Dr. Shandelle Henson and James Hayward, reported on their research into the social behavior of sea gulls. I recall someone asking why two gifted faculty persons would spend their summers in a small boat on the open sea studying the behavior of sea gulls? In response, Dr. Hayward simply put up a picture of boats of birds flying over the runways of a major airport. He gave no commentary, but everyone understood instantly that research into the social behavior of birds around airports can benefit us all.

Recently the evening news presented a series of reports on the killings by the drug cartels in Northern Mexico. The object of the warfare is to control the illegal drug traffic into the U.S. How can that deadly conflict be resolved, was the question posed by the newscasters. The most effective but also most difficult solution would be to remove the demand for illegal drugs, but that would mean to help users overcome their addiction to these substances. For a number of years now Dr. Duane McBride and his team of researchers have operated the Institute for Prevention of Addictions at Andrews University. It is funded partly by the church, the university, and receives a significant amount of external funding as well. According to this institute, the best and least expensive and least effective way to counteract this problem. Research into addictive behavior saves lives and benefits all.

Biblical archaeology is an exotic subject conjuring up images of lost treasures. In fact it involves teams of archaeologists spending long hot days digging in dry dusty fields somewhere in the lands of the Middle East where the story of the Bible took place. The finds—pottery, ancient houses, cisterns, fortresses, inscriptions—bring the Bible story to life. Afterward the archaeologists return home to publish their results, and often enough the local residents are left with a field of holes in the ground looking a bit like a moon landscape. The Institute of Archaeology at Andrews, under the direction of Randall Younker, has fielded teams of archaeologists in the Kingdom of Jordan for nearly 50 years. As a result they know more about ancient Jordanian history than any others. Recently, under the inspiration of Dr. Øystein LaBianca, a group of Andrews archaeologists decided to leave something behind for the local people to enjoy (other than just holes in the ground), a museum and an archaeological park where school children and visitors can follow the trails of Abraham, Moses, Ruth and Naomi, along with the early Christian and Muslim communities in that region over the centuries.

Research gives back to the community that provided the research field. The point of these illustrations is that university research is not intended merely to pamper the faculty’s personal interests, help them with their promotion in rank, and make the university famous. Research also brings blessings and gifts to us all.

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Niels-Erik Andreasen
President

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**Heartbeat of Adventist education**

This is my first-ever letter to the Andrews University Focus editor since I graduated in 1984 from the Seminary. I’m disappointed as I read an important piece in the fall 2010 edition of Focus, “Are We the Head or the Tail?” by distinguished AU President Niels-Erik Andreasen. I know Dr. Andreasen is a great leader, and I’m proud of AU.

Here’s my disappointment: We have the very troubled education world beginning to look at Adventism as an example of appropriate education reform, as Andreasen noted. It reminds me of four “Adventist” Hebrew boys who were stepping into a Babylon spotlight with noting scores that catapulted them above and beyond the rest.

And what were these stellar results to be credited to, according to Scripture? According to inspired counsel? Andreasen calls out preliminary contributions (reasons why Adventist education is better than) in paragraph three. Class size. Close interaction between students and teachers. Passion for learning. Parental commitment. That’s his list—four items. Not a bad list. Clearly these are contributing factors, I get it.

I am now a college parent with two of my own in college. If Andreasen’s list was the major and primary reason to select Adventist education, I would never do it. I can get similar, possibly even better scores at institutions with world-renowned credentials for my sons, and in many cases due to the taxes we all pay, far cheaper. Andreasen concludes, “If parents want their children to become intelligent in all lines of learning. They followed the rules of life that could not fail to give them strength of intellect. They sought to acquire knowledge for one purpose—that they might honor God. They realized that in order to stand as representatives of true religion amid the false religions of heathenism they must have clearness of intellect and must perfect a Christian character. And God Himself was their teacher. Constantly praying, conscientiously studying, keeping in touch with the Unseen, they walked with God as did Enoch.” CS 15:5 (emphasis supplied by writer)

Ken L. Wiseman
(DIV '84)

**President’s response**

Thank you for your thoughtful response to the editor. Your reference to the story of Daniel and his three friends says it well. They asked their teacher, “What are we to do?” and their response was, “If you do well the contributions of your alumni.”

Recently, I noticed you don’t have anything about John M. Fowler (NA ’66, EdD ’77). He studied at Andrews University twice, once for his MA (after an MD from Syracuse) and then again for his doctorate. He was featured in the Adventist Review during the General Conference Session and that piqued my curiosity. My interest grew after he co-led the second Sabbath School Study with Lisa Beaudoin and Clifford Goldenberg. Apparently, he has written a couple of Sabbath School study guides and is currently writing a future one. What caught my attention during the last Sabbath at the GC Session was the recognition of his 52 years of service in God’s ministry. 52 years! Wow! I believe that’s a testimony to the educational contributions of Andrews to Fowler, don’t you? He retired this year after 53 years of service; 20 of which have been at the world headquarters.

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Thank you again for producing an excellent magazine.

T.C. Rusty

**Recognition due**

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**A note about jazz**

It is now publicly known that jazz is a part of Andrews University and Southern Adventist University music programs. In the fall issue of Focus, page 10, it shows a picture of a jazz group with the caption “Opening Night 2010! with J.C. Rodriguez [sic] & Lake Effect Jazz.”

Also, in reference to the back cover ad of the December 2010 Ministry magazine—“Southern Adventist University hosts events for you!” This is the quote: “Southern Wind Symphony and Jazz Ensemble will perform a potpourri of Christmas music.”

When I attended EMC, now Andrews University, we were taught about jazz music and its evil influence on anyone who listens to or performs jazz.

If we were misinformed that jazz is not an acceptable type of music, then we need to be informed with updated information that jazz is now acceptable to listen to and also to have it a part of Seventh-day Adventist education curriculum. An article in the Focus should help us to understand this change.

I am including excerpts of a chapel talk given at Andrews University about jazz:

**Editor’s note:** The excerpt was too lengthy to be included.

If this was true then, please explain the acceptance of the change in today’s Adventist education.

Lylie Hamel (BS ’40)

**European Tours**

Alumni and friends of Andrews University are invited to join one of the following 2011 tours offered by Marlene Ogden, dean emerita of Andrews University:

**Portugal, Spain and the Douro River Valley Cruise**

September 24–30, 2011

Pre-cruise extension to Spain September 6–15, 2011

The cruise features two days in Lisbon followed by a coach tour through Coimbra to Porto to board our cruise ship, The Duoro Spirit. The next eight days visit charming Portuguese cities and enjoy beautiful scenery in this picturesque river valley. In Spain visit Madrid, Avila, Segovia, Toledo, Granada, Cordoba and Seville, ending in Lisbon. Full information available upon request.

**Danube Holiday Markets—Passau, Germany, to Budapest, Hungary December 4–12, 2011**

This cruise during the Christmas season features visits in four countries—Germany, Austria, Slovakia and Hungary. Enjoy holiday décor and the sights and sounds of Christmas, as well as the Old World atmosphere during this festive time of year. A pre-cruise, three-day extension to Salzburg, Austria, and a post-cruise, two-day extension to Budapest, Hungary, are also offered. Full information is available upon request.

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Benefit event held for Haitian Adventist University
On the one-year anniversary of the tragic earthquake

The Community & International Development Program in collaboration with the Haitian Adventist Graduate Student Association, School of Architecture and Parli Club is making a difference in Haiti this semester. On Wednesday, Jan. 12, the public and campus community took part in “We Remember Haiti,” a benefit event to raise awareness and funds for a scholarship program at Haitian Adventist University. The live program took place at the Howard Performing Arts Center and was recorded and rebroadcast on The Hope Channel on Feb. 5 and 6.

The event marked the one-year anniversary of the devastating 2010 Haiti earthquake that took the lives of an estimated 250,000–300,000 people and left millions homeless. Jean Josue Pierre, president of Haitian Adventist University, attended the benefit. Pierre was in Haiti with his wife when the earthquake struck in 2010. He remembers being in the car and it starting to shake. He witnessed a nearby building fall to the ground and credits God for keeping him safe. However, the campus of Haitian Adventist University was badly damaged.

During the program, Ron Whitehead, assistant to the president for spiritual life, presented to Pierre a check for $650. The monies were raised by a variety of Andrews students, staff, faculty and community members specifically to benefit student scholarships at Haitian Adventist University. It’s part of a larger effort from other Adventist universities and institutions to raise $100,000 for Haitian Adventist University scholarships.

A very touched Pierre said, “I’d like to say thanks, not only for what they’ve already done but also for what they are about to do. We need prayer. We need your moral support. But we also need what you can donate because your donations will make a difference in the life of our nation. Support Adventist Christian education in Haiti for our youth. We have to prepare them, not only for this society, but also for eternity.”

“Building the Beloved Community—From Horizon to Horizon: Global Women’s Achievements and Concerns” was the theme for the 2011 Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration at Andrews University. The celebration kicked off with prominent historian, author and long-time political activist Barbara Ransby offering the keynote address for University Forum on January 13. Ransby, author of the award-winning biography Ella Baker and the Black Freedom Movement: A Radical Democratic Vision, was widely recognized for her research on gender and women’s studies.

“Dr. Ransby’s presentation was very inspiring,” said Yumi Kuronochi, a pre-occupational therapy major at Andrews. “I came away learning something new and having a deeper appreciation for freedom and culture.”

The celebration continued on January 15 during the New Life Fellowship Worship Service at the Seminary Chapel. Andrews observes an annual tradition of having a student present one of King’s sermons. This year’s honoree student, John Coxum, a first-year seminarian, presented “Three Dimensions of a Complete Life.” The sermon was originally presented by King on April 9, 1962 at the New Covenant Baptist Church in Chicago, Ill. “Martin Luther King Jr., in my mind, has always been one of the most brilliant innovators, writers and orators of this century. To deliver one of his sermons is no less than an honor,” said Coxum. “I wanted to treat this opportunity as one of respect for those who struggled and reverence for the God who brought them/us through. Delivering this sermon meant that I was closer than ever to the man who inspired a nation to pursue a higher calling.”

