. The positive thoughts, images and blessings from that tour I still remember today, and it was one of the most incredible experiences of my life.

Currently, I am a senior music major here at Andrews University. As a requirement in both music and education classes we are to observe various classrooms to get a closer look at different teachers and systems. The classrooms I have visited have been in both private and public education. It is amazing to see the difference between them. Now I realize money is the main resource that separates the two; however, this doesn’t mean the priorities and energy invested have to be any different. A successful music program doesn’t have to have the best instruments or the best facility, but it does have to have the dedication of visionary and inspired individuals. Money always helps, but without the efforts of creative and energetic leaders even the best-supported programs will not succeed.

In my first year here at Andrews, the University Singers took a tour to Zimbabwe, Africa. It was a trip that was not only exciting but eye-opening as well. We sang at many orphanages; in these orphanages the kids were plagued with the AIDS virus. In one of these facilities the only way a child could be admitted into the program was if both of their parents had already died of AIDS. It was an experience none of us will ever forget and one that we could not have received anywhere else.

Just this last spring, we went on tour to the Bahamas. When most people hear that, they immediately roll their eyes and ask if we had fun on the beach. Although we had one glorious day oceanwise, our trip there was not centered on spring-break recreation. The main focus of our tour was ministry—that has always been the priority wherever we travel. We had the opportunity of performing in various schools, both Adventist and government schools, as well as going to many churches. It was another experience that was unlike anything else we had experienced, and we were tremendously blessed.

During my time here at Andrews I have been fortunate to be involved with some of the most inspiring and motivating teachers that have helped me grow both artistically and more important spiritually. As you might already know, this is going to be an exciting year here at Andrews for our music department. The Howard Performing Arts Center is near completion and will be holding its opening weekend in October. I encourage you to come out and support our music here at Andrews as well as in your own community. Together we may share the love of Christ and make a difference in the world that we live in.

~ Jonathan Wall is a senior music education major and is a member of the University Singers.
HOKEY POKEY
RAGE TO
SPELL END
FOR GRAND MARCH TRADITION?

Incoming Freshmen Meeting and Greeting
During All Fired Up

Photo by Sarah Spangler

Cover Outtake