In recognition of demonstrated service to meet the global concerns of women, Andrews University honored Demetra Andreasen, Bertha M. King and Jasmine Jacob as the recipients of the 2011 Legacy of Freedom Awards. The Convocation and Awards Presentation took place on Sunday, Jan. 16 in the Seminary Chapel. Tricia Wynn of the Lake Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists presented “A Caregiver’s Story.”

The Howard Performing Arts Center was host to “We Remember Haiti,” a benefit concert held on Wednesday, Jan. 12, to raise funds for students at Haitian Adventist University in Haiti.

Clockwisefrom far left:
Ron Whitehead interviewed Jean Josue Pierre, president of Haitian Adventist University
Terrance Howard, a graduate student in the Seminary, performed along with Deliverance Mass Choir
Nickerson Augustine, an Andrews undergraduate student from Haiti, shared a poem on Creole, a call to action to help Haiti
Melissa Lee and Jason Webster, accompanied by Joshua Barnes, performed How Great Thou Art at the close of the event

“Thank you for your commitment to meeting the global concerns of women, “ said Andreasen. “I have always been one of the most brilliant innovators, writers and orators of this century. To deliver one of his sermons is no less than an honor,” said Coxum. “I wanted to treat this opportunity as one of respect for those who struggled and reverence for the God who brought them/us through. Delivering this sermon meant that I was closer than ever to the man who inspired a nation to pursue a higher calling.”

Several other events took place, including a café poetry reading and a special MLK Student Symposium Choice featuring the research of student scholars Claudia Allen, Kevin Leonor and Darline Donor. A community service project was also planned, offering students an opportunity to provide manicures, hairstyling and makeup to residents at a local women’s shelter.

The week of events concluded on Jan. 20 with a showing of Patsy Mink: Ahead of the Majority, a film documentary highlighting Mink, the first Asian American woman to serve in the United States Congress (Hawaii).
Students serve community through Sunday Projects
New outreach program offers opportunities for students to participate in hands-on projects

The Andrews University Office of Campus Ministries has created a new outreach program for students this school year. Inspired by Jesus’ words, “The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve...” Sunday Projects provides both community service and evangelistic opportunities in the local community and neighboring towns. The ministry focuses on practical needs and participates in hands-on activities, ranging from children’s ministries to providing food baskets and even an occasional painting job, every other Sunday.

With the help of Debra Panuzzo, Berrien County Michigan’s adult and family volunteer coordinator, Sunday Projects has assisted local thrift stores, churches and families in need since the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year. During one of the first projects, students organized the children’s program at the First Presbyterian Church in Benton Harbor, Mich.

“...it is a cool feeling to walk away each Sunday knowing that something has been accomplished,” says Amanda Corea. Amanda, an international community development and modern languages major, looks forward to Sunday Projects after work for the satisfaction of knowing that “what we do affects people.”

With the help of the Berrien Springs Spanish Seventh-day Adventist Church outreach team and a Pathfinder group from the Benton Harbor Spanish Seventh-day Adventist Church, Sunday Projects organized and delivered food baskets to local families in need. They called the project “The Thanksgiving Bag Give Away” and handed out not only groceries and holiday treats, but also Bibles.

Students using skills in local schools
Contact assessments, educational assemblies and surveys

During the 2010-2011 school year, students in the EdS in School Psychology Program promoted the field during School Psychology Awareness Week. Students organized an information table in the Campus Center, displayed a PowerPoint presentation and fielded relevant questions and answers.

First-year students had an additional opportunity to educate students at Both Murdoch Elementary School. Disability Awareness Day educated visitors about hearing and visual impairments, learning disabilities, autism spectrum disorder, communication disorders and physical impairments. RMES students participated in hands-on activities to help them develop awareness and understanding about the various disabilities.

Second-year students applied their skills in the Educational and Behavior Assessment class. Each was assigned a classroom at RMES. They assessed students for their basic reading skills level and consulted with teachers about the results. Students below grade-level expectations were turned throughout the semester and weekly progress reports were given to the classroom teacher.

This semester, first-year students are learning techniques for administering intelligence assessments. Second-year students are involved in a pilot program with Berrien Springs Public Schools at the upper elementary, middle and high school levels.

Those working in the elementary school will assess students’ perceptions of the class climate. When the survey results are compiled, Andrews students will consult with the teachers about the findings and discuss how to make changes. They will also compile the results of two years of data gathered via surveys of teachers, parents and students, and then consult with the principal about the results.

Climate assessments will also take place at the middle school and high school. Andrews students will help establish a means of anonymously reporting bullying and/or harassment. To support this theme, they will organize educational assemblies about cyberbullying and what to do about it.

They will also work with the teacher of the media arts course in developing an educational public service video about bullying. This video will be used throughout Berrien County.
Second issue of Envision magazine published
Collaboration between communication, photography, journalism and design majors

After a semester of writing, photographing, editing and designing, Envision magazine’s winter/spring 2011 issue is finished and available. The magazine, created and designed exclusively by Andrews University students, features inspiring stories as well as various articles, poetry, photography and art work. This is the second issue of the magazine.

“This magazine is a showcase of Christian collegiate youth,” says Debbie Michel, associate professor of communication and Envision editor-in-chief. “There’s so much talent in the community that needs to be seen. We want to provide a platform for it."

Ideas for this issue of Envision began to take shape at the beginning of the school year. Students from Michel’s Beginning Media Writing class came up with story ideas and served as writers and section editors throughout the fall semester. The class collaborated with students from Advanced Studio Photography, Educational Psychology and InDesign courses as well as student volunteers who offered to be models and stylists.

What makes Envision so unique is its direct focus on the student. “The magazine is designed for students and made by people just like them,” says Glenn Rogers, Envision managing editor. “The advice is real and it has topics that go far beyond what you may typically find in any magazine.” Rogers, a senior communication major, also worked on the first Envision issue released during the 2009–2010 school year. The magazine also provides practical experience to a host of communication, photography and journalism majors looking for real-life opportunities in the field. Christine Laineron, a journalism and English major, served as a section editor/writer. She says, “It truly is an extraordinary opportunity for students at Andrews to get practical experience and add a little something to their resumes.” Laineron is currently interning at Glamour Magazine in New York City and claims her experience with Envision is helping her realize her dream of becoming a magazine editor someday.

The third issue of Envision, which is already in the early stages of production, is scheduled for release in the fall. The Department of Communication plans to publish a new issue each semester. To learn more about Envision, visit www.envisionmagazine.com.

The launch of the second issue of Envision took place in the Campus Center lobby.

Gary Case presents at Sigma Xi induction
Nine new members added to the scientific community

On Thursday, Feb. 17, about 30 students and faculty attended a Sigma Xi induction ceremony. Gary Case, a postdoctoral researcher at Louisiana State University, presented an overview of his research. “When a Standard Candle Flickers,” which has made waves in the scientific world lately.

After dinner, Verlyn Benson, dean of the College of Technology, and Provost Andrew Iaxtone welcomed attendees. Gary Burtick, physics professor and associate dean of research, emceed the night. He gave a short description of Sigma Xi. The Andrews University chapter of Sigma Xi holds an induction ceremony each spring, and more were added that night. Five faculty were inducted as full members, one was promoted to a full member, and two students and one faculty member were inducted as associate members. Each inductee was recognized for “significant contributions to research,” said Burtick.

The five full-member inductees are Herbert Helm, professor of psychology; Iron Huyk Kang, associate professor of mathematics; Katherine Knudle, professor of animal science; Yun Myung Oh, associate professor of mathematics; and Kurt VanderWaal, research professor of social work. Hyun Kwon, assistant professor of engineering, received a promotion from associate member to full member. Sigma Xi awards associate memberships to students and faculty who demonstrate “promise in research,” said Amanda Cross, instructor of physics, who was nominated, as well as two students, Ashley Raethel and Adam Shultz.

Gary Case, a postdoctoral researcher at Louisiana State University, works in the field of gamma ray astronomy. He is currently working on developing technology for the Fermi satellite, and his recent research took the astronomical community by surprise. The Crab Nebula and its pulsar emit gamma ray bursts (gamma rays are higher-frequency than X-rays) and these bursts have long been used to calibrate space instruments. The Crab is known to be turbulent, but its gamma ray emissions were thought to remain constant. However, Case and his colleagues looked at the Crab’s emission data and found that the intensity was slowly decreasing. When this happens, the instruments themselves are assumed to be inaccurate, and then recalibrated. Case then compared data from four other sources, and four other instruments all indicated that the Crab Nebula’s intensity was, in fact, falling. This does not signal an end to the universe: emission levels rise and fall with some regularity.

Once the data had been confirmed, much to the amazement of the scientific community, NASA and the European Space Agency released the news to the public. The implications of his research, says Case, should be a warning to scientists to not put absolute faith in the reliability of their instruments and constants. Case ended by answering questions from the audience.

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The Undergraduate Leadership Program has received a grant of $12,000 from the C. Charles Jackson Foundation. The monies will be used to fund increased staffing, planning retreats, marketing trips and staff training activities for the program.

Bruce H. Jackson, who holds a PhD in leadership, founded the Jackson Foundation in memory of his father. The foundation funds organizations that support leadership opportunities for students of all ages. Bruce Jackson says he was originally advised to donate the lump sum to a major philanthropic organization, but felt he could do more good by donating smaller amounts to organizations with relatively new leadership programs.

“We felt strongly we were going to get some grant monies from the Jackson Foundation, because as Bruce and I met together, it became obvious very quickly that our program is exactly the kind of program they look to grant monies to,” says Dave Ferguson, director of the Undergraduate Leadership Program.

One of the reasons for the grant is based on the idea that no two students become the same kind of leader. The program encourages new leaders among leadership programs, emphasizing individual leadership development, including one-on-one coaching, creation of a leadership portfolio, and hands-on experience. However, LEAD200 is a zero-credit class, meaning the Leadership Program has no tuition revenue to fund the program. Individualized development creates effective leaders, “But it’s an investment,” says Ferguson.

Ferguson has plans to expand the curriculum, build the program in terms of enrollment and staffing, offer practicums and mentoring, as well as enhance campus-wide and off-campus communication and development.

Lauren Popp, a junior and a leadership intern, took LEAD200 this year. “The experience I have had with this program has been invaluable,” says Popp. “Funds are limited, but you can do a lot with what you have because as Bruce and I met together, it became obvious very quickly that our program is exactly the kind of program they look to grant monies to,” says Dave Ferguson, director of the Undergraduate Leadership Program.

$12,000 grant received
For Undergraduate Leadership Program

Creative Arts Festival
Field in celebration of Black History Month

A Creative Arts Festival was held in the Howard Performing Arts Center lobby on Thursday, Feb. 17, in celebration of Black History Month. Student artists, singing groups and an array of other campus talents were featured at the event. The festival also showcased a literature exhibit, timeline of Black History and pictures. (Thursday, Feb. 17. Photo by IMC photographer Jason Lemon)

Olivia Madakor, a fine arts major, was one of several student artists who participated in the Creative Arts Festival, Olivia sketched and created pieces of artwork during the event while students looked on.

The festival was held in commemoration of Black History Month and was sponsored by the Department of Communication. The issue includes topics like paying for graduate school, decorating dorm rooms, surviving the winter blues and like paying for graduate school, decorating dorm rooms, surviving the winter blues and...
Allan Buller visits campus

To view firsthand the construction of Buller Hall

Allan Buller, lead donor for the Buller Hall construction project, participated in a hard hat tour on Tuesday, January 18. Despite chilly temperatures, Buller explored the Nethery Hall renovations that began the first week of January 2011 and also checked out the amphitheater-style classroom in Buller Hall.

The entire building project is slated for completion in August 2011.

Architecture Mission Group designs church addition
First North American church project for the AMG

The Architecture Missions Group in the Andrews University School of Architecture, together with the congregation of the Carmel Church in Carmel, Ind., recently celebrated the grand opening of the first phase of the new addition to the church. The new addition, designed by Andrews University architecture students, is a multipurpose room currently serving as a sanctuary and fellowship hall. It will eventually expand to include a formal sanctuary.

The Architecture Missions Group (AMG) aims to serve churches, often in remote areas, by providing architectural design services that the churches normally would not have access to. Kevin Rosado, who was a student when the Carmel Church project got underway, says it was the mission opportunities that drew him to Andrews University in the first place. He first heard about the Carmel project through Martin Smith, assistant professor of architecture, and decided to join the team.

The AMG began working with the Carmel Church in 2008. They approached the project in the form of a design charrette, an intense two-day design period.

The first day, “We brainstormed different ideas for each of the needs for the building and the budget,” says Rosado. At the end of the day, the group presented two of the best ideas to the church committee to discuss the designs. Day Two involved creating the final presentation and finalizing the design for construction documents. “The church members were very pleased with our work, and they felt that we had listened to their needs as a church. But it was the church members’ help and input that made it easy for us to have the right design solutions,” says Rosado.

The Carmel Church was the first AMG North American church project that advanced through construction, which began in spring 2010. AMG has done drawings and prospective sketches for projects in Bolivia, Peru, Mexico and the Congo, to name a few. In most cases, a lack of funding prevents the start of construction, but the Carmel Church raised all the funds necessary to begin Phase One. Construction was done by a local firm and completed in time for a celebration during the Christmas season of 2010. Phase Two of the project, still in the planning stage, will add a sanctuary and several classrooms to the multipurpose room.

Pastor Alex Rodriguez of the Carmel Seventh-day Adventist Church says the faculty and students in the School of Architecture were a pleasure to work with. “Your faithfulness along with many others who sacrificially took part has made God’s house in Carmel, Ind., a reality.”

It is not unusual for undergraduate architecture students to participate in real-world design experiences before graduation, but the service aspect is less common. To be associated with the church is even less common. The Architecture Missions Group combines this experience with the only accredited architecture program among Adventist colleges in North America to provide a unique service to church communities.

Smith, who supervised the project, said, “The biggest joy for me was seeing the creativity of the congregation, and how God has led it each step of the way.”

Gymnics on the road
Perform at halftime in Indianapolis, Ind.

The Andrews University Gymnastics performed at the Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, Ind. on Tuesday, March 8.

Before every performance, the Gymnics team pauses for a moment of prayer. The team performed during the half-time of the Indiana Pacers vs. Philadelphia 76ers game. This is their second performance at the Conseco Fieldhouse this school year.

“We the program has a balance of theory and practice…”

In the fall of 2010, the Andrews University International Development Program (IDP) began a new cohort group of 38 graduate students in South Africa. Master of Science in Administration (MSA) students working in diverse non-governmental organizations such as ADRA, UNICEF and Save the Children are among those enrolled to study on the campus of Helderberg College. This is the first time the course has been offered in South Africa, allowing professionals from the African continent to study part-time without leaving their jobs.

“The program has a balance of theory and practice with each course having a focus to strengthen project cycle management skills in planning, assessment, implementation and evaluation,” explains Dewi Dulhunty, director of the IDP. More importantly, students know that this master’s gives them a competitive advantage in the humanitarian assistance job marketplace due to the unique teaching model of evidence-based practice, she says.

The MSA program encourages global humanitarian leadership development through intensive sessions, work-related learning, networking, skill development and field-based location. As development practitioners in training, it asks students to address extremely complex societal issues. For example, topics from the 38 different research projects being planned by new students include: “What are the factors impacting premature marriage among Sudanese girls?”, “Exploring cultural and community integration of Congolese refugees around Johannesburg”, “Improved access to HIV/AIDS Antiretroviral treatment in Zambia” and “What church leadership dynamics influence the dedication of SDA members in the Pacific Islands?”

The program is doing more than meeting students where they are; it’s also filling a need in South Africa. Clifford Nhlapo, an IIP student and one of the organizers behind the South Africa cohort, says, “Following the demise of Apartheid and the birth of a new socio-political dispensation in South Africa, it has become urgent that the country adopt a development paradigm which is designed to enable especially the previously disadvantaged communities to develop themselves. The International Development Program is a unique platform which government and civil society can and should utilize in order to make the Reconstruction and Development Program (RDP) a reality.”

Students may join the program in any given year and are required to attend four three-week intensive modules over a three-year period. The MSA is the second largest graduate program at Andrews (the Master of Divinity program has a few more students) and is also offered in Chile, Japan, Italy, Ghana, Kenya and Canada (pending approval).

The International Development Program began in 1996 and offers full-time professionals the opportunity to earn their MSA by taking coursework on a part-time basis. The program is open to all rising and established non-governmental organizations, pastors, educators and health professionals. It aims to build staff capacity in humanitarian leadership through field-based graduate education.

Thirty-eight students currently enrolled at Helderberg College

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Andrews hosts hundreds of secondary students
For the Andrews University Music Festival and Cardinal Classic basketball tournament

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Two major capital expenditures were voted by the Board. The first is phase two of HVAC and major renovations in Halenz Hall in the amount of $550,000. The second is the purchase of the Lake Union Conference building and its land. The Lake Union had initially agreed to lease out half of the building to Andrews as office space for Griggs University. After further discussion, the Lake Union asked Andrews if they would like to purchase the building and land for $8.5 million. The Lake Union is considering the purchase of other land and construction of a new building. The payments Andrews would have used to lease the building for Griggs will be applied to the purchase price.

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Lamson women raise funds for Interra Foundation
Will benefit women’s literacy in the country of Nepal

Every semester, Lamson Hall, the women’s residence hall at Andrews University, organizes a fundraiser. This year, the ladies of Lamson decided to focus their efforts on changing women’s literacy in Nepal through the Interra Foundation, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to making a big difference in the world a little bit at a time.

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One semester features projects run by residents of various wings of the hall and the other is a community project. This year, their community project was a yard sale and collection of spare change to benefit women’s literacy in Nepal. Cooperating with Interra Foundation, Lamson staff, residents, and the Berrien Springs community were able to raise over $1,350.

They were introduced to Interra by a resident advisor, Gaby Fernandez, a sophomore health & fitness and religion major. In October 2009, she was asked to join a leadership conference in Medford, Ore., where their headquarters is located, they organized a rummage sale to benefit the starting of the Women’s Literacy Project. Gaby helped out at the rummage sale last summer, and before returning to Lamson, she felt compelled to present the Women’s Literacy Program to her deans, residents and community members chose to give,” says Fernandez. “With the help of many, we made a difference in the life of another.”

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Honors Thesis Poster Session
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Twenty-seven J.N. Andrews Honor students participated in an Honors Thesis Poster Session at Chan Shun Hall on Friday, March 4. The projects presented ranged from topics like health beliefs to portable medicine coolers to consumer behavior in social mediums. Students were aided by faculty advisors from various Andrews departments.

Wandeka Gayle
(Graduate student, English Literature)

Where are you from and what brought you to Andrews?
I am from St. Catherine, Jamaica. I was working as a writing instructor at the university in Mandeville, Manchester before coming to Andrews. I have two degrees in the humanities—BA in mass communication and BA in English. I worked as a staff reporter at a national newspaper before teaching part-time, but wanted to become a full-fledged professor of English so came to Andrews for a master’s in English.

I arrived in January 2010 with $160 in my pocket. It is amazing how I was able to pay for my first semester. My parents petitioned the Inter-American Division for assistance to pay a portion of my tuition so I could be financially cleared. Thanks to grants from the Department of English, Office of the Graduate Dean, and assistance from family members, I am currently able to meet my tuition expenses.

As a graduate student in English, how does creativity between the two disciplines of art and language work?
Being able to see things in an artistic way helps me with specificity in writing but I am careful not to create purple prose. Not everything from visual art translates into written work. I have been told that my writing tends to be very visual and I think that comes from being observant of everything around me. My journalism training gives me balance and discipline in writing. I did not start painting professionally until 2005 as a form of therapy after a traumatic experience. In Jamaica I participated in group art exhibitions, and I had my debut solo exhibition at Andrews last October, with another one scheduled for April.

What inspires you to write and paint?
I write and paint things that remind me of home, most importantly things that give me that warm nostalgic feeling or say something distinctive about my culture. Having been a reporter for a few years, I had the opportunity to see a lot of places in Jamaica and meet people from all walks of life. So, I write about a lot of social issues.

How would you like your future to unfold?
Completion of my graduate studies at Andrews this summer. I would love to get an MFA in painting, but it would be practical to go for a doctorate in creative writing. Publish my manuscripts, author and illustrate several children’s books, have an annual art exhibition and own an art studio in New York. Travel throughout Europe and Africa, documenting my journey and painting scenery and people. Get to Grade 8 music level and publish my piano compositions and ballads. Get married and have two children. Those are my plans, anyway.

What will your art look like in 10 years?
My writing and painting work will grow and evolve as my understanding of life will evolve. My paintings will become more complex and will convey the struggles of people who are not so different from who I am. My writing will be about the things that motivate our giving are the principle: “Every person and dollar makes a difference... that the attitude and purposes that motivate our giving are even more important than the amount we give. Giving a dollar of thanks for a month without illness is very different from ten dollars given out of abundance and for a tax break. True giving is part of a lifestyle of gratitude and positive perspectives.”

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Winter 2011 at the Howard Center

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Georgia Guitar Quartet
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Georgia Guitar Quartet is four young men with an adventurous approach to classical music. Expect an exciting journey through an expansive array of genres, continents and time periods. Rousing Irish folk music, late Impressionistic masterpieces, the sublime beauty of Chopin and groundbreaking contemporary works.

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Saturday, April 9, 2011, at 8 p.m.
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Featuring selections from The Sound of Music, Gianni Schicchi, Turandot, Le Nozze di Figaro, La Sonnambula, and The Telephone. Directed by Julia Lindsay.

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**President Andreasen receives Charles Elliot Weniger Award for Excellence**

In recognition of his long career in theology and leadership for the Seventh-day Adventist Church

President Niels-Erik Andreasen received the Charles Elliot Weniger Award for Excellence on January 29, 2011, in recognition of his long career in theology and leadership for the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The award was presented during the annual meeting of the Charles E. Weniger Society held at the Loma Linda University Church in Loma Linda, Calif.

This year’s meeting featured keynote speaker, Joao Coggin, a past honoree, and award presentations by Lawrence Geraty, chair of the Weniger Executive Committee.

“Effective leadership must be consistent and coherent and characterized by integrity.”

Geraty said of Andreasen, “Niels-Erik Andreasen has distinguished himself as an innovative leader in Adventist higher education, as a trusted theologian in circles where the Bible is respected, and as a sought-after diplomat in a worldwide denomination often beset by challenges.” Andreasen was one of four award recipients at the meeting alongside a U.S. Army General, a noted scholar, public speaker and professor.

**Demetra Andreassen honored**

Recipient of the 2011 Legacy of Freedom Award

In recognition of demonstrated service to meet the global concerns of women, Andrews University honored Demetra Andreassen as one of the recipients of the 2011 Legacy of Freedom Awards on Sunday, Jan. 16. Prior to coming to Andrews, Demetra worked as a medical social worker for Madison Hospital in Tennessee, St. Helena Hospital in California, Royal Newcastle Hospital in Australia, and Parkview Community Hospital in California. She also served in the Office for Drug Prevention and the Department of Social Work at Walla Walla College in Washington. Demetra served as community relations coordinator for the Office of University Relations at Andrews University from 1994 until her retirement in 2005.

During that time she served on a number of boards including United Way, Southwestern Michigan Volunteer Center, Women in Renewal and the Lakeland Regional Health Systems Community Benefits Committee. When she and her husband moved to Andrews in 1994, she became chair of the Women’s Scholarship Committee. Ever since, Demetra has continued to raise funds for worthy Andrews students through friends and acquaintances. Her social work experience and love for people has motivated her to reach out to the areas of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor, Mich., where she continues to do volunteer work. In the last few years, Demetra has called upon friends to knit scarves for a Romanian SDA orphanage, the children of a Latvian mining village, and, recently, 40 children at the Harbor of Hope Adventist Church in Benton Harbor.

Niels-Erik Andreasen and the other three recipients of the prestigious Charles Elliot Weniger Award for Excellence

**New general manager of Dining Services**

Mark Daniels has years of experience in restaurant management

During his first few weeks in this new role, Daniels sat down with his staff to share his vision for Dining Services. “We serve the students of Andrews University by providing them with nutritious, delicious food and creating a dining experience that offers comfort and consistency to University life,” said Daniels. “We obviously don’t ignore the Sabbath School class and enjoys cooking. In his spare time, Daniels loves to watch football. Originally from Georgia, they now reside in Buchanan, Mich. In his spare time, Daniels leads a men’s small group, teaches a Sabbath School class and enjoys cooking.

A new position has been established within the Office of Development and a current member of the Advancement team has agreed to take on the role. Audrey Castelbuono is the new associate vice president for development in the Division of University Advancement.

“The work of Advancement at Andrews University is of great significance, particularly in light of the ambitious goals of the Legacy of Leadership capital campaign,” said President Niels-Erik Andreasen. “In these economic times, the Office of Development in particular, along with their counterparts at other educational institutions, face a number of challenges.” Andreasen says this is a position that requires careful planning skills, clear articulation of overall institutional strategies, strong organization, good communication both within and without the university, and a high level of commitment and effective management of the office’s resources.

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“The best part of my job is the opportunity to work with and minister to the students,” says Jonathan Mark Daniels, the newly appointed general manager of Dining Services. “I believe that the work I do at Andrews University is of great significance, particularly in light of the ambitious goals of the Legacy of Leadership capital campaign.” Andreasen says this is a position that requires careful planning skills, clear articulation of overall institutional strategies, strong organization, good communication both within and without the university, and a high level of commitment and effective management of the office’s resources.

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Hayward and Henson secure NSF grant for $350,000

To continue the study of ovulation synchrony in colonial seabirds

Shandelle Henson, professor of mathematics, and James Hayward, research professor of biology, are the principal investigators (PIs) on a three-year National Science Foundation Grant for $350,000. The funds will be used for the salaries, equipment, supplies and travel necessary to study ovulation synchrony in colonial seabirds, a discovery made during 2006 and 2007. In addition to faculty involvement, six to eight undergraduate and graduate students per year will participate in the project.

Since 2002, Henson and Hayward have been the lead researchers for the Seabird Ecology Team, an interdisciplinary group of faculty, graduate and undergraduate biologists and mathematicians from Andrews University, the University of Arizona and Walla Walla University. The team spends their summers at Protection Island National Wildlife Refuge in the Strait of Juan de Fuca, Wash., observing the behavior of the Glaucous-winged Gulls that nest there in a large colony.

In a pilot study, Henson and Hayward discovered that female gulls in dense parts of the colony lay their eggs synchronously on an every-other-day schedule. Before this discovery, “ovulation synchrony,” recognized as menstrual synchrony in women who live or work together, was known to occur only in humans and rats. The finding of this phenomenon in both birds and mammals suggests the existence of a fundamental physiological process common to diverse organisms.

Following the discovery of ovulation synchrony, Henson and Hayward posited a mathematical model of egg laying based on the hypothesis that every-other-day surges of ovulation hormones in individual gulls synchronize through social stimulation. Model predictions have been consistent with observations. The new grant will allow further model testing and an attempt to identify the synchronizing signal in gulls. It is hoped this research will lead to a better understanding of the basic biology of hormone systems as they relate to reproductive behavior. In addition to gaining a better understanding of bird hormones and reproduction, practical applications of this research in the future may address things like the effects of hormone cycles on group behavior patterns in humans and human reproductive medicine.

This is the third NSF grant secured by Henson and Hayward. The first, received in 2003, totaled $304,000. They shared their second grant of $300,000 with Walla Walla University. Along with additional assistance from Andrews University Faculty Grants, this funding has allowed them to mentor more than 30 research students, publish 15 technical papers—most with student coauthors, present talks at numerous research conferences, and teach three interdisciplinary classes for undergraduate students.

Thorpewas named new dean of Distance Education

Also continues role as interim president of Griggs University

Alayne Thorpe has been appointed as dean of Distance Education for Andrews University. Concurrently, she is also serving as the interim president of Griggs University, whose leadership was transferred to Andrews University in November 2010. Upon the physical move of Griggs University to the Andrews campus, Thorpe’s role will become solely focused on being the dean of Distance Education at Andrews.

For the past 30 years, Thorpe has served in a variety of capacities for Griggs University, beginning as a course developer/eductor, soon taking on a director-level role and spending much of her career with Griggs as senior vice president for education. Owned and operated by the Seventh-day Adventist Church and headquartered in Silver Spring, Md., since 1959, Griggs University has provided values-based distance education to students around the world from preschool through college and graduate levels.

Thorpe is a triple alumnus of the University of Maryland. She holds bachelor’s (1977) and master’s (1980) degrees in English and a PhD in Modern British Literature (1987). Following completion of her undergraduate studies, Thorpe began teaching high school English and was head supervisor of Boys and Girls High School. During this time, she worked with the University of Maryland and the Maryland State Writing Commission to design new models for teaching writing in the state.

Thorpe began her 30 plus-year career in 1980 at what was then known as Home Study International and today is known as Griggs University. In 1985, she became director of High School and College Programs for Griggs. All college and high school programs were under her supervision, in addition to having oversight on curriculum development and instructional design plans.

In 1989, Thorpe was appointed senior vice president for education at Griggs University. In that role, she had supervision over all educational programs including management of curriculum development. Thorpe was integral in establishing and updating academic standards, policies and procedures, as well as maintaining state, regional and national accreditations at all levels. Since 1988, she has also served as a part-time adjunct professor in English and education at Washington Adventist University, University of Maryland and University of Maryland University College.

Thorpe holds a number of professional memberships and serves on many committees and taskforces.
FACTORY & STAFF SERVICE AWARDS

What do card games, the first-ever Siegfried H. Horn Excellence in Research and Creative Scholarship Awards, the tubing hill and Dave Faehner playing a game show host have in common? Survey says...All were a very memorable part of the 2011 Andrews Family Game Night & Awards Presentation, held on Sunday, Feb. 27, in the Howard Performing Arts Center. Each year at this annual event, awards and recognition are given to faculty and staff members for Years of Service, Excellence in Service, Spiritual Life and Daniel Augsburger Awards for Excellence in Teaching. This was the inaugural year for the Siegfried H. Horn Excellence in Research and Creative Scholarship Award.

Excellence in Service Award Recipients

Steve Nash, assistant to the deans for financial and strategic planning at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, has been a valuable and indispensable member of the Andrews community. Through the years, Steve’s philosophy of service has been to provide superior service to further the Seminary’s mission while using the talents God has given him. One colleague comments, “Steve’s a wonderful asset to the seminary family, and is a genuinely likable Christian. He is not limited to the performance of his responsibilities; he serves with dedication.”

For more than 25 years, Sharon Dudgeon has been a part of Andrews University through its affiliate organization, WAUS 90.7 FM. Most of this time has been in service as the manager of WAUS. Sharon’s employees have identified her as a great person to work for, a motivator, affirming, willing to help and a strong leader. She has provided capable, meaningful direction in the outreach of classical music to the community.

James Doran, assistant professor of aeronautical technology, has been an inspiration to his students in the classroom as well as one-on-one. He is well known for being a wealth of knowledge, a great pilot and a highly respected chief flight instructor. Under his leadership, the aviation flight program has developed a true “safety culture.” His honesty and spiritual encouragement for others is a blessing. One of his students commented, “Jim Doran is one of the most respectable people I have ever met. His influence has helped shape a change in my life. He is very much appreciated.”

Mark Moreno, associate professor of architecture, always goes the extra mile to make his classes interesting, meaningful and practical for his students. When you see a different architecture student in a wheelchair every day it is because he or she is on assignment to understand the common obstacles faced by people who have various physical challenges. This course, and other similar practical methods of teaching, are the results of the dedication and investment in teaching by Mark in his unique classes: Placemaking Studio, Persian Environment Theory, and Renaissance Kids.

In only four years, Michelle Wallis, employee benefits specialist, has become very competent and knowledgeable in handling the many facets of benefits management with efficiency, poise and grace. She is a vital part of the team that touches the most sensitive nerve in the body—the paycheck nerve. Michelle always seems to deal with her customers in a kind, Christ-like manner, specializing in making the rough places smooth and hard challenges easy.

Daniel A. Augsburger Excellence in Teaching Award Recipients

Kim (Sam) Chuah, professor of economics, is appreciated by his students evidenced by comments ranging from “Dr. Chuah makes me understand material by giving real world examples” to “Dr. Chuah rocks.” An excellent teacher and researcher, Sam has also committed time and energy to being a sponsor of the Andrews University Chinese Student Association, assisting the president with regional alumni meetings, representing the School of Business Administration at international forums, and serving as a Sam Walton Fellow. In a few months, he will complete his service at Andrews and take on another role: president of Hong Kong Adventist College.

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Ann-Marie Jones, assistant professor of social work, has translated her teaching from extraordinary to excellent through a combination of hard work and extra training. After her dissertation, she completed a course on cooperative classroom techniques and joined a faculty learning group to improve teaching performance. Her evalautions are now among the highest in the department. Students enjoy group discussions, debates, interactive role plays and frequent laughter in her classes, saying “Dr. Jones is committed to teaching and expects a lot from her students.” As the RSW program director she moved forward several long dormant initiatives. Additionally, she serves as co-president of the International Association of Adventist Social Workers.
Siegfried H. Horn Excellence in Research Professional Contributions Award recipient. Larry Burton, professor of teacher education, received the award for his work in the Department of Education. Larry has served as the president of the American Education Research Association. He is known for his leadership in education research and for his commitment to improving education for all students.

In the Footsteps of Joshua and A Love Sing for the Sabbath. He has contributed 36 chapters to various book projects, 25 articles for refereed scholarly journals, and 47 articles in professional journals. He is also a renowned speaker and has presented lectures and seminars around the world.

Shandelle Henson, professor of mathematics, received the award for her area of Pure and Applied Science. Shandelle’s specialty is mathematical ecology in which she has produced groundbreaking mathematical models that describe the behavior of four beetles, seabirds and harbor seals. Much of her work has been done with the Seabird Ecotone study, an interdisciplinary group of biologists and mathematicians. Shandelle’s scholarly productivity includes a count in her book and 53 refereed publications. She also serves as an editor of three research journals. Since coming to Andrews, Shandelle and her collaborators have garnered five National Science Foundation grants totaling approximately $1,000,000. Students have benefited from her mentorship as participants in all aspects of research.

40 Years-of-Service Award Recipient

Alan Anderson has taught physical education, technology and drivers’ education at Andrews Academy since 1970. He has served as a professor in the Department of Teacher Education and has been the director of the Teacher Education Program for the past 15 years. Alan is known for his expertise in teaching technology and for his commitment to professional development for teachers.

In addition, Alan is known for his willingness to calmly and professionally handle situations that may arise in the classroom. He is often seen riding his bicycle to class or running with his students down by Lemon Creek. Alan is also a well-known for his hospitality and for his willingness to help others in any way possible.

35 Years-of-Service Award Recipients

Dean Snow has served as manager of Custodial Services since 2005 and has dedicated all of his service at Andrews entirely to that area. He earned a certificate in auto mechanics from Andrews University in 1974. Always willing to respond to a need or request with helpful suggestions and work force, he continues to elicit responses like: "Wow! Dean Snow has been so helpful and expedient in meeting our request. He is such a pleasure to work with. His whole team is so friendly and helpful. They work so hard and Dean Snow is there leading the way."

Jeannie Wolfe is certification registrar for the Department of Teaching, Learning & Curriculum. Her colleagues remark that she is pleasant to all whom she meets, cares for the students, and helps them plan just the right schedules. One colleague says, “I suspect Jeannie’s collaborative personality is more about certification than anyone else, and probably does more comprehensive advising than anyone on campus.” She also goes the extra mile for her colleagues, and many cite her incredible support, both as a colleague and as a friend.

30 Years-of-Service Award Recipients

Douglas Jones is professor of English and chair of the Department of English. He received a Bachelor of Arts in English in 1972 from Walla Walla College, a Master of Arts in English from Andrews University in 1985, and his doctorate in English from Michigan State University in 1995. Jones has acted as director of the Writing Center, director of University Relations and editor of Focus, professor of teacher education, and co-director of numerous on-location certificate programs in Europe.

Oystein Laftanca is professor of anthropology and the “father” of the modern Department of Behavioral Sciences. He graduated from Andrews University in 1973 with a Bachelor of Arts in psychology and was the first student at Andrews to receive a graduate degree in anthropology. Since then, he has served as the chair of the Anthropology Department and has been a key figure in the development of the department’s programs.

In addition, Oystein is known for his expertise in cultural anthropology and for his commitment to the study of human behavior. He is often seen working diligently behind the scenes doing what he does best: researching, teaching, and writing. He is known for his willingness to engage in meaningful conversations with students, and for his ability to connect with them on a personal level.

45 Years-of-Service Award Recipients

Richard Davidson is professor of Old Testament Interpretation and is a member of the Schuyler F. Hargis School of Theology faculty. He has been a member of the Andrews University faculty for 45 years and has served as the director of the School of Theology for the past 15 years.

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University in 1976, and completed his PhD in anthropology at Brandeis University in 1987. La Bianca is a member of numerous professional societies including the American Schools of Oriental Research, of which he is vice president for archaeological research. His work in Jordan has received grants from the National Geographic Society, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and other foundations.

Valerie Phillips is an associate dean of the women’s residence hall. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in behavioral science and a minor in English from Atlantic Union College in 1978, and continued her graduate studies at Andrews University. Before coming to Andrews, she was an aide at Worcester Memorial Hospital in 1978, and an assistant chaplain at Battle Creek Sanitarium and Hospital from 1978–1980. She is known for her warm and compassionate spirit, her quick wit and exceptional wisdom, and countless acts of unexpected kindness for her students.

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Lael Caesar, professor of religion, has been a member of the Andrews University faculty since 1996. Comments from colleagues and students attest to his spiritual impact on campus. “Lael Caesar is a man of the Word, passionate about the words, the phrases, the nuances, the chapters and verses of God’s Holy Word. He reads it, memorizes it, meditates upon it, and shares it with whomever he can and wherever he can.” A student noted, “Dr. Caesar gave me the impression, since the first day of class, of a man seeking to follow God’s principles. Through his teaching of the Old Testament, he led me to consider God’s love and mercy with a passion coming directly from his own experience.” Throughout the years Lael and his wife, Lena, have opened their hearts and home to dozens of students who have gone on to become leaders in nations around the world.

5 Years-of-Service Award Recipients

Visit www.andrews.edu/news for further details and audio files of the recorded tributes.
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You’re not a stranger to Andrews University. Can you tell us a little bit about your history with Andrews University?

I’ve been here twice. Once as a graduate student—I did my MA in English here in 1977 to 78. Then I came back and did an exchange quarter (when Andrews was on the quarter system). I exchanged with Doug Jones [current chair of the Department of English] and came over from Newbold College and taught here for a quarter.

What were those experiences like for you?

Oh, they were excellent. My first—when I was in my MA—that was my first time in the United States. That was a little bit of culture shock for a Brit, but it was a very friendly department and got on well. That really, I think, was the beginning of my seeing bigger opportunities. Up until then I had planned on being a secondary teacher, and I still went back and did that, but then I had the connections and the encouragement to go on and do other things later, to go on and do my PhD. That was a really important part of my life, changed my direction quite a bit. Some of my teachers were Edith Stone, John Waller, Delmer Davis—it was his first year teaching at Andrews—and Merlene Ogden.

What made you take the plunge to come to Andrews back then as a graduate student?

I graduated with my first degree from Newbold in theology and English. I had thought about being a pastor, but at that time there were not a lot of openings for women in ministry, and so the strong advice of the teachers there, including the theology teachers, was that if I wanted to work for the church, I should look at shifting into teaching. English was my other degree, so I was looking at English. I knew that I needed to go on and get a master’s degree if I was going to continue into teaching, especially in the American system. A lot of other people from England were going to Andrews, going to the Seminary, but no one else had gone into English. The church in the UK had only ever sponsored men and they’d only ever sponsored people for theology. So it took them a long while and a little bit of competition before they agreed to give me at least a little bit of help to come over.

So what have you been doing since then that brought you all the way from being a graduate student in English and an English teacher to the position of provost?

After being a graduate student I taught in secondary school for four years. I really, really liked it, but again there weren’t a lot of opportunities in the UK in the church system beyond the one school where I was. So that’s when I decided to go on, with some encouragement, and do a PhD. After I completed my degree in Washington, D.C. at Catholic University of America, I went back to Newbold College and became head of the English Department. Then there was a combination of things: I worked between Newbold College and the British Union. I worked in the Union office as Education Director and Sabbath School Director. I was head of the secondary school—Stanborough School—for a while. Then I went back as principal at Newbold. After that I went to Canada, to Canadian University College (CaUC), as academic vice president. From there to the General Conference as associate education director where I was responsible for five divisions. That was a lot of world travel. Then back to CaUC as president and then here. That’s just a snapshot!

What about your experiences at all those various places and positions do you think has prepared you for what you’re doing here now at Andrews University?

Well, all of them have impacted me in different ways. Newbold College was very international; that was one of the rich parts of that community. That’s something that, when I left Newbold, I missed. When I worked for the General Conference I got that a bit again when I travelled. So those parts of my experience really helped me understand and respond to diversity and internationalism.

Between all of the institutions, I have worked with the British system, the Canadian system, and the U.S. system, so I have a little bit of familiarity with different types of accreditation and different types of government systems. That is helpful because you learn what lies behind some of the structures of the way higher education works. It helps you when you go into a new environment because you can begin to see some of the issues, challenges and strengths. In my job in Washington I was constantly in different institutions of higher education around the world. With leading accreditation teams you had to go in and appraise the

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Oh, well, my area is Milton, so of course I would love teaching Milton. I really like all of the Renaissance period, so anything in that area. But one of my favorite classes was communication skills. I like the public speaking aspect and dealing with freshmen and just helping them find that they have more voice than they thought they had. You’ve been on campus for about six months now, and of course we’re always curious about how any new member of the team finds our community and feels about the atmosphere she or he meets at Andrews. So what is good so far about being here?

Everyone has been very welcoming. I have felt appreciated, and I have felt that people want me to be part of the team. That’s very positive. And, again, I like the mix of people on the Andrews campus and the community that that brings.

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I think I’ve largely been in institutions that, just because they were smaller, allowed change to happen more quickly. One institution I went into, I remember the board chair saying to me, “The ship is heading for the rocks. Can you turn the ship before it hits the rocks?” But the reality was it was a small
ship. When you talk about Andrews it’s more like a huge cruise liner. It takes way longer to turn the ship, I think that’s one of the things that is more challenging at Andrews.

And with that, there’s a huge amount of history. That can be really, really positive but it also makes it difficult sometimes for people or the institution to keep up with what is happening in the wider environment, which expects things to shift or change. It’s hard if a place isn’t used to that or too deeply ingrained in tradition, even though that tradition is good.

The same thing is true of diversity. It brings huge richness, but it also makes a community more complex. Other dynamics are constantly part of the mix when a community is more diverse and you have people from different countries. Even for myself— I’ve been in North America for a fair number of years, but even now I can say something and people will look at me like, “What does that mean?”

**Do you find people reacting to your accent?**

Yes, I do a little bit. Mostly they say it’s very clear. And that’s just British pronunciation, so that’s something I can take absolutely no credit for!

As you become better acquainted with Andrews, what things do you find here that you think we can build on?

First of all, again, the richness of the mix of people who go to Andrews, you don’t get that in one place; that is quite exceptional. Second, the level of commitment. There’s a huge amount of commitment on the campus, whether people have been here multiple years or a few years. Lots of people go for the second or third mile, more than they have to, to make a contribution. So, that is quite exceptional.

The thing I love more than anything is building community. When you talk about community it’s trying to enable the maximum amount of people to have a positive voice in what is happening. I think my creativity is more in this kind of thing—problem-solving, I wish I could sit down at a piano and play, or I could write creatively, but that’s not what I do. I have to look at some structures and play around with them!

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Andrews University Board of Trustees is promoting spiritual growth on campus as never before. Thanks to generous donations given by Board members, E. Edward and Ann Zinke of the Foundation for Adventist Education, Andrews faculty and staff, along with a host of other donors, all current University students were able to receive an Andrews Study Bible free-of-charge. Distributions took place in January just in time to get the Word of God into the hands of every student prior to the Week of Spiritual Emphasis.

Prior to the start of fall semester, Andrews faculty and staff donated funds to the Bibles for Freshmen project. It provided an Andrews Study Bible for each incoming freshman. That project took on a new life at the October Board of Trustees meeting. Engineering student Sandra Prieto opened the board meeting with a word of prayer. Sandra, who had previously donated toward the Bibles for Freshmen project by sponsoring a Bible for an incoming Andrews freshman, then shared the impact the Andrews Study Bible gift had had on her. That launched the Board of Trustees into a conversation on how they could also support the project. In a matter of minutes, the Board collectively pledged $18,000 of their personal funds to expand on the Bibles for Freshmen project to provide Bibles for all current students. In the end, those gifts, combined with funds from the Foundation for Adventist Education and other donations, totaled nearly $64,000.

Graduate students received their Andrews Study Bible at the first distribution event on Thursday, Jan. 13, in the Howard Performing Arts Center. Students were asked to sit with classmates from their respective schools/collages while deans, department chairs and faculty distributed the books.

During the Graduate Convocation service, President Niels-Erik Andreasen engaged in conversation with Edwin Hernandez, an Andrews alum and a Trustee who supported the Andrews Study Bible distribution project. Hernandez recalled the October Board meeting and said the decision to sponsor Bibles for all Andrews students was “Spirit-led.” “We wanted to ensure all students had access to this extraordinary resource,” Hernandez said.

“These study bibles will not only help students grow spiritually but also scholastically,” said graduate student Elkyn Beltre. “I think that it was very generous and thoughtful of the Board members to give this gift to us.” Elkyn is just one of many students who plan to use this gift for both personal devotions and academic study.

The distribution event for undergraduates came just one week later. Following chapel at Pioneer Memorial Church on Thursday, Jan. 20, Ron Whitehead, assistant to the president for spiritual life, shared with the students the story behind this gift.

"Most Christian universities give Bibles to students when they reach graduation," he explained, "...but 20–30% of students who start as freshmen won't make it to graduation! So we thought, 'Why not give one to them at the beginning?'

A host of Office of Campus Ministries leaders and faculty/staff from across campus helped pass out the Bibles. Bookmarks highlighting a list of Sabbath School and small group opportunities to utilize the study Bible were also given out.

"It tells a lot about a person where they put their money. It's really nice to know the University cares that much about us to give out of their own pockets," said Kali Jardine, biology major. "I feel like the study Bible will be a tool I can use to refresh my devotional life and give me a new perspective on what I read. I'm excited for this opportunity and the blessings it will bring."

Ashleigh Jardine is a student news writer for the Office of Integrated Marketing & Communication.

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**Andrews University: It Runs in the Family**

**Beth Joslin**

is a sophomore at Andrews University. She is currently pursuing a major in English literature and plans to complete a PhD in counseling someday. She enjoys attending school in an Adventist environment that has many chapels, worship opportunities and “friendly, family faces,” she says. Her favorite teacher is Douglas Jones, professor of English, because of his helpfulness and hard work as an advisor. Beth enjoys spending time with her family and has always gone to the same school as her brother, Mark. She attended Andrews Academy with him as well as her cousins, Tommy and Bonnie. Interestingly enough, she claims to see Jonathan more than any other cousin at the University.

Besides spending time (particularly holidays) with her family, Beth also makes the most of her friendships. This year, she played on the Andrews Cardinal Soccer Team and enjoyed the involvement and great team spirit. Someday, she sees herself living the American dream—having a comfy house, fulfilling job, several children and an amazing husband.

**Jonathan Koch**

is a senior at Andrews University. He is currently pursuing majors in English literature and political science and is involved as the university’s J.N. Andrews Honors President, AUSA secretary, the Lee vice-president and Sigma Phi president. This is the first time Jonathan has gone to the same school as his cousins. “Because I live in Pennsylvania and they all lived in Michigan, I only saw them two or three times a year,” he says. “I’m the oldest, and each year, I’ve added another cousin at Andrews.” When the family did get together, it was usually at the grandparents’ farm in Edmore, Mich. Jonathan remembers playing with his cousins on the farm, riding the kitchen for candy and putting on funny puppet shows to make the adults laugh.

He enjoys the little things about family, like seeing Bonnie in between classes and playing sports with Mark and Tommy. “Being connected by blood is hard to describe,” he says. “The grous of cousins has stayed pretty tight. Family endures.” Jonathan aspires to be a lawyer someday and live along the east coast.

**Mark Joslin**

is a senior at Andrews University. He is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in English and enjoys taking classes from his favorite teacher/advisor Douglas Jones. Mark also enjoys his Western Heritage class, claiming, “The play each semester is fun. Plus, I like history.” Mark and his sister, Beth, grew up in the Berrien Springs area and have gone to every school together—preschool, Ruth Murdoch Elementary School, Andrews Academy and now Andrews University. He enjoys being at a school with the friends he grew up with and also having a real experience living in a dorm for the first time.

An avid sports loves Mark is very involved in the intramural program and played on the Andrews University Cardinal Soccer Team this year with his cousin, Jonathan. “It was cool meeting people and traveling to play other schools,” he says. Though he hasn’t decided on a career yet, Mark aspires to publish a book of his own someday.

**Bonnie Greene**

is a senior at Andrews University. She is currently pursuing a major in graphic design, hoping to someday “become a designer and make a mark in the world of art and design,” he says. In fact, the main reason Bonnie decided to attend Andrews was because of the art department.

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Alumni gatherings

Oakbrook, Illinois
Sunday, December 12, 2010

More than 120 alumni came out to the Old Spaghetti Factory—our largest event at this location to date. A spacious private room filled with character was a great place to share news from campus and receive an update from President Niels-Erik Andreasen (MA '65, BD '66). Especially well-represented this year were recent graduates from the classes of 2000 and up.

Riverside, California
Sunday, January 10, 2011

Sacramento, California
Wednesday, February 2, 2011

We saw some old friends and made some new ones while enjoying news from campus presented by Andrely Kharkovyy (BBA '06, MBA '10), assistant director of Alumni Services. Following the presentation, President Andreasen updated alumni on the progress of various projects on campus and shared plans regarding integration of Andrews and Griggs Universities. Paul Stokstad (att., current Board member), right, attended the gathering.

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Napa, California
Thursday, February 3, 2011

Once again we enjoyed an authentic Mexican buffet at Compadres Rio Grille. After a short update on campus life and introduction from David Faehner (MA '72), President Andreasen spoke at length about current construction projects on campus as well as the unique opportunities presented with the integration of Griggs University.

Singapore
Monday, March 14, 2011

The Cardinal Men’s Hockey Team (top) faced off against the Alumni Team on Saturday, Feb. 26, during the annual Alumni vs. Students Hockey Game. The event took place at the Ice Box Skating Rink in South Bend, Ind., where the Cardinals compete in a Men’s League (B-Silver Division). The Cardinals hold a 20-13 record in the league and pulled off a last-minute win against the Alumni. The team scored all 5 goals in the third period and finished the game with a final score of 5-3. University students and local alumni braved the cold and enjoyed free skating, contests, games and relay races following the hockey game.

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Alumni calendar of events
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April
13 Alumni Board of Directors Meeting
4:30 p.m.
Alumni House, Andrews University
28 Alumni Graduation Picnic
6 p.m.
Alumni House Backyard

May
1 Spring Commencement
8:30 a.m.—Graduate
11:30 a.m.—Undergraduate
Pioneer Memorial Church

June
8 Alumni Board of Directors Meeting
4:30 p.m.
Alumni House, Andrews University
18 Michigan Alumni Gathering
5 p.m.
Fellowship Hall, Cedar Lake Church
Cedar Lake, Mich.

July
13 Alumni Board of Directors Meeting
4:30 p.m.
Alumni House, Andrews University
18 Indiana Alumni Gathering
5 p.m.
Home Ec Room, Indiana Academy
Cicero, Ind.
18 Wisconsin Alumni Gathering
5 p.m.
Andrews University Cabin
Camp Wokondi, Westfield, Wis.
23 PSL/Indiana Alumni Gathering
5 p.m.
The Old Spaghetti Factory
210 S Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind.
We look forward to meeting with local alumni and those attending the PSL Conference.
25 Lake Region Alumni Gathering
5 p.m.
Picnic Table Area, Camp Wagner
Cassopolis, Mich.
25 Southern New England Alumni Gathering
5 p.m.
Southern New England Campgrounds
South Lonsaster, Mass.

August
4 ASI/Sacramento Alumni Gathering
6 p.m.
Sacramento, Calif.
We look forward to meeting with local alumni and those who will be attending the ASI Conference.

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1940s
Duane Cronk (att.) was recently inducted into the Construction Writers Association “Hall of Fame” after a long career in that field. He attended Emmanuel Missionary College from 1946–1949 and was editor of the Student Movement for a year.

Erma Huffaker (DPh ’44) writes, “Thank you for the invitation to join alumni at the Spaghetti Factory in Riverside next Sunday, but I am flying to Portland, Ore., on Friday to visit my daughter and family...and meet my first great grandson. September is a long way away for Homecoming, and I doubt that I will attend, but I appreciate your thinking of me. I was a nursing student there [from] 1942–44, and met my husband, George Huffaker (BS ’35, MA ’39), while attending old EMC. He passed away in 1999. God has been looking out for me, and my health is pretty good. I have much to be grateful for. Living in Simi Valley, Calif., I am near the Adventist Media Center, where I volunteer two mornings a week. I enjoy the FOCUS, and read the news. Occasionally I see the name of an old classmate or friend. Very interesting!”

1960s
Douglas Cooper (MDiv ’68) recently published a book entitled Gentle Dove: The Holy Spirit, God’s Greatest Gift. The book explores the experience and doctrines of the Holy Spirit from “a more thoughtful, contemporary and devotional paradigm,” says Cooper. “I believe it is a practical tool for those who want to know how to have the filling of the Spirit.” Cooper has authored eight other books including Living God’s Love, Stranger to the World and Way Up North, as well as articles for the Adventist Review and Signs of the Times. He is a member of and a deacon at the Pacific Union College STA Church, and a substitute teacher in the PUC Religion Department. Cooper’s website is www.thegentledove.com.

1970s
Arthur Kroncke (BA ’76, MA ’78) is living and working in Las Vegas, Nev. He taught for six years in Adventist schools and 18 years in public schools, and has been married for 35 years. He writes, “I survived throat cancer five years ago, and while my health is still somewhat of a problem, I continue plugging away at my job, waiting for retirement, or until the Lord returns, whichever comes first. I think back fondly of my years at Andrews University, and AU&ME before that. Much of my youth was spent there as the son of Pioneer Pastor John Kroncke. Andrews will always hold a special place in my heart. I will even end up back in Berrien Springs some day, as our family burial plot is there. May God bless little Berrien Springs and all the dedicated people at Andrews University.”

Who are alumni?
If you’ve attended, worked or taught at Andrews University we consider you alumni! And if you’re a parent or a potential student considering Andrews, you’re invited to be our honored guest at any of the above alumni gatherings.

Would you be interested in serving as a local host for an alumni gathering? Or maybe you’d be willing to sponsor an event in your area? How about serving on our Alumni Board of Directors? Connecting with students as a mentor? We’d love to hear from you! Email alumni@andrews.edu or call 269-471-3591.

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William Faber (BA ’79) graduated from Andrews on June 3, 1979, with a BA in Communication. He then attended Loma Linda University and received his MD in May of 1983. William received a Master of Arts in Medical Ethics through Loma Linda in 1987 and a Master of Science in Medical Management from Harvard University in 2009. He currently works as regional medical director for Advocate Medical Group in Chicago, Ill.

1980s

Olan M. Johnson (MA ’94) was elected director for the Department of Family Ministries for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists at the General Conference Session held in Atlanta, Ga., June–July 2010. Oliver holds a PhD in family sociology from American University and an MA in sociology from Columbia University in New York City. He has served as director of family ministries for the North American Division, the Adventist Union Conference and the Greater New York Conference where he also served as senior pastor and youth pastor in New York City. His wife, Elaine, a veteran university administrator, was elected associate director for the General Conference Department of Family Ministries. Their daughter, Jessica (BA ’10), is currently a graduate student in public health at Loma Linda University. Their son, Julian, is an undergraduate in environmental engineering.

Olan M. Johnson (MA ’94), co-chair of the Securities Transactions and Regulations Practice Group and a former attorney with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, was honored as a “trailblazer” by the SEC’s African American Council in observance of African American History Month. The award, which was presented live and via video conference to each of the SEC’s regional offices, recognizes recipients for their professional accomplishments and community service.

In addition to his corporate law practice, Johnson was appointed in 2009 by President Obama to serve as chairman of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC); an appointment later confirmed by the U.S. Senate in February 2010. He also serves on numerous boards of directors and the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland. In remarks Johnson gave at the ceremony, he said it was especially meaningful to be honored by the SEC’s African American Council in observance of African American History Month. The award, which was presented live and via video conference to each of the SEC’s regional offices, recognizes recipients for their professional accomplishments and community service.

Akindele S. Santrac (MA ’99) is an associate professor of religion, ethics and philosophy at the University of the Southern Caribbean, Trinidad, West Indies. His fourth book (on the topic of philosophy of religion) has been accepted for publication in 2011 by Edwin Mellen Press, New York. Apart from his doctorate in philosophy (2003), post-doctoral fellowship from Catholic University of America and MA in religious studies from the University of the Southern Caribbean, Trinidad, West Indies, he has served as a regular visiting scholar/research visitor at the University of Notre Dame, Ind., and a member of The Society of Christian Philosophers and Society of Adventist Philosophers. He enjoys history, classical music and basketball. Dragoslava Santrac (MA ’99) is an assistant professor of biblical languages (Hebrew and Greek) and biblical backgrounds at the University of the Southern Caribbean. She is currently doing her doctorate in Old Testament Theology at Greenwich School of Theology, UK. The topic of her research is “Sanctuary Cult in Relation to Religious Piety in the Book of Psalms.” She enjoys fellowship and cooking. They have two daughters, Natasha Nada (8) and Emily Grace (4).

Jo-Anne (Vizcarra) (BS ’94) married Allen Magisipo on the beaches of Negrol, Jamaica on Feb. 19, 2009, at a destination wedding witnessed by family and friends. They have been blessed with the birth of their son, Ryan, on July 18, 2010. Jo-Anne writes, “Parenthood has truly been a life-changing experience, but definitely a blessing!” They are currently residing in Somersett, N.J.

Virginia Romer (MA ’94, MA ’98, PhD ’04) has been in the teaching profession for 25 years. The first 12 was spent teaching English and literature to high school students, then she spent nine years as a guidance counselor. In August 2006, she was made vice principal of a high school on the island of Eleuthera located in the Bahamas. In August of 2010, she was promoted to principal of the San Salvador High School on the island of San Salvador, another of the many beautiful islands in the Bahamas. She is actively involved in the Cockburn Town Seventh-day Adventist Church on the island; using her talents and abilities to help in the finishing of God’s work.

Virginia recently published her first book, Experiencing the Goodness of God. In the book, she shares personal experiences of the goodness of God and how she saved her from death. The book can be purchased on Amazon. She writes, “The book is excellent for adolescents, encouraging them never to give up on their goals. I recently completed my second book, a novel, which should be published shortly. It was not in my plan to be an author, but the two books came about through encouragement from many, especially the former president of the Bahamian Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. I hope you would read the book and be blessed.”

Aaron Knowlton (BSELED ’10) and Corey Knowlton (BS ’93) recently climbed a five-mile trail through snow to get to the top of Yosemite Point overlooking Half Dome in Yosemite National Park. The hike took place on Jan. 20, 2011. They were chaperones on a science field trip with 50 sixth graders from Redlands Adventist Academy. Corey writes, “A gentleman saw us wearing our shirts and asked if we were AU alumni. He had attended Pacific Union College. I’m not sure if you still post pictures in Focus of AU students and alumni wearing their school gear in cool locations.” [Yes, we do!]

2000s

On July 1, 2010 (Canada Day), Paul Adams (BT ’04) married Lisa Gage in Oshawa, Ontario, Canada. He writes, “Thanks to my automotive management degree from Andrews University, I have worked for Toyota Canada in Toronto for the last four years. Currently, I am an area sales manager for the Ontario region. Lisa graduated from Waterloo University in 2005. She currently works as a social worker doing family and individual counseling in Peterborough, Ont.”

Keep us informed

Were you recently married? Have you rejoiced in the birth of a new child? Celebrate the life of a loved one who passed away! Share your recent life stories with alumni friends. Class notes provide an opportunity to include news about achievements, professional development, additional degrees or certificates, travel, hobbies, volunteer work or anything else interesting about you, or your family. If possible, please include a high-resolution digital photo or original print for publication in class notes. Thank you for keeping your alumni family up-to-date with your life.
Belle Brace, born on Feb. 9, 2011. announce the birth of a baby girl, Acadia

Blossom was the wife of Gordon O. Engen. They had been married for 61 years. Born in Lincoln, Neb., Blossom was the daughter of the late Charles F. and Hazel (Nelson) Church. She was a graduate of Campion Academy in Colorado and Union College in Lincoln, Neb., and then earned a master's degree in home economics from Michigan State University in East Lansing, Mich.

Blossom was a long-time teacher. She taught at Union College from 1948–1949, at Adelphian Academy from 1949–1953, and Emmanuel Missionary College (now Andrews University) from 1953–1964. After taking time off to raise a family, she taught at Rumes in Berrien Springs.

She graduated from Emmanuel College in 1931, and from Andego Business School in Chicago. Here she met her husband, Frederick, a former student at Emmanuel College. The couple married in 1931, and had two children: Jared and Kristen Engen. After graduating from college, Frederick worked as a research scientist and medical expert at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md. He then went on to become the director of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md.

Blossom was predeceased by a sister, Arlene Seitz. A memorial service was held at the Eau Claire Seventh-day Adventist Church on Jan. 22, 2011.

Durward B. Wildman Jr (BA '52) passed away on Nov. 30, 2010, surrounded by family. Durward was the founder of the Seventh-day Adventist Church for about 44 years, mostly in health care. His career began in 1955 at Faith for Today, after which he served at Union Academy and Hinsdale Hospital. His final position was as president of the Adventist HealthCare Retirement Plan, a retirement plan for many Adventist hospitals and associated entities across the U.S. His wife, Joan (Lane) (DP '89), also worked at Faith for Today, Union Academy and Hinsdale Hospital, both part-time and full-time while raising their family. He remained active in the local church and school as well as doing some volunteer work at Hinsdale Hospital. He will be greatly missed by friends and family. Joan writes, “We look forward to our Lord’s soon return to be reunited with all his children.”

In 1997, Winsome received the Jamaican-United States Embassy’s prestigious International Visitor Award. This enabled her to tour five states in the U.S. to observe their educational practices. In 2006, she was an honored alumna at Andrews University and has also been included in the Who’s Who publication in London, England, the U.S., and the Caribbean. Among her other accomplishments are election as Justice of the Peace in Jamaica and being an active member in the Music Teachers’ Association and the Jamaica-American Friendship Foundation.

Winsome was an avid horticulturist and when not with her students, could often be found in her garden, tending her plants. She had a strong faith which never wavered despite challenges in her life. She had a warm and generous spirit and loved people from all walks of life. After retirement, she built up a successful music studio in her home in Kingston with 30 children during the past few years. This number dwindled significantly last year due to her health issues.

Celebrating her memory are her children Eric Smith Marshall of Tama, Fla.; Valentine Smith of Buenos Aires, Argentina; and in law Michael Marshall, grandchildren Mariela and Felipe Smith, brothers Howard Thompson of Manchester, Jamaica and Barrington Thompson of Kingston; sisters Sonia Vucich of Calgary, Canada, Donna Clarke of Switzerland, and Arlene Finn of Kansas City.

Hans K. LaRondelle, a noted Seventh-day Adventist, an author, a scholar and a teacher, passed away in Sarasota, Fla., after fighting a two-month battle with anaplastic thyroid cancer. He was 81 years old.

LaRondelle served as a pastor, evangelist, youth leader and teacher for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Northeastern States from 1953–1964. He is remembered best for his 25-year teaching career at the Andrews University Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary and for significant contributions made to theology. An avid writer, he authored dozens of articles in church-related publications as well as ten books and chapters in many others. In February 2010, he was honored with the publication of a Festschrift, a book of essays noting his contributions.

LaRondelle was born in the Netherlands in 1925. Although a Roman Catholic, he received a Protestant education from the age of eight and later began an earnest search for God and an understanding of the Bible. At the age of 20, he read himself into the Adventist Church and began his theological study.

LaRondelle began his teaching career at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary in 1967, retiring in 1991 with the title of professor of theology, emeritus. Hundreds of Adventist pastors who completed their studies in the 60s, 70s and 80s sat under his teaching. Colleagues, friends and students of LaRondelle remember him as “a true soldier of the cause”, “one of the best systematic theologians in our church,” “a wonderful friend and colleague,” and someone who “could communicate his work to the everyday church member.”

LaRondelle is survived by his wife, Barbara (att.), son David (BA '78), daughter-in-law Antoinette (att.) and daughter Sonya. A memorial service was held in Sarasota on Sunday, March 27.
The GLARBP—a gravitational force

by Glenda-mae Greene

When we met at Andrews in the 1967–1968 school year, the six of us girls somehow gravitated together. Soon we went everywhere but class together. We wouldn’t even go to the cafeteria unless at least one of us was going too. The thought of finding a table among strangers in that huge room filled me with major apprehension. That is until some other students, some handsome guys and vibrant girls included, would look out for us and either join us at a table or signal us over. We seemed to be thankfully immune to today’s Freshman 15.

Weekends were wonderful. We’d welcome the Sabbath with singing in one of our rooms in Lamson Hall or in the Lamson basement kitchenette if Lenoa was making tamales. On Sabbath morning we’d walk down the Lamson corridors and across the path for church service with Pastor Kroncke. Sabbath lunches at a faculty home were fabulous. I remember that my advisor, the late Wilfred Linke, and his wife, Anna, would invite us to their little house on Grove Road at least once a quarter. I still remember looking out on the vast expanse of green nestled among the trees and enjoying the view as we chatted.

We eventually called ourselves the GLARBP, an acronym for our first names. But that was more than 40 years ago. Now the GLARBP consists of six professional women who live all over the continent: Glenda-mae Greene (BA ’70, MA ’71, PhD ’98), the former assistant vice president of Student Services has retired to Florida; Lenoa Parilla Edwards (BA ’70, MA ’71) is assistant dean for admissions at Loma Linda University School of Medicine in California; Audre Nembhard Parker (BA ’70) is a physical therapy professor at Tennessee State University; Beverly Reid Mattocks (BA ’69) worked globally in pharmaceutical sales and marketing and retired to Florida; and Pamela Boyce Ramhalingham (att.), a retired early childhood administrator, lives in Alberta, Canada. When the weekend started at my house in Palm Bay, Fla., that September morning, Pamela came in bearing a gorgeous fall flower arrangement and Lenoa started cooking. Soon mouth-watering aromas flooded our house. Gently we were in for a gastronomic explosion. By late afternoon Audre arrived. She had been in Georgia for the early arrival of her third grandson. It was such good timing—a clear sign that God was in the mix. “When He opened his hand, they are filled.” (Ps. 104:28, TNIV)

And the ripples of our special bond widened to include those we loved. On Sabbath morning Beverley and her husband Clinton came. Sherry (BA ’98), Lenoa’s dentist daughter, flew in from Oregon shortly after. Beverley presided over the Sabbath service. Audre, the talented musician, prompted our singing with her graceful chords. It was a cornucopia of praise. Though I did the devotion, inviting everyone to find the joys of encountering 60 as hidden in Ecclesiastes 12, it was the singing we remembered. “Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, ye righteous; and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.” (Ps. 32:11)

After lunch, we called Rosalyn who had to be absent because her mother was hospitalized. “If I were rich,” she told us, “I’d have my pilot fly me down.” When Sabbath ended, we swapped the catch up stories that filled in the gaps of 40 years. On Sunday morning, Pamela started the exit procedure. It had been 68 hours well spent, she told us. And it definitely was a foretaste of heaven—the site for our ultimate reunion.

And the evaluation of the event came in Audre’s e-mail the very next day. Is March too soon for another reunion?

Glen-a-mae Greene (BA ’70, MA ’71, PhD ’98), the former assistant vice president of Student Services (now Division of Student Life), wrote from her wheelchair in Palm Bay, Fla.
The Men's Cardinal Basketball team went 3-0 at the USCAA National Tournament in Uniontown, Penn., March 1-5. The Cardinals were the underdogs against C. Clermont Cougars on Saturday night but finished the Division II championship game with a 15-point victory. This is the first time any Cardinal team has won a USCAA National Championship. Even more impressive than the Cardinals' winning streak and talent was their Christian example to the other teams. The Cardinals' Friday night and Saturday morning games were rescheduled by the USCAA “in order to accommodate for Andrews University, a Seventh-day Adventist member...” as stated on the USCAA website. The 2010–2011 Men's Cardinal Basketball Team members are: Clifford Allen, Joshua Faehner, Alec Friedrich, Brandon Garrett, Jason Garrett, Charis Goulding, Ronaldo Green, Thomas Jardine, Matthew Little, Ryan Little, Jerome Murray, Junior Orelus, Ben Weakley and Tyler Wooldridge. The Men's Cardinals' head coach is David Jardine, director of social recreation and athletics.